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the Rose  
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Homecoming Schedule

Fri., Oct. 9

Homecoming Golf Tournament,  
Hulman Links

9:30 a.m.

Pep Rally and Queen Coronation,  
Shook Fieldhouse

8:30 p.m.

Bonfire, west of Phil Brown Field

9:15 p.m.

Sat., Oct. 10

Awards Champagne Brunch,  
Hulman Memorial Union

9:00 a.m.

Academic Open House,  
Moench Hall

11:00 a.m.

Alumni Soccer Game, Art Neff Field

1:00 p.m.

Barbecued Pork Chops,  
Fieldhouse parking lot

11:00 a.m.

Football, Rose vs. Taylor,  
Phil Brown Field

Noon

Happy Hour after the football game,  
Shook Fieldhouse

1:30 p.m.

Homecoming Banquet,  
Hulman Union

6:30 p.m.

Homecoming Concert,  
Shook Fieldhouse

8:30 p.m.

Sun., Oct. 11

Alumni Baseball Game,  
Art Neff Field

1:00 p.m.

Alumni honored during homecoming

Prof. Robert Steinhauser is one of four Rose-Hulman alumni who will receive the college's Honor Alumnus Award Oct. 10 during Homecoming weekend.

Steinhauser, who is chairman of the Rose-Hulman Department of Mechanical Engineering, will join David Badger, an Indianapolis attorney; Willis Rose, a retired engineering executive from Connersville; and Tony Wellings, co-founder of Wellings and Wyke Associates, Columbus, as recipients of the highest honor that is presented by the Rose-Hulman Alumni Association.

The award recognizes service to Rose-Hulman and contributions that the alumnus has made to the engineering profession.

The awards will be presented at an alumni brunch at 9 a.m. in the Hulman Union.

Steinhauser has been president and vice president of the RoseTech Alumni Association. He is currently secretary-treasurer of the organization, a post he also held in 1980. In addition, Steinhauser has been RoseTech Club chairman and an officer in the Wabash Valley RoseTech Club.

A 1954 honors graduate of Rose, Steinhauser has been honored for his contributions to engineering education. He was chosen to be the Herman A. Moench Distinguished Professor of Engineering at Rose-Hulman in 1980. He has also received the Dean's Outstanding Teaching Award and has been selected several times by students as the teacher of the year.

Badger specializes in patent, trademark, copyright and other intellectual property law. He is a managing partner in the Indianapolis office of the William, Brinks, Olds, Hofer, Gilson, and Lione law firm.

For the past 14 years, he has been a class agent for the Rose-Hulman Alumni Association. Class agents serve as a key communication link between their graduating class and alma mater.

Badger is a 1953 honors graduate of Rose, receiving a B.S. degree in electrical engineering.



Bob Steinhauser



David Badger

Homecoming concert features  
Regency, Denny and Lee

Music by Regency and the magic of Denny and Lee will be featured Oct. 10 during this year's Homecoming concert at Rose-Hulman.

The show begins at 8:30 p.m. in Shook Memorial Fieldhouse. Ticket prices are \$4.50 for general admission or \$5 for reserved seating. Tickets for the concert, which is sponsored by the college's Student Activities Board, can be purchased at the Hulman Union box office on campus.

Regency, a five-member vocal group, will present a concert that blends classic Motown, swing and current Top-40 hits. The Baltimore-based group has become well-known on the college circuit, performing at more than 250 campuses last year.

The National Association of Campus Activities voted Regency the 1986 Jazz Artist of the Year and in 1985 it was selected as the Contemporary Artist of the Year. They have also been nominated for the 1987 Entertainer of the Year and Contemporary Artist of the Year awards.

The world of illusion will come to life at Shook Fieldhouse during a performance by Denny Haney and his partner Lee Minh Dang. A magician for 30 years, Haney adds a tongue-in-cheek humorous attitude to his performance of the traditional acts of magic.

The team of Denny and Lee has played throughout Europe and the United States. They have shared stages with entertainment stars ranging from Joan Rivers to Dolly Parton.

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Rose has served as a class agent for the alumni association since 1974. For the past 38 years, he was an engineering executive for the Roots Blower Division of Dreser Industries in Connersville. His responsibilities included the design and development of rotary blowers and meters for industrial use. Prior to his retirement in March, he had held the positions of engineering manager and chief engineer for all rotary products.

He graduated with honors from Rose in 1947.

Wellings has served in several volunteer capacities for the college's alumni association. For the past 16 years, he has been a class agent and served as the fund-raising chairman for the alumni association annual fund in 1983. In addition, he has served as chairman for three reunions.

Wellings created the firm that bears his name in 1985. It provides mechanical, industrial and electrical engineering consulting and design services to industrial and large commercial clients throughout the Midwest.

Prior to the formation of his own firm, he worked in the corporate facilities department at Cummins Engine Co. where he managed a worldwide energy management program and provided technical support to a major new plant expansion program.

He graduated from Rose in 1968 with a B.S. degree in mechanical engineering.

Freshmen work hard to construct the annual bonfire. This year they were set back by an early fire.

Root Quadrangle dedicated

The official dedication of Root Quadrangle was conducted Thursday with members of the Chapman Root family, the Board of Managers and the Rose-Hulman administration taking part in the ceremony.

The quadrangle was made possible through a donation by Chapman Root, a native of Terre Haute who has contributed to several community projects to better Terre Haute.

Root, who now resides in Daytona Beach, Fla., was not able to attend the ceremony due to illness.

The quad was included in the original Moench Hall renovation plans. It was named in Root's honor for his contributions to Rose-Hulman and the local community.

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# Opinion and Columns

## Tips from

# The Real World

by Gary Hall  
(CS - 1987)

As the members of the class of 1988 sit back and read this, graduation may seem an eternity away. Trust me, it will be here before you know it. Then, a few short weeks after graduation, you will be removed from Rose and dropped in the middle of the real world.

What I would like to pass on to the next graduating class are tips in three areas that will drastically affect your life in the next year: credit, cars and apartments.

Believe it or not, credit is the most important. Without it, you can kiss the others goodbye. How do you get credit? One easy way is to get a credit card and use it wisely. When auto dealers and apartment managers run a credit check on you, the fact that you've bought on credit and paid your bills on time establishes your credit worthiness. Where I live, the fact that I had credit released me from having to put up a full month's rent as a security deposit. That's \$530 I didn't have to come up with before my first paycheck.

An important note about the credit cards is that you have to use them to earn a credit history. Simply having a credit card doesn't prove anything.

The easiest way to build up your credit history is to make small purchases with your credit card, then pay them off when the first bill arrives. It may not seem like a big deal now, being able to pay off the \$8.45 you charged at Sears, but it does show responsibility, which is what future creditors will be looking for.

Cars are another area where the new graduate must beware. Not only do you have to meet the monthly payments, but you have to insure the thing, too. In Maryland, a friend of mine with one speeding ticket requested an insurance quote for a 1987 Nissan Pulsar. \$2200 a year! That's an additional payment of \$183 a month, on top of the car payments.

Car insurance is probably the trickiest part. The best advice is to consult your current agent, if

you already have one, or pick an agent out of the phone book and question them about rates based on age, experience, tickets and accidents, and location.

If you already own a car, check on the licensing fees for whatever state you will be moving to. Some states (such as Maryland) charge 5% of the car value in addition to other fees. So, if you buy that snazzy sports car for \$10,000 in Indiana, Maryland will sock you for another \$500 plus to register it in their state.

Apartments are a subject all seniors will become acquainted with as they near graduation. When looking at rates, there are two very important items to consider: utilities and appliances.

Those of you who live in dorms (residence halls for Pete and Tom), know how inconvenient community washers and dryers are. The same is true in the real world, with the exception that they cost twice as much. Thus, an apartment with a washer/dryer is easily worth an extra \$50 to \$100 a month. Dishwashers are nice; but honestly, how many dishes will one or two people dirty a day?

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Utilities are probably more important than appliances. If you move to the hot south or cold north, be ready for utility bill shock unless the management is picking up the bill. Not only must you remember gas/electric, but there are also water and even sewage fees in some places. Again, an apartment with all utilities paid is worth an extra \$50 - \$100 a month. (For those of you considering moving out east, expect rents to range from \$400 to \$700. Townhouses start at \$70,000. Single family homes usually start at \$110,000. A friend from the west coast tells me that these prices are unbelievably low!)



## Just for the Record: 'Hold Your Fire'

by Vince Klortho

I could say that I'm a Rush fan, but that would not be entirely true. In reality, I'm a Neil Peart fan. Ok, yeah, he's most likely the best drummer in rock (if not the world), but that isn't why I admire him. The products of his mind amaze me; he's easily the best lyricist I know of.

There's a sign on a door in BSB that says "We Worship Rush." when I read that, I thought they were taking it a bit too far. But that was before I had heard Hold Your Fire. It isn't a concept album, but the songs are basically musical accompaniment for Peart Philosophy. If a Digital Man is one who "picks up scraps of information," then Peart must be one. The ideas are deep ones; similar to "Freewill," "Losing It," and "Emotion Detector." Peart just may have out done himself on this album. I don't see very much room for improvement.

Musically, the album strikes me as being quite different from their other material. Obviously, Rush is hard to liken to other bands because they don't really sound like any other band. Well, this "new" sound is different for

Rush, but it still defies comparison. It's not blatantly synthesized the way Signals was, but it also isn't heavy. If you've

**"One needn't worship Rush to enjoy them."**

heard the first release, "Force Ten," you can appreciate how much this music defies definition.

Instrumentally, this album holds no big surprises over its recent predecessors. Peart does end "Lock and Key" with some fancy stick work reminiscent of the bridge in "Tom Sawyer." Also, Geddy employs a technique (a la Sting) by which he records the vocals many times over and layers them together on the final recording. This lets one person have the effect of sounding like many. I found the result to be a pleasing one. But other than those small variations, I found the usual combination of Geddy feeling inspired, Neil sounding

busy, and Alex seemingly dozing at the strings.

With ten tracks totaling fifty minutes, Hold Your Fire is Rush's longest album so far (courtesy of the compact disk revolution). Yet unlike Power Windows or Grace Under Pressure, the songs are consistent, fit well together into an album, and all are quite good. Rush fans will probably group this album with 2112 and Moving Pictures, their finest work.

Rush used to be a real love'em or hate'em group — a cult band — but as they've mellowed out, they have become more popular. I still don't think you'll hear them on Top 40 radio (Let's hope not!), but Hold Your Fire should sell rather well. Won't Rush's new fans be surprised to hear some of the band's original material?!

I'll recommend Hold Your Fire for fans of any Rush album since Permanent Waves. It's an excellent album, both lyrically and musically. And keep in mind: One needn't worship Rush to enjoy them.

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## College News

## News Briefs

## Students speak on math

On October 9 and 10, Rose-Hulman students Kent Wallace, Brent Young, Joel Atkins, Mark Leonard, and Scott Krutsch will be attending the 14th annual Pi Mu Epsilon Conference at Miami University in Oxford, Ohio. In addition, three of these students will be presenting papers.

Scott Krutsch will be presenting a 15-minute paper on the Theory of Restricted Choice, Joel Atkins will give a 15-minute paper on "The Cross Product in n-Space," and Mark Leonard will

present a 30-minute paper entitled, "Introduction to Homotopy."

The reasons the attending students gave for presenting a paper or attending a conference included the need to keep informed and that it will look very good on a résumé. "Not many people do it. It takes somebody who wants to do a little extra work," said Leonard. "It's a good opportunity to be in front of a crowd. It gives the chance to see what other math majors are doing at different colleges."

## ATO honored

The Rose-Hulman chapter of Alpha Tau Omega fraternity has presented the Arthritis Foundation with \$500, the fraternity's award for its social service work.

The Rose ATO chapter received the Community Awareness Award at its summer national convention. The award is given to the chapter with the top social service program of the year and the monetary portion of the award is designated for the charitable organization of the winning chapter's choice. The local chapter has won the

award twice since its inception seven years ago.

A check was presented to Lenore Burke, executive director of the Indiana chapter of the Arthritis Foundation on Sept. 24 by Nathan Wright, president of the Rose ATO.

The chapter also has received the True Merit Award for performance in chapter operations. The award is given to fewer than 10 percent of the fraternity's 158 chapters each year and Rose ATO has won the award 17 of the last 20 years.

## Fine Arts postponed

The Rose-Hulman Fine Arts Series appearance for October 17 has been cancelled. The scheduled show, "Boyce Holleman is Clarence Darrow," will be rescheduled to sometime after

the start of the new year. The show traces many of the famous courtroom battles of one of America's most prominent turn-of-the-century lawyers, including the Scopes "Monkey Trial."

## WMHD upgrades

by Bobby Woolf

The Rose-Hulman Broadcasting Club and its student-run radio station, 90.5 FM WMHD, is greatly upgrading its equipment and album collection. Both additions will allow WMHD to serve its listeners better.

These advances began late last spring quarter when WMHD upgraded its compact disk collection. Over 20 disks were bought for popular bands like Pink Floyd, Peter Dinklage and Rush. The software inventory was further enlarged over the summer with the addition of approximately 80 new records of various rock styles. A sizable portion of these records are brand new titles from artists such as U2, The Smiths, Susane Vega, Marillion, Roger Waters and Ozzy Osbourne.

As its musical catalogue increases, WMHD is also upgrading its recording and playback equipment. Two top-of-the-line Harman-Kardon CD players have been ordered; one is already being used in the broadcast studio. Two Akai cassette decks have also been added to the broadcast booth, replacing two older, worn decks. The production studio was also enhanced with a state of the art Onkyo Integra cassette recorder. New

microphones and headphones are on order to increase the production capabilities of what used to be only a broadcasting club.

Also, the WMHD staff has launched a new offensive to establish badly-needed record company relations. The club now has a subscription to the College Music Journal, a key publication for college radio stations. By promoting itself in the Journal, WMHD will greatly increase its visibility in the trend-setting college music scene. Record companies large and small look to the Journal when distributing free promotional albums and other publicity-generating materials. WMHD should soon see its album collection expand as its presence is made known to the record industry.

Finally, an effort has been made to attract more listeners from beyond the bounds of the Rose campus. For three days, beginning September 11 of this school year, WMHD placed an ad in the Terre Haute Tribune outlining its multi-style, request-generated, commercial-free format.

WMHD, 90.5 FM, not only entertains the Rose-Hulman community, but also represents the college to the citizens of Terre Haute.

## McKinney president ASCE

James L. McKinney, chairman of Rose-Hulman civil engineering department, has been named president of the Indiana Section of American Society of Civil Engineers.

McKinney's term begins Oct. 1 and continues through Sept. 30, 1988. Prior to his election as president, McKinney served as a vice president. He also has served as the organization's sec-

retary.

The American Society of Civil Engineers is the professional society of civil engineering and provides many technical services to its members. The Indiana section includes six geographic branches throughout the state. Also, there are five student chapters at state colleges and one club at the University of Southern Indiana.

## Tom and Pete swim for blood

by Craig Stacky

The fall blood drive, held Wednesday, Sept. 30, was a record breaker for Rose. A total of 280 units were donated. That is 74 pints better than the previous record set last fall, according to Pete Gustafson. He went on to say that the fall, winter and spring drives provide about 500 pints per year, 10 percent of the blood supply in our region.

Junior Scott Brown, a member of the Residence Hall Association (RHA), worked closely with the blood center getting the drive coordinated. He agreed that this was a spectacular drive, commenting that "there was no way to have gotten more people through in the time period available." Since the fall blood drive usually has the best response, a two-day blood drive is possible for next fall. Brown expressed thanks to those in RHA who helped him get ready, all of the donors, and the faculty wives who provided the cookies.

Although Samuel Hulbert did not swim, enough blood was donated to meet the collection goals set by Tom Miller and Pete Gustafson, who were laked. Both "soakies" said that getting wet for the cause was worthwhile. Miller said the drive "was an outstanding testimony of the students, faculty, and staff here at Rose-Hulman. If we get that (much blood) out of them then it's worth it."

Although laking will not be practical for the winter blood drive, Brown is interested in a new gimmick to increase turnout for the next drive. Any ideas would be appreciated.



photo by Christian Schuler

Tom Miller and Pete Gustafson took the plunge after Rose set a new 280-pint blood donation record.

## Emily May Brown explains apartheid

by Bobby Woolf

On Thursday, Oct. 1, Emily May Brown gave a talk entitled "South Africa: On the Outside Looking In." Brown is a Fulbright scholar currently studying journalism as a graduate student at Iowa State University. Brown is also a Cape Town (South Africa) native.

In her speech, Brown outlined the repressive measures consistently imposed on blacks by

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the white minority government of South Africa. In her mind, this was represented by a phrase she used repeatedly: "the anger, the hurt, and the depression of South Africans." When using this phrase, Brown was not only describing the state of mind of most blacks in her country, but also that of a minority of whites who oppose the treatment South African blacks receive.

There are two main laws that give apartheid its power: the Race Registration Act and the Group Areas Act. The R.R.A. legally defines each citizen's race as either white, Indian, colored, or black. (A "colored" is any mix of the other three groups, or an Asian.) This means that the state — not the individual — defines a person's racial identity. This adversely affects the way in which a person's culture and heritage are interpreted. The G.A.A. divides cities, and ultimately the country, into segments. Each segment represents a living area assigned to an individual race. Typically, white living areas have higher property values and are located near the cities in which the whites work. Black

living areas, however, are poor regions established far from sources of employment. The business districts of cities are considered white areas. Blacks are required to carry government-issued passes to gain entrance to a white area. Passes are generally issued only if the black is employed in that area. However, the distance between these business districts and a black living area, or homeland, is too far to commute on a day-to-day basis. Thus, blacks employed to work in the cities are relocated to special black group areas closer to the city. However, these special areas also require passes. Fathers are separated from their families when they are forced to move but their families cannot. Yet the only jobs to be found for blacks in South Africa are in the cities, so black workers face a tough decision: separation from their families or unemployment. This is an effect of apartheid.

**"Currently, the Reagan Administration's policy is known as 'constructive engagement.'"**

Blacks are the majority in South Africa. The population in that country is 72 percent black, 16 percent white, nine percent colored, and three percent Indian. Yet 59 percent of wages go to the whites; the blacks get only 29 percent. Furthermore, eight times as much money is spent on an average white student as is spent on a black one. The student-to-teacher ratio for whites is 18 to one; it is 43 to one for black students. Clearly a minority of the population in South Africa is receiving a majority of the benefit.

Blacks are now demanding change. A small percentage of

the whites are supporting them, but most are resisting fervently. If change comes, it will take one of two forms: the white government will be forced to change or violent revolution will oust the government. Thus far, the blacks have seemed fairly powerless to force the government to meet their demands. Blacks have the numbers but whites have a strong, heavily-armed, brutal police force. Other countries may have more of an effect on the white government. In hopes that South African whites will find economic survival preferable to racial barriers, many Americans have been calling for American disinvestment in South Africa. On the other hand, if violent revolution takes place, the blacks will have to be supplied militarily. America and its allies will be reluctant to do so. The Soviet Union, however, might not. Conceivably, South Africa could become a communist state.

There are reasons why America has not forced South Africa to reform its racial policies. The government in South Africa was democratically elected and is friendly toward the United States. America would like to retain these friendly relations with South Africa. Furthermore, many Americans contend that the U.S. should not involve itself in the internal affairs of another country. American politicians disagree on what this country's policy toward South Africa should be.

Currently, the Reagan administration's policy is known as "constructive engagement." This means that the U.S. is quietly urging South Africa to end apartheid. However, the U.S. will not make it a large issue between the two governments.

The United Nations is currently expending a large amount of effort on the apartheid issue. Member nations will probably be the ones to decide whether the South African government will change or whites will continue to enjoy their status over blacks.



Etc.

## Bonfire schedule of events

- Sept. 10, 5:00 p.m.:** Sophomore class president Jeff Hansen is depantsed by freshmen in front of Speed Hall, signaling the start of the conflict.
- Sept. 15, 10:30 p.m.:** Sophomore "Bruce Lee" (The name has been changed to protect the allegedly guilty) and four buddies attempt to take a member of the freshmen depantsing committee. He demurs, explaining that he has an important Chem Lab due. Frustrated, Lee and company throw the floor's RA into the shower and turn his room upside down. The RA wonders what awesome leap of logic entitled Lee to do this.
- Sept. 15, 10:45 p.m.:** Fifteen freshmen, enraged at the brutal treatment of their RA, head to Lee's room in order to take him, but Lee is absent, so the freshmen systematically begin to move his furniture into the hall. In the process, Lee's pillow is accidentally filled with shaving cream.
- Sept. 16, 1:00 a.m.:** Lee apparently discovers the shaving cream in his pillow. He pounds on a freshman's door and demands to see the freshman's roommate, who is not in. "Foiled again," hisses Lee, "but I will have my revenge."
- Sept. 16, 10:00 p.m.:** Lee and three friends, determined to have that revenge, turn a freshman's bed upside down. They attempt to shaving cream his pillow and steal an "innocent" bystander's refrigerator, but are interrupted. Lee demands again to be told who put shaving cream in his pillow. He is laughed at. Lee threatens to "get" the entire floor, one by one, until the guilty party is found. A freshman points out that there are 45 people on the floor, and only one of Lee ("Thank God"). Lee leaves.
- Sept. 18, 3:00 p.m.:** The latest issue of *The Rose-Thorn* carries a warning that freshmen and ties are off-limits to sophomores until Sept. 26. Sophomores laugh.
- Sept. 19:** Approximately 80 railroad ties, the first of the bonfire season, are gathered and placed near the banks of the lake dredging reservoir (affectionately known as "Sludge Pond.")
- Sept. 20, 10:30 p.m.:** Sophomores haul all of the ties over the Sludge Pond bank and dump them in the pond, pushing them out towards the center of the lake.
- Sept. 21, Morning:** The winds have done their work, and all the ties have floated back to the shore, to the dismay of the sophomores.
- Sept. 26, 7:30 a.m.:** Enterprising freshmen, not knowing what they are getting into, set out for a full day of gathering wooden pallets and railroad ties, all of which are deposited in front of Sludge Pond. Ties are retrieved from the pond and construction of the bonfire begins.
- Sept. 26, 9:00 p.m.:** Elite freshmen troops settle down to stay guard for the entire night, marking the beginning of a continual night guard on the bonfire. Sporadic and generally disorganized sophomore raiding begins.
- Sept. 28, 1:00 a.m.:** Sophomores experienced in the ways of deceit and trickery begin to infiltrate the freshmen ranks, posing as guards. The freshmen, most of whom don't even know who their head of security is, are easily fooled.
- Sept. 29, 5:00 a.m.:** The only remaining freshman guard returns to his room to complete a crucial chemistry lab. Unknown (although there are suspicions) anarchists destroy the fledgling bonfire, in violation of all Rose traditions. Open war is declared.
- Sept. 29, 4:00 p.m.:** A blistering memorandum from Dean Lucas, RE: **The Destruction of the Bonfire**, is delivered to the boxes of sophomores. Most sophomores, who don't even know that the freshmen have even started gathering ties (i.e., clueless), are confused even further.
- Sept. 29, 10:00 p.m.:** A dedicated freshman crew arrives to begin the reconstruction of the scuriously scuttled bonfire.
- Sept. 30, 12:10 a.m.:** Approximately 30 freshmen corner Lee between Blumberg and Sharpberg halls as he is engaging in the fine art of conversation. He is walked to the Big Lake dock, and as the freshmen flagrantly violate the design specs of the dock, is tossed in. Revenge is not complete, however, as the slippery Lee manages to take a hapless freshman with him.
- Sept. 30, 12:15 a.m.:** Full of courage, 20 sophomores from BSB leave for the "Worx" to "buy a hamburger" (snicker snicker). However, by the time they have arrived at the bonfire, which just happens to be on the way to the Worx by way of the surrounding woods, the ground has apparently opened up and swallowed all but five of the fearless group. They open fire with bottle rockets, causing consternation among the workers, and chortle in their glee. Soon however, they meet upon a group of 10 "sophomores" in the woods and identify themselves. Big mistake. The treacherous freshmen-in-disguise grab our heroes and lake at least two of them.
- Sept. 30, exactly 12:49 p.m.:** Fully exposed by a blazing daylight sun, six sophomores arrive at the scene of the bonfire. Using the gloves which have been thoughtfully provided by the freshmen, they proceed to dump pallets, ties, the rest of the gloves, and even the bench into the already crowded Sludge Lake.
- Sept. 30, exactly 1:01 p.m.:** A lone freshman wanders down to the bonfire scene. Upon questioning, it is discovered that the freshman knows nothing about the bonfire (qq. clueless), and just came down to see what was happening.
- Sept. 30, exactly 1:04 p.m.:** A Belated freshman strike force finally shows up. The sophomores, realizing that these three may be a precursor of more to come, surrender the field. Due to oppressive censorship restrictions, however, we are unable to bring you a quote from the freshmen.
- Oct. 2, 1:00 a.m.:** Sporadic sophomore raiding. In one memorable incident, three sophomores sneak up the railroad tracks and shoot some fireworks at the bonfire. Failure to compensate for wind, however, leads to the fireworks missing the bonfire and nailing the pallets.
- Oct. 4, 7:00 a.m.:** Playful sophomores pile hay on ties, set them on fire, and push them out on the lake. People panic, and a fire truck shows up to save Sludge Lake from burning up. Due to a certain lack of ability to comprehend the situation by workers of ARAT, rumors were spread to the effect that the bonfire burned down. Honest! This, however, was a false alarm.

## Superconductor research

The appeal of superconductors, materials which can transport electricity with no energy loss, is mainly due to the "newness" of the science. This appeal has somewhat been replaced by a "nationalist" vigor, as United States and Japanese scientists

attempt to lead the way in superconductor research. This international competition is expected to boast the domestic business economies of the two nations, but may delay even greater benefits of joint research.

## Political prisoners tortured

According to recent findings by Amnesty International, Soviet political prisoners still face harsh treatment and hard labor in jails and camps. Although the overall human rights situation in Africa shows some improvement, some countries in Asia and Africa have increased use of capital punishment and torture.

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## World Last Week

by Rose-Hulman Foreign Policy Association

### Persian Gulf

International news is presently being dominated by events in the Persian Gulf. As the world marked the seven-year anniversary of the beginning of the war between Iran and Iraq, a United States naval attack on an Iranian ship brought even more attention and controversy. Allegedly, the Iranian vessel was lining areas in the Gulf with mines, an act which instigated the American takeover of the ship. At least three Iranians were killed and four or five others were injured in what the Iranian government calls a merciless attack on a "peaceful merchant vessel." This news is even more interesting in light of

the past that Middle East analysts recently reported that stepped up U.S. presence in the Persian Gulf has forced Iranian restraint of military actions in the area.

The Persian Gulf issue is being hotly debated in the United Nations at this time. It is expected that the United Nations Assembly will vote overwhelmingly to condemn the United States' naval attack. However, much of the discussion is based on the United Nations Security Council, which is deciding an appropriate course of action. Debated ideas include a worldwide embargo against Iran. While some American officials in

Washington doubted the effectiveness of trade sanctions, they are making serious efforts to persuade Security Council members to support an arms embargo against the country. The entire goal of these actions is to force Tehran to comply with U.N. Resolution 538, calling for an immediate cease-fire between the two nations. Iranian officials are insisting that the United Nations call for an investigation of the origin of the war, which most likely points to tragic provocation. The Soviet Union, meanwhile, has supported Iran's call for this investigation and denied support for the American embargo plan.

## World Bank takes role in debt filled world

In a matter of great urgency and world need, leaders from around the banking world as well as political leaders recently met to formulate the next steps to resolve the world's banking crisis. World Bank President Barber Conable met with President Reagan and Treasurer-Secretary James Baker as well as other world and economic leaders at the annual meeting of the International Monetary Fund.

The majority of the proposals at the meeting contain various methods to improve communication within the banking world dealing with this alarming situation. Japanese Finance Minister Kiichi Miyazawa proposed multi-lateral institutions "serve as an information center, or provide a marketplace so that the parties concerned can meet face to face." The improved communication will increase the

rate at which financial solutions can be implemented.

President Reagan as well as Mr. Conable favors the use of intermediate transactions within the World Bank rather than direct active transactions. These intermediate transactions would include the use of the equity rather than debt. That is, a debtor nation would use bonds or other equity-related measures rather than straight loans. For example, Brazil recently asked for \$10,400,000,000 to pay for interest on old loans. Under the new proposal, the money given to Brazil would actually represent ownership of parts of Brazil such as land or factories until the money was paid back. Thus, the use of bonds would make the banks of various creditor nations feel more secure as well as giving the various debtor nations a chance to invest interest payments in the economy which

could spur a new economic growth in those nations.

Although the plans for the World Bank to implement the various new proposals are being made, the total solution is still in the future. In fact, the I.M.F. said "a satisfactory resolution of the debt problem is likely to take longer than was expected earlier."

The new proposals, although they seem to be taking a bit longer than was once expected, still have been receiving high praises. Many of the backers of the World Bank hope the new role of the conservative, solid bank will give credibility to the new solutions, namely the debt conversion programs. The new solutions will hopefully spur economic growth in these nations thus avoiding an economic tragedy which could be of catastrophic proportions.

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## Homecoming Queen Candidates



**MICHELLE SMITH (Above)**

Miss Smith is a native of Montezuma. She is planning to attend Ivy Tech and study reading education. She graduated in the top 15 percent of her high school class. She is a part-time model and employee at Meis department store in Terre Haute. She enjoys teaching children and tutors third graders in literature. She also spends her free time working out and singing at weddings.



**JULIA ANNE BARNES (Above)**

Miss Barnes, a native of Bloomington, is a freshman at Indiana State University. She recently pledged Alpha Chi Omega, making her a fifth generation member. She enjoys playing softball and volleyball. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Barnes of Bloomington.



**LORI ANN ORR (Below)**

Miss Orr, a native of Linton, is a sophomore political science major at Indiana State University. She is a member of Gamma Phi Beta Sorority and a little sister of Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity at Rose-Hulman. She spends her free time helping with social service functions and she also enjoys running, skiing, aerobics and gymnastics. She is the daughter of Danny Orr of Sullivan and Mr. and Mrs. Don Greenwood of Linton.

**LISA BAKER (Left)**

Miss Baker is a sophomore medical technology major at St. Mary-of-the-Woods College. She models for Meis and Bermans. She enjoys aerobics, jogging, tennis, biking and making people laugh. She is planning to continue her studies to become a doctor after graduation.

**TRACEE GORE (Below)**

Miss Gore, a native of Paris, Ill., is a freshman English major at St. Mary-of-the-Woods College. She is a Rose-Hulman cheerleader and is active in Campus Ministry and WICI. During high school she was a four-year band member and was active in drama, French Club, Art Club, Key Club, Sub-Debs and May Fete. She coached a junior high cheerleading squad from Paris that finished 11th in national competition last summer. Her hobbies include gymnastics, dancing, jogging and collecting teddy bears.





## Sports

# Engineers defeat Olivet 17-14

by Ray Urbanic

The Rose-Hulman football team bettered their record to 5-0 last week, narrowly defeating Olivet for their 10th win in a row. It came down to the last second of the game when Rose-Hulman's Ken Pierce managed to deflect Olivet's 51-yard field-goal attempt, which could have ended the game as a tie. The Engineers now enjoy a four-game stay at home, kicking off with a Homecoming contest Saturday, Oct. 10 against 4-0 Taylor University, who is rated in the NAIA Division II ranks.

Jason Duff and Tony Broadnax were once again the Offensive Players of the Week. Duff threw 27 passes, 17 completed, for 232 yards, including a touchdown pass. The scoring throw broke the school record for career completions, which is now set at 244. Another school record is threatened to fall by Duff, needing only 62 more yards for career yards passing. Tony Broadnax rushed for 105 yards, gaining his third 100-yard game in a row. John Collet also added 68 yards rushing, providing depth to Rose's offense.

The Engineers' defense was bolstered by the efforts of Pat Thomas, who earned Defensive Player of the Week with his 14 tackles, three being losses for eight yards. This performance brings his season total up to 70 tackles, leading the team. Pierce's field-goal block was the third blocked kick in three games, the other two belonging

to Doug Ankney (both blocked punts).

Rose-Hulman took the lead early in the game, leading 17-7 at halftime. However, what usually is an easy time for the Engineers in the second half (scoring 106-35 against the opposition), was anything but; having two touchdowns called back on penalties. Coach Duncan commented, "It was a fortunate victory for us. We didn't take advantage of the opportunities you need to take advantage of to win games." Olivet was only the second game this season in which Rose had the lead at halftime. "It was a different twist for us," said Coach Duncan. "Instead of needing to rally in the second half, we were ahead and had to hold the lead. We seem to play better when we are hungry."

The Engineers will certainly be hungry for Taylor, who has a lifetime lead over Rose-Hulman, 7-2, in the series. Also, there's a six-game Homecoming losing streak that would like to be erased this Saturday. Coach Duncan describes this anticipation: "We're going to try to focus in on the fact that there's only two things that exist: Academics and Taylor University. If we can get the intensity and enthusiasm we've had before, we'll be in good shape."

One of Taylor's reasons for their early success this season is freshman quarterback Kevin Doss, who has thrown for 746 yards and scored seven touch-



**DEFENSIVE LINEMEN** — First Row: Mike Tresemer, Paul Palmer, Mike Duregger, Kurt Gobreski, Chris Szaz, Fred Gondeck and Brett Starr; second row: Coach Jerry Allen, Spiro Megremis, Mark McMahan, Kevin Love, David Strickland, Jeff Sexton, Steve Hanagan, Ronald Timm and Matt Myers.

downs on the ground alone. His favorite target is Brian Doss, his older brother, who has 18 receptions for 336 yards. Taylor's leading rusher is Mike Woods, who has gained 311 yards on 82 attempts this year. Their defense is led by defensive end James Hill and middle linebacker Randy Walker. "Taylor is the most balanced team we've seen all year," said Coach Duncan.

"Offensively and defensively they have gotten the job done. It will be a complete battle and we'll need a total team effort."

The game will start at 1:30 p.m. at Phil Brown Field, down by the fieldhouse. The game will

be broadcast on WMHD, 90.5 FM, beginning at 1:20 p.m. GO ENGINEERS!

## Rose receiver turns 100

The year was 1908. Theodore Roosevelt was the president of the United States and football was still in its infancy.

H. Wayne Curry was the right end for the Rose Polytechnic Institute football team in the fall of '08. And in a game against Washington University on October 31, Curry became the first Rose football player to catch a forward pass.

The forward pass began as a way teams avoided some of the violent contact that had prompted President Roosevelt to threaten to ban the game. Although it didn't become popular until Knute Rockney's Notre Dame team of 1913, the first recorded forward pass came in 1906 between Wesleyan University and Yale.

Today, Curry may be the oldest living person to catch a forward pass in a football game. Curry, a member of the Class of 1909, will celebrate his 100th birthday September 19.

That crisp fall afternoon on the Washington University campus in St. Louis, Curry hauled in a pair of passes. One covered 14 yards and the other was good for 20 yards. Rose Poly lost the game, however, 11-6.

The local newspaper carried an account of the game written by Rose Poly Coach Heze Clark. An excerpt from the story:

"...Washington was penalized for off side play; Curry made 14 on a forward pass. Pritchard failed at a place kick. Washing-

ton's punt was blocked. Pritchard failed at a place kick. Rose Poly regained the ball and Pritchard again failed at a place kick. Hughbanks regained the pigskin for Poly and another trial at place kicking failed. Washington punted and on the next play Curry made 20 yards on a forward pass."

In 1973 Curry gave a speech to the Hillsboro Rotary Club and mentioned his aerial feat.

"The forward pass in football was first used in 1906. While playing on my college team, Rose Polytechnic Institute, in 1908 against Washington University I caught two forward passes. Now my modesty prevents me from claiming to be the oldest living person to have caught a forward pass in a football game in the world."

He always has taken pride in his gridiron achievement and continued joking about it even at his 98th birthday party.

Curry also played basketball and baseball at Rose Poly and was devoted to competition, noting in that 1973 speech, "(I) later played golf and was on a bowling team for years. I mention this to show you how I love competition which has led me to associate with questionable characters in games of chance, especially on Monday evenings after Rotary."

Rose's oldest living graduate, who now resides in Hillsboro, Ill., with his wife Mattie, is retired from the American Zinc Co. in Hillsboro.



Keith Harriman shows ball control against Blackburn.

photo by Christian Schuler

## Soccer team beats Rhodes 3-2

by Cary Gerber

On this past Saturday, Rose's soccer team battled against Rhodes College, and on Sunday they fought with Blackburn College. Saturday's game followed through very well, and when the afternoon was over, our team walked away with a victory under their belts. The final score was 3-2, in Rose's favor. Rose went for a total of 9 potential goals, of which one was blocked by the opposing goalie. Rhodes went for a total of 17 possible goals, but five of those 17 were saved by Brian Hall, Rose's goalie. Rose was given one penalty kick, but the point just was not there. Of 3 goals, 2 were made by Jeromy Steele, and the other goal was finished off by Mark Lav. The two goals for Rhodes College were made by Pietrangelo. Two assists were made in the game, one was made

by Al Radomsky, and the other by Andre Brousseau. After this game, the final standings were 2 wins, 3 losses and 2 ties.

On a more dismal note, Rose lost to Blackburn College in the Sunday game. Rose finished with no goals, while Blackburn walked off with two goals. Rose tried for 14 goals, but 5 were blocked by the opposing goalie. Blackburn tried to sink 19 kicks, but our goalie, Shane Weiss, blocked 7 of them. The 2 goals made in Blackburn's favor were made by Weavenek and Pakvla. In this match, no assists were made by either team. The final standing is now 2 wins, 4 losses and 2 ties.

Rhodes College is a member of the College Athletic Conference and as a result of their position, this past Saturday's game was very important. Blackburn College is a member of the IICSC

(Illinois-Indiana Collegiate Soccer Conference). This game was not as important as the game against Rhodes, but then again, all games are important.

When Coach Jim Rendel was asked about the performance in the two games, he stated that on Saturday the team played very well with "the patched-up lineup." He also stated that on Sunday, the team played tiredly and not with the full energy they could have had they not played Saturday. All the energy and stamina of the team went into the Saturday game, and when Sunday rolled around, the energy could not be found again.

The future schedule includes:  
1) The Alumni game, here, on Sat., Oct. 10 at 11:00 a.m.  
2) Webster University, there, on Sat., Oct. 17, at 2:00 p.m.  
3) Millikin University, there, on Sun., Oct. 18 at 2:00 p.m.

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Sports

# Running Mericle

by Clark Pentico

Cross country runner Steve Mericle, a junior mechanical engineering student at Rose, believes, "This year's team is the closest team I have ever ran on."

After being awarded the Most Promising Underclassman in 1985, he has made it to the front of the pack in his third year with the team. His personal record on the 8K course is 27:12, but he has also run 34:22 and 16:15 in the five and 10 kilometer races respectively.

Steve spent his time this summer running 65 miles a week and swimming to prepare for the season.

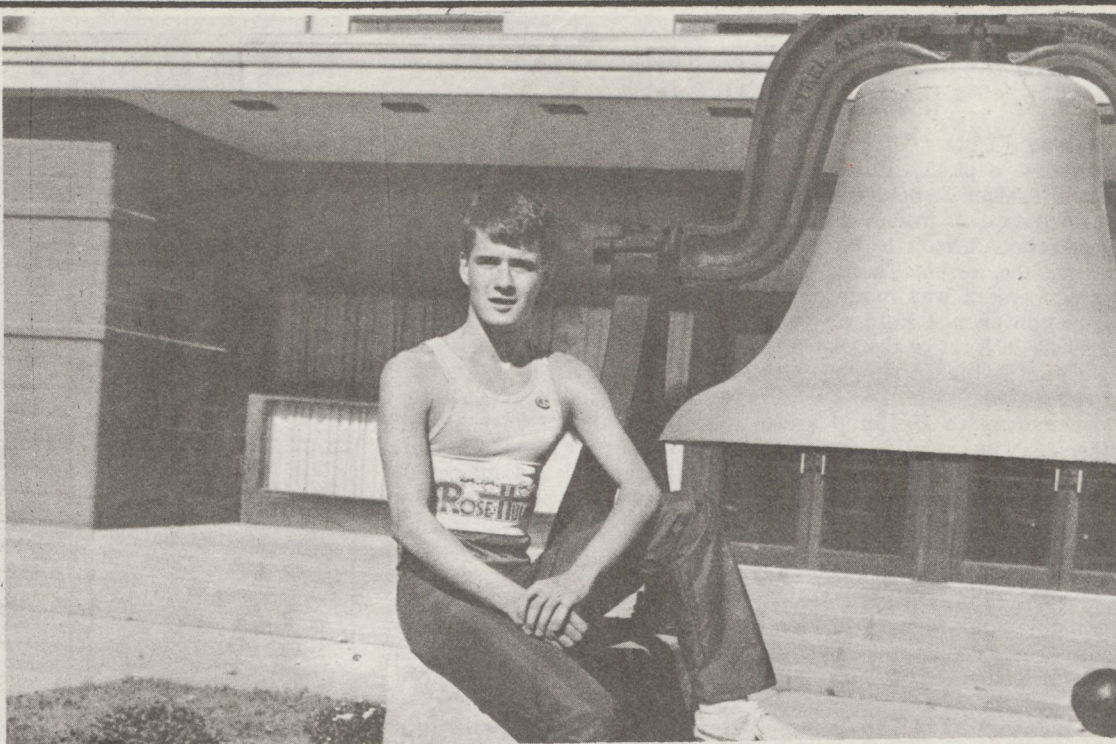
Mericle is a member of ATO, ASME and Christ United Methodist Church. In his spare time he enjoys swimming, traveling,

movies, and a variety of social activities.

Steve noted that his most liked aspect of the team was, "The diversity of personalities, yet we share more than just practice or school."

When asked about the Engineers' upcoming meet with Wabash College, he commented, "The key to beating Wabash this week is determination."

The team is hoping for a victory over Wabash for several reasons. First of all, it is the only dual meet of the season. The Harriers also lost to Wabash earlier in the season in a conditioning meet. The meet this Saturday is the last home meet for the seniors. The talent is there, "All we need to do is put it together and we will beat them," commented Mericle.



Steve Merical in front of fieldhouse.

## Duff sets football records

Junior quarterback Jason Duff has broken the record for touchdown passes in a career at Rose-Hulman.

Duff (6-2, 170, New Castle) has thrown 26 TD passes in less than two full seasons as the Engineers' starting signal-caller. He bettered the record of 21 touch-

down passes by Gary Lee set in 1972-75.

As a freshman, Duff threw one touchdown pass. Last season he set the school record for touchdown passes in a season with 14 and, with Saturday's three-TD effort, has completed 11 more this year.

YEAR	ATT	COMP	INT	YDS	PCT	TD	LG
Freshman	27	11	2	179	.407	1	31
Sophomore	289*	160*	20	1731*	.554	14*	97
Junior#	136	73	8	999	.537	11	81
Totals	435	244*	30	2726	.561	26*	97

\* denotes school record

# denotes four-game totals

## CAC football standings

	Conf.	PF	PA	O'all	PF	PA
Centre	1-0-0	14	0	2-1-0	30	19
Sewanee	1-1-0	42	21	3-1-0	96	53
Rose-Hulman	0-0-0	0	0	5-0-0	165	90
Rhodes	0-0-0	0	0	3-1-1	114	59
Earlham	0-1-0	7	42	0-3-0	35	103

## Upcoming sports events

FOOTBALL			
Sat., Oct. 10	Taylor University (Homecoming)	Home	
Sat., Oct. 17	Earlham College	Home	
Sat., Oct. 24	Centre College	Home	
Sat., Oct. 31	Sewanee	Home	
Sat., Nov. 7	Rhodes College	There	2:30 p.m.

Head Coach: Scott Duncan

All home games played at Phil Brown Field, 1:30 p.m. E.S.T., unless otherwise noted

CROSS COUNTRY			
Sat., Oct. 10	Wabash College	11:00 a.m.	Home
Fri., Oct. 16	Indiana Intercollegiate		Purdue
Sat., Oct. 31	College Athletic Conf. Meet		Rhodes College
Sat., Nov. 14	NCAA Regionals		Wooster College
Sat., Nov. 21	NCAA Finals		Hope College

Coach: Bill Welch

SOCCER			
Sat., Oct. 10	Alumni Game	11:00 a.m.	Home
Sat., Oct. 17	Webster University	2:00 p.m.	There
Sun., Oct. 18	Millikan University	2:00 p.m.	There
Fri., Oct. 23	Centre College	3:00 p.m.	Home
Sat., Oct. 24	DePauw University	11:00 a.m.	There
Tues., Oct. 27	Greenville College	3:00 p.m.	There
Sat., Oct. 31	Sewanee	11:00 a.m.	There

Coach: Jim Rendel

## Alumni games this weekend

by Jeff Hansen

There will be a baseball game on Sunday morning at 10 a.m. The game will be between Rose-Hulman alumni and players of the current Rose-Hulman baseball team. The game

will take place on the Art Nehf baseball field.

The Rose soccer team will play some Rose-Hulman alumni in a soccer game this Saturday at 11 a.m. on the Rose-Hulman soccer field. The game will be in the

middle of the Homecoming festivities this weekend. The game should be over before the beginning of the football game which will start with several parachutists dropping in on the game.



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Humor

# Hulman out for blood

(Steve Uhaul's, that is)

**Terrible Hole (GUP)** — On Thursday, Sept. 31, Rosem-Hosem President Samuel Hulburp announced a multi-party class-action lawsuit to be filed against the Rosem Thorn. The announcement was made at a news conference held on the sidewalk in front of the District 69 Courthouse in downtown Terrible Hole.

According to Hulburp and other even less reliable sources, the legal action was taken in the form of a libel/slander/endangerment-of-person suit. As described in the documents filed, the controversy was sparked when the Thorn staff "irresponsibly and without proper journalistic conduct, published a News Brief entitled 'Hulburp Out for Blood'."

"I didn't object to the misleading context of the title," Hulburp stated in an interview with the Thorn's second-place competition, the Terrible Hole Buffoon. "No, the suit was filed in objection to what the article reported."

Apparently, the Thorn mistakenly paraphrased Hulburp as expressing that he would "go swimming in Speed Lake" if a key amount of blood was raised in a blood drive held Wednesday. Somehow, Hulburp missed this announcement. What's more, he further insists that he never stated any intentions to go swimming in Speed Lake. "It's irresponsible journalism of the highest degree. The editors

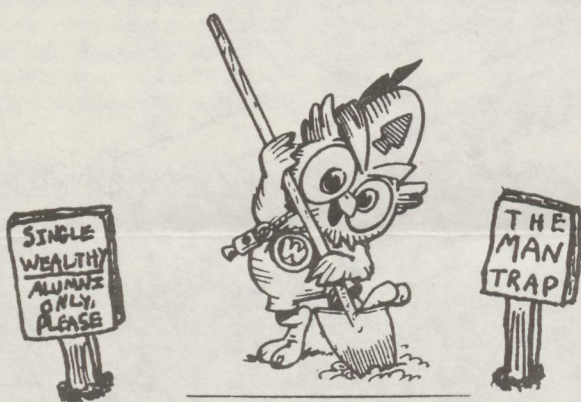
failed to verify their facts or contact me in any way." He asserts that he was very surprised when early Wednesday evening a congregation of Rosem students assisted him make his required swim.

"It was a horrible experience. I was taken away from my family, hustled past gawking freshmen, and cruelly hurled into the frigid water." The suit also claims medical damages. "I have pneumonia now. Plus, my left hipbone was broken when I landed on a cinder block the dredging must have missed."

Hulburp was joined in his suit by Geke GagYourSon and Tom "MegaBuddy" Mauler, who also found themselves as honored guests of a ceremony usually bestowed upon freshmen. Said GagYourSon, "I'm just glad my children weren't around. I believe the trauma would have been too much for them." However, the evening wasn't a total loss: Mauler found one of his old toupees on the lake bed.

Notably absent from the evening's festivities was Madonna GagYourSon. In fact, she seems to have mysteriously disappeared earlier that afternoon. Insecurity is launching an undercover probe into her connection, if any, with the terrorist incident.

Although the Thorn tried to reach Editor Steve U-Haul, the defendant named in the lawsuit, he was unavailable for comment.



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3. We've already heard ALL of Sam's jokes.
4. Poor Tom can't remember all of his "Budd"ies, causing nervous breakdown.
5. Updraft from bonfire causes Hulman International Airport to re-route all its Con-cordes.
6. Large inflow of cars overwhelms Insecurity, enabling hoodlums to steal the parking lot.
7. Bonfire burns pollutants from Terre Haute air. Hauteans have trouble breathing.
8. Large number of Woods' bouncers required to drag tipsy Alumni from Faculty Dining Room/bar. Tuition soars.
9. Rose loses at least six alumni per year to Terre Haute air.
10. Alumni drive students crazy asking, "Pi Kappa who?"

## BLOOM COUNTY

by Berke Breathed

