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Friday, October 2, 1998

Two talented twisters topped Thursday tournament

by Craig Pohlman
Thorn News Reporter

The Student Activities Board (SAB) sponsored the third annual Twister tournament yesterday on the basketball courts adjacent to Speed Hall.

Contestants gathered around 6 p.m. and took off their shoes to see how nimble they were. Dan Costenaro presided over the event and called out all the moves.

During the first round of competition, students played four to a mat as they attempted to out maneuver their opponents, sometimes sending them crashing to the ground. The winners of the first round received SAB Twister t-shirts. The unlucky ones were allowed to play in a consolation round for t-shirts.

Winners of the second and third rounds won \$25 and \$50 respectively.

After 45 minutes of more competition, two freshmen students remained.

Dave Perenic, a computer engineer

from Deming Hall, and Anna Yokel, an electrical engineer from B.S.B. Hall put their best feet forward as they worked for the \$100 grand prize. At this point, the two students each had already won a SAB Twister t-shirt and \$75.

The last round went on for over 20 minutes. The finalists decided to call it a draw. Perenic and Yokel split the \$100 grand prize.

Just before the final round, both parties agreed to call the match a draw if it continued too long.

Following the tournament, Perenic commented that, "She scared me. She was even a gymnast!"

When asked about her abilities and decision to enter the tournament, Yokel stated, "That's something I'd be good at."

While Yokel did exhibit exceptional maneuverability, it caused her to lose her sense of direction. "She couldn't tell her left foot from her right," joked Perenic.

Yokel was able to overcome the

problem. "I wrote 'left' and 'right' on my hands and later scratched it off," explained Yokel. Later on in the tournament, spectators helped Yokel by verbally pointing out which hand or foot was which.

After the event, Perenic claimed he was hit in the head. Yokel simply replied that she was "a passive Twister player."

Apparently this was not the only discomfort of the event. Perenic indicated that wearing tight fitting clothing is not advisable when playing Twister. "I would suggest that no pants for future Twister tournaments... it allows for easier movement," Perenic said.

According to spectators and contestants, the third annual Twister Tournament was a fun time had by all.

People interested in planning other fun things to do around campus are encouraged to stop by and join the SAB. Their meetings are every Thursday night at 7:00 p.m. in the Conference Room in the Union.



Dave Perenic and Anna Yokel, co-champions of the third annual Twister tournament sponsored by the SAB show off their talents after winning a combined total of over \$250 in prizes.

Photo courtesy of SAB

Modulus to distribute 1998 yearbook

by Vu Pham
Thorn News Reporter

The yearbook is coming! Beginning this Monday until Wednesday, the Modulus will be in the Union lobby and the Commons to distribute the 1998 Yearbook. The yearbook is made available to Sophomores, Juniors, Seniors, and Graduate students only.

On Monday and Wednesday from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., there will be a table set up in the Union lobby to distribute the yearbook. On Tuesday, Modulus members will be passing out the books in the Moench Hall Commons during the same hours.

Before the Freshmen class begins rioting and looting, the specific reasons why only upperclassmen receive the yearbooks are: a) they are in the pictures,

and b) they paid for them in last year's budget. The graduates of the 1998 class will receive their yearbooks in the mail.

If any faculty or staff would like a yearbook, please send your request to our editor, Dawn Griswold via e-mail at Dawn.Griswold@Rose-Hulman.edu.

We are very pleased with the tremendous success of the 1998 yearbook, symbolically titled "Attar of Rose". The Modulus would like to thank all the students, faculty, staff, clubs, fraternities and sororities for their timely responses and cooperation to put together the book.

If anyone is interested in photography or writing for the Modulus Yearbook, please contact our office at 877-8447 or e-mail our editor at the above mentioned address.



The cover for the 1998 Modulus, "Attar of Rose."

Image courtesy of Modulus

Solar Phantom V beginning to take shape

by Mike Oder
Thorn News Reporter

Production is well underway on the Solar Phantom V, Rose-Hulman's entry for Sunrayce '99. The Rose team finished fifth out of thirty-six teams in Sunrayce '97 and has a firm commitment to win the next race.

The car is scheduled to be completed during the first week of March, and production has been on schedule. It is extremely important that the car be completed early so that rigorous testing can be performed. One of the reasons that the Solar Phantom IV did so well was the abundance of testing miles already put on it, according to team leader and project CEO Dan Vialard.

The mechanical end of production is progressing well. The frame molds have been built, and the body molds should be completed soon. New regulations require that the car have four wheels, unlike Solar Phantom IV's three. The team also hopes to build on its experience to make the car more efficient. The new design is to be more aerodynamic than the last model.

The electrical team has also been hard at work. The final design for the solar array has been completed. The telemetry code should be completely written and ready for debugging in about a month.

The team is completely student-run. Members meet every Tuesday night at 7:00 in E-104. Construction occurs Saturdays at 9:00 a.m. in the new maintenance building. New students are welcome to join.

WMHD remodels, plans Internet broadcasts

by Mike Reavey
Thorn News Reporter

The Rose-Hulman radio station, WMHD, was remodeled over the summer and now has the "look" of a real radio station.

WMHD is a low-power station; on a good day, they can broadcast to all of Terre Haute. Normally, their signal reaches as far as I-70.

However, all that will change in about a month when the station begins to broadcast with RealAudio, allowing people all over the world to listen via the Internet.

WMHD is a free format station, so its DJs are allowed to choose the type of music they wish to play. Currently, the station broadcasts everything from Rock to Brazilian Salsa. The station clearly has something for everyone; playing the most diverse selection of



WMHD DJ Matt Sheehe (front) and Personnel Director Dave Svesko (rear) during a broadcast.

Photo by John Straigs

music available in Terre Haute. The Rose-Hulman radio station also has a great deal of history.

Terre Haute's first radio station, WBOW, was affiliated with the school according to Music Direc-

tor M.J. Kratoska. However, records are hard to find that would clarify the intensity of that relationship. Rose also had a radio station that began in the sixties and lasted into the seventies. WMHD was subsequently started in 1981.

The radio station offers students and faculty a wonderful opportunity to have their own show. Anyone can have a show, providing they pass basic training. The station is open to Rose, Woods, and Terre Haute high school students and faculty.

For more information on WMHD, consult the station's bi-monthly newsletter, Shaevamönki. It includes information on what is going on in the club as well as program schedules. Shaevamönki is available next to the Thorn stand in the Commons.

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This Weekend

Friday, October 2

- Volleyball, at Principia College, Elmhurst, Ill., 8 p.m.
- Career Services' Interview Seminar, PA Room, 6:30 p.m.
- Career Services' Interviews: Marathon Ashland LLC, Naval Surface Warfare Center, McGill Manufacturing, Makino

Saturday, October 3

- Football, at Trinity University, San Antonio, Texas, 7:30 p.m. (Broadcast On WJSH-AM, 1300, 7:15 p.m.)
- Men's Soccer, vs. Millsaps College, Jim Rendel Field, 3:30 p.m.
- Volleyball, at Fontbonne Triangular Match, St. Louis, Mo., Noon
- Women's Tennis, at IU-Southeast & Midway College, 10 a.m.

October 4 - October 10

Sunday, October 4

- Men's Soccer, Oglethorpe University, Jim Rendel Field, Noon
- Astronomy Club Meeting, Lynn Reeder Observatory, 8 p.m.

Monday, October 5

- Career Services' Interviews: Krannert Graduate School Of Management (Purdue)
- Company Information Sessions: Dow, Hulman Union, 5-6 p.m.; EDS, Music Room, Hulman Union, 6-8 p.m.
- Women's Soccer, at Vincennes University, Vincennes, 4 p.m.

Tuesday, October 6

- Institute Meeting, E-104, Moench Hall, 4:30 p.m.
- Explore Engineering's Edible Engineering Contest, Vonderschmitt Dining Room, Hulman Union, 7-9 p.m.
- Career Services' Interview Seminar, PA Room, 4:30 p.m.; Co-op Class No. 3, Kahn Room, 6 p.m.
- Career Services' Interviews: Dow, Guidant Corp., Central Soya Co., Neff Engineering Co. Inc., Milliken
- Company Information Session: MIT Lincoln Labs, PA Room, Hulman Union, 6-7 p.m.
- Volleyball, at St. Joseph's College, Rensselaer, Ind., 7 p.m.
- Unity video presentation, A mother describes the experience of her son coming out of the closet, Everyone is invited, E-104, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, October 7

- President's Administrative Council, Kahn Room, Hulman Union, 8 a.m.
- Panhellenic Rush Information Night
- Water Polo Club Meeting, Swimming Pool, Sports & Recreation Center, 6-8 p.m.
- Career Services' Interviews: Digital Audio Disc Corp., MIT Lincoln Labs, Automation Inc., UOP, Cornerstone Solutions Inc.

October 4 - October 10 (continued)

- Company Information Session: Siemens Energy & Automation, PA Room, Hulman Union, 7-9 p.m.
- Men's Soccer, at Marian College, Indianapolis, 7 p.m.

Thursday, October 8

- Career Services' Interviews: Hawtal Whiting, Siemens Energy & Automation, Interactive Intelligence
- Company Information Session: Sagian Inc., PA Room, Hulman Union, 6-8 p.m.
- Women's Cross Country, at Oakland City Invitational, Oakland City, Noon

Friday, October 9

- Drama Club Presentation, "All in the Timing," Moench Auditorium, 8 p.m.
- Women's Tennis, Midwest Small College Invitational, Rea Park, 9 a.m.
- Career Services Interviews: Controls Inc., Crown Cork & Seal, Duke Solutions, A.E. Staley, Sagian Inc.

Saturday, October 10

- Midterm Progress Reports Deadline, Registrar's Office, 11 a.m.
- Dad's Day:
 - Bookstore Open For Parents, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.
 - Lunch, Vonderschmitt Dining Room, Hulman Union, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.
- Football, Rhodes College, Phil Brown Field, 1:30 p.m. (Broadcast On WJSH-AM, 1300, 1:15 p.m.)
- Dad's Day Cookout, Sports & Recreation Center, After Game
- Drama Club Presentation, "All in the Timing," Moench Auditorium, 8 p.m.
- Volleyball, at St. Mary's College Tri-Match, South Bend, 1:30/3 p.m.
- Women's Soccer, at Principia College, Elmhurst, Ill., 11 a.m.

October 11 - October 17

Sunday, October 11

- Astronomy Club Meeting, Lynn Reeder Observatory, 8 p.m.

Monday, October 12

- Career Services' Interviews: Haworth, Meyer & Boleyn; Navistar International Transportation Corp.; Essex Group Inc.; York International; Advanced Automation Technologies; Jefferson Smurfit Corp.
- Company Information Session: Marathon Oil Co., Kahn Room, Hulman Union, 6-7 p.m.

Tuesday, October 13

- Registration For Winter Quarter
- Student Government Association Meeting, GM Room, 5:30 p.m.
- Volleyball, at Lincoln Christian College, 7 p.m.
- Women's Soccer Club, vs. Anderson University, Jim Rendel Field, 4 p.m.
- Career Services' Interviews: Marathon Oil Co., CTS Corp., Motorola Land Mobile Products Sector, Beloit Corp., AK Steel, EDS

Wednesday, October 14

- President's Administrative Council, Kahn Room, Hulman Union, 8 a.m.
- National Society of Black Engineers' Meeting, 7 p.m.
- Water Polo Club Meeting, Swimming Pool, Sports & Recreation Center, 6-8 p.m.
- Career Services' Interviews: EDS, Procter & Gamble, Marathon Oil Co., National Starch & Chemical, Johnson Controls

Thursday, October 15

- Fall Break
- National Assessment Symposium, Hulman Union/Olin Advanced Learning Center:
 - Early Check-In, 8:30 a.m.-8 p.m.
 - Foundation Coalition Action Agenda Workshop, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.
 - Foundation Coalition/Rose-Hulman Showcase, 3-6 p.m.
 - Reception & Dinner, Vonderschmitt Dining Room, 6-8 p.m.

October 11 - October 17 (continued)

Friday, October 16

- Fall Break
- National Assessment Symposium, Hulman Union/Olin Advanced Learning Center:
 - Symposium Check-In, 7:30-9 a.m.
 - Opening Session, Welcome/Plenary, "Engineering Criteria 2000: A Progress Report," Dayne Aldridge, 1997-98 Chair/Engineering Accreditation Commission, Vonderschmitt Dining Room, 9-10:15 a.m.
 - Concurrent Sessions, 10:30-11:20 a.m.
 - Lunch, Vonderschmitt Dining Room, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.
 - Concurrent Sessions, 1-1:50 p.m.
 - Workshops, 2:05-5:05 p.m.
 - Reception & Dinner, Vonderschmitt Dining Room, 5:20-8 p.m.
- Men's Soccer, at Southwestern University, Georgetown, Texas, 2 p.m.
- Volleyball, at Southern Collegiate Athletic Conf. Cross Divisional Tournament, Hendrix College, Conway, Ark.:
 - vs. Trinity University, 1 p.m.
 - vs. Hendrix College, 7 p.m.
- Men's Cross Country, at Millikin Invitational, Decatur, Ill.
- Women's Cross Country, at Indiana Intercollegiate, TBA

Saturday, October 17

- National Assessment Symposium, Hulman Union/Olin Advanced Learning Center:
 - Keynote Address, "Standards for Good Evaluation Practices," Daniel Stufflebeam of Western Michigan University, Vonderschmitt Dining Room, 9-9:50 a.m.
 - Concurrent Sessions, 10:05-10:55 a.m.
 - Concurrent Sessions, 11:10-Noon
 - Lunch, Noon-1:30 p.m.
 - Concurrent Sessions, 1:30-2:20 p.m.
 - Workshops, 2:35-4:05 p.m.
 - Plenary Session, "Training the Program Evaluators," Richard Anderson, Chair/ABET-EAC Task Committee for Program Evaluator Training, Kahn Rooms, 4:20-5:45 p.m.
 - Closing Address, "Engineering Criteria 2000: A Driver for Change," John Prados of the University of Tennessee, Vonderschmitt Dining Room, 6-8 p.m.
- Football, vs. Millsaps College, Phil Brown Field, 1:30 p.m. (Game Broadcast On WJSH-AM, 1300, 1:15 p.m.)
- Volleyball, at Southern Collegiate Athletic Conf. Cross Divisional Tournament, Hendrix College, Conway, Ark.:
 - vs. Millsaps College, 1 p.m.
 - vs. Rhodes College, 7 p.m.

Art Exhibit

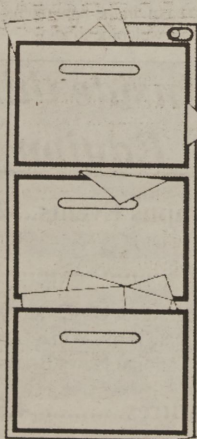
- Second Floor, Hadley Hall
- Art objects and handicrafts that Rose-Hulman faculty member Antonio de la Cova recently brought back from Indonesia are currently on display. The exhibit is available from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. weekdays.

Submissions To Campus Events

Events may be published in *Campus Events* by any organization or individual. Information on club meetings, lectures/speeches, and athletic events, including announcements of times and locations may be submitted to *Campus Calendar*, in care of Dale Long, associate director of communications, at Box 14 or extension 8418. More detailed articles containing plans, agendas, and specific information should be submitted to the *Rose Thorn*.

All submissions must be made by Wednesday, at noon, in order to be published in *Campus Events* in the *Rose Thorn* on Friday.

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National News Briefs

by Vu Pham
Thorn News Reporter

Friday, September 25

A CNN Gallup Poll showed 29% favor of impeaching the President.

The House Judiciary Committee set October 5 and 6 as the dates to set up an impeachment inquiry.

India & Pakistan agreed to sign a treaty banning nuclear testing.

The former Cincinnati Enquirer reporter, Michael Gallagher, pleaded guilty to tapping into the computer of a banana company to learn about the company's business practices in Latin America.

Have you seen Honda's new sports car for 2000? Look for the Honda S2000 to travel the country next summer.

Monday, September 28

Mark McGwire ended the season with 70 home runs.

Social Democratic Party leader, Gerhard Schröder, ended the 16-year reign of Chancellor Helmut Kohl on Sunday's election in Germany.

The Child Online Protection bill passed quickly through Congress, requiring commercial web sites to tighten up access to adult materials that could be harmful to minors. Fines for violating the law can cost up to \$50,000 per charge.

Japan Leasing, one of Japan's 19 largest banks, filed a \$16 billion bankruptcy. Their closing could mean major problems for Japan's agricultural industry.

Tuesday, September 29

Tropical Storm Georges hit the Gulf coast with over 105 miles per hour wind. Since September 21, the storm has killed at least 324 people. Four people died in Louisiana and one in Florida. In the Dominican Republic, 1001 people died. Eight hundred peo-

ple are reported missing. 100,000 people are homeless. Two million people are displaced along the Gulf coasts.

Metropolitan Opera in New York is trying to raise \$400 million over the next three seasons. So far they already have half the amount promised.

Wednesday, September 30

Sea World plans to have a small marine theme park which will allow visitors more close-up interaction with marine wildlife.

The Senate passed the higher education bill. This will keep the federal loans at the low rate of 7.46% and cap the rate at 8.25%. The rate is at the lowest in 17 years.

The Senate supported a bill to prevent state & local governments from taxing transactions made over the Internet.

A national registry begins today which will keep track of over five million parents required to pay child support.

Thursday, October 1, 1998

NATO prepared for an airstrike after hearing news of massacres of ethnic Albanians in Kosovo by Serbian forces.

Animal conservationists are working around the clock with Coast Guard and Skimmers off the coast of San Francisco to save thousands of birds after an unidentified boat spilled 2,300 gallons of oil and allowed the spill to spread 10 miles wide.

Twenty-two people died and one assailant was caught after throwing two grenades at Israeli troops in a downtown square. Continuous arguments about Palestinian attacks on Israel erupted.

U.S. officials believe that Iraq is close to completing a nuclear bomb.

The U.S. government ended the fiscal year with a \$70 billion surplus. This is the first surplus in three decades.

Computer Tip of the Week

Do you find yourself often double-clicking text files which do not have the ".txt" extension and having to choose "NOTEPAD" as a program to open them with?

Here is a way to make this process quicker without making the extension association permanent (thus cluttering your registry).

Go to the folder "C:\Windows\SendTo". Right-click and choose "New," then "Shortcut." Make the shortcut point to "C:\Windows\notepad.exe" or "C:\Windows\Write.exe" (for WordPad).

Now, when you want to open a file in Notepad, right click on the file and choose "Send To," then "Notepad."

It's just that easy!

SGA Bureaucrat

by Nick Hurlburt
SGA Publicity Director

The first meeting of the Student Senate was held last Tuesday in the GM Room at 5:30 p.m. President Hurlburt gave the keynote address, speaking on the current status of Rose-Hulman. Vice President of SGA, Alyssa Riley, then began New Senator Orientation as representatives learned about parliamentary procedure and the responsibilities of SGA.

Treasurer Jason Carter reported that the General Fund is currently \$56,724.29. Publicity Director Nick Hurlburt stated that a new "Club of the Week" feature in the Thorn sponsored by SGA and the Thorn will soon be in place to provide information on active clubs on campus. Bonfire Committee Chairman Ed Grandstaff

still has several extra T-shirts that need to be sold. Senior Class President John Rivard has assembled a committee of seniors to organize activities for the senior class and will conduct a senior survey Thursday and Friday to gather input on those activities.

New Business included the formation of an Evening with Industry committee chaired by Kyle Smith. Similar to last year, the SGA Evening with Industry Committee will cooperate with Career Services to organize the Evening with Industry dinners held the week of the Career Fair. The Water Polo club was also approved for full club status.

The next two Senate meetings were rescheduled due to Fall Break and Bid Tuesday. They will be held October 6 and October 20.



A Nissan was nearly flooded yesterday when a subcontractor tried to drain 3,500 gallons of water as part of yearly maintenance work on the fire alarm system. According to the maintenance department, this was the first time the work had been performed. As a result of the tests, fire alarms sounded around parts of campus. A typical swimming pool has over 10,000 gallons of water.

Photo by Craig Pohlman

Buy a drink and win a car

by Ian Myers
Thorn News Reporter

Have you ever wanted to be able to drink and win a prize at the same time? Well, now you can.

Coca-Cola and ESPN are co-sponsoring a contest called, "Eat Football, Sleep Football, Drink Coca-Cola." If you buy a 32-oz Coke at the WORX, you will get two mail-in tabs on your cup. One gives you a free issue of ESPN the Magazine. The other gives you a chance to win a Ford Expedition at your own Coke-catered football party, which includes bleachers and a big screen TV for the day.

The contest ends November 18 or while supplies last, so you better buy your drinks soon. For anyone interested in the official rules, they are posted in the WORX.

The cup is only available for customers who pay cash for their meal during the WORX morning hours, which are 10:00 to 12:30 a.m.

Eric Thome, WORX manager, said that anyone who wants more information or has some ideas for WORX should call the WORX office at 877-8351. "We always listen to ideas from students," said Thome.

Join the Spanish Club!

Come to the first Spanish Club meeting of the year:

Wednesday, October 7, 9:00 p.m.
Union Lobby

You do not need to know Spanish, you just need to have an interest in Hispanic culture.

Observatory obtains equipment upgrades for telescopes

by Beth Bateman
Thorn News Editor

The Lynn Reeder Observatory, a long-existing feature of the Rose-Hulman campus, has recently acquired new equipment that will make observing the stars easier, according to Astronomy Club president Jason Adams.

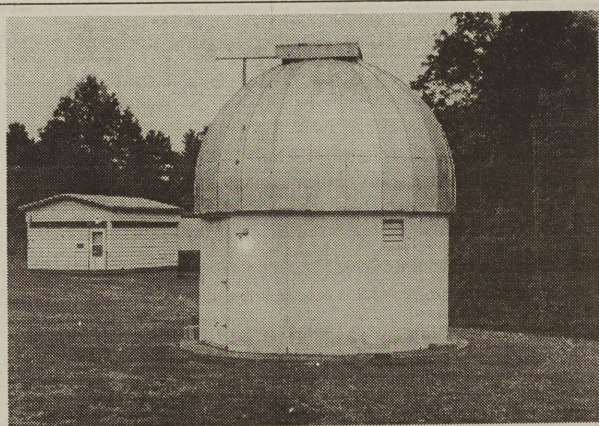
The Reeder Observatory features four reflecting telescopes: two Celestron CG-11 models and two Meade LX-200 models. The neighboring domed observatory features a Clark refracting telescope, which was added last spring.

The equipment in the observatory was recently improved to make viewing quality better than in the past. The Celestron telescopes were upgraded with new Skyprobe motors and controllers. The telescope's motion is now controlled using special software on AMS Soundwave laptops.

The computer controls have

dramatically improved star-gazing at the observatory, according to Adams. "There's a function on the Skyprobe wherein you can program a menu of things you want to look at," explained Adams. He commented that the computer controls are much easier to use than the previous ones because stars and planets can be located without the user looking up the coordinates.

The new motors have also improved the operation of the Celestron telescopes. Adams



The Lynn Reeder Observatory (left) and the observatory containing the Clark telescope.

Photo by John Straigis

explained that the motors move more smoothly, which improves the quality of photographs, and they help maintain the telescope alignment when it moves over

objective, which eliminates the need for a dew shield. "The problem [with the dew shield] is that the telescope's motors are built for the raw telescope," com-

long distances.

Heaters for the Meade telescopes are other important pieces of equipment that were recently installed. Adams explained that the heaters are important in preventing condensation on the telescope

ment. He explained that the extra weight of the dew shield can burn out the telescope motors as well.

Students who are interested in observing the stars may do so by getting involved in the Astronomy Club. The Astronomy Club's main purpose is "to provide a direct means for the students to be able to use the equipment [in the observatory]," commented Adams. The club reaches its goals through training, supervision, and education of club members. They want to have more people using the equipment because "it sits unused on clear nights," explained Adams. Further plans for the astronomy club include possibly purchasing a larger telescope to view dimmer objects and see more detail on brighter objects.

Astronomy club meetings are on Sundays at 8 p.m. in the Lynn Reeder observatory.

7 Habits of Highly Effective People:

No 12-Step Program Required



**Kenneth
Patricio**

Thorn
Columnist

I've been told that classes can be pretty tough at Rose. I believe I've heard this mostly from myself while whining about some assignment or the other. My life changed while I was on co-op, because I took a course called 7 Habits of Highly Effective People. It is based on the book and teachings of Stephen R. Covey. While most of this course objec-

tives were common sense, much improvement in everyday life could be made by simply applying these practices. As my friends will tell you, I still whine about homework, but I don't feel lost or hopeless any longer.

One of the first things I did in the course was something I wish I had done a long time ago. I wrote down a mission statement. I strongly encourage everyone who reads this to do likewise. This was extremely helpful since I always had trouble focusing on the task at hand. My mission statement is still a little rough around the edges, but it embodies how I want to live my life. Included in the statement are my overall goals and how I hope to achieve them.

It includes how I act towards others and how I cope with problems. I think that people inherently know the right thing to do. If you write this down and see it every day, it is easier to apply what you should do in any situation. That is one of the various ways that it has helped me. As I wrote, and rewrote, my mission statement I did include some of the "7 Habits" without realizing it. The 7 habits help to sum up everything we know we should do if we take the time to analyze it.

Habit one is "be proactive." Basically, this means to act rather than react. Many times we can see a possible problem building up, but don't worry about it until it becomes detrimental. By being proactive, you see it as a problem in its early stages and control it from there.

Habit two is "begin with the end in mind." While this deals with your mission statement, it can be applied to any long or short range option in mind. Clearly think out a path to your destination, and it is easier to be effective and motivated by your progress, even when it seems your progress is slow.

Habit three is "put first things first." When we put first things first, we focus on activities that are truly important. We eliminate "time wasters." We trade crisis for progress. When we escape the limited realm of time management, we then move into the unlimited territory where we can lead balanced, fulfilled, and truly effective lives.

Habit four is "think win/win." When we adopt a win/win frame of mind and heart, we strive to make all interactions beneficial for everyone involved. Life then becomes a cooperative effort rather than a competitive struggle, and our actions are, thus, based on principles, not power or position.

Habit five is "seek first to understand, then to be understood."

Before we attempt to be understood, it is important to listen empathetically with the intent to understand the other side of the story. This is the single most important principle in the area of interpersonal relationships. After striving to truly understand another person's frame of reference, we can then apply that to our references and see where the differences lie. This can lead to more effective learning and progress for all involved.

Habit six is "synergize." An incredible increase in potential arises whenever two or more people come together. Synergy, where the whole is greater than the sum of the parts, is most effective when the differences between people are treasured rather than disputed. The strengths of individuals are more valued and their weaknesses are then compensated. It is a breeding ground for new and innovative ideas.

Habit seven is "sharpen the saw." This is the habit that helps us to always move upward, constantly growing and changing. It is the habit of self-renewal, of regularly and consistently spending time exercising the four dimensions of our life: physical, mental, social/emotional, and spiritual. By "sharpening" all four aspects of ourselves, we renew ourselves, increase our effectiveness, and enhance our performance.

These 7 habits give us a comprehensive guide of what it takes to be all that you are capable of being. Many of us, myself included, can use help in many of the areas described. Some can take them as a whole and improve in a habit each day. It is easier for me to just concentrate on developing the area I need the most improvement. A person's specific method depends upon that individual. Following these guidelines however, will certainly make a considerable difference upon your life.

Old School Pic o' the Week



Rose-Hulman again proves it's ahead of it's time, by becoming one of the first schools in the country to have students check their semiautomatic weapons at the door.

Modulus 1974

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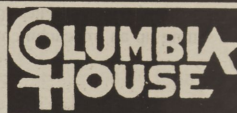
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That Dumb Old Dating Game

By Ian Myers
Thorn Columnist

OK, picture this scenario. Boy sees girl. Boy is physically attracted to girl. Boy walks over to girl. Girl notices that boy has noticed her. Girl is physically attracted to boy. Boy flirts with girl and girl flirts with boy. Boy attempts to impress girl with charm, intelligence, etc. while girl attempts to impress boy with pretty face, nice figure, etc. Boy gets girl's phone number. Boy and girl go out on several dates, after which both decide they are incompatible and break off the relationship. Both are upset about the situation for a while, but both will eventually date again.

Is this a familiar scenario? It should be. We see such relationships form and fail frequently. We see it in the movies, in our friend's lives, and in our own lives. As the song goes, "Breaking up is hard to do." So why do we put ourselves through it?

Many would say that it must be done so that people can eventually find that they are incompatible. I agree that people should not continue to attempt to have a relationship if they can't decide on what to do for the night, much less how to raise a family. However, I don't believe that the dating game, as we now know it, is the best way to do it.

Some may suggest, after having their heart broken numerous times, that relationships should be abandoned altogether. I think that this is absolutely absurd in its extremity. Why would you sacrifice future happiness with temporary heartache? So, you may ask, "How do I still have the advantages of dating while minimizing the

heartache?" Well, I'm glad you asked.

As I said before, people break-up because they are incompatible. Chances are, they wouldn't have started a relationship if they had known that they were incompatible from the beginning. So, I propose that you date those whom you know best. The bottom line: Date your friends. (No, I don't mean friends of the same sex.) Think about this. Who else do you know better that you could legally raise a family with? If you are friends already, then you must have something in common, which means that your personalities must be somewhat compatible.

Now, some of you may say, "I don't have any attractive friends." Well, guess what, THAT DOESN'T MATTER!!! Anyone who cares more about a person's looks than their personality is a fool. If you really get to know a person, no matter what they look like, you will start seeing that that person is much more beautiful on the inside than on the surface.

So, gentlemen, the next time you're considering going over to talk to the woman sitting alone or ladies, the next time that fellow starts walking your way remember what I said and don't set yourself up for disappointment.

Ian Myers is a Freshman Physics Major. He is involved in Drama club and Modulus Staff, and plans to eventually take over the world sometime in the near future.

He considers News Editor Beth Bateman to be a personal mentor and hero, and doesn't know where he'd be today without her wisdom and tutelage.

A bomb detonated, but what hurts more?



Kenneth Patricio

Thorn Columnist

Editor's Note: This article was written in response, and refers to Michelle Perez's article "Bomb's explosion raises question: Will it happen again?" which appears in the September 25 issue of the Thorn.

One of the things I treasure most about Rose is the general feeling of belonging and camaraderie shared. This is mainly due to the fact that most of us had similars backgrounds, prior to coming here, and we pull together to get through the tough times.

Two weeks ago was definitely such a time to pull together as a result of the bomb incident. While I, of course, could not condone such an activity, I understand the force of curiosity which could drive

someone to it. I definitely agree that it should never have been done, but there was no malicious intent.

Yes, the Rose student involved will be punished in some ways for his actions. However, to declare that he has "shattered his life," call his life a "waste," claim he "will pay for his decision with his life," and that he has "no chance at any decent future," are the most absurd and judgmental things I have ever had the misfortune of reading. Some of the items stated may have been exaggerations to make a point, but no hint of this was implied.

I am sure there are others at Rose who also have the knowledge of creating other explosives or at least know how to obtain that information. This fact does not make me feel unsafe in the least on campus, especially in light of the recent events. Those that may be tempted to accomplish such a feat most likely learned their lesson the hard way, though not as personally.

It is not my belief that there are others who are "secretly harboring

experimental projects." A select few may think that they can be more careful and avoid such an incident, but I'm sure that the unfortunate victims were thinking the same thing. Anyone intelligent enough to carry-out such a scheme would be aware of the possible outcome and put an end to their own plans. It is somebody's job to make sure no one else is attempting to do such things, but the responsibility rests on each individual for themselves.

I can't stand behind Matt's decisions, but I can and will stand behind him in his future. To me Rose-Hulman is like a fraternity, in and of itself, and, to that, we will always belong. If he's gone for two weeks, two years or however long, I'd hope that the rest of the Rose community would feel as I do and would welcome him back with a lesson learned.

Kenneth Patricio is a Junior/Senior (see co-op) ME. He is currently residing a power hungry RA in Blumberg Hall. He loves talking, dancing, and, of course, sugar.

Rose-Hulman Horoscopes



Libra (Sept. 23 - Oct. 23)

You know how you've always wanted to shake the hand of the man who invented the spring-loaded toilet paper dispenser? Well... wouldn't we all.



Aries (Mar. 21 - Apr. 19)

You know that new style you've been trying to find? It's all about pink leather and metal shoes, but be sure to stay away from plaid. It's not your color.



Scorpio (Oct. 24 - Nov. 21)

Things are looking up for you next month. That problem you have with cheese wheels won't be a problem anymore after Wisconsin gets blown up by the Tibetans.



Taurus (Apr. 20 - May 20)

If you live near a bar, you should frequent it often, but only for the stimulating conversation and intellectual company, or maybe you should try ISU.



Sagittarius (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21)

Your power color this week is puce. You won't be able to do a single thing wrong for the next few days. That is as long as you paint yourself that color.



Gemini (May 21 - June 21)

Your future is a bit unclear this week. You're either going to become an international power or you'll chip your tooth on a banana. I'm not sure.



Capricorn (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19)

Don't you think it's about time you got over your fear of power tools? After all, you will be working with them for the rest of the life.



Cancer (June 22 - July 22)

You can't stand it anymore. You're going to have to do something about it soon. Just don't go postal. It's not attractive for someone of your type.



Aquarius (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18)

You're going to have a lot of big decisions to make this week. You can get some valuable advice by watching 80's movies, especially the ones about dancing.



Leo (July 23 - Aug. 22)

When the voice in your head says "Jump," you should say "Leave me alone you ungrateful creep. Why don't you go back to Russia where you belong?"



Pisces (Feb. 19 - Mar. 20)

Spank your chicken and choke your monkey. They need some discipline. Try changing your socks some time around the third. It will help you make some friends.



Virgo (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22)

It may not seem like it now, but you're well on your way to fame and fortune. It's just too bad that you have to drive down that track in your beat-up 82 Gremlin.

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Second half collapse leads to Homecoming loss, 30-14

By Don Cole
Thorn Sports Editor

The Rose-Hulman Engineers dropped their second consecutive game and second consecutive Homecoming game, this time to Kalamazoo, 30-14.

"This was a disappointing loss considering that we had a 14-0 lead in the first half," commented head coach Scott Duncan on Saturday's performance.

The Engineers did come out strong in the first half. Running back Josh Hulett accounted for Rose's first touchdown on a one-

yard run in the first quarter.

The Engineers' other score came on a 23-yard touchdown strike from quarterback Eric Hyten to running back Ricky Arnold in the second quarter, which put the Engineers up 14-0. Rose would head to the locker rooms at the half up 14-7 following a

gaining 255 yards of total offense on 69 plays as compared to the Hornet's 251 yards on 65 plays. The Engineers gained 192 yards on the ground, led by back Eric Hyten with 76 yards and followed closely by Arnold with 70. Turnovers eventually killed the Engineers, as they lost four out of five fumbles on the day. Although the Hornets also committed seven fumbles, the Engineers only managed to recover three that they forced.

The defense, however, earned

high praise from head coach Duncan. "Statistically, our defense performed well in forcing turnovers and allowing very few yards," he said.

Defensive back Justin Blomenberg led the team with twelve tackles for the afternoon, while linebacker Todd Melby had an outstanding day, getting eight solo tackles, three assists, and a fumble recovery.

The Engineers make a long road trip to San Antonio next weekend for a conference match against Trinity University, who ride into the night game on a

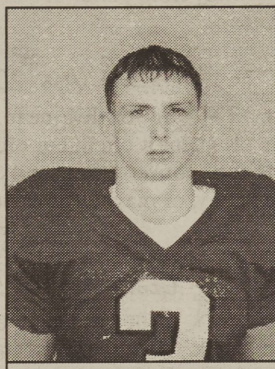
14-game regular season winning streak. The Tigers are also the defending SCAC champions.

The meeting between the twain shall be the first in school history.

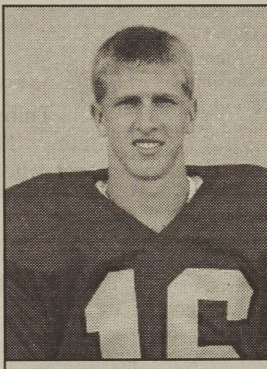
Last year, the Tigers made it to the NCAA Div. III playoffs before losing to the current number one ranked team, Lycoming.

Trinity quarterback Michael Burton will pose a considerable threat to the Engineers. Burton ranks second in Division III play in total offense and third in quarterback rating. Last year, Burton completed 57% of his passes for 1,811 yards.

Burton's favorite target, wide receiver Bo Edwards, also promises to give the Rose defenders grief. Edwards caught eleven passes for 148 yards and two touchdowns last Saturday against DePauw.



RB Ricky Arnold



S Justin Blomenberg

Extra Points

By Don Cole
Thorn Sports Editor

.....football players of the week were announced...Brad Chelton, OL, offensive player of the week...Bryan Hagelskamp, LB, defensive player of the week and Exchange Club player of the week...Joshua Martin, K, special teams player of the week...Jeremy Sewell, DB, Big Hit of the week...Chris Anderson, TE, and Chad Weber, DB, scout team players of the week

.....the soccer team finally shed this year's overtime jinx with a dramatic win against Wabash College this past Tuesday, 2-1 in two overtimes...both Neil Kaszubski and John Fell scored unassisted goals, with Fell's goal the game winner...said head coach Greg Ruark, "...we're excited to be playing in the SCAC...this is a great soccer conference."...Rose will play their first ever SCAC match this Saturday here at Rose against Millsaps College at 3:30 P.M.

.....the women's tennis team continued to play well, defeating both Marian and Ancilla this past week...Becky Smith provided some excitement for the team, pulling off a thrilling comeback win after being down 6-0 in the third set tiebreaker to provide the final win in Rose's 5-4 victory over Marian...other winners last week included Kelly Barney, Beth Strohm, Rania Kashlan, Christine Winters, Sarah Wruck, Amy Hentz, and Melissa Reading...doubles winners included the teams of Barney/Strohm and Becky Schenk/Cathy Francis

.....the men's tennis team also scored a win against Ancilla, 4-2...four Engineers also traveled to Greencastle to compete at the Rolex Invitational at DePauw; the doubles team of Craig Clark and Robert Kober scored a first-round win...singles winners last week included Jake Isenbarg, Jordan Williford, Kris Chaney, and Kenny Owens

.....the men's cross-country team came away with a Homecoming win against Vincennes University, 24-31, in their only home event of the year...Dan Brier paced the Engineers, finishing second at a time of 28:45...other Engineer top-20 finishers included Brian Wickham (3rd, 28:50), Brian Smith (4th, 28:53), Kyle Smith (8th, 29:30), Ryon Sumner (13th, 30:46), Mike Kosloski (15th, 31:01), William Packham (16th, 31:30), Matt Crain (17th, 32:18), and Clinton White (19th, 34:48)

.....the women's cross-country team also scored a win over Vincennes, 17-46...Rebecca Marrow won with a time of 21:12, while Ann Talbert finished second at 23:34...other top-20 finishers included Karen Hill (3rd, 23:44), Rebecca Myers (5th, 23:54), Krista Elliott (6th, 24:34), Maggie Boozer (7th, 24:52), Sarah Pyatskowitz (11th, 26:34), Heidi Ellens (12th, 26:39), Allyson Tews (13th, 26:45), and Charissa Bolind (14th, 29:42)

Thorn Athlete of the Week Todd Melby, football

By Don Cole
Thorn Sports Editor

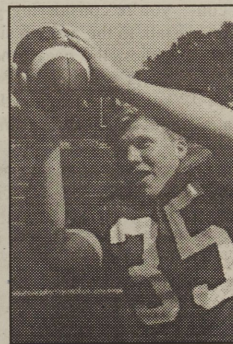
The linebackers in football are expected to be the leaders of the defense. They have diverse roles; they can go from covering the rush, to blitzing, to dropping back in short coverage.

Not only that, but it also takes a tremendous amount of athletic ability to play the position; it takes a lot of strength and speed.

Senior Todd Melby not only conquered all those requirements, but also switched positions from safety in 1997 to his current linebacker position. Melby has responded well to the switch.

In last week's Homecoming loss, Melby tallied more solo tackles, eight, than anyone else, with three assists. Melby also recovered a fumble in the losing effort.

Melby has started all four games this



LB Todd Melby

year in the linebacker position, tallying a total of 27 tackles, fourteen solo. He has recovered two fumbles and also forced one himself.

Last year, Melby played nearly everywhere on defense, mostly at defensive back, though playing linebacker a couple of times. He had the second highest total in tackles on the team, 64, five of which were for losses.

Melby was also active in 1996, the first year he was a starter. That year, he earned first-team all-conference honors, with 79 tackles and a team-best 51 solo tackles.

Not only has Melby stopped the ball on the ground, he has also managed to pick off four passes in his career at Rose.

The mechanical engineering major from Akron, Ohio was named Defensive Player of the Week against the University of the South earlier this season.

Support Engineer Soccer! Come see the 4-4-0 men's soccer team play their first ever SCAC conference match against Millsaps college this Saturday at 3:30 P.M. at Phil Rendel (by the baseball field). The men's squad also takes on Oglethorpe University, another SCAC foe, at noon on Sunday, again at Phil Rendel Field.

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Volleyball team loses first ever SCAC matches in tournament

By Don Cole
Thorn Sports Editor

The SCAC Divisional Tournament last weekend in Sewanee, Tennessee was both a historical event for the Engineers and a disappointing one, as they dropped all four of their matches successively to Oglethorpe, Univ. of the South, DePauw, and Centre.

The Engineers made their SCAC debut on Saturday against the Stormy Petrels of Oglethorpe, losing in four games despite playing a tough match. Rose lost their second straight later that day against the Univ. of the South, in another four-game match.

Day two was less kind to the Engineers, as they lost to former ICAC foe DePauw in three games, scoring only seven points in the last two. Rose dropped to 3-12 overall and 0-4 in the SCAC with a three-game loss to Centre to

end the tournament.

"It was a tough weekend against solid competition at Sewanee," commented head coach Brenda Davis, summing up the weekend's performance.

Rose lost again this Wednesday against perennial foe Oakland City in another hard-fought battle in four games.

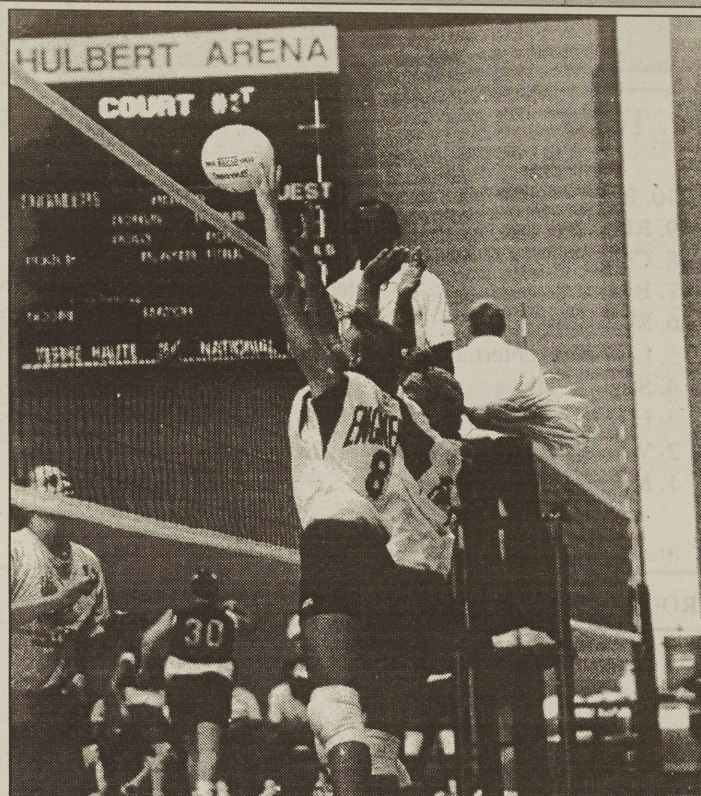
Kate Buchanan continued her good play, leading the team every match in assists and totaling 93 over the past week. Kate Daniel, a freshman, also turned in a career performance against the Univ. of the South with a career best four blocks in the match.

Jennifer Krause did her part as well, totaling 31 kills in the first three matches of the tournament despite feeling ill.

The results of the past week put the Engineers' record at 3-13 overall, and 0-4 in the SCAC.

Stat leaders include Krause with 120 kills and 45 total blocks, Buchanan with 246 assists and 25 service aces, and Maggie Lowry with 219 digs.

There will be no rest for the squad as they make another road trip this weekend to Principia and Fontbonne College.



Jennifer Krause goes up for a block against an opponent. The volleyball team lost their first-ever SCAC conference matches this past weekend at the SCAC Divisional Tournament.

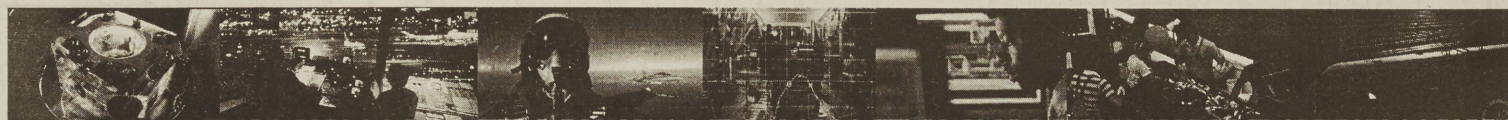
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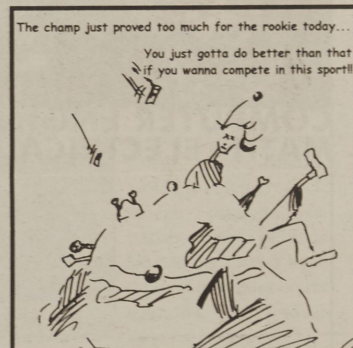
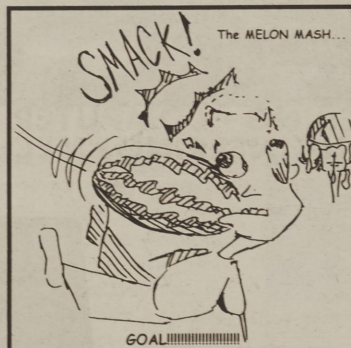
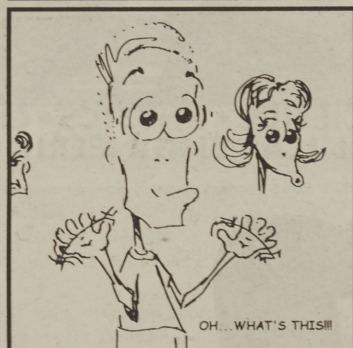
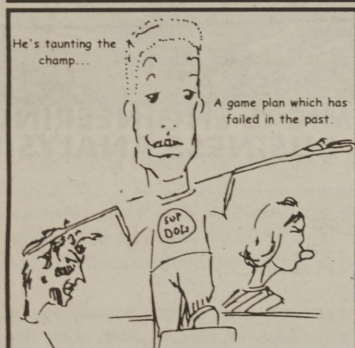
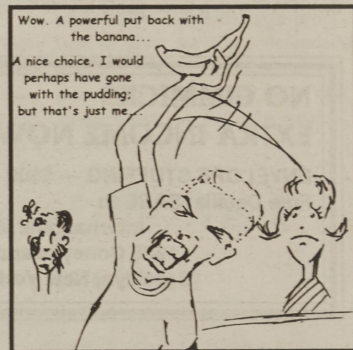
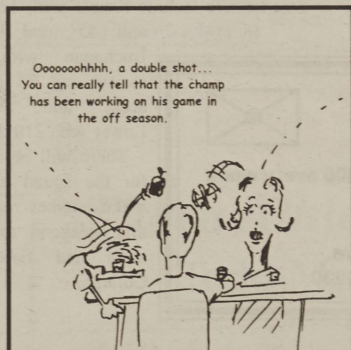
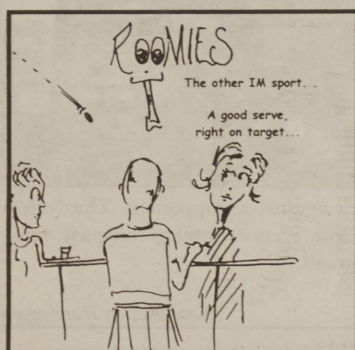
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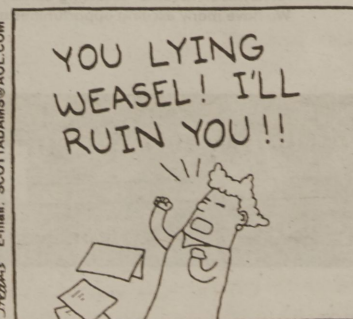
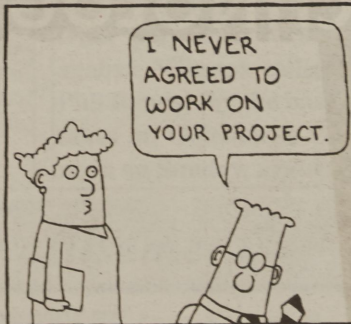
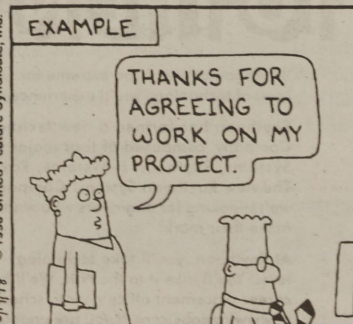
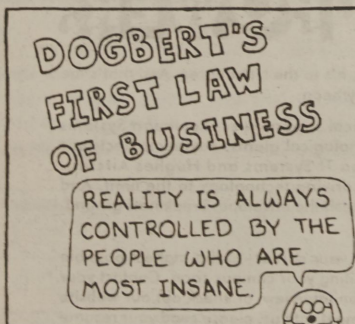
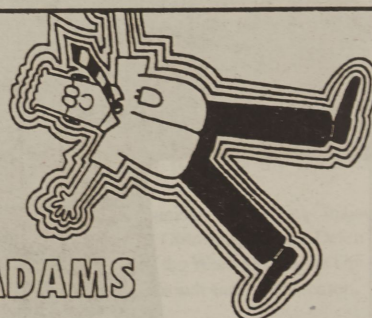
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