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THE ROSE

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State of Indiana donates Vigo Co. to Institute

"We weren't using it anyway," says Bayuh.

by Givum Away
Thron Reporter

In an unprecedented announcement earlier today, Indiana Governor Evan Bayuh revealed a plan to donate Vigo County to Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology.

"Quite frankly, the Human family has been giving stuff to all kinds of organizations and it's making us look bad," said Bayuh in his prepared statement. "There's no reason that the state cannot further its humanitarian goals as well by donating badly-needed land to worthy institutions such as Rose-Hulman."

"Since it will help us get rid of a troublesome piece of property that we weren't using anyway, my advisors and I decided, 'Hey, what the hell,'" Bayuh

continued. "I mean, we're not talking prime real estate, here."

The plan calls for the immediate transfer of Vigo Co. governmental powers to Hadley Hall. Bayuh recognized in his address that some modifications would have to be made before the school would be ready to take control.

"They'll probably need to add a desk or two," he said. "They'll need spittoons for the waiting rooms, Hadley circle will have to be made wide enough for hay trailers, and they'll need to add some office space for several functionaries who'll sit around chewing gum, complaining about bunnions, and insulting citizens all day. We figure the transition should take at

least a week." Pete Chaos, Mayor of Terre Haute, was disappointed in the decision. "I know how they work out there at Rose," he said. "This probably means I'll have to join a bunch of committees. I hate that stuff."

Dr. Samule Hulburp, President of Rose-Hulman, and newly-proclaimed Emperor of the Wabash Valley, was concerned about the increase in the administrative workload that would come with running a county and a school all at once.

"I'm concerned that we may not have the tools to do the job," he admitted. "My secretary has been hard at work drafting 'Do not walk on the grass in the Root Quadrangle' memos for the last week. There are so many important tasks that need to be attended to in order to see that the school runs properly that I don't know how we can run a municipal gov-

ernment on the side."

"Of course," Hulburp added, "this means that we can have all the IM fields we want."

The only department that didn't treat the announcement with a bit of guarded bemusement was the Office of Omissions.

"We're positively ecstatic," said Director of Omissions, Chuck Howarya. "This is the biggest increase in enrollment we've ever seen."

Outgoing mayor Chaos had a few comforting words for the new county stewards. "Don't sweat it, he said. 'The toughest part about running this place is controlling the 'Bash.'"

"Try though I might, I can't ever get the right chicks to stop."

Search for new campus cat narrows

by Anna Maules
Thron Reporter

Two years ago, Rose-Hulman began the search for the new campus cat, a vital position that needed to be filled. Since then, numerous committees and subcommittees have been formed to deal with the rapid insurgence of applicants from around the world. "We've narrowed the list to just three cats, two of which are already staying on campus," explained the chairman of the Committee on the Restoration of the Campus Cat (CRCC) after the committee's weekly meeting in E104. "It's been a tough road, but the CRCC is almost at the end."

One of the major candidates was recently ousted by the Subcommittee of the CRCC on Mobility (SCRCCM). "Garfield was just too fat to be fast enough for the job," commented a member of the SCRCCM.

When asked about not being selected for the finals, Garfield said, "the food wasn't good enough anyway."

The largest factor, the possession of "kitty power", is being examined by the Committee on Kitty Power (CKP). Directly linked to the CRCC, the CKP has been very thorough in its elimination of candidates.

"We are very sad to see Garfield leave the competition. He possessed the most kitty power of any candidate," said the CKP in a press release last Friday.

Richard, head of the Campus Watch-



GONE BUT NOT FORGOTTEN

The original campus cat performing one of its favorite duties.

dog Squad (CWS), a trio of dogs who do many tasks on campus, was too busy for an interview.

One of the most well known cats in the finals is Morris the cat. He was unavailable for comment due to the filming of a commercial.

"One of the biggest flaws of the Morris candidate," explained the treasurer of the CKP, "is his apparent lack of interest in the position. He is never available for interview or the countless tests administered by the Subcommittee of the CKP Test Eval-

uation (SCKPTE).

"If Morris does not arrive on campus in the next week," the treasurer went on, "then he will be withdrawn from the competition." The other two candidates, are not well-known, and are living on campus in hidden locations. When they come out at night, they often can be round behind Skinner Hall dueling. The Campus Watchdog Squad (CWS), commanded by Richard, has kept quite clear of the situation. When confronted with this information, Richard calmly lifted his leg, peed on the ground, and walked away.

Union excavation reveals brutal ARAMuck squirrel massacre

by Harry Fied
Thron Reporter

In the early morning of Thursday, March 2, 1995, the Union expansion Project hit an unexpected delay. At approximately 9:23:16 a.m. EST, construction worker Eugene Cord O. Wood noticed a strange rock formation and scattering of bones in the bottom of a ditch he was digging. "I just thought it was an Indian burial site. Golly, was I wrong. I had no idea of the cruel truth."

Local law authorities, forensic experts, and the EPA were on the scene by approximately 10:43:42 a.m. EST. After two hours of on-site testing, photographing, theory postulating, butt scratching and doughnut eating, the only thing the experts could agree on was that the bones definitely belonged to something small and furry. It was then that Rose called in Dr. Thomas Martin and Dr. Howie MacLean.

The two professors took sam-

ples and disappeared deep into the bowels of the Moench Hall chemistry labs. Howie could be heard saying, "Oh boy! I love murder mysteries! This is exciting!" The two emerged from the labs totally perplexed at approximately 2:04:09 a.m. EST on March 3rd, grabbed some ARAMUCK burgers from the refrigerator in Tommy's office and revisited the site. They noticed that teary-eyed squirrels were laying flowers at the side of the trench. When Howie noticed that his burger tasted slightly... well, nutty, the truth became painfully obvious.

The latest finding adds credibility to the Thron's investigation last year which revealed what appeared to be squirrel remains in garbage bags in ARAMUCK dumpsters. Those charges were summarily dismissed by ARAMUCK representative, Muck Farmer.

Look for "SQUIRRELS" on page 3.14159

Union goes kablooey, construction to take longer than planned

by Sky High
Thron Reporter

An explosion early this morning rocked the campus and brought down the Union building. Currently, the building lays in rubble. Jim Bob Jones, of C. P. Eye, Inc., was in charge of the group who laid the explosives.

"I thought that the other guys weren't getting the job done very well," declared Jim Bob. "They were just chipping away at this and digging at that, which could take all year. I just figured, hell, if they want to do real construction, why not just take out the whole thing? I

had some old charges sitting around, and got a couple of my buddies to evacuate the building."

At approximately 5:34 a.m. this morning, Jim Bob and his colleagues laid explosives at critical points around the building. One of the custodians, Gerald Hernandez, protested and tried to stop them.

"I was working on this really tough stain on the carpet in the Worx," said Hernandez, "when these two guys came up to me telling me to leave. I said, 'I will not leave until this carpet is clean!' Apparently they did not get the message. But they were very strong and I could not do any-

thing to stop them."

After Hernandez' initial protests, the team of four set off the charges. First on the scene were a few residents of Mees and Deming, the closest halls. "I was up a little later than usual playing Doom," said one Deming resident, "when there was this big flash and a very prodigious boom. I thought at first that it was just the new mega-cannon that I had picked up, but then I realized the sound came from outside my room. It was the first I had been away from my computer for days, but it was worth it!"

After students began gathering, cheers and hollers became more and more audible. Soon

chants of "No ARA today!" and others rang across the chasm where the Union used to be. Yet Thom Mule-are was quick to arrive and disperse the increasing crowd.

"Go back to your dorms! There is nothing to see here!" he told them.

About 6:05, president Hulburp showed up and was not very pleased.

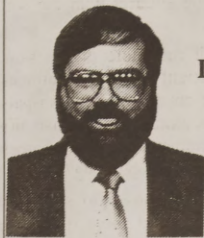
"I had gone over a specific plan with all of the construction crew and even told them about my 'Seeing-eye to be Better' program," commented Dr. Hulburp. "I thought, apparently incorrectly, that everything was going according to

plan. This changes everything. I can't say for sure right now, but it looks like the Olin Hall expansion and the new athletic facilities won't happen. What a sad day in Rose history."

At press time, it is unclear exactly how this occurrence will affect the construction efforts as a whole or Rose in general. Top officials from C. B. Eye, Inc., are denying any knowledge of this change in construction plans. However, one inside source claims it was an effort to undermine ARAMUCK industries. At least one thing is known for sure: No more mystery meat or red sauce for a while.

A Thron Editorial

Squirrel abuse: A Rose-Hulman concern



Deeter Allerbain
Editor-in-Chief
The
Rose Thron

It should be stated for the record, that we at the Rose Thron oppose animal abuse in any form. That would include forcing an animal to eat something rotten, disgusting, filthy and coarse.

That being said, let us explain why we would make one exception and have the Budding and Grounds staff thrown to the wolves.

Last week, during a period of warmth and springlike weather, one of our staff observed a B&G worker mowing lawn near the front of Olin Hall. As the worker went round and round in his riding mower, he gradually grew nearer to a squirrel crouching serenely on the lawn, feeding from the nectar of Nature's goodness stored in a small acorn.

The B&G worker grew closer, and, although he could have gone around the young, lithe creature, he revved up the engine to make the squirrel move.

Of course, the squirrel moved. Despite the fact that it was there first, that it had "squatter's rights," so to speak, the poor, miserable, little, fuzzy-cheeked, fluffy-duffy...er, the squirrel had to move.

This is clearly unacceptable.

Squirrels were here long before we were. That individual one wasn't, maybe, but his species have been sitting on lawns much shaggier than that one for centuries, perhaps even millenia.

My only regret is that I have but one quote to give for the Rose Thron.

--Burt Parks

Can Samule Hulburp say that? We think not.

We think that this type of behavior cannot be tolerated on a campus such as Rose, where students are deeply committed to animal rights. We have often heard students talking of their deep commitment to protecting their nut-hoarding friends, whom they commonly refer to by such terms of endearment as, "flea-bitten, useless, nut-munching rats on trees." We are certain that the Administration will not get away with such heinous violations of the rights of squirrels to their own private space. We demand that the students rise up in rebellion! First the squirrels, then us! Don't forfeit your right to munch nuts on the lawn unmolested! Nature was meant to control us! Let us live in harmony with our backyards! A SHAGGY LAWN IS A FREE LAWN!

B&G BAD! SQUIRRELS GOOD! LAWNMOWERS BAD! NO USE LAWNMOWER! NO USE LAWNMOWER ON SQUIRREL! BAD,BAD!

Ahem... well, we're certain that the administration will want to take this matter up as soon as possible, in the name of justice and harmony and universal brotherhood-- or something equally inspiring.

A Thron Opinion Poll

We asked several Rose students about a topic that we're sure has been on the minds of most Thron readers:

"Who would win an all-out battle between former heavyweight champion boxer Mike Tyson, and the notorious ARAMark Redsauce?"



Tyson would win, because he's been fighting the sauce in the prison showers for quite some time.

--Ben Dovernau



The red sauce, because it can ooze all over you. There is power in the ooze -- the Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles say so.

--M. Too Sexy



ARA red sauce, because it may be sweet, but it's knocked more people on their asses.

--Hile Hitler

Letters to the Editor

Sophomore ticked about getting ticketed

To the Editor:

I have a grievance with the Rose-Hulman Insecurity staff that I feel the entire campus must know. Last Friday morning, I was late for class and in a rush, and I double parked behind another student's car in the Moench Hall lot. I returned an hour later just as a large camouflaged Insecurity vehicle came roaring across the lot with some silly-looking fat man wearing a badge and a green beret standing in the back behind a big gun. I tried to explain to the officer that I had been in a hurry, but before I could say anything, one of the men in tight brown pants jumped out of the vehicle and tried some sort of judo move and ended up sitting on me while the other man called me a gutless, red-sympathizing cretin and that I deserved to meet a flaming horrible death. Then he vaporized my car.

Well! As a tuition-paying student who just happens to have had a Cherokee great-uncle twice removed, I found that remark very offensive! I would certainly expect more professionalism and sensitivity from Rose-Hulman Insecurity than I recieved that day! I understand that Insecurity has a responsibility to maintain traffic safety on campus, but I would like them to know that until I receive an apology from the offending officer, I will refuse to pay the \$630 fine that was issued me after the arrest, interrogation, and body-cavity searches.

I think that the remark that was made to me that afternoon should certainly send a message to the Rose-Hulman community that Insecurity does not support diversity on campus! I can only hope that the remark that was made to me is not indicative of the feelings of the entire Insecurity staff, or, for that matter, the Rose-Hulman administration.

*Ima Ticked
Sophomore ME*

(The following response was solicited from Insecurity Dictator, Harry Fauna, by the Thron staff)

To the Editor:

On behalf of Insecurity, I would like to respond to Mr. Ticked's letter regarding his treatment by the Insecurity staff.

In the past several months, a number of changes have been made in the way Insecurity does business. In an attempt to follow the example of elite Army MP units, Insecurity officers have been equipped with HMMWV's with vehicle-mounted Mk19 automatic grenade launchers. This equipment allows Insecurity officers to be flexible in their responses- they can either be coercive, or downright nasty. We have deemed that this is the only way that Rose-Hulman students can be kept safe in an increasingly hostile world.

We knew at the outset that the inclusion of this equipment in our daily training regimen might cause some students to become a bit uncomfortable. However, let me stress the fact that all of this is for the good of the Rose-Hulman student body. I would be neglecting my responsibilities to the student body if I were dress down one of my officers for operating with the zeal and aggressiveness that we have come to expect from our fine officers.

Pay the fine. We have lots more ammo.

And, in the future, I want you to know that you are more than welcome to bring your grievances to us. We really do care what you think.

Harry Fauna

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Humor not a priority for right-wing college newspaper

by Dull Pencil
Thron Exterminator

In response to rumors that the Rose Thron would be running a humor issue for April Fools Day, this reporter went in search of the head honcho himself, Deeter Allerbain, Editor-in-Chief, Dictator-for-Life, a surly, unshaven brute who, at last report, did not actually have opposable thumbs.

I found Allerbain in the Thron office, which is located under a small overhang by the foot bridge over Lost Creek. When asked about a possible humor issue, he laughed mightily and slapped a freshman reporter on the back, sending him flying into the creek. He denied the allegations.

"There used to be humor around here," he said calmly, as he shot a passing squirrel in the rump

with a pellet gun. "But I got rid of that pretty quick. Who needs funny stories and cartoons when you've got great stuff like the Rose Bureaucrap?"

He broke off into a chuckle. "I laugh myself sick over that every week."

Allerbain went on to explain that one of the provisions in the Contract On America were that ultra-conservative Repugnican colleges were not allowed to put any jokes in their newspapers that had not been previously approved by a G.O.D. committee jointly headed by Pat Brokecannon and Dan Snail. "Dan



Allerbain: Still seeking that one true love

was going to send us all mailing labels so that we could send stuff to their committee to get reviewed," Allerbain explained, "but he had some spelling problems."

I asked him to explain. He shrugged. "Snail sent the labels to some newspaper called the Thron.

Naturally, the mail mishandlers got confused and sent the labels back. Who ever heard of such a dopey name for a newspaper?"

I asked him whether there was much chance of seeing anything humorous in the coming weeks. Allerbain frowned slightly and engaged a passing canoe with an AT-4. "Probably not," he yelled over the roar of the rocket. "Even if we get the labels, Danny's been in a nasty mood ever since... well... the potatoe."

When asked what would be run instead, Allerbain shrugged and painted a large white streak on the

back of a struggling cat. He set it down, and it immediately began chasing the squirrel with the sore rump.

"We'll run more of the same stuff. Right-wing columnists, extensive coverage of SGA spats, shameless glorification of insignificant administration committees. Why change a good thing?"

Allerbain paused to shoot the cat with his pellet gun and push the reporter in the creek a second time. The cat ran off towards the Quadrangle, where students dived out of the way, screaming, "Skunk!"

The squirrel started laughing, and Allerbain bowled it over with a bocce ball. The reporter in the creek was doing a stilted backstroke in the viscous, greenish scum.

"Besides, you get funny just once, and nobody takes you seriously any more."

World is flat

Mathematics Department
buzzing

TERRE HAUTE -- Professors and spectators jammed the GM room Tuesday evening to hear the results of a graduate project that had determined that the world is indeed flat. Chinese graduate student Ha Chou and German graduate student Gesund Heit collaborated on the research

project, funded by the 2M Corporation.

Their work was based on the doctoral thesis of S. Ben Broughen, chair of the Mathematics Department, entitled, "*The circle: a round straight line with a hole in the middle.*" Using his theories, Chou and Heit developed a series of programs for a Pentium computer, and used the powerful processor to run test models.

What they discovered was that the gravity of the Earth is so great that light is bent near its surface,

causing the land to appear to fall away at the horizon.

"This gravametric distortion goes as far as to effect aviation navigational systems," declared Chou, "causing pilots flying east toward China to believe they are flying west."

When asked to explain the sperical appearance of other heavenly bodies, Heit explained that diffraction associated with the distortion causes other planets to appear round, or to even have false 'rings' around them.

Not since Einstein explained his theory of relativity has academe and the rest of the world been so enthusiastic about a scientific discovery. Exploration teams are being assembled now to search for the "edge" of the planet.

Rose-Hulman Physics professor and alumnus, Dr. Noah I. Dittent hailed the research and was moved to tears. "These guys are swell," he sobbed. "They make Einstein look stupid."

This amazing breakthrough is considered by many to be a tri-

umph for the troubled Pentium processor, which has been blamed for countless arithmetic and logical errors.

Professors in the Mathematics Department are rushing to jump on the "Flat Math" bandwagon, beginning with the collaboration of George Berzsenzsenyi and Gesund Heit on "*Pi: a lot closer to e than you'd think.*"

Gesund Heit captured the feel of the day when he concluded, "Let me be the first to coin the phrase, 'as flat as the Earth itself.'"

Bored of Mismanagement calls for uniformity, weirdos protest

by Sadly Misshapen
Thron Blabbermouth

Upon a close examination of the Bored of Mismanagement's "Quest to be the Greatest", the observant will notice one fact. The Quest contains almost no mention of the word diversity.

The reason for this omission is clear, the Bored, in its infinite wisdom, is remaining one step ahead of the competition. With a clear focus on becoming the best in engineering education, the Bored has realized that there is one thing more important than diversity, and that is uniformity.

By obtaining uniformity, the school will be able to set the standard. More importantly, by obtain-

ing the standard, the school will become eligible for many grants and financial gifts which are absolutely necessary to assist in the expansion of the school and to ensure that it not only attains a position of leadership, but maintains that position.

What does uniformity mean to students? Uniformity will make life for the student much easier. By 1996, students will no longer have to make difficult decisions like choosing majors. All students will have the same major. Steps towards this goal are already in effect, in the form of standardized and integrated curriculums.

Everyday decisions will also be simplified. A committee is already

working on designing a campus uniform to be worn by all students. These changes will affect many aspects of the student's education and enhance the student's experience.

To help lessen student's concerns over financial aid, the Bored will be putting into effect a standardized loan system. Every student will receive the same amount of money in the form of Staff loans. These loans will come directly from members of the faculty and staff in the institute.

By doing this, the Bored hopes to increase the feeling of family between the students and staff and continue to make Rose a 'warm and muggy' place. Students will

become directly indebted to the Institute for the quality of the education they receive.

How else can we benefit from uniformity? There are a number of answers to this question, but the key to the search for uniformity is that it is another step in the school's process of becoming more like an assembly line. The Bored's goal has, and will continue to be, to produce top quality students. By ensuring that each of the students reaches a certain level of competence, the school's reputation is enhanced.

Students' feelings and opinions will remain secondary. This may at first seem harsh, but it has long been a goal of the Bored's and is absolutely necessary if we are to become the best.

Uniformity also has many more benefits. It will simplify the admissions process and do away with outdated ideas like affirmative action. With uniformity comes the removal of ethnic, cultural, and racial diversities. There will be no more cultural barriers!

Please note that in saying this, I am not being racist in that I have not specified the race to which all future students will belong. However, this choice will be easy to make and can be based on the applications received. Whichever group the largest number of applicants belong to will be the group that will be admitted. How can anyone call such a system unfair?

Once racial diversity has been eliminated, the Bored will undoubtedly proceed to eliminate other forms of diversity. Co-education will be put on hold indefi-

nately. These changes are absolutely necessary for the advancement of our school in its continuing Quest to be the Greatest.

We, as students, should be grateful that we have the Bored's insight to make choices and improvements in our school in it's continuing effort to make Rose the greatest place to attain an Engineering education (next to that place Sally Struthers peddles on TV).

There are many definitions of diversity in this world. There is only one definition of uniformity. We are fortunate to have the Bored to help us understand that definition. With the Bored's Quest, students can be assured that they are getting the most for their money.

If you actually read this entire story, you definitely have achieved a standard of excellence worthy only of a Rose student.

Student Body President Rob Wallace says...

"Get involved in shaping the future of RHIT. Vote in the SGA elections!"

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Engineer basketball recruit turns heads with impressive stats

by Ronny Lackluster
Sports Reporter

Eyebrows were raised across the nation last week when Simon LeClair, a 6'10" senior at Bishop Finch High School in Siddharta, Wyoming, and the top schoolboy basketball player in the country this year, reneged on his verbal commitment to North Carolina and signed a letter of intent to attend Rose-Hulman.

The target of one of the most heated recruiting battles in recent history, LeClair says he tired of the national spotlight and needed to get away.

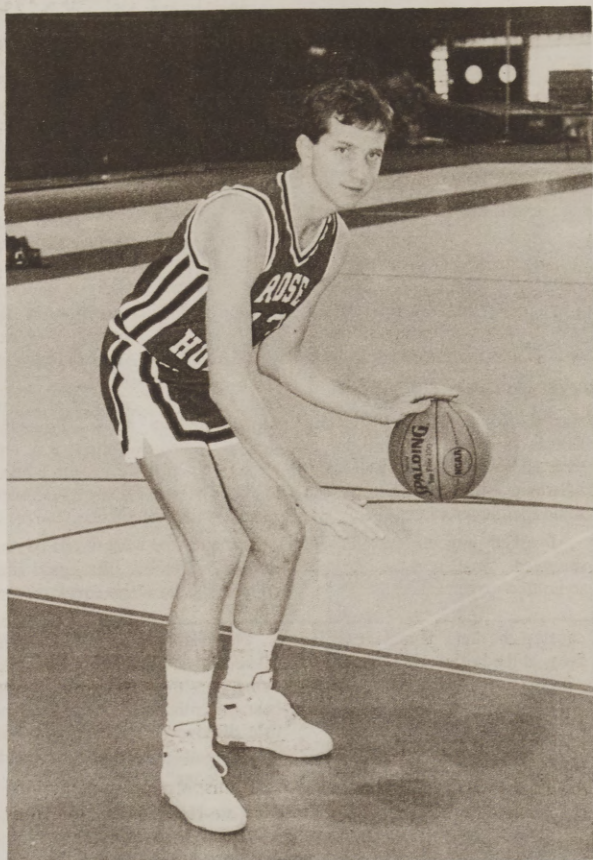
"Rose is a place where I can concentrate on my studies. I decided I needed to go to a college where I wouldn't have the distractions of Division I athletics," he explained.

LeClair is widely considered to be a godsend to the Engineers.

Bob Gibbons of BlueChip Illustrated says Simon "has no weaknesses in his game. He can pass, leap, run the floor, play defense, and, of course, his shooting range is incredible. I'd compare him to Michael Jordan with 4 extra inches, but that really doesn't do Simon justice."

Playing in Wyoming's tough Rocky Road Conference, LeClair broke nearly every state and school record his senior year while leading the Runnin' Yeomen to the Class 5A state title.

He averaged 42.3 points, 27.2



Simon LeClair demonstrates the masterful ball-handling skills that have made him one of the most highly recruited players of the year.

Photo by James Mann

rebounds, and 7.9 assists per game. LeClair's 85 percent shooting from three-point range (238 for 280) is perhaps his most

impressive stat.

He also sang the national anthem before home games.

These accomplishments,

however, pale in comparison with LeClair's off-the-floor actions.

A perfect 4.0 student, LeClair scored a 1580 on the SAT, and received first prize at the National Forensic League Debate competition.

Last summer, while most highly touted recruits were strutting their stuff in basketball camps, LeClair was in the former Yugoslavia, acting as a special negotiator for the Bosnian Serbs.

LeClair is considered a dark horse for the Nobel Peace Prize for his work in this area.

Everyone, it seems, has a favorite Le-

Clair story, each one more incredible than the last.

LeClair's high school coach, Father Michael O'Malley, recalls the time when the Yeomen trailed archrival Wallaby High by 15 points with 2 minutes remaining in the fourth quarter. "Simon hit 5 three-pointers, the last coming with three seconds to go. He then stole the ensuing inbounds pass on the far side of half-court. He tossed in the winning shot over his head while falling out of bounds. An elderly gentleman in the crowd was so overwhelmed

that he had a heart attack. Simon, although he would have rather been celebrating, saw the man collapse and administered CPR. He saved his life."

Engineer head coach Jim Shaw is understandably ecstatic about the whole situation, but he couldn't resist poking fun at his old friend Dean Smith, head coach of North Carolina.

"Dean's been beating me out for all the top recruits in the past few years, and he's also been

"Rose is a place where I can concentrate on my studies. I decided I needed to go to a college where I wouldn't have the distractions of Division I athletics," explained LeClair.

killing me at golf," said Shaw. "This ought to make our four-ball a little more interesting."

LeClair

added that the school itself wasn't the only reason he chose Rose. He remarked, "From the moment I laid eyes on Terre Haute, I knew that this was the place for me. Coming from a small town, I've never been exposed to such a wide variety of things to see and do. It's just such a vibrant, friendly community. I could smell the love in the air."

LeClair is expected to travel to Rose-Hulman April 31 for a press conference and question-and-answer session. It will be held in Shook Fieldhouse at 2:30 p.m.

Intramural Table Tennis Championship full of drama as Abe Oh battles unseeded Gable Bishop in Hulman Union game room Monday before crowd of 300 amazed spectators

by Lester Ogilvie
Minor Sports Deity

Two valiant warriors did battle in the arena of the Hulman Union game room Monday, with the Rose major league intramural table tennis championship as the prize both were pining for.

Gable Bishop, playing David to Abe Oh's Goliath, emerged victorious after five sets of exhilarating action.

Not one of the estimated 300 people in attendance left wanting

for more. It was truly a contest for the ages, which left everyone associated with it gasping for breath.

The unseeded Bishop had marched an upset-laden path to the finals, knocking off the previous year's champion, Grant Frank, in the quarterfinals, and benefiting from #2 seed Stefan Gilbert's withdrawal in the semis with a hamstring pull. He was seen as having nothing to lose and everything to gain in this

matchup.

Meanwhile, Oh was the only pretournament favorite whom Bishop hadn't yet laid to waste.

Oh was *en fuego* at one time or another in each of his previous matches, completely pummeling all of his opponents in straight sets.

The ballistic spectacle began in earnest with the opening volley for serve, which endured for ten minutes, and included an estimated 250 returns by each competi-

tor.

Oh won, by the way, on a brilliant crosscourt backhand which tickled the tape on the table's edge, and plummeted to the floor like a winged snipe. After a short intermission to administer medical aid to the dehydrated gladiators, the match resumed.

The first set was virtually uneventful, with Oh winning handily, 21-15. Oh used a combination of antelope-like agility and eerily accurate hitting precision to completely befuddle Bishop, who was overheard taking several oaths in the midst of the proceedings.

Things began to warm up in the second set when, with the score tied 10-10 on Bishop's serve, Bishop took exception to Oh's call of a let serve and began fiercely berating him. Oh refused to relent on his call, though, and

challenged Bishop to a side event outside.

Bishop accepted, and a vicious donnybrook ensued on the makeshift parking lot beside the pristine waters of Speed Lake.

The bloodied combatants called a truce after ten minutes of fierce fisticuffs, and the set was completed, with Bishop evening the score with a 21-18 triumph.

Oh took the maximum 10 minute break in between sets, complaining of a lacerated kidney suffered in the fight.

He was able to continue, though, and won the third set in sudden death, 28-26.

Bishop regained his Zen-like mentality in the fourth set and would not be denied, puncturing Oh's ego (to match his punctured lung) with a 21-7 pasting.

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Rose-Hulman Intramural Information April 1- March 31

Date	Event	Teams	Time	Court
Apr. 1	Mud Wrestling	Woodsies vs. Hulburp's Heroes	7:12 p.m.	4
Apr. 1	Walnut Cracking (Major)	09ers vs. FCC	4:35 p.m.	19
Apr. 1	Cliff Diving (Major)	CIRCLE vs. Untalented	5:31 p.m.	7
Apr. 1	Butter Churning (Minor - A)	PF vs. Rednoses	2:33 p.m.	6.5
Apr. 1	Slide Rule Juggling	BSB (-1) vs. Rats	4:30 a.m.	84
Apr. 1	Mediocre Frisbee	Cobras vs. S999	7:09 p.m.	0
Apr. 1	Blindfolded Painting	Blue Shoes vs. Spanksters	6:58 p.m.	A
Apr. 1	Ultimate Monopoly	Speed 4 vs. No Mama	5:54 p.m.	3.4
Apr. 1	Curling	Cobras vs. Figgs	4:19 p.m.	12
Apr. 1	Full Contact Bocce Ball	BSB 11 vs. BLT	3:42 p.m.	001
Apr. 1	Possum Cornering	Grungies vs. Murphs	3:01 p.m.	21
Apr. 1	Foosball	DGA vs. Sharp	8:11 p.m.	19
Apr. 1	Origami	Spud vs. Skinless	2:27 p.m.	1
Apr. 1	Staple Shooting	Murdock's vs. Moose	9:04 a.m.	36

All Mediocre Frisbee games will be played under the bonfire on field next to the lights.

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And so the stage was set for a fifth set which would go down in history beside Smith-Sayers and Yamamoto-Kauffman as one of the greatest of all time.

It began benignly enough, with the competitors matching each other blow for blow, splitting the first 20 points.

At this point, Oh reasoned that this was as good a time as any to raise his game to the level of Forrest Gump, and he skipped whip and puree on the way to liquefying Bishop for a commanding 19-11 lead.

Bishop finally got his serve game together in the next five points, though, and blistered the table edges with fanatical veloci-

ty, sweeping five straight points to pull within 19-16.

Oh reached deep into his bag of tricks on his next serve, pulling out the self-described "Terre Haute Windmill Detractor" delivery and scoring an ace, allowing Oh to take advantage of Bishop's uncertainty while serving for the match.

About then, Bishop conveniently forgot the word "defeat" for a couple minutes. He improbably beat back Oh's championship advance and tying the match at 20 apiece.

Bishop dug deep down for two more serves that no one was sure were still in him, smashing the ball past an exhausted Oh

twice in succession to take the match.

Both contestants* collapsed immediately and had to be airlifted to Indianapolis for immediate surgery. Bishop is expected to make a full recovery, while Oh, whose left hand was amputated, is listed in serious but stable condition.

I must say that during all my years as a pundit for the Rose Thron, I've never seen anything approaching the heart and chutzpah of these two engineers. It was raggedly beautiful, and besides that, was engrossing in its technical virtuosity.

Top Ten Things Overheard at a Psychics Convention

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Other furnishings presumably glorify the atrocities of fashion from the 1970s.

Julie, a painting of a young blond-haired girl on the west wall of the library's second floor, has been the subject of criticism by Miss Kirschkuchen and the Anti-Nazi Artisan League. According to von Edelweiss, the painting is an attempt to promote the features of the Aryan race, as does the Boy in the Little Red Coat on the library's first floor.

Poley Seamund, Rose art curator, denies that the paintings have any such connotations and believes that Miss Kirschkuchen is simply jealous that Rose-Hulman's Moench Hall was chosen over the Hamburgische Gurken Kunstmuseum as the site to exhibit paintings of clowns and goats.

Other examples of the subliminal effect RHIT tries to impose on students include the upstairs library carols. A view from above clearly shows the carols are in the form of swastikas. All-white See "ARYAN" on page 3.14159

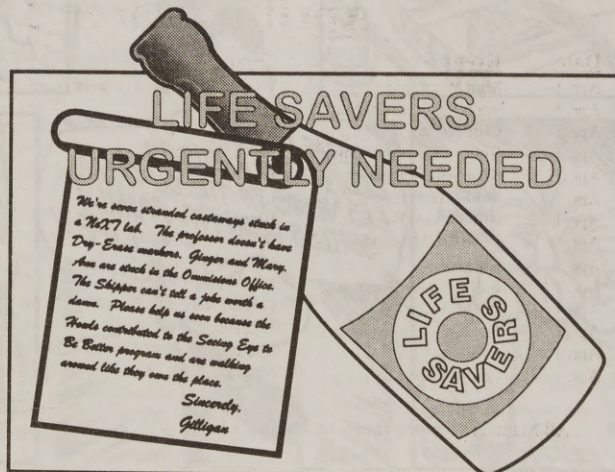
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Announcements:

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THIS HAS BEEN A THORN HUMOR ISSUE. This type of issue has not been published at Rose-Hulman for five years. The names have been changed to protect the innocent, the quotes have been fabricated, the facts have been less than factual. This issue was meant to be funny, light-hearted and entertaining. If you can't hang with that, we suggest you try us again next week when we'll do our best to be boring and mundane like most "respectable" newspapers. -ed



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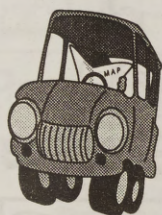
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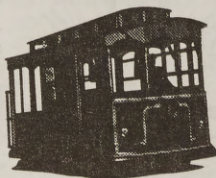
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