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by [Walter Olson](#) on April 15, 2010

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On Canadian comedians, now, now. Actually there are a freakish large number of Canadian natives who are or were famous comedians. Jim Carrey, the entire case of Kids in the Hall, John Candy and the entire case of SCTV (I believe they are all Cannuckistanis). The list goes on and on. Like Wiki has this list http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_Canadian_comedians.

So I think anyone who puts down canadian comedy, doesn't know what he is talking about.

[get it? "Aboot?" i kill me.]

That being said, I wonder if we can bring these canadian comedians to the united states on amnesty, now.

[2](#) Richard Nieporent 04.15.10 at 8:13 am

A Naperville psychologist has filed a civil lawsuit against the western Chicago suburb's best-known homeless man.

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[3](#) Jim Collins 04.15.10 at 10:54 am

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