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News Briefs

SGA Update

From the meeting on April 1st: Famicom Users and ColecoVision Club was approved for probationary club status, and funding was approved for the Waste My Tuition Money club. As well, SGA voted to change their name from Student Government Association to Straight-Gay Alliance.

By Ass Poker

More on Mars

Are there bunnies on Mars? Tiny drunken rabbits, about 2 inches in length, were discovered on Mars. The minuscule Martians greeted the Opportunity Rover with offerings of peace, martinis, and "What's up Doc?"

By Ass Poker

New Freshman Laptops

Next year's incoming freshmen will receive HP Compaq Business Notebook Nw8000. The computer's specifications will be 128 MB VRAM, Intel Pentium M 1.7 GHz, a 15-inch TFT UXGA WVA panel, a 60 GB Smart (7200 rpm) hard drive, 1024 MB DDR memory, a DVD +RW drive, Dual-Point, 56k v. 92 modem, 10/100/1000 Gigabit NIC, 802.11 a/b/g MiniPCI card, and integrated Bluetooth.

By Ass Poker

Hose-Rulman Stalker

On Tuesday, a prospective student was caught trying on a female student's underwear in her armoire. When questioned, the student had one thing to say: "A girl finally talked to me! All right..." The student was immediately taken into custody for stalking, and it was assured that he would not be admitted, hopefully causing the Hose-Rulman stalker ratio to decline.

By Knot Boy

Friday
7th Circle's Typical Weather
-100 Hi / -150 Lo

Saturday
If I tell you, it'll just change.

Service frats attack

William Butler Yeats
Opinions Editor

Wanton acts of destruction and other sorts of mayhem have been perpetrated all over the campus of Hose-Rulman. This sort of behavior is atypical for our conservative school, but there are organizations on campus, despite a strong record of community service, whose members occasionally let their baser feelings come to the surface when they congregate in large gaggles. If you have not already surmised, the organizations responsible are two fraternal societies, Alpha Delta Zeta, more popular known as ADZ, and Alpha Pi Omega, affectionately referred to as AFO. Hose's campus has been tragically caught in the middle of a tragic turf war that will surely end in further misfortune. And tragedy.

In order to adequately understand this barbarous happenstance, some back story should be in order. AFO is an organization of service that has in its charge the school's Lost and Found. They are presently executing a vigorous campaign to augment

awareness, occasionally by employing tactics that some may call bullying.

A member of the Rhombus social fraternity commented on the condition of anonymity, "They're like the mafia. I took a coat someone left in the lobby to an RA, and later that night, there was a note stuck to my door with a ball point pen informing me to use the AFO office in the future. I kept the pen, but it was a red ink pen. Next time I don't think I'll be so lucky."

ADZ, as an organization, is quite secretive indeed. They only allow students from a certain field to join, and even that field is unknown. The most obvious way to identify members of this cloak and dagger society is to be fortunate enough to notice prospective members crafting their adzes from wood (an adz is a tool for cutting, like a small axe) during pledge season which falls squarely in February, or possibly June. Information on a secret society is difficult to come by.

The rivalry between these two otherwise amiable groups began when an AFO member carrying a pledge adz towards an unnamed residence hall



Bloody aftermath.

Davey C. Curly / Hose Thron

wants it."

This already tense situation was escalated dangerously further when it became apparent that there were no identifying marks on the misplaced adz, except for the prominent letters Alpha Delta Zeta and the engraved words "Lord Valence."

Evidently, this is the secret society member's secret society name, and he or she (presumably he, because Lord typically refers to a masculine individual) cannot reveal his or her secret society name to

where they were, so that makes them lost, right? We'll just hang onto them then until their owners come to collect with proof of ownership."

When asked why his fraternal organization calls itself AFO when clearly Pi translates more closely to P than F, Jands had no response.

With this kidnapping, relations between the two organizations were stretched to their limits. Ambassadors were expelled.

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President runs for President

Chunk
Co-Editor 'n Chef

Yesterday the investigative powers of this respectable news reporting agency discovered the real reason that Hammy Sulbert, Hose President and friend to all, will be retiring from our beloved Hose-Rulman: he will be announcing his candidacy for the President of the United States of America. Officially he will be running for the Engineer's Party. His views on most matters are already well-documented.

Last night we were able to contact incumbent President Gush, and he stated, "This is an unfortunate turn of events for my campaign. I had hoped the retirement was exactly that; a retirement from all politics. However, it appears as if he's been holding an ace up his sleeve and I'll be forced to fold. Dadgummit. I'll throw my hat in tonight."



Hose Thron

Chunk manipulated the archives. Who said history was written in stone?

US President Gush's fear was so tantalizing we began an extensive look into this powerful man's background. Hose President Sulbert recently helped with relations between AFO and ADZ. Without him, peace

would never have become a living dream. The peace plan suggested something along the lines of no fighting on odd days, or days that end in "y."

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Frats, from Page 1

A message was written in the grass behind that unnamed residence hall using toxic sodium tetra-sulfate saying only this: "AFO - DEMING LAWN - 5 PM." The gauntlet had been thrown.

A battle royale took place just outside of Deming after school, as was apparent by the littered broken Erlenmeyer Flasks, adzes and AFO paddles. The injury report is largely inconclusive, because ADZs carried off their dead and injured like druids of old, and apparently the AFOs suffered more casualties than they had anticipated because they are not talking.

Tron Jojan, Vice Master Alchemist of ADZ, said, "It is terrible that it came to this, but they really shouldn't have interfered, it was like they were looking for trouble. We did recover the adz. Yes, that really is my title."

News Glug-glug-glug. Page 10	Entertainment Give blood now. Ask me how. Page 1	Opinions Bunny hoppin'. Pages 15	Sports Now with more fiber. Page 2	Flipside The Weir(d) one is out for the week. Page 8
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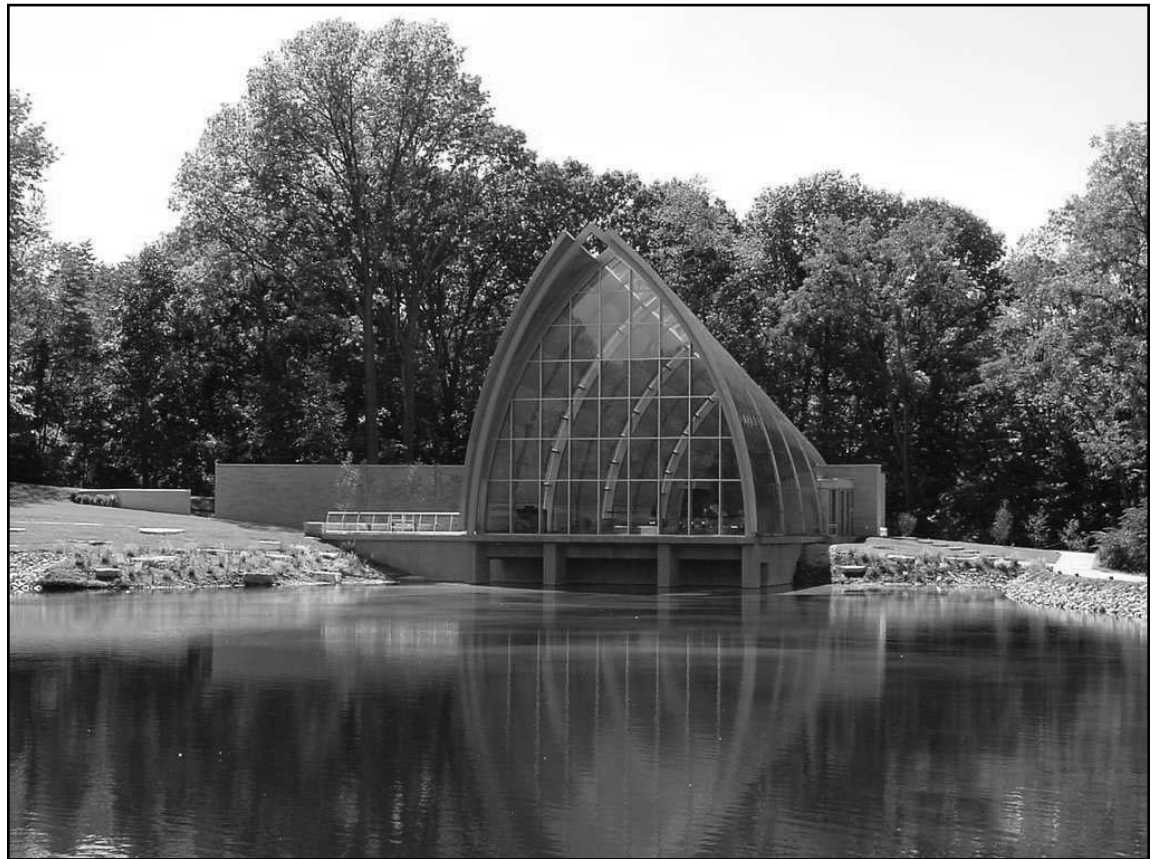
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Classifieds & Personals

Personal Ad

SWM seeking SSBWCLWF for R&R, DDR, CPR, RCR, TLC & MRLAFNSJTCAAP-EYTV. Also looking to sell a metric ton of ground beef. Dial 6000, and leave your name.

Programmer wanted

Female, 44/26/36, pink hair, big blue triangular eyes. Seeks computer programmer with no social skills. I'm not needy, and love listening to you talk about video games! Call Hitokimi.

Got unwanted children?

Evil Monkey seeking child to torment. Obese and sensitive children preferred. Call Evil Monkey at extension 666.

Please Aid!

Curly haired Optics major seeks (fe)male who enjoys muscle relaxants, shuttlecocks, peanut butter, and is willing to wear Catholic schoolgirl dresses. Call Davey.

CS Chick for sale

Curly haired Optics major seeks to whore out News Editor. She's cheap (maybe free) and comes with a side of eViL Biz-natch. Call Curly.

For Rent

Two bedroom, two bath, two utility rooms, 4,800 square feet, beautiful location and very close to campus. Picture shown 33° to the east. \$1 a month plus utilities. Call Chite Whapel with q's.

Lookin' for a girl

Utter and complete tool seeking female companion. Must find jean shorts and socks with sandals attractive. Proficiency at "Counter Strike" and "Halo" preferred.

Lovers of Linux!

Female Optics major seeking Physics or CS major. Likes: Linux and hairy moles. Must love dark rooms and have no sense of humor. Call Jane.

Funny Clown seeks Agent

Down on luck clown seeks agent to help expand into magic. I can do the rabbit trick, the saw thingy, and can even swallow swords and fire and shit. Call Bobo.

E3, anyone?

Leprauchaun seeks trip to E3. Will pay for trip with someone else's pot of gold. Editor's note: We turned you down once, dammit!

For Auction

1 large estate from the 1870s, 200+ acres, indoor/outdoor tennis courts, indoor swimming pool and track, weight room included, over 800 fully-furnished bedrooms, spectacular observatory, several dining rooms and full-sized kitchens to accommodate large groups, fully wired with the most up-to-date electronic technology, nice secluded area of town, exquisite landscaping and unique art displays both indoors and out. Personal tours are available daily. Call 872-8230 for details or with any questions, ask for Erik. Bidding starts 8:05 in the morning on Monday, April 5. Will go to highest bidder.

Found

Found: One rubberband. Is it yours? Or should I send it to MacGuyver along with this straw?"

Calling Satan

Opinions Editor seeks a Satan with whom to make a deal. Will meet at crossroads.

Death to all . *

Student body seeks talented hacker to destroy all mailing lists.

Lost

The Indy Star section with the crossword in it. Who took it and returned the rest of the paper to the rack?

Calculator Giveaway!

Are you still reading? You're a nerd.

Also for Rent

Shitty, overpriced student housing. Leaky showers, loud neighbors, and an old beer smell you just can't get rid of! Guaranteed your car will be vandalized.

Lost

Lost: one plain paperclip. Call me or spam all.students if you find it.

Personal Ad

Interested? x8865

Hitman desired

Newspaper staff seeks experienced hitman for contract on estranged lazy-ass advisor who let them down... let them down... let them down...

Pizza served Wed. Nights

Newspaper staff seeks new advisor.

Attention all Eunuchs

Female newspaper staff seeks new, less horny, Co-Editors-in-Chief.

Grammarians Unite!

Copy editor dares anyone to keep her interest for longer than 15 minutes. Must be willing to talk dirty while maintaining correct grammar.

Decoding skills, anyone?

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For Sale

Two dogs. Irish Terriers, well groomed, purebred, kinda horny, stuck together at the moment. Call 1-900-446-8739 (only 10 cents a minute)

Tutor: binary

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The Rose Thorn

Happy April Fools! We hope you have enjoyed the farce paper this week. Nothing contained within is meant to represent the opinion of Rose-Hulman, the Rose Thorn, or anyone in particular. As always if you would like to express an opinion about the content within this paper please send an e-mail to thorn@rose-hulman.edu. Below is the list of authors' pseudonyms and real names:

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Thank you for reading our paper. We were highly entertained in creating it and we hope you enjoyed reading it. And thank you for tolerating our blatant inside jokes. Hertz thanks for letting us butcher your name every week.

Congrats to the new MM. Yes, I mean you. If you're a petitioner or EA or FC or MM e-mail me. Chunk

Betamax of the Week: "Omaha Vice IV: The Adventures of the Break-Dancin' Danger Streets"

B-Style Flavah Radness
Entertainment Editor

When you thought you couldn't get enough crime, drama, action, and comedy, along comes Global Television Movies with their newest blockbuster sensation, marking the fourth episode of the top-selling "Omaha Vice" movie franchise. This one puts to shame all previous iterations, as it involves the staple of our generation: breakdancing.

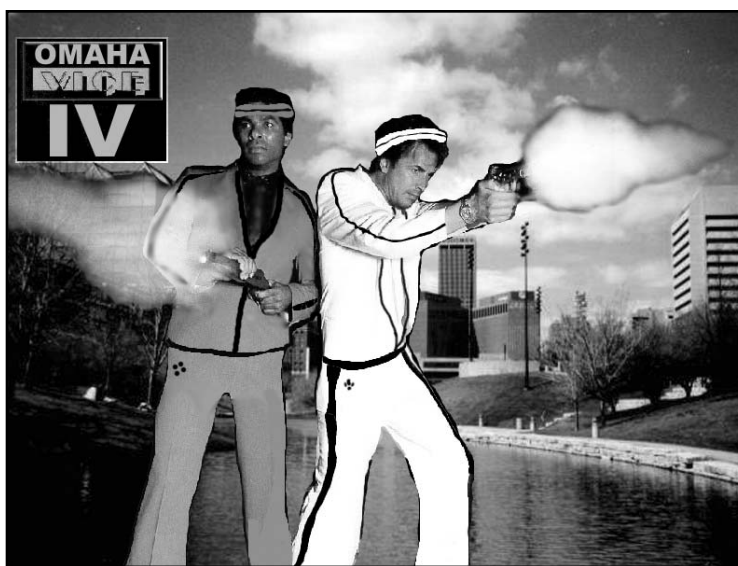
This movie furthers the anti-crime efforts of our favorite police duo, Detective Crames Jockett and Detective Ticardo Rubbs. The wander the streets of Omaha, fighting the drug trade, weapons trafficking, and the shady underworld of livestock handling.

Unlike the past three movies, Jockett and Rubbs aren't seen in their trademark Italo-casual wear, but rather, have redefined the men's

fashion world once again by combining their current look with Adidas break sweats. Now, instead of Jockett with his open-chested polyester shirt, he's got the break sweats on while bearing his well-tanned torso.

The duo walk the beat of the wild streets of Omaha, all the while they can be seen moving their crazy legs to the ebb and flow of the universal b-boy tune heard only to true break-beaters. The movie even contains an extended scene of a battle between good and evil, for the true sense of the term battle, in which the duo must pop-and-lock their ways through the power moves of their arch-nemesis, the Notorious Shadow-Footed C-Walker, who has more than a few tricks up his sleeves when the duo encounters him in his underground, black-market cattle warehouse.

Don't be sad, though, this movie does not deviate from



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Promotional photo for the new Omaha Vice IV movie, to be released from Global Television Movies.

the standard formula of its predecessors! Jockett and Rubbs do take some time off to visit the beautiful beaches of Omaha, and show of their b-boy skizzle to all the fly biddies.

If you were a fan of the popular series "Omaha

Vice," love break dancing, or even enjoyed the past three "OV" movies, I suggest greatly you hit the streets and get yourself a copy of this excellent Betamax tape.

It's well worth the kidash it would weigh if it were pure street breaking talent.

President, from Page 1

At our last communication, the AFO group was considering the plan, and could see no reason why they could not live with such a resolution, because it wasn't like "Good 'Ole Hammy would try to make us stop fighting everyday of the week."

Also, as a late breaking piece of information, we have discovered historical documentation that Sulbert single handedly brought peace to Hose in the mid-90's during the "Women Wars." There has been little documentation about how he solved the problem, but we have heard rumors about him having an alternate ego known as Superham that jumps into lakes.

We were unable to locate Democratic hopeful Kohn Jerry, who we believe has fled the country. We also contacted the political commentator Lay Jen who would only say, "There's not enough good words in the English language to describe the man. I'll vote Hammy Sulbert every time because otherwise he might take my hip."

As the night moved on, we began to wonder who might be chosen to run as Vice President. It will be difficult to choose someone that wouldn't work well with Sulbert.

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Welcoming Mack Jidgley

William Butler Yeats
Opinions Editor

Dr. Mack Jidgley was given a Hose-Rulman welcome when he appeared to accept his new office. He gave a rousing speech to the faculty and students last week.

"It is quite a splendiferous happenstance that I am given the absolutistic magnanitude of experiencing the professionalism of presiding in officialdom over this institution of such fortitude in the polytechnicality of engineerification," he told the crowd.

Jidgley, or Dr. Mack, as he prefers to be called, was met with a standing ovation, after which a private reception with a few professors was held. Professors Pilliam Wicket, J. Garrell Dibson, Gralph Rimaldi, Vavid Doltmer, Chac Zambers, and outgoing President Sulbert met later with the new president in the evening on the IM fields.

"I would like to wish Dr. Jidgley a warm welcome and good luck in the future," Sulbert said. "Now, Dr. Wicket, Dr. Dibson, Dr. Rimaldi will give him the same introduction they gave me 28 years ago."

Afterwards, Dr. Mack responded by saying, "I am envelopated with a sentimentitude of such fantastimicastic welcoming of yours truly."

Wicket, Dibson, Rimaldi, and Sulbert proceeded to grab Dr. Mack and duct taped him to a conveniently nearby tree.

"Perhaps there has been some impropriety in my interpretation of this sentimentitude so obvious in its apparentness..." Dr. Mack



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Jidgley, secured for the commencement of the hazing.

had mistaken the intentions of Sulbert and the other three professors.

"I have been waiting 28 years for this!" Sulbert then laughed maniacally, as he was finally able to dish out the hazing that was heaped upon him all those years ago.

Dibson explained, "This is done every time we have a new president, all the way back to Chauncy Hose. Pilliam, Gralph, Vavid and I were all here when Hammy came, and Chac will be here next time to carry on the tradition."

Dr. Zambers said, "I went to school here, so being able to take part in this is really emotional for me. Hose-Rulman has had a very large impact on my life. And even though I have only studied and worked under one president, I am pretty sure Dr. Mack is the first one to talk like a boxing promoter."

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