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HAVE GOOD BREAK

ANSWER ENSUS!

News Briefs

SGA looking for a few good men

by Kent Neier
This month, the Student
Government Association
(SGA) will begin honoring
those Rose-Hulman students
who work hard at promoting
various extra-curricular organizations and activities.
The "Student Leader of the
Month" will be awarded each
month to the nominee who, in
the opinion of SGA, has done
the best job and worked the
hardest in promoting his organization.
This award, aimed at
stimulating the student body
to get more involved with
other non-academic activities, is given to nominees suggested by the student body.
Anyone can nominate the
member of the student body
who they feel has contributed

to extra-curricular life at Rose-Hulman in the past month

Rose-Hulman in the past month.

According to SGA President Chadd Taylor, "We feel that there is a real need to recognize leadership on our campus. Hopefully, with this award we can both recognize and encourage leadership."

Winners will be decided each month by the executive committee of the SGA and announced in the Rose Thorn.

Each month's winner will receive a plaque and will have his name placed on a permanent plaque outside the SGA office in Moench Hall.

While it is too late to make a nomination for April, students may pick up nomination

dents may pick up nomination forms from the SGA office for

Rose chapter of APO receives award

by Matthew A. Ruehlen During the weekend of March 30, representatives from Rose-Hulman's Alpha Phi Omega (APO) chapter (Tau Lambda), attended a sectional conference at Val-paraiso University.

At the conference, the Tau Lambda chapter was awarded the M.R. Dis-bourough Award for chapter of the year and won the bid to host the sectional competition in 1991, despite the stiff competition from Ball State University.

University.

Congratulations go out to Rose students Dwight Weese, who was awarded the Dan Denuyl award for the sections most outstanding active of the year and to Russel Luzetski who received honorable men-tion for the Sectional Dis-tinguished Service Key.

Circle K refurbishes sand court

by Eric Geib
The Rose-Hulman Circle K
Club recently refurbished the
sand volleyball court built

eight years ago.

More than 30 tons of sand and over 40 man-hours of labor were put into refurbishing the court, located at the west end of the campus near the observatory.

The court is available for student, faculty and staff use at any time. Parties interested in using the court should contact Circle K in advance to make sure that the

ball and net are available for

The work done by Circle K members and buildings and grounds crews paid off, and the court is now in shape for the Circle K volleyball tournament held every year during Springfect Springfest.

Teams wanting to register for the tournament should contact Eric Geib at Box 1065 as soon as possible. The deadline for entries is

April 13. The number of teams will be limited to the first eight to sign up.

Future tuition hikes predicted to be not as steep as previous decades

(CPS) — Even as schools around the country announce hefty new tuition hikes for next year, tuition won't rise as fast during the rest of the 1990s as it did the past decade, a new study predicts predicts

orenicts.

"There are many favorable things happening all at once" to keep tuition increases from rising sharply, said economist Carol Frances.

Frances cited slight increase Frances cited slight increases in state appropriations for public campuses and in public support for financial aid. In addition, most institutions have almost finished raising their faculty member's salaries to levels that are competitive with private in-dustry.

"The rate in year-to-year change (in tuition) peaked in the 1980s," Frances said. "If you look back, the slowdown in state funding in the early 80s is when tuition increased so rapidly." Frances, who conducted the study for the American Association of State Colleges and Uni-

versities, the American Associa-tion of Community and Junior Colleges, the American Associa-tion of University Professors and the Association of Urban Univer-

the Association of Urban Universities, predicts yearly tuition increases of about 7 percent during the next few years.

Tuition hikes averaged 12 percent annually in the early 80s and have dropped to about 8 percent in the last three years, she

reports.

"Neither student aid nor fami-

"Neither student aid nor tami-ly incomes kept pace with rising college costs in the 1980s," added the College Board's annual re-port, "Trends in Student Aid." "I think the education people who are running the institutions are extremely concerned about the costs of education and are trying to keep students from hav-ing to borrow," Frances said.

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Even so, while many campuses boast their tuition hikes for the 1990-91 year are the lowest in 15 years, students at most schools can still say they pay a lot more for college than their predecessors.



CALLING FOR DOLLAR\$

Students from 11 Rose campus organizations teamed up throughout the month of March to help conduct Rose-Hulman's annual alumni phonathon. Through the efforts of these volunteers, a total of over \$63,000 in pledges were obtained from alumni. The two liter bottles of soft drinks shown in the photo above were among the items awarded to students who solicited extraordinary pledges.

New board members take positions

Three executives, including a Terre Haute businessman, who serve as presidents of in-ternational or Indiana-based companies have been elected to the Rose-Hulman Board of Man-

Board Chairman John Titsworth recently announced that Victor Beghini, president of Marathon Oil Co., Houston, Texas; Walter Blackburn, owner and president of Blackburn As and president of Blackburn Associates Architects, Inc., of Indianapolis; and Rose-Hulman graduate and Terre Haute businessman, Greg Gibson, president of Victory Services Corp., have been elected to five-year terms on the board.

Their appointments are effective immediately.

Beghini received an honorary Doctor of Engineering degree and delivered the commencement address last year at Rose-Hulman. In 1981, he was presented with the Chauncey Rose Medal following his selection as the Annual Oscar C. Schmidt Memorial Lectures

Memorial Lecturer.

In 1987, Beghini was named president of Marathon Oil and was elected to USX Corporation

was elected to USX Corporation
Corporate Policy Committee and
to the Board of Directors of
Texas Oil and Gas Corp.
Blackburn is a graduate of the
Howard University School of
Architecture and Engineering.
His firm has been commissioned
to design a wide variety of projects ranging from highrise buildings to shooping centers churchings to shopping centers, churches, private homes and complex

housing developments.

Blackburn's planning expertise includes work with the National Capitol Planning Commission of the Department of Interior. He has also been chosen for membership in Tau Beta Pi national engineering honor society.

Gibson, in addition to his duties as president of Victory Services Corp., serves as a member of Indiana Governor Evan Bayh's advisory committee for the Indiana Institute for Recycl-ing at Indiana State University.

The 1984 Rose civil engineering graduate is also a member of a steering committee of the National Solid Waste Management Association and a consultant to Laidlaw Waste System of Chicago.

Minimum wage increase to have little impact on work-study

Staff Reporter
Effective April 1, 1990, the minimum wage increased to \$3.85 per hour. This increase will benefit all minimum-wage Rose-

benefit all minimum-wage Rose-Hulman employees.

According to Tom Mason,
Rose-Hulman vice president for
administration and finance, the
only impact of this raise upon
work-study students will be a
reduction in the number of hours
required to make the same
amount of money. amount of money.

Contrary to some rumors, the

wage increase will not be the cause of tuition increases next

year.

The intent of the work-study program is to match the departments' need for labor with the students' need for money.

Rose-Hulman is required to match the federal work-study grant by 25 percent; however, the money allocated by the federal government runs out during first quarter of the academic year. Since Rose spends a great deal more on work-study than the government allots, almost 80

percent of total work-study ex-

percent of total work-study expenses yearly are paid by Rose-Hulman.

According to Rose financial aid director Paul Steward, the maximum work-study grant next year is \$1,000, up \$100 from this year. The student affairs office has determined that approximately nine hours of work proximately nine hours of work per week is a feasible time de-mand on Rose students. The increased grant will allow

eligible students to work the same number of hours to com-plete the work-study contract.

Students donate record amount of blood

Rose students set a new record at yesterday's blood drive, giving 399 pints. Members of the blood drive committee commented that they hope this record is broken soon. The statistics on giving are shown below.

Residence hall percentages

1. Deming I - 65 %

2. Deming 0 - 50 %

3. Speed III - 47 %

4. Speed III - 35 %

5. BSB III - 34 %

- Deming II 32 % Skinner 28 % Speed I 27 % BSB II 27 %
- Blumberg 26 % BSB I 21 %
- Scharpenberg 21 %
- 13. Mees 20 % 14. Deming Attic 14 %
- Fraternity percentages Pi Kappa Alpha 46 % Delta Sigma Phi 38 % Theta Xi 35 %

- 4. Triangle 30 % 5. Lambda Chi Alpha 22 % 6. FIJI 19 % 7. Sigma Nu 13 % 8. Alpha Tau Omega 6 %

Total Air Force ROTC - 21 pints Total Army ROTC - 35 pints

In addition, several prizes, including pizzas, cash and gift certificates were awarded to selected students.

Opinion

Letter to the Editor

This past Saturday evening I was privileged to attend a performance of "Engineers in Concert."

It is gratifying to know that our students not only excel in the academics but are quite proficient in the performing arts. Most of the acts were performed with expertise and a degree of professionalism. I would like to compliment Mrs. Goecker on her direction of the Jazz Band, their performance was just "GREAT."

Again, thanks to the students and others who gave of their time and talents to put this program together

Generally speaking, the Fine Arts series is poorly received, and considering the fact we were in the midst of Hoosier Hysteria and other activities in the community, I was pleased to see so many people in attendance and their general attitude toward the fine presentation given by the stu-

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Course integration... is it going to work?

By Amit Bhatiani Come September next year Come September next year, 60 freshmen will enter what will certainly be an adventure without any precedents. They are going to be the brave ones who choose to join the new integrated freshman curriculum. They are going to be the first ones who dared to shed the old tools and pick up new ones.

The integrated curriculum is going to combine the math, physics, chemistry and computer science courses in the traditional freshman cur-

the traditional freshman curriculum and make a single 12 credit per quarter course sequence out of them.

As mentioned in previous issues, the students are going to be using NeXT workstations to enhance their problem solving skills. Rather than have the students figure out the links between the various disciplines on their own. out the links between the various disciplines on their own, this curriculum is going to emphasize these links. The aim of the program is to give the student a chance to visual-

the student a chance to visualize real-world models and then come up with design solutions for them.

The thinking behind this approach is based on two reasons. First, freshmen did not have adequate training to recognize the links and apply them. Second, they did not have the tools required to

come up with a final solution. Both these deficiencies are now going to be remedied, and hopefully the productivity of the student will be greatly enhanced.

After speaking with Brian Winkel and Jeffrey Froyd, two of the faculty members involved with development of the curriculum, it is clear that a lot of planning has gone into this program. this program.

this program.

The professors involved are very dedicated to their work and the students who will be participating are no doubt going to be hard-working and conscientious. However, several questions arise... Are the students going to be able to create an environment where they get the maximum advantage out of all the tools that they have at their disposal? Are the students going to adopt to the new system well, or are we going to have horror stories like MAPLE-Cal where students flunk Cal where students flunk other courses because in-tegration was impossible without their terminals handy

In other words, are the profin other words, are the pro-fessors going to able to use the computers as a tool to supplement and enhance the classroom learning or are the students going to develop a dependence on the machines? Winkel says that the machines are going to be tools that let the students explore more difficult solutions and model complex, real-life sys-

He says that this is going to be a major advantage compared to the traditional way of teaching in the sense that the student is going to have a clear motivation to learn things instead of learning in the hope that the things he is learning are going to be useful someday. ful someday.

The administration is presently sending out material to prospective freshmen, asking them to consider the integrated curriculum as an option.

The kind of response that The kind of response that they are going to get is any-body's guess. The idea seems to work just fine on paper and could provide participating freshmen with the opportunity to develop their problemsolving and design skills. On the other hand, the whole idea could just fall flat on its face because of a 1001 unforeseen because of a 1001 unforeseen

Let's hope that this is another one of Rose-Hulman's pioneering successes, we wish the faculty and everybody involved with it the best of luck.



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Sports

Engineers get run over by Little Giants, but will return tomorrow

Sports Editor
The Little Giants of Wabash
College ran past the Engineers
last Saturday in a dual ICAC confrontation. Sprinting events were the downfall of Rose and the specialty for the host team in a finish that had a score un-characteristic of past meets be-tween the rivals, 109-62.

The victory for Wabash still leaves the team at an 11 to 10 disadvantage since the squads began competition in 1969. Most meets, as Coach Bill Welch recalls, were always close and "settled in the last couple of events."

Hammer — Jefferson (W) 132-9, Zachary (W), 123-2, Tom Finkbiner (RH) 121-9. 10,000 — Forchetti (W) 34:20, Kerr (W) 34:33, Brett Mazany (RH) 36:36. 4x100 Relay — Wabash 43.9, Rose-Hulman 44.4. Steeplechase — Brian Moench (RH) 10:16.2, Lockerble (W) (no time), Steve Lawrence (RH) 10:33.5.

1,500 — Baker (W) 4:02.3, Jason Lueking (RH) 4:03.4, McClure (W) 4:05.9.

a score uncharacteristic of past meets between rivals,

Despite two double-winners for Welch's team, the eventual champions opened up with an eight to one lead that was never relinquished. Senior Brian Bart-ley won both hurdle races — 110H (16.0), and 400IH (55.6). Sophomore Tom Gorsich once again won multiple events in the shot put (44'-1") and discus (147'-5")

The Little Giants swept the

HJ — Mulzer (W) 6-2, Dewar (RH) 6-0, Brazy (W) 5-6.

400 — Omar (W) 50.7, Brindige (W) 52.0, Karnell (W) 53.2. SP — Tom Gorsich (RH) 44-1, Doug Childers (RH) 43-10½, Kirk Balley (RH)

42-3½, 100 — Mosley (W) 11.4, Derr (W) 11.4, Hoke (W) 11.5. 800 — Gongwer (W) 2:01.6, Durham 8W) 2:06.8, Jesse Penn (RH) 2:10.5 400 IH — Bartley (RH) 55.6, Brazy (W) 55.9, Oliver (W) 58.3.

PV — Larry Boxler (RH) 12-0, Rick Briars (W) 10-0.

100-, 200-, and 400-meter races to break open the tight scoring. One bright spot for the Engineers, however, was sophomore Greg Dixon in the 5000-meter race with a time of 15:23.7. His time put him among the top three all-time in Rose-Hulman's history, but in the meet it was only good for second place.

Other winners for Rose were Brian Moench in the 3000-meter steeplechase (10:16.2), Larry Boxler in the pole vault (12'-0"), and Scott Strayer who on his last attempt won the javelin (156'-0"). The Engineers will return to Crawfordsville tomorrow for the Wabash Relays.

200 — Derr (W) 23.1, Mosey (W) 23.2, Hoke (W) 23.8.

LJ — Brindige (W) 20-11, Mulzer (W) 20-334, Jim Kalser (RH) 18-¼.
TJ — Collins (W) 38-11, Mulzer (W) 37-2, Doug Sowder (RH) 37-1.

. 5,000 — Lampert (W) 15:19.3, Grey Dixson (RH) 15:23.7, McClure (W) 16:10.9.

16:10.9.

D — Gorsich (RH) 147-5, Schneider (W) 134-9, Bailey (RH) 124.10.

J — Scott Strayer (RH) 156-0, Rice (W) 153-1, Eric Wandel (RH) 123-10.

4x400 Relay — Wabash 3:32.5, Rose-Hulman 3:49.9.

In Other Rose Sports. . .

by Ken Koziol Sports Editor

TENNIS

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The team continues to have it's woes with occasional bright spots. Last Wednesday the members fell victim to yet another opponent by a 5-4 count.

In the Volvo Tennis Collegiate Series, the Engineers dropped their record to 0-6 at home against the Pumas of St. Joseph's College. A couple of freshmen showed their worth with victories. Freshman Tri Vu defeated John Haddix, 6-2, 6-2, and Tony McAllister defeated Mike Robinson 6-3, 6-1. Senior Chris Halioris chipped in for a 6-0, 6-4 victory over Jim Mathen. McAllister paired up with Steve Brown to win at doubles also 7-6, 6-4. The team will participate in the Carry Seward Little State Tournament today in Crawfordsville.

GOLF
The golf team placed eighth among thirteen teams at the Siwash Classic tournament last Friday and Saturday. Head Coach Gene Mitz was not altogether dissatisfied with the finish. "It was a pretty respectable finish, considering that three of the teams in the field qualified for the NCAA Division III national Championships last year." Rose (659) was led by Scott Salter with an 80-82—162. The best round for any of the Engineers was turned in by freshman Chris Posey with an 86-77—163.

Millikin won with a team score of 626 followed by Carthage College, host Knox College and Central (Iowa) in fifth. Knox and Central also competed for the team title last year.

Other scores for Rose members were Mark Schuld 82-83—165, Rick Lesniak 83-86—169 and Mark Reedy 90-93—183.

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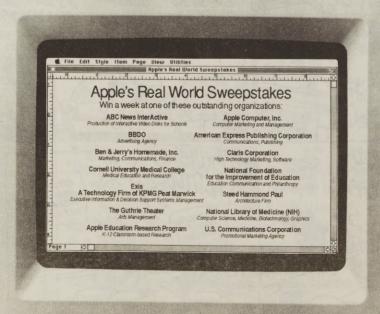
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Humor/Satire

Top Ten Reasons They Tore Up Root Quad

- 1) Got that damn gopher!
- 2) If we can't be the best undergraduate engineering school, we'll just have to revert to "scorched earth" policy.
- 3) So you won't notice the obviously obscene design of the brick wall near the walkway.
- 4) Slight Master Plan change calls for Sahara Desert motif of Root Quad.
- 5) Actually, its a big sandbox: The new CE lab.
- 6) Where do you think ARAT stocks its salad bar?
- 7) Overapplication of "organic fertilizer" called for a quick decontamination of the area.
- Physics dept. has determined that burying that radioactive waste may have been a boo-boo.
- 9) Tom Masonery dropped a nickle somewhere in
- 10) Orienteering Club needed a new practice field.

HP Releases Yet Another Calculator

One month after releasing the HP-48SX, the then top-of-the-line calculator, HP has announced the HP-666, the ultimate calculator. We called HP and asked what the deal was. "Well, we figured that instead of leading you on every year with a new calculator that does just enough new to make you upgrade, we'd make it easier on you. We give you this, and you just send us \$200 every year." If you don't pay, the calculator starts making long distance calls to Hong Kong during prime time. You can buy it mail order or from the Rosem-Hosem Crookstore.

Math: Yes, it does math. Sym-Math: Yes, it does math. Symbolic integration, laplace transforms, disco proofs, and it can even tell out what a question on a Schhiiidddttt test is really asking. Proves Fermat's Last Theorem as part of the self-test. Integrates over an infinite area in five minutes. Calculates your probability of graduating at any given instant. And if Dr. Sharmin threatens to beat you up, it knows karate! Note: A MAPLE compatability module is available that will introduce bugs and outright errors into the math routines.

Programming: Fully programable. Just tell it what you want to do. Or, it knows 30 computer languages, including BASIC so you teachers can't tell what you've written. Artificial intelligence routines will automatically tell you the best way to intelligence routines will automatically tell you the best way to do a question, solve a problem, or score with chicks (first, ditch the pocket protector and taped glasses...). In addition to the IF-THEN-ELSE statement, our handy feminine model has the IF-THEN-ELSE-MAYBE statement that kicks in once a month IF-THEN-ELSE-MAYBE state-ment that kicks in once a month to keep you on your toes. HP has no idea how many function this has. Their technicians tell us "lots and lots and lots," but they are still counting. It doesn't mat-ter. You'll only use 40 the whole time you have the thing.

Screen: And what good would all this be without a nice screen to watch it on? The HP-666 uses to watch it on? The HP-666 uses an 8 foot projection TV so that you can actually see all the little indicator lights and doohickeys that appear on the screen. Fully expandable! If you want more pixels and glue them on. Comes with cable-jack and remote control

Job Hunt: Juniors! Take note... Next year, instead of going to interviews, send your HP-666. It's funnier, smarter, a better talker, and especially a snappier dresser. It'll handle all those tough questions like, "So why do you really want to work for Ford?" and "I see your GPA sucks rocks," much better than

you could. Hell, you're an engineer, you shouldn't have to communicate with people.

Free Time: What to do with all that free time you have at Rosem-Hosem? Play fetch with your calculator, or it knows 34 varieties of bingo. Put it in Nintendo emulation mode and it will make quick backups of the cartridges in its 32 gigabytes of RAM so you can play them when boredom is at its worst, like during class. Hey, calculators don't care about copyright laws. Free Time: What to do with all

Companionship: Ditch your girlfriend. Just cruise with this calculator. It likes your parents. It doesn't beg for more money. It doesn't whine. It doesn't throw all your belongings out on the lawn. It doesn't get drunk at floor parties and come on to all your friends (although that is an option). And best of all, save on your phone bill because it won't insist on talking to you for four hours every night.

Teachers: It's a great tool in class. It will catch any error the professor makes and immediately point it out to him before that jerk in the front row can go, "Excuse me whine), but shouldn't that be..." And if you fall asleep it will give you a quick nudge. It will keep entertained, as it whisper nasty comments about the dweeb sitting right in front of you, cracking up the rest of the row and getting them nasty stares. Best of all, if you can't answer a question it you can't answer a question it will ask the teacher one that he can't answer and will then laugh at him.

How: So how did HP come out with this so quickly, and so far ahead of the competition? They wouldn't say, but mentioned their new engineer, Beez L. Bub. He also refused comment, although he tried to make us a bet.

Quotes of the Week

That's right! Send them to Box 643... Teacher's name, quote, class, your name.

"Perhaps you're just at a *unique* stage in your development."
- Prof. Young to Allen Hackney, Soft. Proj. Mang.

Student: "Sometimes your lectures provide us with a lot of fertilizer." Kyker: "It's a pity that with that much fertilizer, not much seems to grow."

"Can't get (crap) past you, can we?"
"Go take a flying leap at a rolling doughnut!"

- Prof. Kyker to annoying student.

Student Quotes

"It was perfect! I worked it up in the shower this morning..."

- Student on phone to female

"I understand all that calc stuff, but what I don't get is how X can be the same as 3/4

- Visiting high school senior on Calc III

"Shhhh! The RA might hear!"

Resident staff member while making everclear rockets for floor members

