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Water shortages may recur due to problems with supplier

by Thu Vu Pham
Thorn News Reporter

Water shortages may continue to be a problem into the new year as Seelyville scrambles to fix their aging pipes for their customers.

The director of campus facilities, Wayne Spary, explained that Seelyville Water Company's pipes are old and subject to easy breakage thus causing major shutdowns.

Rose-Hulman water is fed by Seelyville Water who in turn receives their water from the Indiana Water Company. Whenever Seelyville encounters a pressure drop, the typical cause is a break in the main line. However, they have to find out the exact location of the break and then fix the problem.

In order to fix the problem, Seelyville has to shut off the line where the break occurred. As a result, any customers using the line would be contacted and warned of the scheduled shutdown.

According to Spary, the last water shortage was a result of a break in the line. Unfortunately, it took Seelyville engineers two days to find the break. During those two days, the water line that came into Rose reduced from 140 psi to 50 psi.

While the reduction doesn't hurt Rose water usage, it does affect the safety of the campus because water pressure must be above 40 psi in case of a fire.

When Seelyville finally found the break in the line, they needed to

completely shut down the system in order to replace the broken pipe. The shutdown reduced the water pressure from 40 psi to approximately 20 psi.

By the time water reached Rose, the pressure was down to 10 psi. The pressure became so low that no one could even flush the toilet. The greatest concern was the lack of water supply to the boiler, which had to be shut down.

With the last shutdown, Seelyville failed to contact Rose to warn of the shutdown. Therefore warnings across campus also were late, causing more problems.

The problems included the shutting down of the chemical engineering experiments run by some of the senior chemical engineering students. According to some of the seniors, the water shutdown cost some valuable time and frustration. One group said it took them most of the afternoon to set up and get to the point where the data could finally be taken, then the water was shut off and ruined the whole experiment.

"We had to shut [the experiment] off because they didn't have [adequate] fire safety in the department," said senior chemical engineer Matt St. Lawrence.

"[The water shortage] kinda put us in a bind," commented Tony Johnson, Board Plan Manager of Aramark.

Water is very important to Aramark during dinner time. During

the recent water shutdown, Aramark employees had to quickly fill all the machines with water prior to shutdown. The shutdown caused the drinking fountain to be inoperable, therefore all lemonade had to be made in containers ahead of time.

Fortunately the water was only shut off for about two hours. According to Spary, future shutdowns are possible. However the water tower should be able to supply enough water for at least 24 hours.

Seelyville is in the process of installing their own well to supply water to their customers. However, they are also involved in a lawsuit with Indiana Water. Seelyville has a contract to buy water from Indiana Water Company until 2008. They are hoping to get out of this contract and put in their own system.

Spary said Seelyville needs to upgrade the current main line into Rose from a 6 inch pipe to an 8 inch pipe. Spary also said that Rose is Seelyville's biggest customer. Rose is also at the front line of the water distribution system. So if a shutdown occurs, the effects are felt from the people at Phoenix Hill to Rose and all of Seelyville.

"We are at Seelyville's mercy. We ask for cooperation [when a water shortage arises]," said Spary.

Financial aid to fix overspending

by James Tedrick
Thorn News Reporter

Rose's budget has been pinched this year due to overspending in financial aid, but Rose should stay within budget for this year.

"Financial Aid went over budget by a lot" this year, according to Darin Greggs, Director of Financial Aid. The department overspent by approximately \$1 million, which is a significant amount of Rose's \$38 million total allotted budget. Greggs explained that our financial aid problems are related to many factors, including the increasing cost of attendance. Greggs also noted, "The school has made a push to improve its student body. Making Rose more attractive requires giving out more financial aid."

The budgets Rose operates on are set approximately 8 months prior to July 1, the beginning of the fiscal year. Dr. Roger Fecher, Vice President of Business and Finance, explained, "These budgets are balanced. If one area overspends, we need to make up for it in other areas." Fecher also explained that no student's financial aid would be cut because of the need to adjust the budget.

Fecher said that instead, "The vice presidents and budget supervisors are going through the existing budget to see if they need all the money allocated to them. They are also looking for items that can be postponed for the future or indefinitely."

Dr. Hulbert will present a plan to reallocate funding for this year to the Board of Managers at the next meeting scheduled two weeks from now.

To prevent overspending from occurring next year, the budget for financial aid will be increased to approximately \$7 million. The business office is also looking for

ways to increase income; an example is the Masters in Engineering Management program, whose students do not require financial assistance.

The business office is currently looking at ways to decrease the annual rise in tuition for the incoming year. Previous tuition increases at Rose and other schools across the country have historically exceeded the rate of inflation.

The federal government will also help make college more affordable for students. In the tax reform package passed last year there are three items specifically designed to assist students.

The Hope Credit provides a tax credit of up to \$1,500 a year per student for the first two years of college.

Alternatively, a student at any time can claim a Lifetime Learning Credit of up to 20% on tuition and fees, with a cap currently of \$1,000 in credit. These credits are phased out with the same criteria as the Hope credit. Students can use either the Hope Credit or Lifetime Learning Credit.

Finally, after Rose students have graduated, they can deduct the interest payments for educational loans for the first five years of payments. The deductions will start at a maximum of \$1,000 starting this tax year and will increase gradually to a maximum of \$2,500 in 2001.

These programs will help Rose become even more competitive with similar technological schools. Greggs commented that in respect to financial aid indicators, "we place fairly close to other schools." With the increase in budget to financial aid and the new programs, Rose should maintain and increase its competitiveness.

Marlon Smith to give presentation

Internationally renowned speaker Marlon Smith will be visiting Rose-Hulman on Tuesday, February 17 and will be speaking at 11:30 a.m. in the Moench Auditorium. A convocation schedule has been planned so that classes will not conflict with this event.

Marlon is an experienced speaker with a long list of credentials. He has traveled throughout the United States on several speaking tours and has shared his expertise in other countries. He has traveled to South Africa on three different speaking tours, and has also spoken in Russia. He is the founder and president of Success By Choice, a California-based educational consulting firm.

Marlon took an unusual route to his success. Although he struggled

in school early, he graduated from the University of Virginia with an electrical engineering degree. After working for IBM and Hewlett-Packard, he resigned his corporate position in 1992 to create Success By Choice, and has been sharing his gift to motivate and inspire ever since. Called the "High-Tech Motivator," Marlon incorporates multimedia into his presentations and has a solid reputation as a very entertaining, as well as educational, speaker.

Marlon Smith is being brought to Rose-Hulman by the SGA. Several members of the SGA attended a conference at which he spoke, and felt he would be a perfect speaker to bring to Rose-Hulman. Treasurer Stuart Busby said, "He is awesome!"

News Briefs

Classical Music in Moench Saturday

One of New York City's finest classical chamber ensembles, The Music Project, will perform a special Valentine's Day concert on Saturday, in the Kahn Rooms of the Union.

The 7:30 p.m. show is part of the Fine Arts Series. Tickets are \$4 for adults and \$2 for senior citizens and non-Rose-Hulman students. The show is free to all Rose-Hulman students. Tickets will only be available at the door prior to the concert.

For more information, call 877-8418.

Ward earns January SLOM

After leading the Solar Phantom Race Team to a successful finish in this summer's Sunrayce 97, 1996-97 Team Leader Eric Ward has been named Student Leader of the Month for January by the SGA.

Ward, a senior mechanical engineer from Owensboro, KY, will be honored at a dinner Feb. 19.

As team leader, he supervised the design, construction, and testing of the solar-powered vehicle that finished fifth out of 36 teams in the cross country race.

Ward recently completed a co-op assignment with Siemens Automotive in Detroit, Mich., and Windsor, Canada. He plans to graduate in May.

Computer Science projects on display

Senior computer science students will display the latest innovations in programming February 23 at a special exposition from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Kahn Rooms.

The Senior Project Expo gives local computer professionals, faculty, and students an opportunity to review and critique the projects. The first place project will receive the Doc Criss Award.

Six student teams have spent the past three quarters completing software programs for five corporate clients.

Learning Center Review Sessions

Wednesday (Feb. 18) 7 - 9 PM	Physics I Physics II Organic Chemistry I IFYCSEM	G317 O157 O259 O257
Thursday (Feb. 19) 7 - 9 PM	Calculus II Calculus III D.E II	O157 G308 G222

February 17

**Student Government Association
Convocation, Marlon Smith, Founder/
President of Success By Choice, Moench
Hall Auditorium, 11:25 p.m.**

February 18

**Men's Basketball, Anderson University,
Hulbert Arena, Sports and Recreation
Center, 7:30 p.m. (Broadcast On WJSH-
AM 1300, 7:20 p.m.)**

Tomorrow**Saturday, February 14—**

- Regional Mathcounts Contest, Hulman Union, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- Fine Arts Series, The Music Project, Kahn Rooms, Hulman Union, 7:30 p.m.
- Indoor Track, Early Bird Meet, Sports & Recreation Center, Noon
- Men's Basketball, at Hanover College, Hanover, Ind., 3 p.m. (Broadcast On WJSH-AM 1300, 2:50 p.m.)
- Women's Basketball, Manchester College, Hulbert Arena, Sports and Recreation Center, 1 p.m.
- Wrestling, at University of Indianapolis Greyhound Classic, 10 a.m.

February 15-21**Monday, February 16—**

- Admissions' Visitation Day, Kahn Rooms, 1-4 p.m.
- Thesis Defense, "Real Time Simulation Testing of APEX Truck Model Using TMS320C3 DSP And Model Validation Against Cummins' CCAADS Model Test Data," Seemal Naphade, O-259, 4:20 p.m.
- Learning Center Supplemental Instruction Sessions: Physics II (Moloney), O-157, 7:30-9 p.m.; Organic Chemistry II, O-259, 7:30-9 p.m.
- Career Services Interviews: Burgess & Niple, Evans & Sutherland Computer Corp.

Tuesday, February 17—

- Student Government Association Convocation, Marlon Smith, Founder/President of Success By Choice, Moench Hall Auditorium, 11:25 p.m.
- Applied Mathematics Seminar, "Wavelet Applications In Image Processing," Allen Broughton of Rose-Hulman, G-220, 3:25 p.m.
- Computer Science/Biomedical Engineering/Imaging Systems Seminar, "On Pigs And Pascal: A Case Study In The Use Of Computer Science To Combat Disease," Mary Jo Wright And Toby Albertson Of Boehringer Mannheim Corp. And Justin Morey And Chris Heacock of Rose-Hulman, O-257, 4:30 p.m.

February 15-21 (continued)

- Learning Center Supplemental Instruction Session: Calculus II (Rader), G-310, 7:30-9 p.m.
- Women's Basketball, at Franklin College, Franklin, Ind., 7 p.m.
- Career Services Interviews: Caterpillar Inc., SAP America Inc.

Wednesday, February 18—

- Men's Basketball, Anderson University, Hulbert Arena, Sports and Recreation Center, 7:30 p.m. (Broadcast On WJSH-AM 1300, 7:20 p.m.)
- Learning Center Supplemental Instruction Sessions: Physics II (Moloney), O-157, 7:30-9 p.m.; Organic Chemistry II, O-259, 7:30-9 p.m.
- Career Services Interviews: Illinois Department of Transportation, Boeing, Cummins Engine Co., The Trane Company, Texas Instruments Inc.

Thursday, February 19—

- Learning Center Supplemental Instruction Session: Calculus II (Rader), G-310, 7:30-9 p.m.
- Men's & Women's Swimming, at Liberal Arts Invitational, Greencastle
- Career Services Interviews: Tellabs, York International, The Trane Co., Texas Instruments Inc.

Friday, February 20—

- Spring Quarter Fee Payments Deadline
- Men's & Women's Swimming, at Liberal Arts Invitational, Greencastle
- Career Services Interviews: Integrated Device Technology

Saturday, February 21—

- Rose Women's Club's Mardi Gras '98, Vonderschmitt Dining Room, Hulman Union, 7 p.m.
- Men's & Women's Swimming, at Liberal Arts Invitational, Greencastle
- Women's Basketball, Hanover College, Hulbert Arena, Sports & Recreation Center, 1 p.m. (Broadcast On WJSH-AM 1300, 12:50 p.m.)
- Indoor Track, Early Bird Meet, Sports & Recreation Center, Noon
- Wrestling, at ICAC Championships, 10 a.m.

February 22-28**Monday, February 23—**

- Final Exams Begin For Winter Quarter, 8:05 a.m.
- Computer Science Senior Projects Expo, Kahn Rooms, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Tuesday, February 24—

- Applied Mathematics Seminar, "Wavelet Applications In Image Processing," Allen Broughton of Rose-Hulman, G-220, 3:25 p.m.
- Explore Engineering (Balsa Wood Bridge Busting), Civil Engineering Laboratory, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, February 25—

- President's Administrative Council, Faculty/Staff Dining Room, 8 a.m.
- National Engineers Week's Visitation Day:
 - * Host Engineers Pick Up High School Students, Terre Haute North High School, 9 a.m.
 - * Visitation Day Luncheon (Guest Speaker Samuel Reed of BSA Design), Kahn Rooms, 11:45 a.m.
 - * Campus Tours, 1-2:30 p.m.

Thursday, February 26

- End Of Winter Quarter, 5 p.m.
- Men's & Women's Basketball, ICAC Tournaments, Sites To Be Determined

February 22-28 (continued)**Friday, February 27—**

- Men's & Women's Basketball, ICAC Tournaments, Sites To Be Determined
- JV Baseball, Wabash Valley Junior College, Art Nehf Field, 1 p.m. (DH)
- Wrestling, at NCAA Division III Regional

Saturday, February 28—

- Men's & Women's Basketball, ICAC Tournaments, Sites To Be Determined
- Wrestling, at NCAA Division III Regional
- JV Baseball, vs. Ohio Northern Univ., Fort Myers, Fla.

Spring Quarter Happenings

- March 1-6 — Baseball Team's Spring Trip To Fort Myers, Fla.
- March 2-4 — Solar Phantom's Educational Tour Through Northern Indiana
- March 2 — Winter Quarter Grades Due In Registrar's Office, 9 a.m.
- March 6 — Deadline For Humanities & Social Sciences' Essay Contest
- March 9 — Start Of Spring Quarter, 8:05 a.m.
- March 10 — Institute Meeting, Kahn Rooms, 4:30 p.m.
- March 11 — Registration Deadline For Spring Quarter
- March 13 — Final Date To Add A Class
- March 14 — Fine Arts Series, Aebersold & Neiweem, Auditorium, 7:30 p.m.
- March 21 — Kids Fest, Sports & Recreation Center, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- March 27-28 — Lambda Chi Alpha's Run For Big Brothers/Big Sisters
- March 28 — Fine Arts Series, Engineers In Concert, Auditorium, 7:30 p.m.
- April 3 — Admissions' Visitation Day, 1-4:30 p.m.
- April 4-12 — Spring Break
- April 10 — Admissions' Visitation Day (Juniors), 1-4:30 p.m.
- April 25 — Fundamentals Of Engineering Exam, Throughout Campus

**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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Positive marijuana test costs snowboarder gold

(U-WIRE) GAINESVILLE, Fla. -- The International Olympic Committee revoked its first medal of the 1998 Winter Olympics Tuesday after discovering traces of marijuana in an athlete's urine sample.

Canadian snowboarder Ross Rebagliati was disqualified after winning a gold medal Sunday in the giant slalom.

Details of the reasons behind the decision have not been revealed yet, but press reports state a seven-member board voted 3-2 two members abstained to disqualify Rebagliati.

As unfortunate as it may be, the board's decision supports regulations firmly established by the IOC and should be upheld.

Rebagliati claims he tested positive because he was socializing

with friends who were smoking marijuana and must have ingested it secondhand.

But local drug expert Paul Doering, a UF distinguished service professor in pharmacy practice, said this is highly unlikely considering the amount found in his urine (17.8 nanograms per milliliter).

Doering said studies indicate second-hand smoke cannot produce traces of marijuana close to the amount discovered in Rebagliati's sample.

Upon hearing the IOC's announcement of the test results, however, the Canadian delegation submitted an appeal to the decision.

If the decision is overturned, the integrity of the IOC and the Olympic games will be tarnished forever.

Olympic athletes are public figures who children, as well as adults, admire as role models of

commitment, discipline and excellence.

Allowing Rebagliati to retain his gold medal with the knowl-



edge that he disobeyed IOC rules by ingesting marijuana would send a mixed message to the world.

Gold-medal winners frequently earn a place on the coveted cover

of Wheaties boxes. How would it look to have a known drug-user promoting physical health and athletic commitment?

Perhaps the two board members who voted to allow him to keep the gold medal shared Rebagliati's taste. They must have been smoking something to vote against a clearly defined rule.

Other supporters of Rebagliati claim the IOC should not even be testing athletes for marijuana since it is not considered a performance-enhancing drug. Most studies support the opposite claim that marijuana inhibits sensorimotor skills and the perception of time and space.

This argument against marijuana testing ignores the voice of the moral majority that has deemed marijuana to be dangerous and thus illegal. It would be hypocritical to claim it is acceptable for an Olympic athlete to smoke a little weed before a com-

petition but to arrest citizens who smoke a little in the privacy of their homes.

Rebagliati knew the rules. He knew the potential consequences. He made a stupid mistake.

The argument need go no further than that he should have and could have abstained from smoking marijuana before the Olympic Games. If he had simply avoided marijuana in all its forms for at least six weeks, this whole tragedy could have been avoided.

As an independent organization, the IOC is free to remove marijuana from the list of prohibited substances if it decides the drug is irrelevant to Olympic competition.

But until that time, prohibition of marijuana remains an Olympic rule and should be adhered to by all athletes, without exception. Sorry, Ross, but you don't deserve to keep your gold medal.

Hope it was a groovy ride, man.

Flies on crack do the darnedest things

(U-WIRE) CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va. -- Apparently, flies on crack go berserk.

They spin, they walk sideways, they scratch themselves and they even move backwards. If you're lucky, you just might see an occasional flip, too.

University Biology Prof. Jay Hirsch and doctoral biology student Colleen McClung observed this unique behavior after dosing thousands of fruit flies with greater and greater amounts of "crack" cocaine.

"Flies will act very weird after they've been given even small amounts of cocaine," Hirsch said. "They exhibit excessive scratching, grooming and extension of their" mouth parts.

Because humans and fruit flies use many similar biochemical pathways, Hirsch and McClung's research actually might help scientists unravel the molecular basis of cocaine addiction in people.

The research also may lay the foundation for highly specific drugs to treat cocaine addiction.

And, by videotaping the high flies in a Gilmer Hall laboratory, the team is able to offer their findings to the world's scientists studying the drug.

"This gives us a new tool to learn more about brain receptors and neurotransmitters, and also to better understand the genetic and physiological basis of cocaine addiction," said Dr. Michael Sesma, an employee in the division of genetics and developmental biology at the National Institute of General Medical Sciences.

Their research includes more than 12 months of work and has been covered in numerous journals, including Current Biology, which first featured the cocaine-induced flies *Drosophila melanogaster* in its Jan. 15 cover story.

In the issue, the duo said that similar genes and brain patterns exist in fruit flies and higher vertebrates.

"This is very much like the behavior of human crack-addicts," McClung said.

Although Hirsch and McClung have not worked specifically with humans, they believe that the same type of behavior - excessive scratching of the hands or using repetitive gestures, for example -- is displayed by people on crack.

But the two geneticists' research -- which involves carefully monitored, government-sponsored cocaine -- could help

other scientists correlate the genetics of behavioral and psychological responses in flies to those of humans.

However, McClung indicated that working with a human specimen would pose difficult ethical problems, not to mention that the human genome is very complicated and only partially understood.

"Flies have only four chromosomes," McClung said. "This makes it much easier to pinpoint the specific location of a gene."

The genetics of flies have been studied intensively for 80 years, giving researchers a slew of information that helps interpret fly-infested experiments like the Hirsch lab. Extensive studies on rats and monkeys have provided little information about the molecular processes that underlie cocaine's behavioral and addictive effects.

There is also a monetary reason to use flies.

"Flies are cheap," Hirsch said. "We've experimented with many thousands of flies over the course of the experiments, and we can grow them without any problem."

So how does one give cocaine to a fruit fly?

"We apply a droplet of 'crack' cocaine dissolved in ethanol to a wire filament. After the alcohol evaporates, the wire gets inserted in a glass test-tube of flies," Hirsch said. As the wire gets heated by an electric current, "crack" is released as an aerosol in a cloud of smoke, absorbed by flies.

When low doses of cocaine were applied to the filament, the researchers saw flies continuously groom themselves with their front and back legs.

"With higher cocaine levels, flies move backward, sideways, and cyclize," meaning they literally walk in circles, McClung said. At the highest doses of crack -- around 200 micrograms -- the flies developed tremors, paralysis, or died.

"It took us three-and-a-half months of paperwork to get crack from the government," Hirsch said.

UVA Council Member charged with felony

(U-WIRE) CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va. -- Following his arrest Monday for allegedly attempting to obtain "money by false pretenses" in connection with a September Student Council retreat at the Omni Hotel, Dan Soschin, Council vice president for administration, maintains full support from many Council members, who said they believe his actions were unintentional.

The supposed adjustments on the retreat bill in question totaled more than \$3,600, according to a University Police press release.

But Council members said Soschin did not have any wrongful intent.

"All charges are based upon an assumption of intent," Council Executive Vice President Howard A. Foard III said.

The allegations "are in regard to an altering of the bill and a discrepancy between SAF and non-SAF accounts," Council President Sajeena Geervarghese said.

As reimbursements are required throughout the year, a receipt is presented to either the Council's chief financial officer or the vice president for administration, one of whom certifies the expense as fundable in accordance with Council and Board of Visitors guidelines. A reimbursement voucher is filled out and, if approved, is sent to Hancher, who then writes a check. The whole process takes about seven to 10 days, Butler said.

In the event of a discrepancy, Council officials typically discuss the situation with Hancher.

In this case, however, Hancher did not consult Foard before the allegations were made, Foard said.

There was a "missing link, and when there was a question we were not contacted and the wheels started turning," he said.

Hancher said he followed the

procedures for reporting a conflict as delineated in the University's Financial and Administrative Procedure Manual.

Council was first made aware of the allegations against Soschin Oct. 8 in a meeting with the state auditor, Geervarghese said.

Council members point to their initial inexperience and unfamiliarity with state laws as the main cause of their difficulties.

"It happened in the first few weeks of school, and many of us had just started in our positions," Foard said. "We never had a briefing on state guidelines for spending money."

He said Council members support Soschin and see the need for the public to take a step back and look at the overall situation and wait for the truth to come out.

"I firmly believe that Dan didn't do anything intentionally," College Rep. Emmanuel West said.

"His integrity has been unquestioned," College Rep. Cathy Crump said.

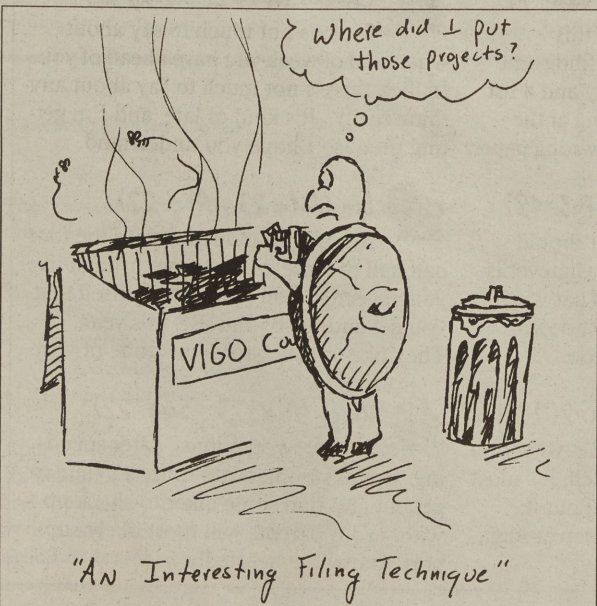
The effects of this case will have great implications not only on Soschin -- academically and extra-curricularly -- but on the image of Student Council as well, Council members said.

"When the truth comes out, [students will ask] 'Why should I get involved? Why should I take the risk?'" of making a mistake such as Soschin's, Foard said. "We perform administrative tasks that other [schools] employ a staff to do."

A case testing the legality of Student Activity Funds now is pending before the the U.S. Supreme Court.

Soschin did not return phone calls.

University Police officials charged Soschin with a Class IV felony.



Choosing your own fate

by Michelle Perez
Features Columnist

Ring...Ring. That's right. It is first hour once again, and I know all you little engineers just can't wait to dive in! Well, maybe we could wait a little more, but then it would be that much longer before we could be alienated from our own personalities and find ourselves transformed into mindless followers of the clique mastheads that each one of us seeks. Instead of maturing into unique and confident adults, students are resuming the mindless roles they played in high school on the stage that is Rose-Hulman campus.

Slowly, but surely, the classes are dividing once again. Along with them are the notions of individuality and self worth. Everybody is part of a whole, yet in essence, they are all the same parts. Even sororities and fraternities who pledge people because of their individual assets end up creating an atmosphere of uniformity in hopes of creating a stronger fraternity image.

Fraternities and sororities alike stress the theory of strength in numbers. A theory based on the belief that "bigger is definitely better." Rush has evolved into a campus wide event involving parties, cookouts, and free trips to Kentucky Kingdom. The goal is to gain the most new members possible for the glory of becoming the predominant power in the Commons.

Yes, this particular theory has become such a fundamental one that members of competing fraternities are pushed to extremes and dirty rush, while criticizing each other in the fight for the prized pledges. As Rush ends, the animosity only becomes greater as continuous open bidding declares the campus an open battle ground.

It takes an astoundingly small amount of effort to lose yourself to a

group larger than you. Each student categorizes themselves by major, fraternity, and even which part of the country they come from. With each sub-categorization, the individual becomes less of a person and more of a statistic.

A school as small as Rose-Hulman ought to be like an extended family to its students. I would really love to see this school become a different place. I would love it if everyone looked, acted, spoke, and felt exactly how they desired. So many of us are programmed to feel as if we don't belong, we forget about the entire population of students who experience the same everyday homework and hardships.

Our fates were not decided after the first few months of elementary school. On the contrary, we are each unique individuals dying to break free of the shackles of uniformity and anonymity. Small steps toward independence can be made but only if you are not afraid of jeopardizing the status of the ever dominating coterie.

Some of you lucky people are facing your final spring quarter here at Rose. You will be moving on to bigger and better things, and who knows when you will find your way back to this little outhouse in the woods (...wait, sorry, that's a different campus in Terre Haute).

The point is that everyone should take advantage of the opportunity to meet people with the same interest in science, engineering, and Star Wars. If you alienate your own true hopes and desires due to the fear of being ostracized by your friends, you are greatly underestimating your friends, as well as losing out on many wonderful adventures. It is time to lose the UPC coded personalities and blast the Peter Cetera because college is definitely going to be the time of your life.

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PUNK ROCK REVIEWS

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Limp—Pop & Disorderly 3 Oi!'s

It seems that all I have been reviewing lately is pop punk....hmm. I first heard of Limp at a Bouncing Souls/Pietasters show in Indy a while back. I must admit that I wasn't very impressed with the few songs I caught, except for their rad cover of Holiday Road. Their album, though, has caused me to gain some affinity to their music. Of course, shows are always better when you know the band...but I digress. On with the review: If their title doesn't suggest it already, this is about as poppy as it gets. Good stuff, though. The good use of harmony meshes well with their happy riffs and powerful choruses. I particularly dig their song Clear Color, with chill transitions between a punk chorus and semi ska verses. Their cover of Holiday Road, as aforementioned, I found to be a rather pleasant listening experience as well. All in all, pop punk to the extreme. Great for singing in the car and doing the bop-your-head-from-side-to-side-happily thing.....if you're in to that, of course...



Slick Shoes—Rusty 4 Oi!'s

Even if this band sounded like a fast mix of Peter Gabriel and Pat Benetar, they would procure from me four, quick oi!'s, simply due to the name they chose for the band. My undying love for the referenced Spielberg classic automatically makes me a biased reviewer. These four oi!'s, however, come well deserved. When I first listened to this CD I found a striking similarity between Slick Shoes and MxPx, both being off Tooth and Nail Records, boasting the same pop punk sound and melodic, positive lyrics. Upon further listening, though, I found a newfound respect for their individuality and musicality. Perhaps they have a generic pop punk sound, but it's a damn good one. Their sound is tight and together with well thought out songs, unique rhythmic interludes, and chill, yet powerful, breakdowns. The album also gracefully spans the antipodes of punk: the chill-happy side, and the fast, fist pumping, oi!-shouting side. Don't dismiss them for an MxPx rip-off band, as I almost did, for they have a talent all their own that needs to be respected. Four oi!'s for Rusty.

Rose-Hulman Horoscopes



Libra (Sept. 23 - Oct. 23)

It's so fantastic that you got that new hair cut. Maybe now you can tell your mother and father about the body piercing and tattoos you've gotten over the past two years.



Scorpio (Oct. 24 - Nov. 21)

You should go buy a new phonograph this weekend. Vinyl is on its way back to popularity. Also, you should invest some money in Eastern Airlines; I hear they're doing well.



Sagittarius (Nov. 22 - Dec. 21)

California doesn't sound like a bad place to move to when you graduate. Hopefully by then, though, it wouldn't have sunk into the Pacific. If it has, don't move there. Look at Iowa; they have corn.



Capricorn (Dec. 22 - Jan. 19)

If you turn to page 8 of this newspaper, you'll most likely find some stuff about this rat-looking guy and a list of things. If not, you're looking at the wrong page 8, or perhaps the wrong paper.



Aquarius (Jan. 20 - Feb. 18)

If there's one thing you should learn this week, it should be whatever is going to be on that big test. That way, you will have an answer to put down. Hopefully, it will be correct, too.



Pisces (Feb. 19 - Mar. 20)

Ever have the feeling that what you write doesn't make sense? Well, it's most likely true, but don't tell me about it. Next week, try to get some sleep at night, and stay awake during the day.



Aries (Mar. 21 - Apr. 19)

A great man once said that money doesn't grow on trees. I think he was wrong, because there was a dollar bill out on the frozen pond. It had to fall off of a tree. Where else would it come from? Duh.



Taurus (Apr. 20 - May 20)

Does it hurt to watch yourself cut off your own fingers? The only thing that will help you is the fact that you only have 10 times to do it. Then again, you still have your toes, hopefully.



Gemini (May 21 - June 21)

Do the trees talk to you? Yeah, me too. In fact, when I'm by myself in the woods, it's like listening to a bunch of people have coffee. However, that smell of fresh roasted beans isn't in the air.



Cancer (June 22 - July 22)

There's not much to say about what kind of week you have ahead of you. In fact, there's not much to say about anything really. It's kind of late, and I'm getting tired, so I hope you understand.



Leo (July 23 - Aug. 22)

Since your induction into the football hall of fame didn't come through like you expected, don't be too surprised that you get audited by the IRS this year. They like to play games this time of year.



Virgo (Aug. 23 - Sept. 22)

Sweet, sweet Virgo. After spending several summers at home, it's time to get out and find some biker to shack up with. Your parents will most likely support you whole-heartedly.

Rose-Hulman, the school that students forget



Bob Voros

Thorn
Columnist

"Hey, does anyone know the school fight song?" This was a question that I have been asking random individuals for the past few years. Initially a serious question, it became more of a joke as I came to realize that no one, including our student body president, actually knew the words. In fact, a large number of this random sampling didn't even know how the tune went. So, I have yet to learn the Rose-Hulman fight song.

I think I was taught it in the very beginning of my freshman year, but, obviously, it wasn't that important to me or anyone else in my class or subsequent classes. Is it important? No! The school fight song is merely a marker as to the amount of concern an individual attributes to the institution. For instance, in my high school the fight song would be sung at any great event., This was not just at sports events, pep rallies, or other planned "Spirit Rallies," but also in extremely odd situations.

In my high school there was a passageway extremely similar to that between the Commons and Crapo Hall. Schedules of the upper classmen and the freshmen made it so the two would have to pass through this small thoroughfare at the same time. Predictably, the upper classmen would try to detain the freshman as long as possible by jamming the small hall. After a

while the freshmen would be forced to push their way through, resulting in a "mosh-like" atmosphere.

Just a few weeks after the beginning of the year, it would become an understood event that no one seemed to be able to stop. In the rabble and pointless pushing, above all of the shouts of "I'm going over the top, baby!", the school fight song would be sung loud, complete, and without hesitation.

I know that Rose isn't a high school, despite its bells, single cafeteria, and social cliques. Also, I do not intend on beginning any riots like in my high school. The point of this example is to show that the school itself was the predominant thought on these students' minds. The door-jam became an odd form of school unity which I think we lack—not the oddity, but rather the unity.

Perhaps, it was the loss of quorum at the last SGA meeting that made me really begin to see the importance of involvement in the school. Recently, the SGA has been trying to work out new and better ways to communicate with its constituents, the student body. Residence halls aren't turning to their Senators when they want something to change. Commuter senators have no means, currently, to communicate with the individuals they represent, and they are pretty sure most commuters don't actually know who their Senators are. All in all, it seems to be a massive communication problem.

"Is that it?" I thought after our first SGA workshop meeting. "Is it only that the constituents won't come to their representatives, and

their representatives cannot possibly approach all of their constituents?"

The answer again: No!

The problem, it seems to me, is the lack of concern about the school by the student body. Sure, in a few years they may return large donations to this institute for what it has done economically for them, but they cannot contribute their time and effort

working for Rose. There is a significant difference.

An organization that works with an organization indicates that there is a sharing of ideas between these organizations and that both will seek to improve each other. Working for an organization means that the organization is given money and a goal, and is then left on their own to fulfill that objective.

Yes, an organization can improve the morale of the school by winning a race, but in those cases, the organization wins and not the school. Did we have a pep rally for our fifth place Solar Phantom team? How are our award winning sports figures recognized?

We say, "Thank you, for accomplishing the goal. Please, try to do it again." We take these accomplishments and use them as mere selling points for the school. The reason for succeeding becomes less a focus on improving the school and more a focus on improving the small organization, improving one's resume, or completing the project.

Would Rose be different if we worked for the good of the school? Certainly!

If we cared, we would first be able to make changes to any of a variety of negative characteristics of the school. Staying up too late doing homework? Why? Any student can try to form some sort of organization to look into this and change it. What about classes? Are they being taught in a difficult manner? Do you think that some classes are not necessary?

You can make these and any changes you see as necessary. There are probably very few schools with faculty and staff as receptive to

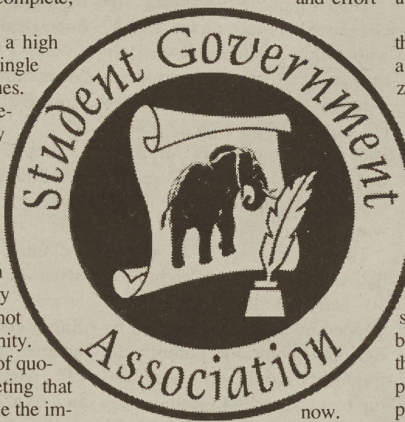
the ideas of the student body as at Rose-Hulman.

If you actually work to improve the school, you improve it not only for yourself but for everyone who will be attending after you. You can make Rose a better place for future students. I know there are some reading this right now who think, "Why would I want to do that?"

This is the exact reason you should. You realize there are problems with the school, and you have, most likely, been living with them for your entire time here. DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT! You can stop whatever complications you are having.

Here we are, approaching the last quarter of the year. For me, this will be my final quarter. Despite what time of the year it is, anyone can make a difference. Get involved! Take some time out to think about the problems and the positive points of Rose. Express them! Find out who your SGA and RHA representatives are and talk to them. (SGA representatives are listed on the web by district.) Maybe even try to pick up a few bars of that old fight song.

Bob Voros (ME '98) is currently rehashing those old Valentines clichés into phunky new catch-phrases. His current thought for the weekend is: Why don't we cut out four-chamber hearts instead of these amphibian-like ones? Speaking of small animals, Bob would like to welcome Spike to the Titanic of Residence Halls, Blumberg. Peace and Love to all the chickelzmits, waznu!



now.

Yes, we all have homework; we have to work; we belong to organizations within the school; but we are all Rose students.

"A typical Rose student will belong to one club or organization throughout their four years. They will dedicate all of their spare time to that organization, and besides school and work, that's it."

There are exceptions to every law, but this I feel is mostly true. Individual will find one or two organizations that they feel suits them the best, for what ever reason and devote time exclusively to these organizations. These organizations rarely have a focus on working with Rose. They are instead focused on

Challenges at Rose make life more difficult, but better



Kent Bye

Thorn
Columnist

Is the education I am receiving worth the money? I asked myself this question while watching an excellent film titled *Good Will Hunting*. Matt Damon, who co-wrote the movie, plays a genius who reads tons of books and retains everything he reads with his incredible memory. He understands many subjects better than graduate students and

professors just by studying on his own instead of being guided by a college curriculum.

His intelligence is challenged by a Harvard grad student in a bar, and Damon proves to everyone that he knows more than the grad student. The student quotes from a book without really having any original thoughts of his own, and Damon recognizes his plagiarizing comments because he had read that exact book the student was quoting. Damon learned more from a couple of bucks in library late fees than what he could have learned from dropping thousands of dollars into years of college education.

It intrigues me to think someone could teach himself better

than a prestigious college, especially when I'm here at Rose-Hulman paying all of this money for an excellent education. I really don't think it's feasible to receive an education comparable to four years at Rose-Hulman through an independent study, though.

One major reason is that it would be extremely difficult to keep yourself motivated to learn all of the material necessary for a Rose-Hulman degree. I don't think that I could have taught myself everything about electromagnetic waves and fields because I would have become too bored, confused, and discouraged, eventually giving up on it altogether.

Reading through a technical book doesn't usually help me learn the material mainly because it usually puts me to sleep. I learn a lot more by listening to lectures and seeing how to solve the different problems. It is more helpful for me to look over my lecture notes and work through the homework problems in order to learn the concepts.

One thing that puts Rose above other colleges is that it

challenges the students by assigning a huge work load. The larger work load provides more learning opportunities, but at the same time it also creates incredible apathy. Most people have the attitude of "If it isn't graded, then it isn't worth doing," because any free time is exchanged for fun, sleep, or a social life. Students would go crazy if they actually tried to do every homework problem and reading assignment—they'd have no life.

The students do only what is necessary to pass because they have to create time to relax. Students learn how to work the problems from the homework assignments, and they learn what they need to know to pass the tests. It is rare for students to do anything above and beyond this.

A Purdue student has just as many resources to learn as a Rose student, but the difference is that Purdue doesn't have as an intense workload. The student has more free time and is tempted to go out and have more fun. However, if a Purdue student had a true thirst for knowledge, then he could study more, and go

above and beyond the call of duty to maximize his learning experience. He could feasibly learn just as much as a graduate from Rose.

I haven't seen too many people at Rose who thrive on learning for the pure sake of attaining knowledge, so I doubt that there are a lot of these types of people elsewhere. I see so many people just going through the motions of attending lectures, doing homework, and trying to pass the tests. I think the majority of the people don't find their major to be truly fulfilling, but instead they see it as a means to an end. Students know that Rose is going to provide job opportunities for a career that is going to provide very well for them.

As I prepare to graduate with a little over a quarter left, I've had a chance to reflect on my career here at Rose-Hulman. I've spent a lot of time going through the motions, passing classes, and learning a lot about electrical engineering and about life.

I try not to think about how my life would have been different had I gone to another college and studied something else. I've made too many friends and had too much fun to even worry about it. It will be a bittersweet departure from Rose-Hulman because I hate to leave behind so many good friends. At the same time I'll be glad to move on to the next stage of my life. So for me, it has been a great time here and well worth the price tuition.

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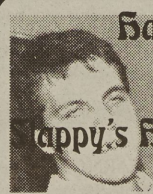
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Engineers close season, ICAC play Wednesday

Game against Ravens will be the last regular-season match for the Engineers as members of the ICAC

by Peter Anderson
Thorn Sports Editor

The Engineers (11-11 overall, 5-5 ICAC) will close the regular season with games at Hanover tomorrow and at home against Anderson Wednesday.

Rose-Hulman ended a three-game losing streak Wednesday with a 72-67 win over DePauw.

Hanover (13-8, 5-5) is currently tied with Rose-Hulman for fourth in the ICAC. The winner on Saturday clinches at least a fourth place finish in the ICAC and will host a first-round game

in the ICAC tournament.

The Engineers defeated Hanover 77-61 earlier in the season at Hulbert Arena and have defeated the Panthers in each of the last five meetings. Hanover is currently on a three game winning streak, including wins against Anderson, DePauw and Franklin.

The Ravens (9-12, 1-8) currently are last in the ICAC with their lone conference win coming Wednesday against Manchester. Rose-Hulman beat Anderson 74-63 earlier this season at Anderson and will be looking to close

its final season in the ICAC on a winning note.

Rose-Hulman 72, DePauw 67

The Engineers traveled to Greencastle to take on the Tigers, who will be joining Rose-Hulman in the SCAC next season.

Junior Bryan Egli led all scorers with a season-high 32 points, and sophomore Chris Meredith tied a school and ICAC record with seven blocked shots in the win.

The Tigers led 27-24 at the half and stretched the lead to 39-30 early in the second half. Capped by consecutive threes by Egli and junior Joe Puthoff, the Engineers would go on a 12-0 run to a take a 49-43 lead.

Rose-Hulman would lead the rest of the way as the Engineers converted 19 of 22 shots from the charity stripe. The Engineers also shot 46 percent from the field and hit seven of 15 from behind the arc.

DePauw dominated the rebounds, pulling down 38 compared to 23 for the Engineers, but were only able to hit 41 percent of their shots and turned the ball over 14 times.

Puthoff and junior Matt Millington each scored 14 points, and Meredith added eight rebounds and six points to his record-tying blocks total. Egli dished out four

assists and pulled down eight rebounds and Puthoff led the team with three steals.

Manchester 68, Rose-Hulman 62

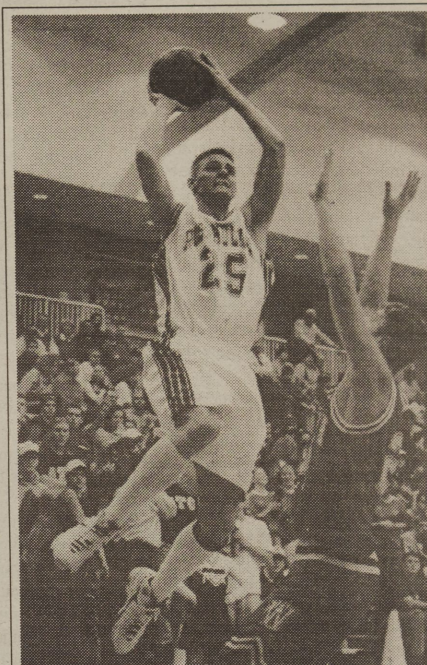
Despite out-rebounding the visiting Spartans 44-29, including 20 offensive boards, the Engineers were unable to hold off Manchester in a 68-62 loss.

A tight game throughout, Manchester out-scored the Engineers 8-2 in the final two minutes to break the 60-60 deadlock.

Rose-Hulman shot only 38 percent and turned the ball over 17 times in the loss.

Egli led the Engineers with 16 points and also had four points and four assists. Puthoff added 14 points, including four treys, and also blocked two shots.

Sophomore Jeff Siefert pulled



Junior Bryan Egli scored a season-high 32 points in Wednesday's 72-67 win at DePauw.

Photo provided by Darin Bryan

down a team-high 11 rebounds and junior Sam Johnson grabbed 10 boards to go along with his nine points and team-leading five assists. Sophomore Jason Kaiser provided six points, three assists and two steals in 11 minutes off the bench

Rose-Hulman 72, DePauw 67

Rose-Hulman

Player	MIN	FG	3FG	FT	RE	P	F	T	A	TP
Millington	30	3-5	1-2	7-8	0	2	1	2	14	
Egli	38	10-22	3-9	9-10	8	1	2	4	32	
Johnson	16	0-7	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	2	0	
Puthoff	36	5-7	3-4	1-2	1	1	1	2	14	
Jansen	22	1-3	0-0	2-2	1	4	1	1	4	
Kaiser	18	0-1	0-0	0-0	2	3	4	0	0	
Siefert	12	1-1	0-0	0-0	1	2	0	1	2	
Buxton	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	
Meredith	24	3-4	0-0	0-0	8	4	0	2	6	
Team					2					
TOTALS	23-50	7-15	19-22	23	16	9	14	72		

DePauw

Player	MIN	FG	3FG	FT	RE	P	F	T	A	TP
Stewart	30	0-5	0-4	4-4	6	4	2	3	4	
Gifford	19	4-10	0-0	0-0	3	4	1	0	8	
Matzerath	32	2-4	0-0	2-3	6	1	0	0	6	
Burch	15	0-2	0-2	2-2	2	0	2	1	2	
Yost	26	3-6	1-2	0-0	3	5	1	1	7	
Harvey	15	2-4	0-0	0-2	7	1	2	0	4	
Parker	11	0-3	0-1	0-0	3	1	0	1	0	
Stevens	23	5-9	2-2	5-6	3	1	2	3	17	
McKinney	26	7-13	5-8	0-0	2	2	2	3	19	
Steiner	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	2	0	0	
Team					3					
TOTALS	23-56	8-19	13-17	38	19	14	12	67		

Rose-Hulman

DePauw	27	40	67							
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Manchester 68, Rose 62

Manchester

Player	MIN	FG	3FG	FT	RE	P	F	T	A	TP
Jones	22	0-4	0-0	1-2	1	5	0	0	1	
Hardister	34	4-6	1-1	0-0	5	0	2	1	9	
C. Berry	19	4-12	0-2	4-6	5	4	0	1	12	
Neely	8	0-1	0-1	0-0	1	1	0	0	0	
Young	35	4-12	1-2	4-4	8	1	4	4	13	
Lee	3	0-1	0-0	0-0	1	1	0	0	0	
Harris	21	1-2	0-1	0-0	2	2	2	2	2	
Ford	27	9-14	1-3	4-6	1	1	2	3	23	
Buono	13	1-1	0-0	0-0	0	1	0	0	2	
Wingo	13	2-2	2-2	0-0	0	1	0	1	6	
R. Berry	5	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	0	0	0	0	
Team					4					
TOTALS	25-55	5-12	13-18	29	17	10	12	68		

Rose-Hulman

Player	MIN	FG	3FG	FT	RE	P	F	T	A	TP
Millington	28	3-6	1-3	0-0	5	2	3	2	7	
Siefert	28	2-4	0-0	0-11	2	1	1	1	4	
Johnson	29	3-7	0-0	3-6	10	6	5	9		
Puthoff	34	5-13	4-9	0-0	3	2	4	2	14	
Egli	37	6-20	1-8	3-4	4	0	4	0	16	
Williford	3	0-2	0-0	0-0	1	1	0	1	0	
Kaiser	11	2-4	2-2	0-0	1	5	2	3	6	
Jansen	2	0-1	0-0	0-2	1	1	0	0	0	
Buxton	10	0-0	0-0	0-0	3	2	0	1	0	
Meredith	11	2-3	0-0	0-0	1	2	0	1	4	
Harris	7	0-0	0-0	2-2	2	0	1	0	2	
Team					2					
TOTALS	23-60	8-22	8-14	44	17	17	20	62		

Manchester

Rose-Hulman	31	37	68							
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Engineers host Manchester on Saturday

by Don Cole
Thorn Sports Reporter

Rose-Hulman women's basketball team looks to begin the final week of the season with a win Saturday against Manchester at home. The Engineers, who lost to DePauw, Greenville, and Oakland City this past week, take on the Spartans at 1 p.m. in Hulbert Arena.

Oakland City 63, Rose-Hulman 39
Rose continued their losing streak with a loss at home against Oakland City last night. The game was the last against a non-ICAC opponent this season.

Rose at times played very tough defense, notching seven steals and holding the Lady Oaks to 35 percent from the field. Rose also kept it close on the offensive side, shooting 43 percent from the field in the first half, and trailed by thirteen at half-time.

Oakland City put together a good second half, shutting down the Rose offense and going 11 of 26 from the floor. The Lady Oaks also turned on their defense, finishing the game with thirteen steals and eighteen more rebounds than the home squad.

Junior Amanda Speich led her team's scoring with twelve points. Junior Bessie Fulk contributed eight points, and freshman Jessica Huggins scored seven. Speich also led her team in rebounds with nine; Huggins matched her point total

with seven rebounds herself.

Sophomore Jennifer Schwartz had a good night with three blocks, while freshman Tarelle Van Dyk dispensed four assists in the losing effort.

Greenville 65, Rose-Hulman 52

Rose lost their thirteenth straight game on the road at Greenville last Tuesday, despite carrying a four-point lead into halftime. Greenville pulled away late, helped by 56 percent shooting from the field.

Rose put together one of their finer first half efforts, going 11 out of 28 from the field and hitting five key free throws to maintain their first half lead. However, Greenville held them to 24 percent in the second half, low enough to shut down any Engineer comeback.

Rose did hold a big edge in turnovers, six less than the opposition, contributing greatly to the close score.

Speich once again led everyone with 18 points, with Van Dyk also in double digits with 15 points. Van Dyk was also tough under the basket, getting ten rebounds with four of those on the offensive end.

Fulk made her presence known with four assists and five steals.

DePauw 73, Rose-Hulman 36

Rose dropped to 0-7 in the ICAC with a loss last Saturday to conference-leading DePauw.

DePauw showed why they were the top team in the conference, out-

rebounding the home team 46 to 33, and holding the edge on turnovers, 17 to 14.

Though Rose showed flashes of defensive brilliance throughout the game, it was not enough to overcome the top squad in the ICAC.

Speich led all scorers in the game with twelve points. Van Dyk contributed eight points in the losing effort.

Huggins was active on the boards, pulling down a team high eight in just 18 minutes of playing time.

Freshman Hannah Snodgrass excelled in only twelve minutes of play, notching three steals along with Speich.



Freshman Tarelle Van Dyk has stepped up her play recently. Van Dyk scored 15 points and pulled down 10 boards in the 65-52 loss to Greenville.
Photo provided by Darin Bryan

Oakland City 63, Rose 39

Player	MIN	FG	3FG	FT	REB	PFT	TO	A	TP
Mills	33	6-17	1-6	1-2	8	2	5	4	14
Fiar	27	5-10	0-0	3-5	2	1	3	1	13
Decker	21	2-6	0-0	0-0	7	3	3	2	4
Reynolds	32	3-5	2-3	2-2	5	3	2	3	10
Coon	25	2-11	1-8	0-0	7	0	0	4	5
Thomas	25	1-5	0-4	0-3	1	0	2	2	2
Lashbrook	3	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0	0
Diehl	10	3-4	0-0	2-2	3	0	0	1	8
Pitcock	16	1-3	0-0	0-0	4	1	2	0	2
Lawson	8	2-5	1-4	0-0	2	0	0	0	5
Team					8				
TOTALS	25-66	5-25	8-11	49	11	15	17	53	

Player	MIN	FG	3FG	FT	REB	PFT	TO	A	TP
Speich	40	5-16	2-4	0-0	9	0	4	3	12
Huggins	34	3-7	0-0	1-2	7	1	3	1	7
Schwartz	33	1-5	0-0	0-2	3	1	1	0	2
Fulk	40	3-11	1-3	1-3	4	3	7	2	8
Van Dyk	32	1-7	0-1	4-4	1	0	3	4	6
Barcus	13	2-3	0-0	0-0	2	2	1	4	4
Snodgrass	8	0-0	0-0	0-0	1	2	0	0	0
Team					4				
TOTALS	15-49	3-8	6-11	31	9	20	11	39	
Oakland City									35 28-63
Rose-Hulman									22 17-39

Greenville 65, Rose 52

Player	MIN	FG	3FG	FT	REB	PFT	TO	A	TP
Speich	38	7-20	2-3	2-2	6	3	2	0	18
Huggins	30	2-5	0-0	0-0	4	3	2	1	4
Schwartz	32	1-3	0-0	0-5	4	3	0	1	2
Fulk	38	3-10	1-5	2-2	2	1	4	4	9
Van Dyk	39	3-14	0-3	9-10	10	0	4	3	15
Barcus	19	2-5	0-0	0-1	4	1	1	2	4
Snodgrass	4	0-0	0-0	0-0	2	1	0	0	0
Team					2				
TOTALS	18-57	3-11	13-20	34	12	13	11	52	

Player	MIN	FG	3FG	FT	REB	PFT	TO	A	TP
Bell	30	7-12	2-3	1-1	6	2	2	1	17
Smith	30	5-6	0-0	2-2	13	2	2	0	12
Duncan	30	8-13	0-0	0-1	9	1	2	2	16
Lanter	30	0-3	0-1	0-0	3	1	1	4	0
Wall	30	3-11	0-0	0-0	5	2	3	6	6
Aubry	20	2-8	0-2	0-0	3	2	1	3	4
Eirhart	10	0-1	0-0	0-0	1	1	4	0	0
Harper	20	4-10	2-5	0-1	5	4	4	10	5
Team					5				
TOTALS	29-64	4-11	3-5	46	16	19	20	65	
Rose-Hulman									28 24-52
Greenville									24 41-65

Trackers continue early success Reksel sets new school record in 400-meter

by Ryan Loftus
Thorn Sports Reporter

Track and field fans were not disappointed this past Friday as sophomore Phil Reksel became the NCAA Division III's fastest 400m runner this year. Reksel cut 0.4s off of last week's national provisional qualifying performance in blazing to a school record and first place finish in 49.21s.

Three other Rose athletes won their events as well as the men finished fourth and the women seventh in the seven-team meet. Overall, the Engineers picked up eight personal bests and one school record.

"There was some good competition and performances for this time of the year on the fast Mondo surface," lauded Coach Bill Welch.

Senior Nate Subbert captured the title in the 35-lb weight throw once again as he tossed his weight 49' 11". Also in the field events, senior Ryan Loftus gained first place in the pole vault.

Senior Arvont Hill was the fourth winner for Rose as he

sped across the finish line of the 55m dash in 6.63s.

Junior Sean Stoughton and sophomore Brian Wickham joined Hill and Reksel on the 4x400 relay team, which placed second. Their time of 3:25.34 was a season best and is only 0.6 off the school record.

Junior Kathy Hoffman picked up a seventh in the 200 and 55m dash, running her season best in 55m dash. Sophomore Beth Nixon picked up a third in the shot put and junior Maggie Boozer finished fifth in the 3000 for Rose's women.

"I appreciate the women that are out and competing," commented Welch. "They are working and putting good effort into their practices, but we just need more of them."

Rose will tackle Division I athletes this weekend as they will travel to either Ball State on Friday or the University of Illinois on Saturday.

The SCAC Invite will be next Saturday at noon in the SRC. Take a study break from your finals and get a sneak preview of students from SCAC schools.

Engineers in Action Over Break

Baseball:
Florida trip; 10 games from March 1-6

Basketball (men and women):
ICAC Tournament, Feb. 26-28

Engineers in Action This Week

Saturday, February 14

Wrestling at University of Indianapolis, 10 a.m.

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Tuesday, February 17

Women's basketball at Franklin

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Medal Count
as of Feb. 12

Country	G	S	B	Tot
Germany	4	4	4	12
Norway	3	4	3	10
Russia	4	3	0	7
Austria	0	2	5	7
Finland	2	1	2	5
USA	2	0	2	4
Netherlands	1	2	1	4
Italy	0	3	1	4
Japan	2	1	0	3
Canada	1	1	1	3
France	2	0	0	2
Switzerland	1	0	1	2
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- 10) What!? The library closes at 11 on Thursday night? How am I supposed to start my research?
- 9) D is for Done.
- 8) I can't believe I couldn't find any research on Fire Insulation Properties of Twinkies.
- 7) It's amazing how the page count increases when you use 3" margins.
- 6) Plagiarism schmagiarism
- 5) Well, if I don't know what the words mean, they sure won't know I'm telling them something wrong.
- 4) This Internet page wants how much money to write this paper for me!?
- 3) What are the odds my AMS would crash the night I'm writing my paper?
- 2) Hmmm... if a picture's worth a thousand words, and about 600 words fit on a page...
- 1) Maybe I shouldn't have take that bet that I could write a 30-page paper in 30 minutes.



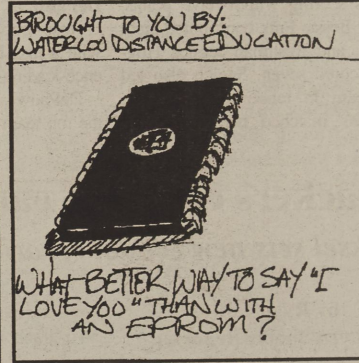
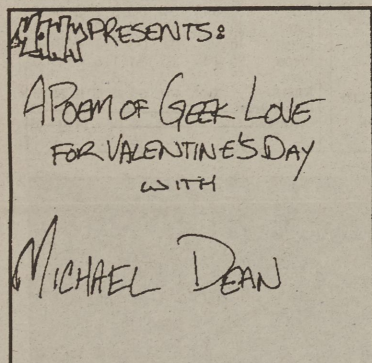
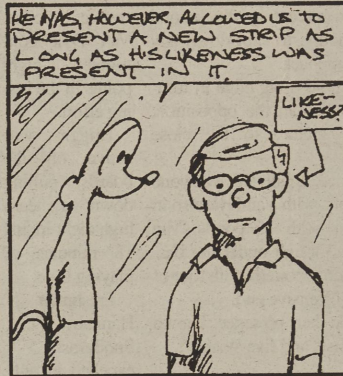
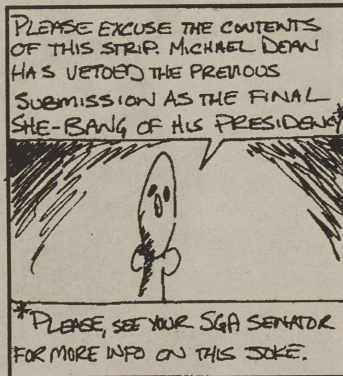
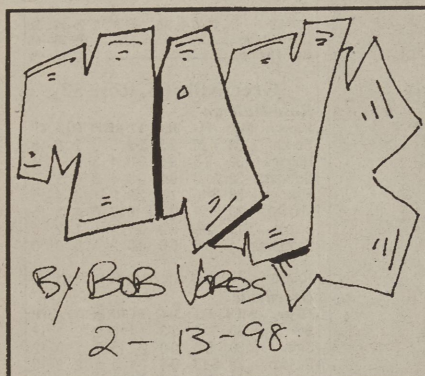
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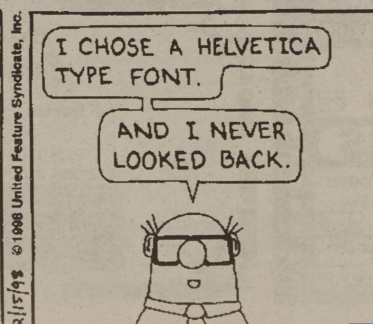
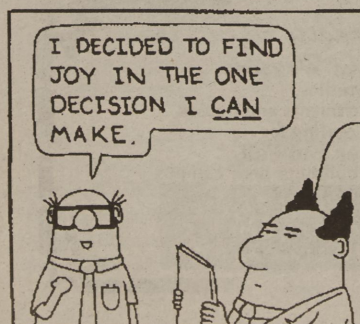
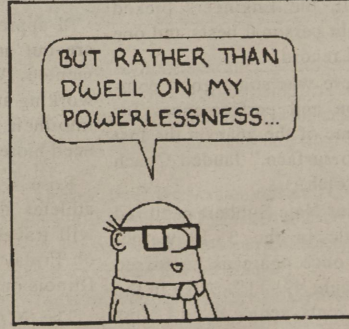
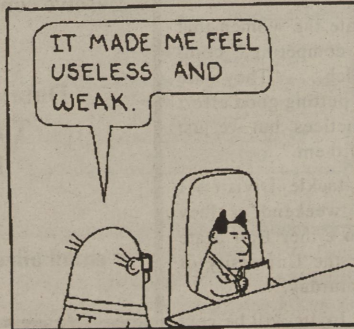
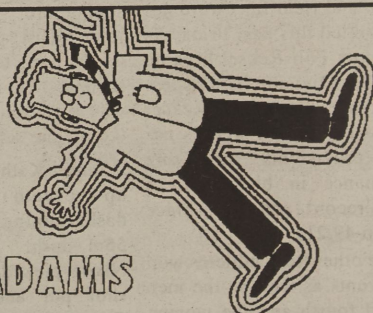
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