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NEWS BRIEFS

Khorana selected chairman of national committee

Brij Khorana, who directs the physics program and the Center for Applied Optics Studies at Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology, has been selected chairman of a national committee that will set guidelines for the development of undergraduate programs in applied optics.

The committee, sponsored by the International Society for Optical Engineering, will study curriculum standards and determine what type of academic background a professional optician should possess. Committee members will include representatives from government and business as well as higher education.

"There is a great deal of national interest regarding how the new field of optics will be developed at the undergraduate level," said Khorana, who is professor of physics, chairman of the Rose-Hulman Department of

Physics and director of the optics center.

"Obviously, our concern is that standards be established that will result in quality academic programs," he explained.

According to Khorana, the committee will also study whether accreditation or certification of undergraduate optics programs would be appropriate in the immediate future.

He said the committee must issue its findings by Dec. 31.

Rose-Hulman is one of only a few colleges that offers a masters degree program in applied optics.

The Center for Applied Optics Studies at Rose-Hulman is the only one of its kind in the state that is now providing services to Indiana businesses in the area of fiber optics, lasers and other optics technology. The Center is supported, in part, by a grant from the Indiana Corporation for Science and Technology.

R-H students receive NSF fellowship

Three seniors at Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology have been awarded National Science Foundation graduate fellowships that will provide \$36,900 scholarships to each student.

Joe Viray, a mechanical engineering major from Crawfordsville; Dan Tretter, an electrical engineering major from Ferdinand and Erich Friedman, a mathematics major from Indianapolis, will all receive \$12,300 NSF scholarships annually for up to three years.

All three are honor students and will pursue graduate or

Ph.D. degrees.

Viray is expected to attend graduate school at the University of California at Berkeley after graduating from Rose-Hulman in May. His scholarship was awarded under the NSF minority fellowship program.

Tretter will use his scholarship to continue his education in electrical engineering at Purdue University. He plans to pursue a career in research engineering.

Friedman will attend Cornell University where he will pursue a Ph.D. degree in mathematics.

SGA unveils fiscal changes

by Gary Hall

During a March 24 meeting between club presidents, treasurers and SGA, the new administration unveiled its revised budgeting program. The new program sets up a capital expenditures account, sets levels for the emergency fund and refrigerator fund, and will reduce the amount of money available to clubs next year.

Under the new system, the emergency fund will be set at \$10,000. This money will be invested in short term CD's and can be used only in extreme cases. The refrigerator fund, which is used to replace SGA-owned refrigerators when necessary, will contain no more than \$8,000. This money will be used to replace refrigerators as needed, or replace all of them in case of massive loss or damage. SGA representatives defended the amount of money set aside in the refrigerator fund by pointing out that refrigerator rental is a source of high income for SGA.

Excess monies from the emergency fund and the refrigerator fund, as well as funds left in club accounts at the end of the school year, will be placed in a contingency fund, which is also referred to as a capital expenditures fund. The capital expenditures fund replaces the old general fund. The general fund, now called the capital expenditures fund, has been building up over the years. The new administration has decided to let clubs access the funds for major capital expenses if they can prove they need the items.

The new policies will also reduce the amount of money available to clubs when budget hearings come around. Under the new system, club budgets will be funded from student fees only. Each student pays \$15 per quarter in student fees to SGA. This money and this money only will be used to finance student clubs in the coming year. In the past, money was taken from the general fund when deemed nec-

essary to help pay for club expenditures. With money no longer being taken from the general fund, the result is less money available to SGA for budgeting. The decrease in student enrollment will also reduce the amount of money available.

During the meeting, SGA officials also announced that budget hearings will be held April 7, 9 and 14. After the hearings, SGA representatives will submit their budgets, which will be compiled and averaged by the Executive Board. An overall budget will be presented to congress and voted on later this spring.

Once the final budget is approved, each club will have to submit an operating budget based on their allocation for the 1987-1988 school year. This new requirement is aimed at keeping clubs from spending money based upon their original budget and forcing them to tailor their activities to their approved budget amount.

Fourth annual mathematics conference at Rose

The fourth annual Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology Undergraduate Mathematics Conference April 3-4 will provide undergraduate students with a rare opportunity to discuss their research activities.

"Undergraduate research typically does not have a forum for recognition," notes Jack Kinney, Rose-Hulman Professor of Mathematics and conference director.

"Because their research is not earth-shaking, undergraduates are normally not included in academic meetings," Kinney explained.

Sixteen students, including eight from Rose-Hulman and Saint Mary-of-the-Woods

College, will give papers on math topics ranging from topology and probability to geometry and coding theory. Rose-Hulman students who will deliver papers are Chris McGill of Terre Haute, and John Hoffman, Scott Krutsch and Mark Leonard. Participating from SMWC are Carol Walter of Terre Haute, and Ann Marie Macak, Kimberly Reinholt and Mary Ann Tyl.

Papers will also be delivered by students from Ohio State University, Butler University, Miami University of Ohio and Illinois Benedictine College.

"Undergraduate research needs to be encouraged and our conference aims to do that," Kinney said. "The number of

papers to be presented this year is a strong indication that interest is increasing."

In addition to discussions about student research, participants will hear from H.T. Banks, a nationally-known mathematician who is a faculty member at Brown University.

Banks will discuss mathematical modeling and parameter estimation in physical and biological sciences. His lectures are scheduled April 3 at 1 p.m. in the GM Room of Moench Hall and April 4 at 2:15 p.m. in Olin Hall, Room 203.

The conference is sponsored by the Rose-Hulman Department of Mathematics.

National Survey reveals conservative attitudes

The nation's college students are more conservative in their attitudes about a wide range of subjects than the generation which preceded them, according to the most penetrating survey of college student attitudes ever undertaken.

Student Watch '86, conducted by Simmons Market Research Bureau for the College Stores Research & Educational Foundation, provided for the first time an in-depth look at a separate and important force in America's social/political/economic picture — 12.5 million students with over \$20 billion in discretionary annual spending.

The Foundation that funded the \$250,000 survey is the research arm of the National Association of College Stores, a trade association with more than 2,700 college store members and 1,000 associate members across the U.S., Canada and other countries.

Based on responses from 4,349 randomly selected students who answered a 29-page questionnaire, this picture of general at-

titudes emerged from America's college and university campuses:

Fifty-six percent think sex before marriage is always or sometimes wrong, while 95 percent believe sex outside marriage is always or sometimes wrong, and 69 percent prefer postponing marriage until they have achieved other goals.

Seventy percent believe that cigarettes are harmful and 48 percent indicated they would not even date someone who smokes.

Eighty-four percent think cocaine is harmful and 62 percent believe marijuana use is also unwise, but only 10 percent feel that way about alcohol.

Seventy-three percent favor the death penalty, and 69.9 percent think abortion should be legal.

Respondents expressed their political views and alignment; 37 percent considered themselves Republicans, 31 percent independents, and only 28 percent listed themselves as Democrats.

Doctors, scientists, and pro-

fessors are highly respected by students. But reporters, government workers, and politicians had better mind their "public image," because 60 percent, 47 percent and 70 percent, respectively, of students had little or no trust in these professions.

Sixty-nine percent of the students said religion was important to varying degrees in their lives, and 26 percent said they attended religious services at least once a week; 51 percent attend at least once a month.



On the weekend of March 21, Army ROTC conducted Field Training Exercises near Fowler Park. The cadets involved were students at Rose-Hulman, ISU and other regional schools. The Field Training Exercises are designed to train cadets for real combat conditions. The training included the following: movement under fire, fire team wedge formation, reconnaissance patrol, ambushing, establishing defensive positions, and attacking enemy positions.

Opinions and Columns

EDITORIAL

You may be wondering why the "Thorn" is out on a Wednesday. After all, we normally come out on Fridays, so what's going on?

For those of you who haven't looked at your calendars, today is April 1, April Fool's Day. Up until last year, the "Thorn" would put out a "Not the Thorn" on this day. Due to budget restrictions, that was not possible last year.

Although we are not "swimming in money," we are able to afford this tongue-in-cheek issue this year. On pages three through six you will find a somewhat irreverent look at Rose, student life and anything else we could think of.

In order to keep students up-to-date on what is really happening at Rose, pages one, two, seven and eight comprise this week's issue of the "Thorn."

We will be back on our normal publication schedule next Friday, April 10.

— Gary Hall

Heavier than Air

by Ron Dippold

Alcatrazz, No Parole from Rock 'N' Roll

Although not new (1983), this album is an import and is not very well known. Alcatrazz features the vocals of Graham Bonnet and the blazing guitar work of Yngwie J. Malmsteen and blends these quite well in this album. Although this album is not as polished as their two later albums, *Disturbing the Peace* and *Dangerous Games*, it is definitely more energetic and of a heavier nature. Best picks include "Island in the Sun", "Big Foot", and "Kree Nakoorie".

Warlock, True as Steel

This band is definitely worth a look for those who are interested in some very intense and high quality heavy metal. Not that Warlock is a speed or thrash metal band, but the music is still very intense, perhaps because the band has two guitar players and a female singer named Doro who has an exceptionally fine voice, especially when contrasted with most male heavy metal vocalists. I liked this album very much the first time I heard it, which is unusual in itself, and I highly recommend this album to those who are interested in good music. Power cuts are "Mr. Gold", "True as Steel", and "Love in the Danger Zone".

Exises, Exises

Okay, forget what I said about

male heavy metal vocalists in the Warlock review. This heavy metal band from Holland has a vocalist, Frank Leurs, who has a very smooth voice, and the band's sound as a whole could also be described as smooth. The album cover describes it as "melodic" heavy metal, and this seems to fit the description. If it helps, imagine old Queensryche with a singer whose voice is two octaves lower and a heavier sound. Whatever the description, these guys sound good, although the album is a little short and there are some rough spots. This album should please just about anybody, especially "Fear for the Night" and "Some Kind of Freedom".

Warlord, Thy Kingdom Come

Not to be confused with Warlock, this L.A. band has finally broken up, and *Thy Kingdom Come* is a "greatest hits" album. The music style is interesting, with a heavy overlay of bass and guitar so that the vocals are not as prominent as they might be. It is sort of a rough sound, and is not for everybody. Once initial reserve about this album is overcome, the music can be appreciated to its fullest. Features include "Mrs. Victoria", "Lost and Lonely Days", and "Lucifer's Hammer". In addition, a drum solo by Mark Zonder, alias "Thunder Child", ends the collection, although this is not a particularly good drum solo. Warlord is a love/hate type relationship. If you can handle rough music, you should be able to appreciate this.



"Tastes just like the stuff I used to drink at fraternity parties."

Favorite flicks

by Ron Dippold

Fast, Furious, and Funny

Mad Max is back! Instead of running around in a post-holocaust desert, however, this time Mel Gibson is Detective Martin Riggs in *Lethal Weapon*. With Danny Glover as his reluctant partner and moderating influence, Gibson goes on the trail of a drug-running gang. The action is fast and furious, especially in the last part of the movie, and there are really no slow parts to this movie. The seriousness is moderated by Gibson's humor and Glover's deadpan. Although the plot is very crowded and not totally convincing, the movie is still great and is highly recommended.

A Sobering Experience

Though most people have no

doubt seen *Platoon*, there are still those who haven't, and this review is addressed to these holdouts. Admittedly, this is not going to be a movie in which you will leave the theater in a good frame of mind. Quite frankly, this movie is very depressing, but that is the idea. It is an excellent reproduction of the everyday life of the Vietnam War as we follow the career of a green recruit. Be warned also there is much in the way of "filthy" language and the violence is quite explicit, but after all, this is an accurate reproduction. *Platoon* has been nominated for eight Academy Awards, and I have yet to hear an unfavorable review of it. One student at Rose-Hulman even stated that he was "born 18 years too late." While that is questionable, especially after seeing the movie, *Platoon* is something that should be experienced. Break down and see it.

"Good friends don't let good friends smoke cigarettes."

Larry Hagman



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Rosie's Tragic Life: The Untold Story

In an exclusive story, the Rosem Torn has learned the truth about the disappearance and fall from fame of the school mascot, Rosie.

It seems that Rosie, according to our third-hand information, has hit the bottle and is in a tail-spin from fame.

The story began last year, when a deteriorating Rosie started hiding from public view. Ashamed to be seen in public, Rosie began to lead the life of a recluse. The only time Rosie was seen in public was when Rosie's car jumped the curb and wiped out a lightpole on campus. A generous Stigma New took the blame for the accident, though.

In gratitude, Rosie hosted a party at the Stigma New house. The resulting noise level left three brothers deaf, got the party raided by the cops and upset an Intellectually Stunted Undergraduate prof who lives nearby.

The worst news hit early this school year. While reclining by his private pool, Rosie was slapped with a paternity suit, delivered by a sleazy lawyer (the same one who represents this

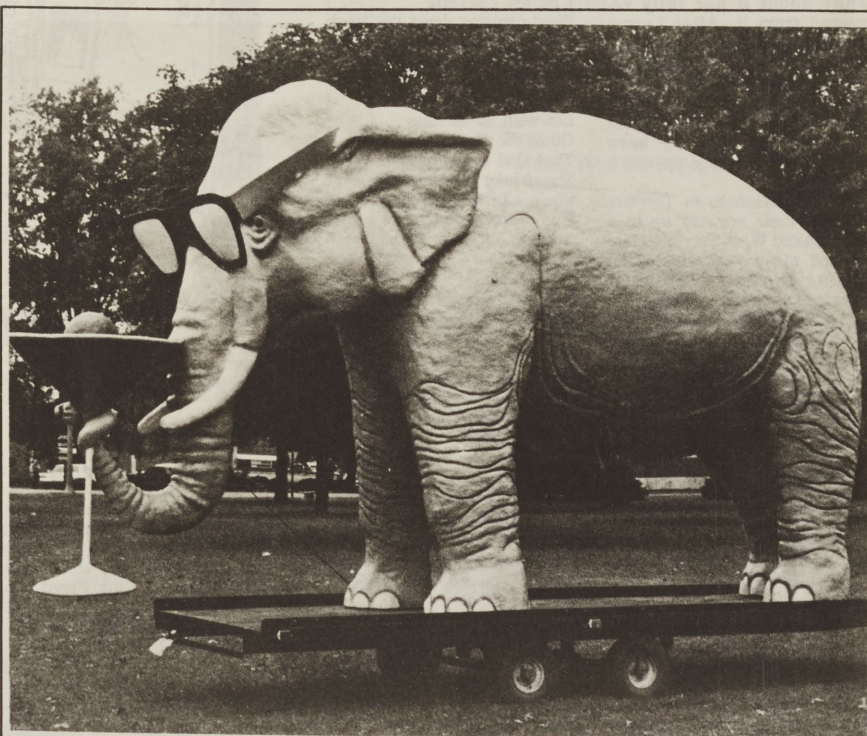
publication).

It seems that while in a stupor one night, Rosie set himself up for a paternity suit with Woodsie Owl. Rosie claims that he was drawn to Woodsie Owl based on their similar weights. Rosie maintains, though, that nothing happened. Eventually, the suit was settled out of court. Woodsie withdrew the suit after receiving an undisclosed sum from Rosie.

Now that Rosie's life had hit an all-time low, he sought help at the Betty Ford Clinic. After three months of therapy with other world-reknowned figures, Rosie was back in the saddle again.

In an attempt to regain a sense of self-esteem, Rosie is undergoing a facelift, tummy tuck, fat suctioning, alfalfa diet and every other method of weight loss. If all works out, Rosie may return to the spotlight next year.

At the current time, this reporter is working on a yet unproved story that Rosie was visited by space aliens while at the rehabilitation center. A full-length book and possible movie are in the works.



Rosie: A life on the skids

Torn staff psychopathic

Foul play is suspected for the strange psychopathic behavior which has struck much of the Rosem Torn staff. The affected Rosem students are Steve Uhaul, Gary Gall, Rob Wermer and Brian E. Vans.

The strange behavior was first observed on March 13, when Uhaul suddenly stood up in the Torn office shouting, "Oh please God, let me be editor of the Torn next year!" Since then, Uhaul has become even more ambitious claiming that he would become president of SGA, as well as all the major clubs and fraternities at Rosem by Christmas. He seems to believe that this is his "mission from Gaud" and that if he does not succeed, he will be taken home.

Then on March 15, Brian E. Vans was arrested by the Terrible Hole PD for holding 12 people hostage at the Headstone Fiends Record Store. It is reported that he forced the hostages to listen to over 11 hours of R.E.M. music before the police were able to respond to the scene. Eleven of the hostages are reported to be in critical condition at Union Hospital suffering from severe neuronc disorder. Bail for Vans has been set at \$100,000 or 200,000 Pop Tarts. Vans is currently being held at the Vergo County Jail.

News editor Rob Wermer also appears to have been affected. For days he has been suffering from dilutions of grandeur. Other warning signs of strange behavior have also been ob-

served, including his alleged close association with some of the dreaded ARAT employees. Disaster finally struck when Wermer blew up his amplifier and speakers by attempting to demonstrate that Metallica (on compact disk) could blow out windows from a hundred yards. Thirty-three windows will have to be replaced at Speed and BSB halls.

Apparently Gary Gall has been affected more than the other staff members. After arguing about missing paper clips with Teknic Chief Dan Gobble, Gall led a group of 200 student rioters to a Teknic burning fest. After destroying all of the Teknic's extra copies (numbering around 9,000), Gall led the rioters to the Sixth Street Bar. Fortunately, two Terrible Hole policemen were present and able to break up the riot. These "super cops" used advanced martial arts and the threat of an eighth Terrible Hole smell to stomp out the riot and send Gall screaming back to Rosem-Hosem.

Rosem-Hosem Insecurity has investigated these strange events and has come to the conclusion that the Rosem Torn staff has been the victims of foul play. Torn business manager Dan Dreeder stated, "Foul play is the only practicle explanation. I've known these guys for a long time and with only one exception, they just don't act that way."



Rosie's car after an ill-fated drive. A generous Stigma New took the rap for Rosie. It was just one in a long line of misfortunes.

Barry Nearbrother and Paul McCartney: Are they one and the same?

The Rosem Torn has uncovered the secret life of Professor Barry Nearbrother. The mild mannered gent from across the ocean is actually Paul McCartney in disguise.

McCartney/Nearbrother thought up the ingenious disguise to hide from his female groupies. In an attempt to get away from the women, McCartney/Nearbrother chose a place infested

with very few women, Rosem-Hosem.

The story began unraveling three months ago when McCartney/Nearbrother rewired a toaster into an amplifier so he could resume playing guitar.

McCartney/Nearbrother is not the only suspected imposter. Professor Brian Twinkle is suspected of being a member of the Grateful Dead. Professor Ken

Karter, distant relative of Jimmy, is alleged to be a member of a folk group from the west coast.

Not all imposters are musical. Professor Tad Smyth is actually a CIA agent on assignment to watch KGB mole Pete Preest. Preest is on assignment to steal vital technology on laser optics from the Rosem Phsicks department.

President Hulburp arrested in heroin raid

At 6:32:02.55 p.m. last night, Rosem-Hosem School of Reemology President Samule Hulburp was arrested in a

Terrible Hole Vice Squad heroin ring raid.

After a few phone calls were made, it was determined that

Hulburp was merely passing by the scene of the raid and was not associated with anyone involved in the arrest.

Hulburp was released shortly thereafter.

While the police made no charges, local newspapers re-

sorted to yellow journalism to hype this story out of context in order to fill out the front page and make a few cheap bucks.

Opinions and Columns

RUN LSD on their way

By Alternative Reviewer

Yet another rap group, RUN LSD, has emerged on the music scene with their first nationwide release, *Raising Flowers*.

The members of RUN LSD were born in Terrible Hole, Indiana, and they are neither happy about it nor fully recovered from it. After Larry, Samule, and Ditto graduated with music "degrees" from State University, they took their talents to the Indianapolis music scene. They have managed to hit it big, even though they have done it while stirring up much controversy.

Their experiences in Terrible Hole and their growing up in a ghetto called West Terrible Hole inspired most of the lyrics on *Raising Flowers*. The most obvious example is the song "T. Haute". Its lyrics are included below, with the accented words being italicized:

T. Haute, T. Haute
Small village of dreams
It don't smell as
Bad as it seems

I'm down at Rosem
I know my way around
In search of women
But none can be found

I see my dream
Short and flat-headed
She's three feet tall
Not built to be wedded

I went to State
I axed my way arounds
State cops caught me
Chased me off the grounds
I hit my Chevette
Went cruising down the Bash
Look at the people
Nothin' but trash

I look for fun
But with no success
Go to the Woods
That Owl is the bess
She drinks and drinks
She's a little insane
Fights for her right
To give and take pain

RUN LSD has caused much controversy because on stage, they promote sex, drugs, violence, as well as rap music, and thus, they have been banned from performing anywhere in the Southeast (except Florida) and the Midwest. And the only uncensored scene in their video for "Come With ME" focused on their "loose" tennis shoes.

RUN LSD plan to improve their image by remaking an Up Yours classic "For Whom the Ball Rolls" with Up Yours.



"NOTHING YET - BASH IT HARDER...."

Heavier than Air - Part LXIX

by Dippy

Up Yours, Kiss my Gluteus Maximus

This new L.A. Heavy Metal band, which claims that it has the finesse of Motley Crue, the talent of Venom, the solid, driving beat of Pink Floyd, and the sheer untamed energy of Billy Joel, has released its debut album to mixed reviews. In the words of "Jimmy Scuzzball", an L.A. teenager, "It's awesome!" According to Hit Parader, Cream, members of prominent heavy metal bands, and Dick Clark, though, "It's pure trash." Columbia Records, however, has indicated that it would purchase

the rights to the album from the group's own Phlegm Records. Said a top executive, "Hey, if we can do it with the Beastie Boys, this should be a piece of cake." Best cuts include "Beagle from Hell", "Swiss Army Psycho" and "Who the Hell is Death-tongue?"

Unos, Good Job, Boys!

When heavy metal fanatic Fred Roth tried out for various bands, he found that none of them would have anything to do with him. Desperate, he decided to release his own album, *Good Job, Boys!*, in which he plays guitar, bass, keyboards, and

vocals. Says he, "You know, it's really a unique sound. I played whatever I felt like on each instrument and then we mixed the different tracks. You've got to hear it to believe it!" Indeed, Unos (as he calls himself) does have a very unusual style. This album will take some getting used to by all except punk rockers. Because the different instruments aren't in sync with each other, there is never really a place on the whole record where no instrument is playing, so the whole record is a song called "Ain't it Great?" You may want to try this before buying it. Look for Unos in concert.

Oh no, he's back

by Jason

For those of you who thought that Jason Lives would be the last of the Friday the 13th series, you're in for a shock. Jason is back in Friday the 13th, Part VII: Jason Rides Again. In this classic of original plot and awesome acting, Jason has hitchhiked across the country and has stopped off in a small Texas ranching community. From there, the complete believability, decent plot, and sensitivity that we have seen in all the previous movies comes to

the fore. I can't tell you the complete plot, as that would spoil it for you, but the main premise is Jason's relationship with a psychopathic horse on which he rides down and tramples over ranchers. Of course, some of the ranchers try to stop him, but everyone knows that a .45 is useless against Jason. It looks pretty bleak until the Texas Rangers and Lone Wolf McQuade are called in, and that's all that I'm going to tell you! Highly recommended, with a beautiful ending. There wasn't a dry eye in the theater.

Mysterious object in bandroom

On Wednesday, March 25, a mysterious black object appeared in the band room overnight.

On the day that it appeared, many Rosem band members were upset that their newly remodelled band room had been seriously damaged by this structure. Several of the band members were willing to offer an explanation of its appearance.

TM, the ex-vice president, suggested that it might be shanty town built for illiterate migrant workers. Another member, who asked not to be identified, thought that it was yet another break room for the Bungles and Goofs (B & G) workmen. Until March 26, the most likely explanation came from KC, the ex-band president, who suggested that it might be the latest masterpiece by Rosem's artist-in-seclusion.

In the evening of March 25, Bowl Muleing called the police after he discovered that KC was closely investigating the "big black box." The police arrested KC on voyeurism charges.

On March 26, the real reason for the black structure was hinted at by an incident which occurred during the fifth B & G break that day. At 2:18 p.m., a B & G workman was observed touching the black structure — he was suddenly able to walk erect and then built a fire in the middle of the band room.

On March 27, after the band director, Davy Farpass, posted KC's bail, KC entered the band room only to find all of the B & G workmen standing and paying homage to this black monolith.

Since March 27, the B & G workmen have claimed the band room as their new, "official" break room. The recently remodelled band room will now have to be declared as a total financial loss, thanks to the monolith.



Ex-Rosem Band President KC is shown above in his own band room just before being arrested for voyeurism (you know, peeping Tomism). When arrested, KC's only remark was, "My God, it's full of stars."

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Hey "Punker," we finished this sucker at 1:10 a.m.

Signed,
The Unknown Staff

Sports

As usual, we don't have any *real* sports stories. Thus, we have a gap that needs to be filled.

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We don't have any pictures,



but that's another story.

(story)

Our advisor would have kittens if we left this space totally blank.

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Thus, we have struck upon a unique idea.

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Well . . . that's about it.

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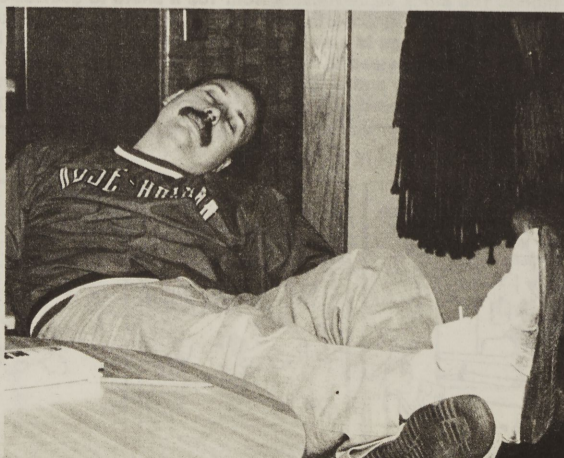
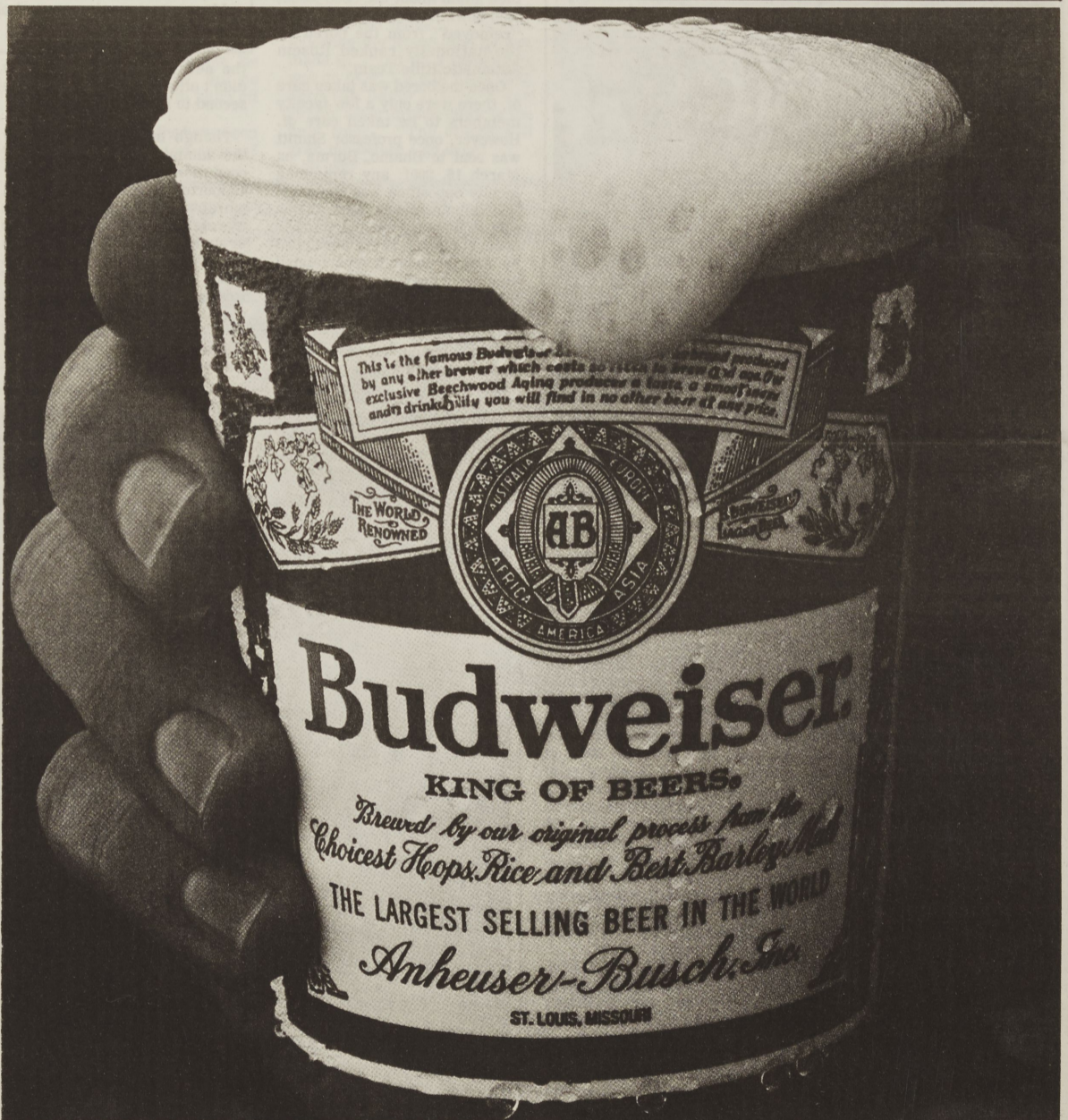
Maybe we'll have some real stories here next week.

Rosem-Hosem Football Schedule 1987-1988 Season

9/12	SMU	away
9/19	DePauw	home
9/26	St. Mary's	home
10/3	Class of 1937	away
10/10	Taylor	home
10/17	Dallas Cowboys	home
10/24	Indianapolis Colts	away
10/31	Denver Broncos	home
11/7	Anderson	away
11/14	Anyone we can get	home

Rosem-Hosem Basketball Schedule 1987-1988 Season

11/28	ARA Invitational
12/3	North Vigo
12/13	DePauw
12/29	Earlham
1/5	U. of Moscow
1/8	Taylor
1/9	Lost Creek Elementary
1/13	Notre Dame
1/18	Thorn Staff
1/20	U. of Alaska
1/24	SMU
1/28	Harlem Globetrotters
1/31	Indiana
2/4	Florida
2/7	Taylor
2/11	Purdue Women Engineers
2/14	St. Mary's
2/18	Franklin
2/21	Faculty
2/26	USC
2/27	Board of Managers



From one "Bud" to another
 Name: Tom Mauler
 Age: Legal (and experienced) in every state
 Job: Official buddy and beer taster
 Wife: Buddette
 Son: Microbuddy
 Favorite Movie: Animal House
 Favorite Book: "Muppets Die and go to Hell"
 Hobbies: Handshaking, backpatting, beer drinking, sleeping
 Most famous quote: "Hey bud, how's it going?"
 Future plans: Sue Thorn for this ad

Time Capsule

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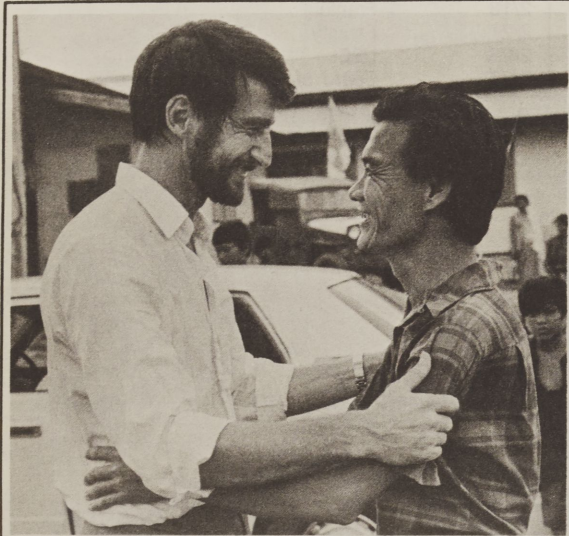
Glancing through history books of dubious credibility and using the talents of our resident psychic, when he's conscious, we at the "Not The Thorn" have come up with an interesting history of Rosem-Hosem as well as some startling predictions for the future.

We may be off just a bit on some of the predictions, and the historical facts may have a few small errors, but all-in-all the stories are half-true.

The most amazing fact is that we have actual photographs of the future events. We won't go into detail how we managed this (it's too technical), but we are proud of this fact. Almost as amazing are the photographs of past events. Due to advanced photography procedures, which are too technical to talk about, we restored photos that were thought to be beyond hope.

So, sit back and enjoy this walk through time.

Math grad in Burma



A jubilant Eric Freedman is informed by a native that he will be given a special award at his 25th class reunion. The native also informed Eric that the statute of limitations on his post-graduate antics had expired and he could return to the United States without fear of being shot on sight by the Customs Service.

The year is 2012, the class of 1987 is holding its 25th reunion. Reading through the listing of class members, one notices that careers are varied and alumni are scattered.

Rob Wormer is now a professional heavy metal groupie in California. Brian Wilson-Palmer gave up the science life to become a successful professional golfer, as his three Masters titles attest to. Even Brian Sideall found his niche in life; chief research engineer for the largest brewery in the world.

As one scans the list, though, the name Eric Freedman is noted with curiosity. Eric, a reclusive math major who never seemed to take any classes, listed his residence as Bhamo, Burma. Even more curious is his listed occupation, math instructor.

After talking with Eric, everything becomes quite clear. Eric, who has been nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize, took it upon himself to teach advanced mathematics to the underprivileged of the third world. The results, to say the least, have been dramatic.

Eric started his work in 1990. The project started off rather modestly; simple integration and differentiation. The local population, though, quickly saw the necessity of advanced

mathematics and pushed Eric to teach them more.

By 1997, Eric's work had expanded to include differential equations, discrete math (using Dr. Grimealdee's book, of course) and probability theory. From there, the project took on a life of its own.

Rosem-Hosem's math department opened a branch campus in Bhamo in 2001. It quickly gained international fame for its advanced work in the area of combinatorics and its effects on goat reproduction. An earlier experiment into the area of probability and its effects on goat reproduction failed miserably. Those involved in the research had overlooked the fact that probability has no known useful applications.

Freedman returned to Rosem for the 25th reunion and to accept a special award from professor Munch for his work. Interestingly enough, it was Freedman's first trip back to the United States since he made a rather hasty departure to Burma in 1989. Freedman was forced to make a rather hasty departure following an incident involving a hijacked shipment of pantyhose, two sheep, a large quantity of alcohol and \$250,000 in bearer bonds. However, nothing was ever proved and the statute of limitations ran out while Freedman was in Burma.

Protestors protested

Terre Haute IN (CPS) — (May 1, 1987) In a strange turn of events, anti-CIA protestors were protested by college students. Rosem-Hosem Institute of Technology seniors protested against left-wing, goddess, pinko commie stooges who were protesting against the CIA. The CIA was conducting on-campus

interviews. The seniors, most of whom were still jobless, were upset that outsiders, the protestors were from liberal arts colleges on the East Coast, were ruining their chances for job placement. The seniors solved the problem the Rosem way, they laked the protestors.

Rosem goes coeducational

On June 9, 2001, after a string of mysterious "incidents," Rosem-Hosem finally goes coeducational. The struggle for coeducation was long and shrouded in secrecy, but the crack reporting staff of the Rose Torn manages to get the truth out.

The first step towards coeducation began ten years earlier, when Rosem was forced to accept transfers from the "other" engineering school in Indiana in order to fill the incoming freshman class. The shock of the news created several vacancies on the Bored of Managers.

After the windfall income of 1995 (see related story), president Hulburp managed to stash fifty million into a "coeducation" account. This money was used to persuade bored members to either change their mind about the coed issue, step down from the bored, or be "removed" from the bored by the nationally ranked Rosem Automatic Rifle Team.

Once the bored was taken care of, there were only a few faculty members to be taken care of. However, once professor Shmitt was sent to Bhamo, Burma, on March 15, 2001, any remaining faculty opposition was quelled. Officially, professor Schmitt was sent to Burma to help set up the branch campus being developed by Eric Freedman (see related story). Unofficially, he was "eliminated" by the administration.

The transition to coeducation was quick and painless. Many students offered their rooms to



Coed rooms at Rosem have redefined the meaning of "study break." Here, roommates tired of cracking the books decide to spend a little time relaxing. Profs are alarmed by the lack of homework assignments being turned in lately, but the students don't seem to mind.

the new students, though they didn't offer to move out. (Take a second to figure that one out.)

Though initially rejected by the administration, the ideal of coed rooms was overwhelmingly supported by the student body, which led to an increase in morale, which led to a decrease in student attrition, which led to the administration changing its mind. Students pointed out that if Rosem was going to liberalize its policies by going coed, it may as well go liberal in all aspects of the issue. The change in policy was heralded by the left-wingers

known as hummer profs, though it did cause Chancey Rosem's picture to fall off its hook in the dining room.

Tom Mauler, official buddy on campus, also welcomed the change. In fact, he was so helpful to the new female students that he earned a kick in the shins and two nights on the couch from his wife. After than incident, Mauler is now forced to wear blinders when entering female rooms. He says he doesn't mind, though. "Leather blinders are far more comfortable than hideaway couches."



1995 — Due to a typographical error, the Rosem financial division purchases 1,000,000 shares of AT&S (Android Test and Supply) at 10¢ each instead of 1,000 shares of AT&T at \$100 each. Two months later AT&S announces it has successfully developed a fully operational android model. The stock value rockets from 10¢ a share to \$567.50 a share. With the original investment of \$100,000 now worth \$567,500,000, Rosem is able to buy a few things it always wanted. One of those things is a swimming pool. However, with over half a billion dollars to blow, the school decided instead to flood the area between Rosem and Terrible Hole, creating a private lake for swimming and boating. In this photo, Rosem students take advantage of the lake and institute-owned speed boats to get away from the exhausting routine of classes.

VIGO COUNTY



National

Spring Break: The fun that turns more tragic each year

DAYTONA BEACH, FL. (CPS) — She bought new clothes, a swimsuit, sunglasses, all in upbeat styles. Spring break was approaching and Laurain Day Buffington, like 265,000 other college students in 1986, was heading to Daytona Beach for fun.

The day Laurain left the Gordon Community College campus in Barnesville, Fla., she aced her chemistry final. The 20-year-old journalism student was even more excited about her spring break plans. But she also talked about safety. She knew students had fallen from balconies to their deaths in several cities during previous spring breaks, that there were those who drank on high balconies. As she left she remarked, "That's crazy. I wouldn't dare hang around them."

"Not me," she said, "that's crazy. What's the thrill in that?"

But days later, Florida front page news read, "A 20-year-old college student from Georgia plunged to her death Thursday when she lost her grip while trying to climb from one sixth floor balcony to another. Police report Laurain Day Buffington fell backward onto the parking lot and died instantly."

It happens every year. Daytona Beach records, starting from 1966, report at least 28 students have fallen from balconies. Fifteen have died. The average fall is four stories. In 1984, three accidents brought one death. In 1985, three died of falls in Daytona Beach. In all of Florida, seven students lost their lives during spring break, three by falling off balconies.

As a 1983 Kansas State University graduate who transplanted to Daytona Beach three years ago, I have now seen spring break from the other side. A spring break veteran myself, I recall with pleasure my own travels from South Padre Island in Texas to Fort Lauderdale.

Living in Daytona Beach, I hear talk about "what those darn kids did this time ..." I chuckle to myself, and realize that only three short years ago, I was doing many of those same things myself.

But when I hear of a falling accident at a hotel just down the street, I cringe. I cringe because I know it was an ordinary student. No one unusual. No one who came to spring break to end his or her life.

In an attempt to end such senseless carnage, there's a new state law that allows hotels to detain a student acting in a life-threatening manner. Last year, students could not be detained unless a police officer witnessed the action or had an arrest warrant.

A spring break safety committee last year also created a student "code of ethical conduct." Students checking in at participating hotels have to sign the code, which includes notice that it is illegal to climb over or on balcony railings, windows, roofs or ledges.

Sadly enough, students' response to the deaths in the past have only been a pause before the party continues. Many feel it's not a possibility for themselves. Like Laurain Day Buffington, they think it happens only to crazies who have completely lost their senses.

A friend of one of last year's victims was quoted as saying, "The night preceding was nothing really too crazy, just partying and meeting people. He was a fun-loving guy, but he wasn't crazy enough to jump off a balcony."

Most balcony deaths have been from an unexpected loss of balance.

"It's so senseless," reported the friend of another victim. "He was afraid of heights. And he wasn't the kind to take chances."

A newspaper article quoted a 1985 victim's mother. "Losing a child is a pain that is profound and unrelenting. There's a cavalier attitude toward these deaths. People think the kids deserve what they get. We encourage the free and easy dispensing of alcohol. Then when tragedy happens, people say 'What a drunken bum.'"

Alcohol may weaken one's judgement, certainly. But the history of balcony deaths shows various reasons and situations for the falls. Anyone on a balcony could be caught up in the moment and be at risk.

Here is a list of some of the high-risk banter of people having fun on balconies:

"That next balcony is so close." "There's a party over there, and going balcony-to-balcony is quicker." "I'll just sit up here on the ledge." "I'm just following my friend, and he just made it." "If I do a hand-stand and go over, I'll still be holding onto the handrails." "I can simply lower myself down to the next floor." "The others will grab me before I go over." "I go over."

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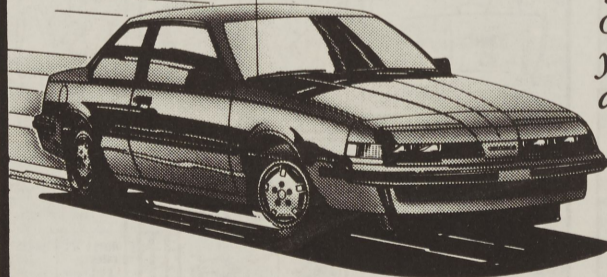
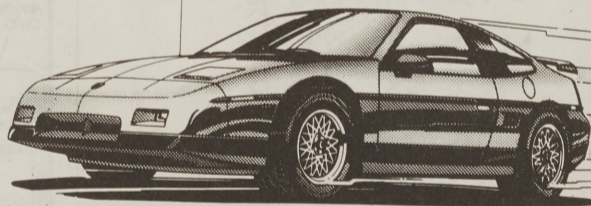
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Humor

Music Notes



Linda Back, perennial performer at Rosem-Hosem, has recently announced her plans to wed longtime friend Gumby. The surprise announcement was released by her agent.

According to Back, "Gumby and I have had a close relationship since we first met ten years ago. I can't think of anyone who would make a better husband."

The new duo plan to wed during the Rosem commencement on May 23. "Rosem has meant so much to me. I want to

share this moment with my friends." Back also stated that it was the only chance for a woman to take part in Rosem's graduation, since the school still refuses to come out of the stone age in the area of coeducation.

After a honeymoon in Europe, Back and Gumby will hit the road with the sensational new local band, RUN LSD. The combination of Back's soothing songs, Gumby's warm personality and LSD's rap beat make the concert a sure winner.

BLOOM COUNTY

by Berke Breathed

Panel 1: GREAT. OUR WORLD TOUR IS A GIG AT AN ALBUQUERQUE "MOOSE LODGE" AND OUR CORPORATE SPONSOR SELLS "ODOR-EATERS."

Panel 2: WHAT FURTHER INDENTITIES COULD POSSIBLY LIE AHEAD? SAY, OPUS...

Panel 3: YA KNOW THE TREND OF TV ACTORS LIKE BRUCE WILLIS AND DON JOHNSON PRETENDING THEY'RE ROCK STARS, HIRING MUSICIANS AND THEN CUTTING AN ALBUM?

Panel 4: DON KNOWS. YES. SO WHO'S ON THE PHONE?

Panel 5: AWRIGHT. LET'S GET THOSE AMPS LOADED IN THE WINNEBAGO... WE GOTTA MAKE NEW MEXICO BY SIX A.M.!

Panel 6: I THOUGHT I HIRED YOU AS ROADIE. YA DID.

Panel 7: WELL?

Panel 8: I SUB-CONTRACTED OUT.

Panel 9: WHICH WAY TO ALBUQUERQUE?

Panel 10: HE WAS SLEEPING!! WAS NOT! MY EYELIDS WERE MEDITATING!

Panel 11: HALFWAY TO ALBUQUERQUE, THE GREAT BONGERS WORLD TOUR BUS STOPPED FOR THE NIGHT.

Panel 12: TV DINNERS WERE WARMED WHILE THE STRESSES OF THE ROAD SLOWLY GAVE WAY TO THE SHARED COMFORT OF MALE COMRADERY.

Panel 13: EVENTUALLY, CONVERSATION TURNED TO THE SORT OF THINGS INTROSPECTIVE, SENSITIVE MEN TALK ABOUT OVER WARM ROOT BEERS AT 2:37 A.M....

Panel 14: I LIKE WOMEN WITH BIG, FULL SHOULDER BLADES. YEAH. YEAH. THAT.

Panel 15: UH... GOOD MORNING OFFICER... HONDY BOY! SAY, THAT WOULDN'T BE ONE O' THEM FANCY RADAR DE-TECTORS, WOULD IT, BOY?

Panel 16: THIS? UH, WHY, NO... ACTUALLY THIS IS A... ER... AN OFFICIAL "CAPTAIN KIRK SUB-SPACE COMMUNICATOR"... YEAH... THAT'S RIGHT!

Panel 17: UH, HELLO? STARFLEET COMMAND? COME IN, PLEASE... HELLO?

Panel 18: NO ANSWER. MUSTA BROKE BACK THERE WHEN YEW WAS POIN' WARP TO.

Panel 19: I WANTED TO GO OVER THE RULES WITH YOU GUYS BEFORE WE GOT TO THE BIG GIG AT THE MOOSE LODGE...

Panel 20: NO BOOZIN', NO SPITTIN', NO MOONING THE AUDIENCE... NO... UH...

Panel 21: HOLD IT.

Panel 22: WHO'S DRIVING?? KEEP YER PANTS ON, I PUSHED CRUISE CONTROL.

Panel 23: GREAT. AN ENTIRE GAGGLE OF MOOSE LODGE LOONS AND THEIR WIVES ON THE PREMISES.

Panel 24: ESTHER! NEXT YEAR... NO BANQUETS!! NO CONVENTIONS!! NO STAFF? WEIRDNESS!!

Panel 25: NOW WHAT'S THIS?

Panel 26: HI. WE'RE THE BAND. ESTHER! TELL THE MOOSIES THAT "GORGO THE SMOG MONSTER" IS HERE!!

Panel 27: WHERE DO WE SET UP OUR EQUIPMENT? THE "HIAWATHA ROOM"... THE BANQUET STARTS AT EIGHT.

Panel 28: HAVE OUR BAGS SENT UP TO OUR ROOMS. NO FOOLIN' AROUND UP THERE TONIGHT!! I KNOW YOU ROCK WEIRDOS!!

Panel 29: ACK.

Panel 30: HOLD THAT THOUGHT...

Panel 31: ...ESTHER! YOUR MOTHER'S HERE!



*Woodsie Owl
contemplates past love life*

Top 10 Reasons To Stick Out Spring Quarter

1. See those fabulous babes getting a tan on the Speed Beach
2. Woodsies
3. Dean Locust's daughter will be wearing shorts...
4. What? And miss finals?
5. Tom gets even more laid back
6. Springfest is just around the corner
7. Rose is just too much fun
8. Wouldn't want to stop eating ARA
9. It's paid for
10. Do you really think your parents want you back yet?