

Mythstakes

You may have heard about the famous gods of the ancient Greeks, like Apollo and Athena. But you'll never hear about the ones that Zeus, ruler of the gods, booted out of Mount Olympus. (Until now.)



DISASTROS
GODDESS OF KLUTZES

Powers: Made chairs slide out from under her as she sat down. Caused banana peels to appear directly under her feet. Walked into tables, walls, and priceless vases.

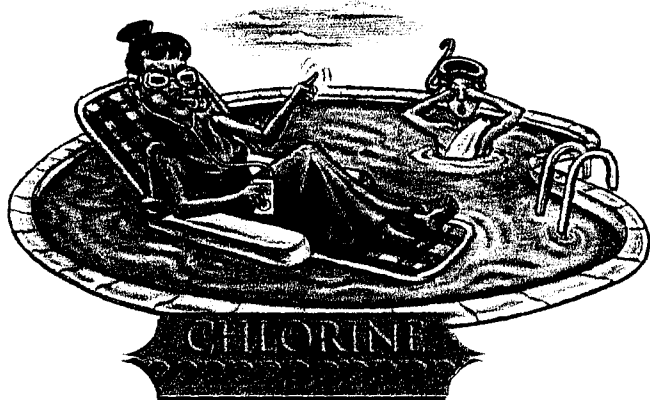
Rejected because: Atlas, a god who held up the world and the heavens, asked Disastros to hold them for five minutes. She did okay for a few seconds but then dropped them, so Zeus gave her her walking papers—which she accidentally dropped as well.



THERMOS
GOD OF THIRSTY PEOPLE

Powers: Provided unlimited quenching. Manipulated bendy straws. Kept cold, cold and hot, hot. Had a bubbly personality.

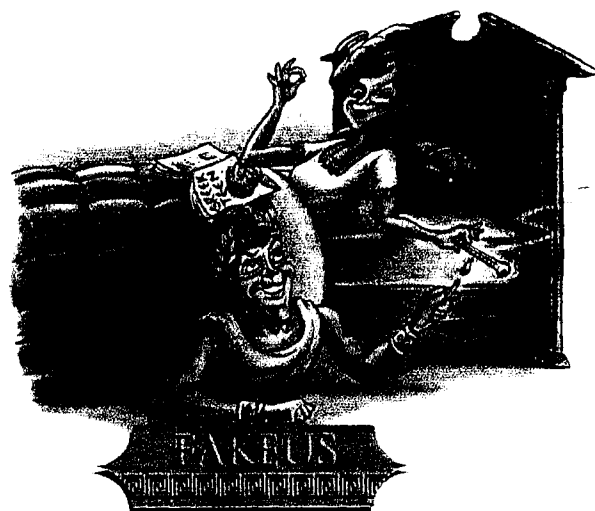
Rejected because: Thermos kept everyone so well hydrated that soon every bathroom on Mount Olympus had a line 25 gods long. Zeus got sick of going so often that he decided it was *Thermos* who had to go.



CHLORINE
GODDESS OF THE POOL AND JACUZZI

Powers: Could control large foam noodles at a distance. Able to tell who peed in the kiddie pool. Looked good in goggles. Worked well under water pressure.

Rejected because: She made her fellow gods' skin wrinkly and their eyes red and burning, which no one appreciated. "I'm afraid I've got to let you go, Chlorine," said Zeus at last. "But can we have one last game of Marco Polo?"



FAKEUS
GOD OF KIDS WHO PRETEND THEY'RE SICK WHEN THEY WANT TO STAY HOME FROM SCHOOL

Powers: Infected youngsters with fake coughing and sneezing. Made stomachs pretend-ache. Could not actually heal anything.

Rejected because: Although it took 800 years, the gods finally caught on to Fakeus. An angry Zeus called him into his office, but Fakeus "came down with a high fever" and never showed up. So Zeus fired him. Some gods, however, think that Zeus was just mad because Fakeus wasn't around during *his* school days. ☐