

# Props to ma Peeps

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# O-Dogg



# Spider Boardman

- Core maintenance
- Unglamorous work
- Hard!
- 5.6.0 patches include numeric conversion, configuration
- Whatever needed doing

# Artur Bergman

- **Threads metaphor**
- **Tangled knot**
- **Artur is untying the knot**
- **Fixing Perl internals for threading**
- **Writing a Perl-ish (easy) threading module**

# Ask Hansen

- Primary perl.org sysadmin
- Mailing lists
- Spam filters
- Web site admin
- Things have never run this smooth

# Paul Schinder

- **Ridiculous amount of CPAN testing**
- **MacPerl**
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# Do Ron Ron Kimball

- "Call me Ronald"
- "As in McDonald"
- Indefatigable `comp.lang.perl.misc` helper

# Peter Prymmer

- VMS
- Unicode vs VMS
- Inside Big Blue

# Alan Burlison

- The Sun God
- Core hacker
- Advocate on the inside
- Bloody nice guy

# Elaine Ashton

- Donated hardware
- [search.cpan.org](http://search.cpan.org) admin
- Says what we need to hear ...
- Where are the women?
- Don't screw over the sysadmin



# Chip Salzenberg

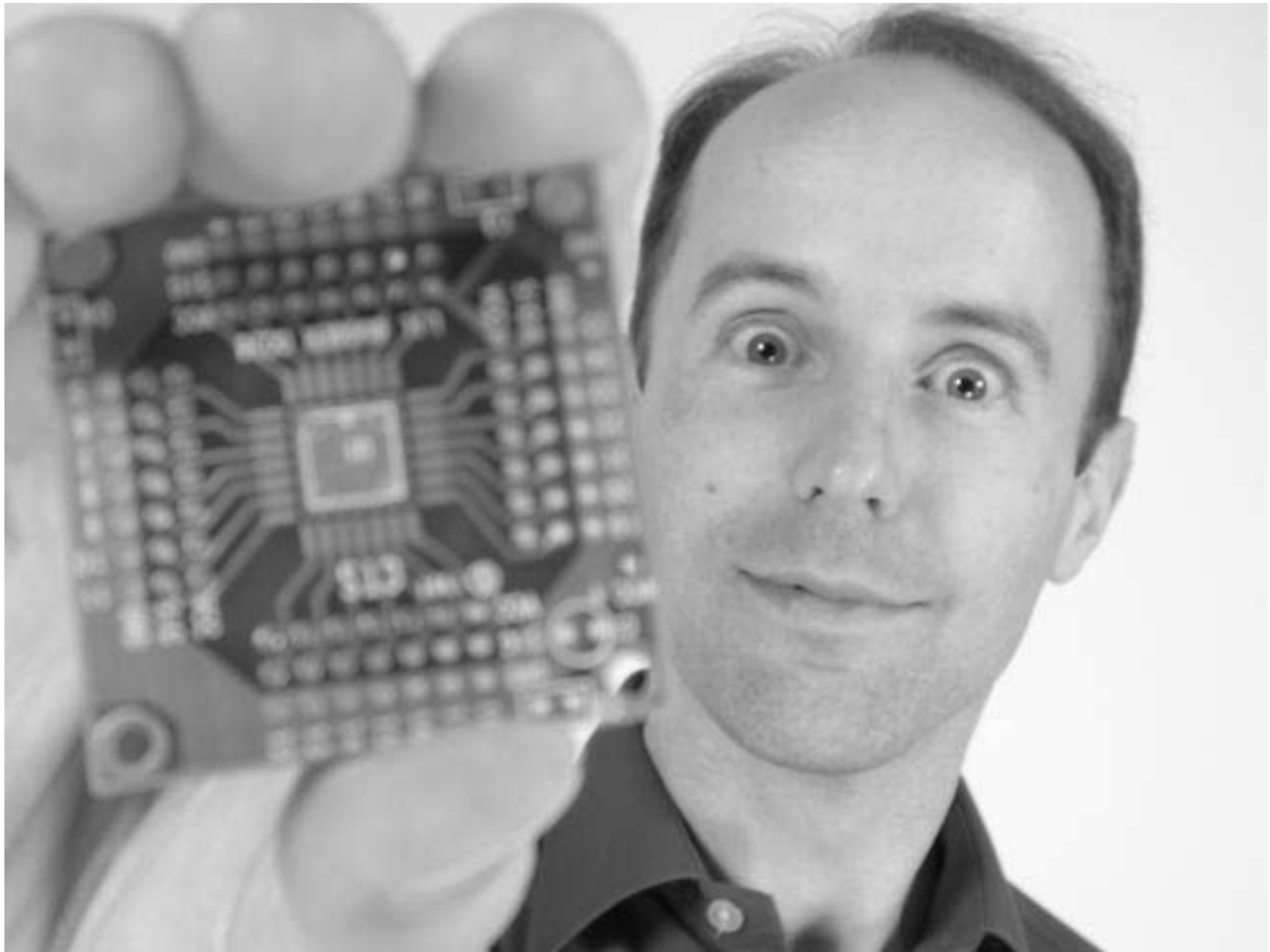
- 5.004 pumpking
- Buffer overflows: fixed
- Memory leaks: fixed (almost)
- Goal: perfection
- First human sacrifice I'd seen
- Told us we needed perl6 long before we realized we needed perl6

# Simon Cozens

- "Meteoric rise"
- (Bad metaphor)
- From Simone Cousins ...
- ... to author, Unicode hacker, internals hacker, perl6 wiz, ...
- language-dev

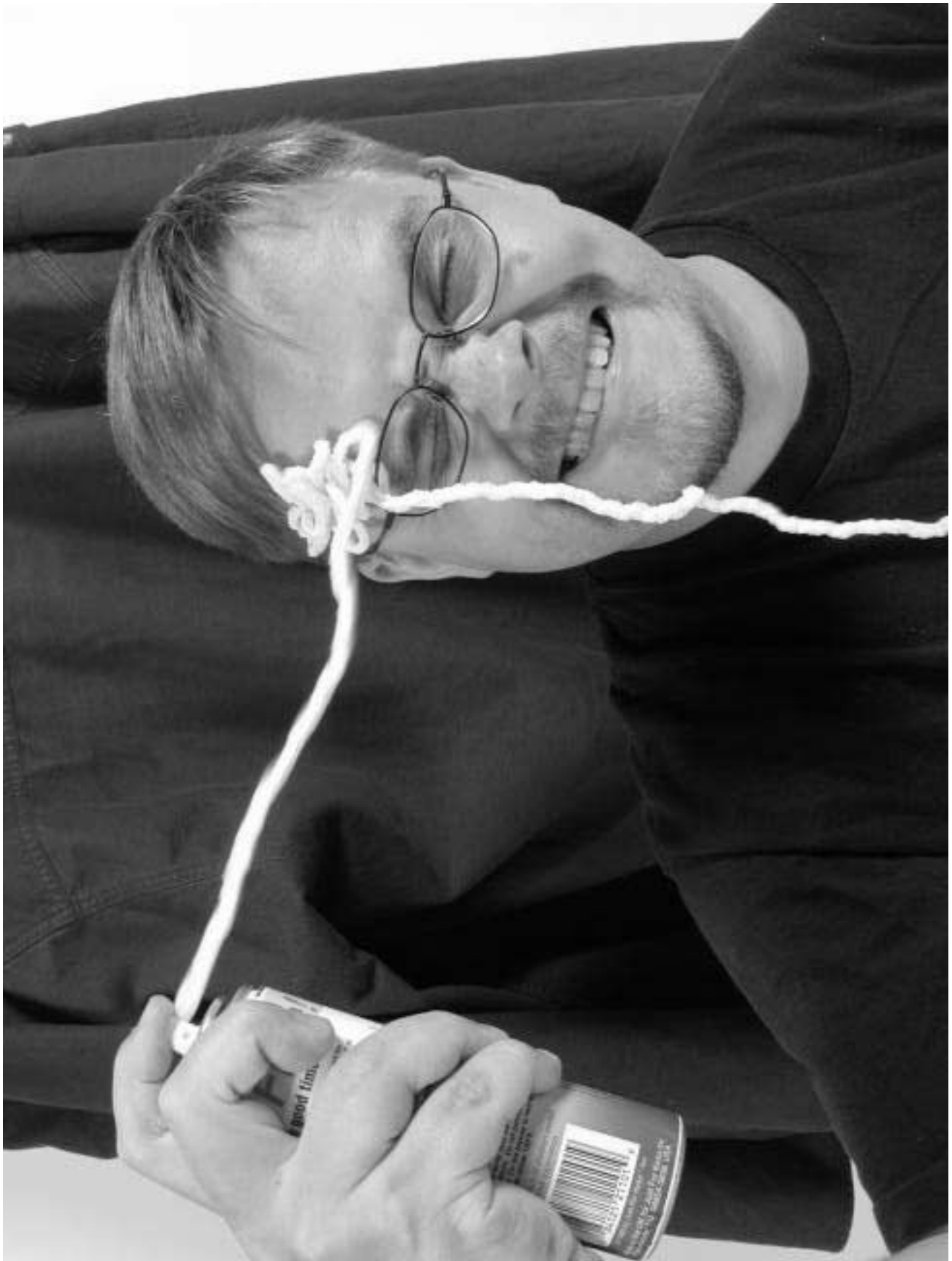
# Tim Bunce

- DBI
- Pumpking
- OnePerl
- Behind the scenes
- Quiet, calm, collected, effective
- Genuinely Nice Person



# Jarkko Hietaniemi

- 10,000 patch milestone recently passed
- jhi checked in 50% of those
- Immediate feedback
- Encouragement
- Quiet strength and leadership
- Genuinely Nice Person



# Damian Conway

- Just kidding
- Just serious
- Love him for what he does
- Love him for who he is
- Truly nice guy
- Never a mean word
- (I'm a bitch)

# Moral of the Story

- **Wonderful people**
- **Love them**
- **Thank them**
- **Keep your eyes open for the hidden wonders of the Perl world**

**Thank You**