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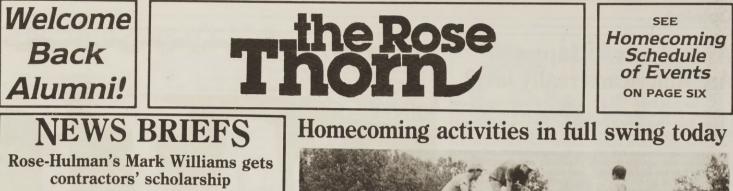
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FRIDAY, OCT. 2, 1992



Senior Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology civil engineering major Mark Wil-liams has been named one of Indiana's top outstanding college construction engineering students by the Associated General Contractors of In-diana. The honor includes a \$750 scholarship.

AGCI will honor Williams at a banquet next month in Indi-anapolis. The Shelbyville na-tive was chosen on the basis of his leadership, scholarship (3.5 grade point average out of ence. Williams is treasurer of Rose-Hulman's chapter of the American Society of Civil En-gineers, secretary-treasurer of Blue Key Honorary and is a member of the Alpha Tau Om-ega fraternity and varsity golf team

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team After graduating from Rose-Hulman, Williams plans to study for a graduate degree in transportation or construction engineering at the University of Texas.

### **Rose chapter of NSPE** elects new officers

# by Jennifer Rozzi

by Jennifer Rozal Rose-Hulman's chapter of National Society of Pro-fessional Engineers has elected officers for the 1992-93

elected officers for the 1992-93 academic year. The new officers are Jon Whitcomb of Terre Haute, president; Dylan Schickel of New Albany, vice president; Eric Brodeur of Loring, Maine, treasurer; and Kyle Arnold of Clayton, secretary.

NSPE members volunteer as tutors for Rose-Hulman's Homework Hotline, a tele-phone tutoring service for stu-dents in the Vigo County School Corp. They also organize ac-tivities for National Engineers Week and serve as volunteers for the local Mathcounts con-teet test

Cliff Grigg, professor of elec-trical and computer engineer-ing, is the group's adviser.

### **Rose-Hulman math students** to give presentations

Rose-Hulman students Tre-vis Litherland and Ben Nichol-son will be giving presenta-tions this weekend at the 19th annual Pi Mu Epsilon con-ference held at Miami Univer-sity in Oxford, Ohio. Trevis's talk is entitled "On a Maximum Principle for a

Trevis's talk is entitled "On a Maximum Principle for a Fourth-Order Differential Equation". This paper is a re-sult of the Research Experi-ence for Undergraduates (REU) program in which Tre-vis participated a year ago. The paper discusses a max-imum principle for a biharmonic partial differen-tial equation using a Green's

function approach and various aspects of ordinary differen-tial equations.

The title of Nicholson's talk is "Matroids are Coming". The presentation resulted from individual research done here at Rose. Matroid theory, a relatively new topic of study, is an extension of topics in graph theory and linear algebra an extension of topics in graph theory and linear algebra which leads to some interest-ing results. Nicholson pre-sentation will give an introduc-tion to matroids plus applica-tions like the greedy algorithm and its relationship with mat-roids.

### Job outlook bleak for the rest of 1992

(CPS) Fourth-quarter hiring among 15,000 U.S. firms will continue at a slow pace, Man-power Inc.'s quarterly Em-ployment Outlook Survey

Hiring increases were con templated by 21 percent of the firms surveyed, while eleven percent intend to reduce their

percent intend to reduce their workforce in the fourth quar-ter, which ends in December. The pessimistic report re-flects a struggling economy and "a continued sense of un-certainty and caution," the temporary help firm said in it's report. Job opportunities in public and private education continue to be scarce. "While the seven-teen percent engaging in new

hiring and eleven percent cut-ting staff levels represent the best outlook in two years, it re-mains well below that of earli-er years," the reports says. Finance, insurance and real estate seem to be picking up, Manpower said. The strongest hiring out-looks were reported in the

hiring and eleven percent cut-

looks were reported in the South and Midwest, while the Northeast and West continue

"We see no signs of a signifi-"We see no signs of a signifi-cant downrun but there is lit-tile evidence that robust hiring activity will take place," Man-power President Mitchell Fromstein said. "There seems to be a 'wait-and-see' attitude that is likely to prevail for several months."

CAMPUS **RE-ELECTION '92** RESULTS See Page 7

Members of the Class of 1996 hard at work constructing the traditional Homecoming Bonfire. The Bonfire is one of the most popular events in the annual Homecoming celebration.

Four days of special homecom-ing events began last night and will conclude Sunday. Reunion dinners for alumni were held last night and will continue tonight and Saturday evening.

Alumni from throughout the United States are in town for the annual homecoming events that will include opens houses in var-ious academic departments, the traditional homecoming football game and the homecoming con-

About 180 alumni participated in a golf tourney today at Hulman Links and tonight's pep rally and

bonfire will attract several thousand students, faculty, staff, friends and alumni.

Tomorrow alumni will honor three graduates for their service to Rose-Hulman and the engineerto Rose-Ruima and the engineer-ing profession at 9:15 a.m. in the Hulman Union (see story on page six for further details). Following the awards ceremony, President Hulbert will bring alumni up-to-date about campus developments during a State of the Institute ad-dress.

Alumni will have a chance to see new equipment and other facilities Saturday from 11 a.m. until 1:15 p.m. as various depart-

ments and offices sponsor open houses. At 1:30 p.m. the Engineer football team takes on Taylor Uni-versity at Phil Brown Field.

Following the game, alumni can attend a banquet in the Hul-man Union followed by the homecoming concert featuring comedian Carlos Alazraqui and country music band Big Guitars of Memphis. Tickets will be avail-able at the door for the 8 p.m. con-cert.

An alumni baseball game at noon Sunday at Art Nehf Field will conclude the 1992 homecoming schedule.

### Theorodrome provides arena for mathematics



Some of the workstations in the new Theorodrome. The high-level mathematics "classroom of the future" was made possible through a grant from the National Science Foundation's Research Experience for Undergraduates program.

## by Andy Nuxoll Staff Reporter

By now, most students have seen the new Theorodrome lo-cated in room G220 of Crapo Hall. This new math classroom consists of 4 DEC station 5000's (Larry, Curly, Moe, and Shemp) and four additional terminals.

In an unconfirmed test, one of these terminals performed three to four times faster than Rose-Hulman's VAX. This means that the Theorodrome's four comput-ers are twelve times faster than the VAX.

the VAX. The Theorodrome is part of the Andrew File System, and is set up so students log onto it using their NeXT account. The primary soft-ware packages available on the "four stooges" are Cayley and Maple. Maple is a computer algebra package like Mathema-tics, which allows instructors to concentrate less on the steps of solving a problem and more on the concepts of mathematics. Cayley is a "powerful research tool" for mathematics which "enables the user to define an algebraic struc-ture and then 'climb in'."

The Theorodrome was made possible by a grant from the National Science Foundation to Dr. Gary Sherman. Dr. Sherman attributes the grant to two of Rose's accomplishments. Rose-Hulman has had exceptional suc-cess with computerizing lower level undergraduate math classes like Calculus and Differential level undergraduate math classes like Calculus and Differential Equations. Since 1989, NSF grants have allowed Dr. Sherman to attract six "national caliber un-dergraduate mathematics stu-dents" to the National Science Foundation Research Experi-ences for Undergraduates (NSFEU). The resulting re-search, which is conducted over the summer months, has been the summer months, has been published in several prestigious math journals.

The Theorodrome, was con-ceived to provide a lab for upper level (e.g. non-entry level) math classes. Dr. Sherman has made a point to avoid making the Theorodrome just another Mat-Lab. The terminals have been ar-ranged on the outer walls of the classroom with two large tables in the center of the room. During normal instruction, the students normal instruction, the students

sit at the tables, away from the terminals. In MatLab and the NeXT labs the students sit at their NeXT labs the students sit at their terminals constantly. Dr. Sher-man feels that this constant dis-traction "disturbs the social dynamics of the classroom". When using the mathematics soft-ware is called for, students work in small groups at each terminal. "So far," says Sherman, "my dis-crete mathematics students have used the computers only four times. By third quarter, we should be using them con-stantly." Currently, Discrete Mathematics and Number Theory are being taught in the Mathematics and Number Theory are being taught in the Theorofrome. Eventually, the lab will be used for other upper divi-sion mathematics classes. Dr. Sherman stresses that it is not just intended for students in these classes but also for research by faculty and students majoring in mathematics. When questioned about the

mathematics. When questioned about the source of the name: Theorod-rome. Dr. Sherman compares it to the ancient Greek and Roman hip-podromes which were arenas for chariot races and other eques-trian events. "The Theorodrome is an arena for mathematics."

### Opinion

# America vs. Japan: Are Americans really lazy?

by Chad Zigler Thorn Features Editor As the United States continues the search for solutions to the na-tion's economic troubles, Japan bas gone on the offensive and de-scribed the average American worker as lazy and unproductive. Is this slander or the truth? The foundation of this argument doesn't lie in the midst of the poli-tical arena (in which it is getting thrown), but instead it originates in the basic differences between the American and Japanese cul-tures.

tures. Although differences of all sorts are noticeable between the two cultures, one major area differ-ence stands out: work ethic. Americans characteristically want "more for less," while Japanese workers seem to live for their jobs. This is not to say that American workers have no pride in their work, but if it means giv-ing up vacation time to increase

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# **Election '92** Bush vs. Clinton: Foreign Policy

Until the November election, Thorn columnist Robert Wallace will cover the Presidential candi-dates's views and positions on different, major issues. Some of these issues will include the econ-erry forcing affairs and domes. omy, foreign affairs, and domes-tic policies. This column is written with the hopes of making you a more informed voter in Novem-ber ber

One of the things that will be remembered most about this elec-tion year, compared to most oth-ers in the last fifty years, is the fact that foreign policy will most likely not be greatly discussed. This is unusual since the United States is entering a new period in States is entering a new period in international relations, one which is most uncertain.

Foreign policy is one of Clin-ton's weak points since governors of small states rarely meet with foreign embassadors or diploforeign embassadors or diplo-mats. In fact, in Clinton's hour long acceptance speech at the Democratic National Convention, not more than two minutes were devoted to foreign policy. Despite this, Clinton has been trying to flex his muscle on foreign policy a bit just to show that he is capable of heing the country's leading of being the country's leading diplomat.

But this has sometimes led to disaster for Clinton. This sum-mer, Clinton tried to attack

Bush's record on Yugoslavia. He said that Bush ought to be doing more to help end the bloody civil war, including bombing raids over Serbia. The Bush adminis-tration counter-attacked, saying that such a plan would be reckless and would almost certainly lead to disaster a view most voters to disaster, a view most voters

to disaster, a view most voters agree with. Clinton later attacked Bush on the Gulf War, one of Bush's big-gest foreign policy achievements. Clinton stated that the war should have been continued until Sad-dam Hussein and more of his mili-tary were destroyed. President Bush once again rebuked this statement in his speech at the Re-publican National Convention. Bush quoted Clinton, "I guess I would have voted in the majority, but I agree with the arguments

Bush quoted Clinton, "J guess I would have voted in the majority, but I agree with the arguments the minority made." Clinton said this shortly after Congress gave President Bush authorization to use force in the Persian Gulf. President Bush has been absolutely astonishing when it comes to foreign affairs, even to the extent of overshadowing Reagan's record. Under Bush, the world has changed quickly and has seen such developments as the emergence of democracy in Eastern Europe, the reunification of Germany, the end of the Soviet Union, the Gulf War, peace in Cambodia, and the Middle East Peace Talks.

Despite these huge successes, many critics insist that Bush has made some errors in his foreign policy. They mainly point to Bush's policy toward China after the Tinnamon Square massacre, the ongoing civil war in Yugosla-via, and the fact that Saddam Hussein still remains in power in Irao Iraq.

The Clinton campaign must The Clinton campaign must remember that a large majority of voters largely approve of Bush's foreign policy and see George Bush has one of the most important and successful in-ternational leaders in the world today. Clinton must continue to concentrate on domestic affairs, such as the economy, and avoid foreign policy issues foreign policy issues

George Bush, on the other hand, shouldn't forget about foreign policy as many of his advisers and polls are urging him to do. It is a fact that most voters are more concerned with the economy rath-er than foreign affairs, but most don't understand how the two are greatly connected. Bush needs to remind voters that a strong econ-omy here at home greatly de-pends on trade agreements with other countries, such as Mexico. He also needs to constantly re-mind voters that a weak America in the international arena is almost always a weak America at home. George Bush, on the other hand, home.



production, they would have no

production, they would have no part in it. When the American work force hears these ideas, they start to lose their composure. They say things like "Enough 'America bashing' already! Let's get at those Japanese for once." As long as they remain within the bounds of decency, offended Americans do have some legiti-mate comebacks. For instance, many people say that Japanese workers are loaded down with an excessive amount of work, elevatexcessive amount of work, elevat ing the stress level to an almost intolerable status. In contrast, American companies recognize this problem, and they try to deal with the problem accordingly. Moreover, the Japanese educa-

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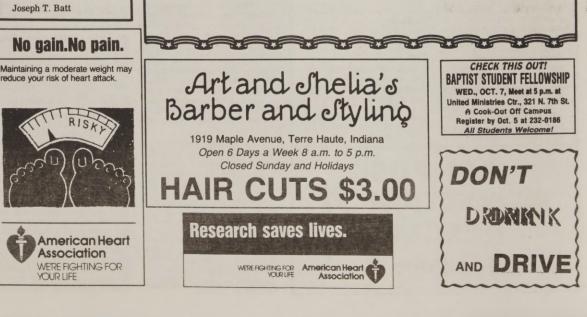
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Hoperuly this can be done without a drastic change in the number of suicides in the U.S. Nevertheless, Americans can capitalize on their superior creativity if they can only improve their technological

efficiency

Editor: I live in Blumberg Hall. The night of Saturday, September 26, I trotted over to Sharpen-berg to get some ice because we don't have an ice machine. To my horror, I found that Delta Sigma Phi had raided the ice machine. A friend of

Delta Sigma Phi had raided the ice machine. A friend of mine reported to have seen stu-dents with Delta Sig letters loading trash cans full of ice into a truck and pull away. I pay to live in the residence hall, and I plan to use the facili-ties that I pay for. I don't pay to keep Delta Sig's beer cold.





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# Abortion doesn't liberate women

by Christina Diaz

CPS — No matter how the jus-tices said it, the result was clear and unmistakable. In a stunning five to four decision, the justice clearly and completely reaf-firmed Roe vs. Wade as a positive judicial decision for our country. Any willingness that the Court had shown in the past few years to rectify the damage done to our na-tion by the tragic 1973 Roe vs. Wade decision was completely orndiacted eradicated.

eradicated. The pro-abortion forces of the country wailed that they were dealt a loss because the court up-held the moderate regulations of the Pennsylvania Abortion Con-trol Act (the Supreme Court up-held regulations supported by a vast majority of Americans, in-cluding parental consent, 24-hour waiting regrid and informed conwaiting period and informed con-sent.) But the second half of their decision was the strong and vehe-ment reaffirmation of Roe.

Roe has been hailed as a land-mark decision. It is also a decision mark decision. It is also a decision that has cost our generation dearly. Since 1973, abortion, cloaked in the euphemistic terms of "choice," "reproductive free-dom," and "a woman's right," has taken the lives of 26 million unborn children. That's roughly the equivalent of one-third of our generation. generation.

Beneath the patriotic and emotion-filled slogans of "a wom-an's right to control her own body," and "every child a wanted child," lie the cold, hard realities of abortion. The reality of abor-tion is that with every single abor-tion, an innocent unborn child loses its life. The abortion not only takes the life of the unborn child takes the life of the unborn child, but it forever changes the life of the woman. These are the truths that you won't hear from the abortion advocates. Consider these additional facts:

\*The majority of abortions are performed before the twelfth week. By that time all body systems are present and functioning brain waves are detectable, and the unborn child's heart is beat\*There are 1.6 million abortions performed every single year. That's 4,320 a day, 180 per hour, three per minute, and one every twenty econde twenty seconds.

twenty seconds. \*Abortion poses serious risks to women, both psychological and physical. Some of the physical complications of abortions may be: excessive bleeding and cramping, fever/cold sweats, in-tense pain, infections, and vomit-ing. An abortion may also result in a woman's inability later on in life to conceive a child, miscarriages, scarring of the uterus, or even stillbirths. Aside from the physical

Aside from the physical complications, abortion can also inflict severe emotional trauma to the woman. Studies have shown that the emotional reactions might include: guilt and extreme depression, anger, rage, suicidal urges, uncontrollable crying and feelings of intense grief, es-pecially when seeing other babies or young children.

These are only a few of the facts that you won't hear at the local abortion clinic. Why aren't women given this basic informa-tion before making a life or death decision and undergoing an abor-tion? Pro-abortion organizations, like Planned Parenthood and the National Abortion Rights Action League have continually composed National Abortion Rights Action League, have continually opposed any "right-to-know" bills that would ensure that a doctor be re-quired to give women all the in-formation they need to make an informed decision.

How can the decision to abort, to willfully end the life of an unborn child, be considered a woman's "right" when she is denied full and complete information about the developing unborn child, the alternatives to abortion, and the physical and emotional risks that feminism and honest respect for women does not make women feel compelled to kill her own child in order to survive in this society.

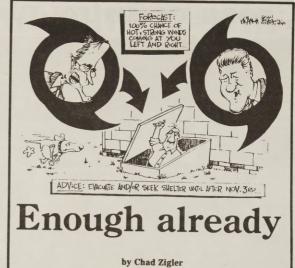
The abortion issue tears at the very fabric and heart of what it means to be a society. It affects the very core of what it means to establish a common understanding and mutual respect for all members of a society. If society is unwilling to respect and protect the most defenseless and innocent of all its members, how can the rights of any member be guaran-teed?

of all its members, how can the rights of any member be guaran-teed? Martin Luther King, Jr., one of the greatest dreamers and fight-ers for equality of all time, one said, "Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere." That is no less true today than when Dr. King spoke those words. The horrible injustices ex-perienced by the unborn threaten the rights of all people through the erosion of a simple respect for life. If one person's life, that of an unborn child, is indispensable, how can we guarantee that any-one's right to life will be re-spected? Abortion advocates tell us that abortion is necessary to improve

Abortion advocates tell us that abortion is necessary to improve the quality and status of women. Look at society now. What has im-proved for women? Percentage of single mothers living in poverty? Increased. Rate of child abuse? Increased. Teen-age pregnancy? Increased. Teen-age pregnancy? Increased. Is this the utopia that the abortion advocates promise us? In my assessment as a femin-ist, it falls dreadfully short of true equality for women. Abortion has been handed to women as a "quick fix," allowing society to escape its true responsibility to escape its true responsibility to women

women. As college students, we are the dreamers. We are the ones who are constantly looking and searching for a way to make this a better world. As pro-life activists, we seek to improve this world by ending the violence and destruc-tion inflicted on our nation through the practice of abortion. We fight to see that this reign of violence ends. We work to provide women facing crisis pregnancies women facing crisis pregnancies with real choices that are life-affirming for both the mother and child. We are the ones who have sur-

vived this reign of destruction; we are the ones who can make the change necessary so that all hu-man rights are respected, regardless of age, sex, race, religion, or state development.

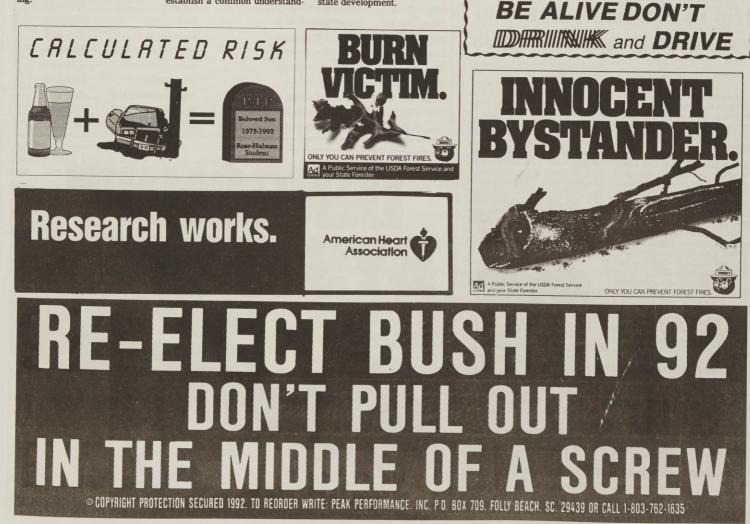


**Thorn Features Editor** 

It's only the first week of October and I'm already sick of hearing about the upcoming election. Why can't politicians follow the saying, "If you don't have something nice to say, don't say anything at all." I'll tell you why. Politicians are nasty by nature. If there's not enough to keep them busy with the "real" issues, they'll have no trouble with digging in the dirt to get a growl out of the opponent. But why??

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trouble with digging in the dirt to get a growl out of the opponent. But why??? Why ask why? This type of campaigning has been around for years. The problem is, the American people seem to pay more attention to the filth than they do to the vital issues that will ultimately shape the course of the nation. Can't the candidates find anything else to debate about besides the faults of each other? And Vice-President Dan Quayle has taken enough battering. Leave the poor guy alone. Likewise, the issue of Clinton's use of drugs has been driven into the ground. I'm tired of seeing these stupid jokes about inhaling. I would be thrilled if they would just leave each other alone for a month and let the American people get out their shovels and clear a path to the polls in time for the November elections. But this is very unlikely. Therefore, voters better "roll 'em up.'' It's not just mud they're slinging anymore! Maybe I shouldn't be so sympathetic toward the candidates. They're the ones who chose to be politicians. I just get frustrated seeing nothing but scum in the political arena. By the way-what ever happened to a good old-fashioned de-bate? Could the American people benefit from such an event? Not likely. It would just turn into another mud-slinging match. But this time it would be from close range. I give up! Tell me when it's over.



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Sports

# Cross country places third at Beloit

Date

Sat., Nov. 14



Upperclass runners Clayton Duncun, Chris Wilson, Brett Mazany, Mark Stremler, Brady Neukam.

# Soccer team returns from Tennessee

The soccer team participated in the first-annual Kyle Rote Jr. In-vitational in Sewanee, Tennessee last weekend. The tournament held two more disappointing los-ses for the team, 2-1 to the Univer-sity of the South on Saturday, and 3-2 to Ogelthorpe University on Sunday Sunday

But these losses shouldn't be automatically frowned upon. Rose scored more goals this weekend than they had in all their weekend than they had in all their previous matches combined. Freshman forward Gabe Ferland had two of the goals, earning him all-tournament honors. Fresh-man Robb McGhie and sopho-more Roland Pangan also re-cieved all tournament honors. cieved all tournament honors Sophomore Clint Smith picked up Rose's other goal.

"WE've played a tough pre-ICAC season," said Coach Greg Ruark. "Our players know we're playing well. We're just not win-ning matches. Hopefully, the challenges we've had so far have toughened us for the ICAC season. We can still salvage a good season by winning the conference. That's got to be our goal now."

Rose has been playing teams like Denison University and Alb-ion College, both among the best in the Great Lakes Region, en-route to their current 1-7 record. Their only win has been a tech-nical decision against Webster University. University

Rose's first ICAC game was Thursday at Anderson Universi-

Wed., Feb. 17

\*Sat. Feb. 20

Feb. 25-27

Opponent

**Belorussia Exhibition** 

Wabash College

Manchester College

**ICAC** Tournament

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Sat., Nov. 21	Albion College	Albion, Mich.	3:00 p.m.
Mon., Nov. 23	Warner-Southern Univ.	Terre Haute	7:30 p.m.
Tues.,Nov. 24	Centre College	Danville, Ky.	7:30 p.m.
Sun., Nov. 29	Rhodes College	Memphis, Tenn.	4:00 p.m.
Fri., Dec. 4	RHIT Invitational	Terre Haute	6:30/9:00 p.m.
	(Rose-Hulman, Marian, MacMurra	y, Upper Iowa)	
Sat., Dec. 5	RHIT Invitational	Terre Haute	2/4:30 p.m.
Mon., Dec. 7	Principia College	Elsah, III.	8:00 p.m.
Sat., Dec. 12	Blackburn College	Terre Haute	3:30 p.m.
Mon., Dec. 14	Centre College	Terre Haute	7:30 p.m.
Mon., Dec. 28	University of Tampa	Tampa, Fla.	7:30 p.m.
Sat., Jan. 2	Eckerd College	St. Petersburg, Fla.	7:30 p.m.
Wed., Jan. 6	Franklin College	Franklin, Ind.	7:30 p.m.
Wed., Jan. 13	DePauw University	Terre Haute	7:30 p.m.
Sat., Jan. 16	Anderson University	Anderson, Ind.	3:00 p.m.
*Mon., Jan. 18	Concordia University (Wisc.)	Terre Haute	7:30 p.m.
Wed., Jan. 20	Wabash College	Terre Haute	7:30 p.m.
Sat., Jan. 23	Hanover College	Hanover	2:00 p.m.
*Wed., Jan. 27	Manchester College	Terre Haute	7:30 p.m.
Wed., Feb. 3	Franklin College	Terre Haute	7:30 p.m.
Sat., Feb. 6	Anderson University	Terre Haute	3:00 p.m.
Wed., Feb. 10	DePauw University	Greencastle, Ind.	7:30 p.m.
Sat., Feb. 13	Hanover College	Terre Haute	3:00 p.m.



Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology's Fighting Engineers bas-ketball team might want to change their nickname to Travel-ing Engineers for the 1992-93

The basketball team is sched-The basketball team is Sched-uled to play games in five differ-nt states this winter, including contests against the University of Tampa and Eckerd College in Florida during an eight-day trip during the Christmas-New Year's balidour

during the Christmas-New Year's holidays. The 25-game schedule also in-cludes games at Albion College (Mich.), Centre College (Ky.), Rhodes College (Tenn.), and Principia College (Tenn.), and Principia College (III.) Home games are scheduled against Warner-Southern Univer-sity (Fla.), Centre and Blackburn College (III.). Upper Iowa Univer-sity, MacMurray College (III.) and Marion College (III.) will join the Engineers in the annual Rose-Hulman Invitational on Dec. 4-5. 4-5 Dec.

Dec. 4-5. An exhibition game is planned Nov.14 against Belorussia, a traveling team from a province in the former Soviet Union Then, there's the Indiana Col-legiate Athletic Conference sea-

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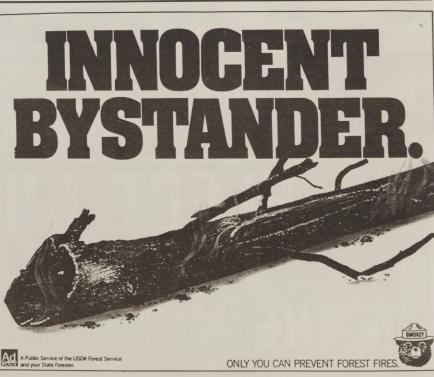
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tournament on Feb. 25-27. The first home league game will be Jan. 13 against DePauw Uni-versity, coached by former Rose-Hulman Coach Bill Fenlon.

"This is a challenging schedule against quality teams that will, hopefully, get us properly pre-pared for the demanding ICAC season," said Coach Bill Perkins, season, said coach Bin Ferkins, who enters his second season with the Engineers. "We were 8-3 in our pre-ICAC schedule last year and won just five games in the conference. I didn't think we were properly prepared for the type of competition in the ICAC, which is one of the nation's top Division III leagues



American Heart Association



# by Marty Malberg Sports Reporter

The Rose cross country team aced third in a field of 21 teams placed third in a field of 21 teams at the 30th annual Beloit College Cross Country Invitational on Sat-urday. They were beaten only by Wheaton College and defending champion Grinnel College. Coach Bill Welch said, "We need some consistency out of our ex-perienced runners though before we can be a contender. We have some experienced runners who are not up in there yet with conpla

some experience runners who are not up in there yet with con-sistency." The running surface has always proved interesting at Beloit. But in addition to the usual log and creek jumps that the runners

**Research works.** 

BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

Location

**Terre Haute** 

Crawfordsville, Ind.

N. Manchester, Ind.

Schedule to be determined

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traditionally confront, there was an additional hazard on the course; hard rains on Friday left the course soggy and muddy. Top finishers were senior Chris Wilson, who finished 3rd overall at 26:46, just eight seconds behind the leaders, and freshman Bruce Bender, who finished 16th at 27:35. According to Welch, "Chris had another good race and was more competitive than previous meets. Bruce bounced back from the last meet with a much better performance. He gets a couple more & kaces under his belt and he'll have more confidence in himself."

himself.

The Engineers will be running at home at 11:00 a.m. against Vin-cennes University on Saturday.

WERE FIGHTING FOR YOUR LIFE American Heart Association

Time

7:30 p.m.

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Sports

# **Engineers look for Homecoming**

Just because Taylor isn't in the ICAC doesn't mean that this won't be a competitive game. The last time the Trojans came to Phil Brown Field was Homecoming 1989, when they beat the Engi-neers by an embarrassing 35-0. In the Hoosier Dome the following year Rosie stomped Taylor 42-13. Last year, in their first-ever nonconference confrontation, the Trojans topped Rose 24-7 in Up-land. Both teams finished last sea-son at 3-7, and both teams will take two losses into Saturday's game. Coach Duncan is wary of the Trojans' abilities.

"You've got to look past Taylor's 0-2-1 record. Much like us, they could easily bring a win-ning record into the game. In my past six years, the Rose-Taylor game has always been a battle that was won by the team that best executes its game plan."

that was won by the team that best executes its game plan." Coach Duncan is preparing the defense for Taylor coach Dave Carlson's Run-and-Shoot offense. "We need to be ready for plays without huddles. We need to com-municate on defense." The heart of Taylor's offense is Freshman QB Kenny Locke, who has already completed 66 nases for over 900 yards this season, and senior FB Matt Widdoes, who rushed for 83 yards against Rose last year. Junior DT Matt Leach will be on the field again, trying to beat the eight tackles that earned senior LB Brian Poole defensive player of the week for the Evansville game

game. On the other side of the line, Rose is still refining some of the flaws that can be associated with such a young backfield. "We're getting better. Offensively, our in-experience is showing. The chal-lenge is to eliminate those flaws lenge is to eliminate those flaws that seem to crop up and prevent us from scoring." Nonetheless, several underclassmen continue to excel. Freshman TB Jason Wibbels, who was injured in last week's game, is 11th in NCAA Div. III kickoff returns and sophomore

FB Anthony Hammack caught six passes for 44 yards to earn Rose's offensive player of the week.

Of major concern to Coach Dun-Of major concern to Coach Dun-can are the distractions as-sociated with homecoming week. The activities during the week, the pep rally, and the large crowds at the game are going to affect the players. "It's like when you really want to excel on a test. You tense up. I don't want the guys to be too tight out there. They play better when they're more re-laxed." Duncan hopes the team will react positively with the large home crowds behind them. The game beging Sotundou et

The game begins Saturday at rown Field at 1:30 p.m. Bro



# **Doug Childers leads** by example on line

by Dale Long Sports Information Director Rose-Hulman Institute of Tech-nology football player Doug Child-ers thinks it's time that offensive

Insemen got some respect. There's a belief that offensive linemen are dumb, overweight and not the greatest athletes on the team. That might have been true in the 1950s and '60s, but not foday

the team. That high have been true in the 1950s and '60s, but not today. Just look at Childers. Dumb? The Lafayette native maintains a 3.4 grade point aver-age (out of 4.0) while majoring in applied optics. He is a candidate for Academic All-American hon-ors this year in NCAA Division III. Overweight? At 6-foot and 220 pounds, Childers may be small to play center and confront 6-foot-4, 285-pound nose tackles from Wabash College, DePauw Univer-sity and Hanover College. Non-athletic? Childers has earned seven varsity letters in football and track at Rose-Hulman, a 1,300-student private

Hulman, a 1,300-student private college specializing in engineer-ing and science education. He won the hammer throw title at the 1992 Indiana Collegiate Athletic Conference track meet and has started 23 straight football

And, to top it all off, Childers was chosen the Engineers' offen-sive co-captain — an honor be-stowed by his fellow teammates. The other co-captain? Offensive

tackle Kevin Ehrenreich.

So there. "Linemen have got to be alert at "Linemen nave got to be also take all times. They've got to expect the unexpected, because of all the complex defenses we face throughout the season," Childers said. "I love the competitiveness, the neurical and mental chalthe physical and mental chal-lenges and the satisfaction of winlenge

ning." Rose-Hulman will play Taylor University this Saturday in the Engineers' annual Homecoming game at 1:30 p.m. A standout on the football field, collegiate track and in the class-room Childers refers to bineact

room, Childers refers to himself as "the total package." He be-lieves he's a better student be-cause of his athletic successes. Conversely, he's a better athlete because of his academic work.

"The two (athletics and academics) go hand-in-hand," he said. "It takes several elements of a good team to win the football a good team to win the football game: offense, defense and special teams. All of the players have to be focused on accomplish-ing the team's goals. It also takes a good team of quality students to finish a research project. Every-one has to do their job, like on the offensive line." That hard work is appreciated, according to Robert Bunch, associate professor of physics and applied optics. "Doug knows what has to be done. He's very focused and com-mitted to whatever he sets his

mind to do," said Bunch, who has worked with Childers in research projects involving fiber optics.

Applied optics is why Childers is at Rose-Hulman in the first place. He could have attended Harvard or the U.S. Air Force Academy, but chose Rose-Hulman due to its applied optics curriculum. He is interested in embedded fiber op-tics and spent this past summer working on secretive military reworking on secretive military re-search projects at Battelle Corporation's Pacific Northwest Laboratory in Richland, Wash. He may attend graduate school next year to expand his knowl-edge in the area.

edge in the area. Back to football, Childers is partially responsible for the suc-cess of Rose-Hulman's offense on every play. He has a long check-list of duties: everything from recognizing the opponents' defen-sive alignment, calling out Rose-Hulman's blocking plans and listening for audibles from the quarterback. Then Childers hikes the football to the quarterback. That's when things really get in-

That's when things really get interesting

"Fans don't get to see the good stuff," Childers said. "I've been poked in the eye, had a finger



shoved into my mouth and had my head banged around quite a bit. And, the language. My mother wouldn't like some of the things I've been called over the years. "But I love the confrontation," he said. "We're fortunate to have

five engineering students on the offensive line. They're all bright and talented. I'm confident we'll make the proper adjustments and get the job done."

Talking like a proud, smart and athletic offensive lineman.

**ROSE-HULMAN FALL SPORTS SCHEDULE** 

SATURDAY, OCT. 3 FOOTBALL — TAYLOR UNIV., PHIL BROWN FIELD, 1:30 P.M. (HOMECOMING) CROSS COUNTRY — VINCENNES UNIV., ROSE-HULMAN COURSE, 11 A.M. SOCCER — ALUMNI GAME, JIM RENDEL FIELD, 11 A.M.

THURSDAY, OCT. 8 SOCCER — AT MacMURRAY COLLEGE, JACKSONVILLE, ILL., 4 P.M

SATURDAY, OCT. 10 FOOTBALL --- AT DePAUW UNIV., GREENCASTLE, 1:30 P.M. (ICAC)

TUESDAY, OCT. 13 SOCCER — DePAUW UNIV., JIM RENDEL FIELD, 3 P.M. (ICAC)

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 14 JV SOCCER — VINCENNES UNIV., JIM RENDEL FIELD, 4 P.M.

FRIDAY, OCT. 16 CROSS COUNTRY — AT INDIANA INTERCOLLEGIATE MEET, WEST LAFAYETTE, 3 P.M.

SATURDAY, OCT. 17 FOOTBALL — AT FRANKLIN COLLEGE, FRANKLIN, 1:30 P.M. (ICAC) SOCCER — HANOVER COLLEGE, JIM RENDEL FIELD, 11 A.M. (ICAC)

SATURDAY, OCT. 24 FOOTBALL — AT HANOVER COLLEGE, HANOVER, 1:30 P.M. (ICAC) SOCCER — WABASH COLLEGE, JIM RENDEL FIELD, 11 A.M. (ICAC)

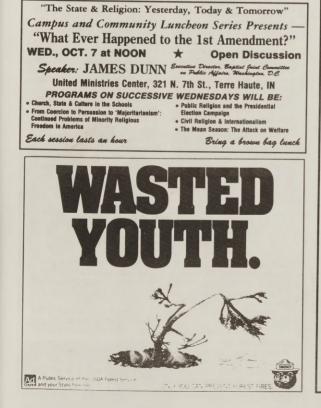
TUESDAY, OCT. 27 SOCCER — AT FRANKLIN COLLEGE, FRANKLIN, 3 P.M. (ICAC)

SATURDAY, OCT. 31 FOOTBALL — AT WABASH COLLEGE, CRAWFORDSVILLE, 1:30 P.M. (ICAC) CROSS COUNTRY — AT ICAC CHAMPIONSHIPS, HANOVER, 11 A.M. SOCCER — AT MANCHESTER COLLEGE, NORTH MANCHESTER, 2 P.M. (ICAC)

SATURDAY, NOV. 7 FOOTBALL — ANDERSON COLLEGE, PHIL BROWN FIELD, 1:30 P.M. (ICAC)

SATURDAY, NOV. 14 FOOTBALL — AT MANCHESTER COLLEGE, NORTH MANCHESTER, 1:30 P.M. (ICAC)

CROSS COUNTRY - NCAA DIV. II FINALS, NEW YORK, 11 A.M



### **Campus News**

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Saturday's Homecoming Show Performers



Comedian Carlo Alazraqui and country music band Big Guitars from Memphis will be featured during the annual Homecoming Show, 8 p.m., Saturday, in Shook Fieldhouse. Alazraqui is a California comedian who specializes in vocal and physical impressions. Big Guitars from Memphis plays a variety of country and rock music. The Homecoming Show is sponsored by the Student Artikities Reard. Student Activities Board.

## Three to receive Alumni Award during Homecoming

Rose-Hulman will honor three graduates Saturday during homecoming activities for their service to the college and their contributions to the engineering profession profession.

Recipients of the 1992 Honor Alumni Award will be Ray Fris-chkorn, president of Korn Enter-prises, Cedar Rapids, Ia; Louis Kelley, retired AT&T systems engineer, Lewisville N.C.; and William Serban, retired vice pres-ident and treasurer, Wabash Products, Terre Haute.

The award is the highest hon-ored bestowed by the Rose-Hulman Alumni Association. It will be presented during an alum-

ni brunch at 9:15 a.m. Saturday in the Hulman Union. Frischkorn founded Korn En-terprises which provides compu-ter hardware and software serv-ices to 30 different companies. A 1965 Rose-Hulman graduate, he has been an alumni club officer, Centennial Fund volunteer and class agent for the college's alum-

Centennial Fund volunteer and class agent for the college's alum-ni association for 19 years. Kelley, a 1949 Rose-Hulman graduate, created voice and data communications systems, eco-nomic analysis of communication systems and maintenance plans for data systems during a 36-year career with AT&T. His volunteer efforts with the Rose-Hulman alumni association span 23 years.

He was president of the RoseTech Alumni Association in 1987 and has served as a class agent, alum-ni club officer and reunion chairman

man. Serban is a retired vice presi-dent, treasurer and director of Wabash Products. He retired in 1985 after a 46-year career with the local manufacturer of in-dustrial coatings and specialized finishing. finishings

The 1938 Rose-Hulman gradu-ate has been a volunteer leader for the college's alumni associa-tion for 17 years. He has served as a class agent, reunion co-chairman and volunteer during capital gifts and Centenntial Fund campaigns.

### Rose-Hulman progresses with campus improvements

by Phil Stolz Staff Reporter Every summer Rose-Hulman spends considerable time, money and effort in order to make cam-pus improvements. This past summer was no exception. A great deal of effort was con-centrated on the residence halls and the Union area and the Union area

For example, in Speed Hall, all of the doors were replaced for a cost of around \$30,000. New beds and mattresses were also pur-chased for Speed for a cost of about \$23,000. The rooms in BSB Hall were all carpeted for \$22,000. The school also purchased lounce The school also purchased lounge furniture and oak desks for \$20,000

It was also necessary to have all of the upper classmen halls re-roofed this summer. This venture brought on a cost of about \$36,000. New steam lines were also put in between the Union and the upper classmen halls. This operation cost over \$200,000. The school also repainted about 40 or 50 of the

resses with campu rooms in various halls which were in need of painting. The school also keeps busy dur-ing the school year by con-tinuously making efforts to im-prove the campus in various as-pects. The school has ordered new round tables for the dining room. These new tables will seat seven or eight people and should arrive sometime this month. The school is also awaiting arrival of 100 new chairs for the Union. These are expected to be here sometime next month and were purchased for about \$15,000. The school is also planning to replace the showers in Mees with in the next few weeks for a cost of around \$32,000. The showers in Sharpenberg are also up for replacement sometime in the near future.

near future. The progress of the computer networking system here on cam-pus has been substantial. The fi-ber optics link ups are all in place. It is now only a matter of install-ing the final hardware. This is a very expensive process, however,

IS improvements and a completion date has not yet been set. It is more likely to be regarded as on-going process. The decisions pertaining to what gets done and when are generally made by Mr. Pete Gus-tafson. Mr. Gustafson, with the student affairs office, listens to recommendations and requests from all persons involved and then considers budgetary con-straints before a final solution is proposed. Some of Mr. Gustaf-son's future hopeful projects deal with replacing one half of the present fire alarm system in the residence halls and hooking it up with Rose's present Security. To-tal cost is estimated to be about \$70,000. Also up for consideration is the replacement of the dish-washer in the Union for an es-timated cost of about \$40,000. The school would also like to see the school would also like to see the scnool would also like to see the carpeting of Speed Hall and the replacement of the desk chairs in BSB Hall. Also up for considera-tion is the placing of full length mirrors in all of the residence hall

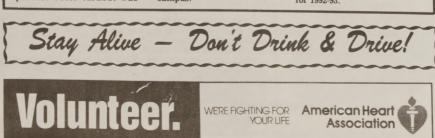
# Freshman class president and SGA senate election results

by Michael Payne SGA Executive Director The list of class presidents is now complete. On Tuesday, September 29, the class of 1996 elected Clayton Epps as their president with a total of 47 votes. The election was close, with only a three vote margin separating the first and second places. Voter turnout was

moderate with 43.9 percent of the freshman class getting out to vote for their class presi-dent.

The SGA student senate for 1992-93 has also been elected. This year's student senate will have 40 senators from the var-ious districts on and off

A complete listing and À complete listing and breakdown of the freshman class president and SGA stu-dent senate election results will be posted outside the SGA office (D232) for the next cou-ple of weeks. All Rose students are invited to stop by and view the results to determine who their student senators will be for 1992-93. for 1992-93.



### **1992 HOMECOMING SCHEDULE**

### Friday, October 2

8:15 a.m.	<b>Registration,</b> Alumni Golf Tourney, Hulman Links
9:00 a.m.	Golf Tourney Begins

- 6:00 p.m. 50 + Club Dinner Hulman Union Reunion dinners (throughout the city) for classes of '41, '47, '52, '62, '67, 72, '77. '82' and '87. 8:30 p.m. Pep Rally and Homecoming Queen Coronation Shook Fieldhouse
- 9:15 p.m. Homecoming Bonfire west of Phil Brown Field

### Saturday, October 3

8:30 a.m.	Annual Alumni Meeting - GM Room Moench Hall
9:15 a.m.	Honor Alumni Awards Brunch - Hulman Union
1:00 a.m.	Departmental Open House Cross Country meet - vs. Vincennes University Alumni Soccer game - Jim Rendel Field
loon	Fraternal Luncheons
1:30 p.m.	Football vs. Taylor University
6:00 p.m.	Homecoming Buffet - Hulman Union
8:00 p.m.	<b>Homecoming Concert</b> - Comedian Carlo Alazraqui and music by country band Big Guitars from Memphis - Shook Fieldhouse.

### Sunday, October 4

Noon Alumni Baseball game - Art Nehf Field

## News Wire . . . ISU to coordinate World Food Day teleconference

Indiana State University will be coordinating World Food Day activities focused on the National Teleconference Sat-

National Teleconference Sat-urday, October 3. The teleconference will fea-ture a panel of experts in the area of nutrition and the links between food, health, and eco-nomic development. Viewers form the U.S. and other coun-tries will be able to interact with this panel. The program is divided into 3

The program is divided into 3 parts. From 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. the national program will be televised. The local probe televised. The local pro-gram is being organized by the graduate students form ths Community Nutrition class, HE 622 and will be from 12:00-1:00 p.m, followed by a ques-tion and answer period from 1:00-2:00 p.m., between the lo-cal participants and the national panel which includes: James Grant, Executive Director of UNICEF; Fernan-do Monckeberg, President of the Chilian Infant Nutrition do Monckeberg, President of the Chilian Infant Nutrition

Foundation; Wynante Patter-son, Director of the Carribean Food and Nutrition Institute; and Per Pinstrup-Anderson, Faculty of Nutritional Science at Cornell University. CNN correspondent Deborah Potter will act as moderator of this national panel.

national panel. This unique opportunity to interact with experts in the area of nutrition is being or-ganized by Dr. Rao Iraturi and the students of World Hunger and Nutrition and the Commu-nity Nutrition classes. This event is co-sponsored by the Department of Home Econom-ics and the Department of In-

ics and the Department of In-ternational Studies. The location for the telecon-ference is Cunningham Memoference is Cunningham Memo-rial Library, Room B-45. Check in is at 10:45 a.m. Con-tinuing Education Credits are available through ADA, AHEA, Clergy, and Social Work. For further information contact Dr. Rao Iratun at (812) 237-3312.

### Christmas at the Woods tickets available

Tickets for Christmas at the Woods, the annual Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College (SMWC) holiday dinner theater, are now on sale in the SMWC Pub-lic Relations office in Guerin Hall

The music-filled event is Wednesday, December 2 through Saturday, December 3 in O'Shaughnessy Dining Hall. Guests will enjoy traditional holiday treats during a multi-course meal and are invited to join as the College Chorale and Madrigal Singers perform Christmas carols. Tickets for Christmas at The Woods are priced at \$25 per

Woods are priced at \$25 per person and may be reserved by telephone.

For more information or to make reservations, call the SMWC Public Relations office at 535-5212.

### **Election '92**

# **Democrats**, Republicans take off the gloves

by John Williams and Karen Neustadt (CPS)- The fight for the

presidency has moved from the convention halls to the towns, cit-ies and campuses across the United States, particularly key states in the Midwest. And the 1992 campaign is shaping up as a bruising battle on issues of the economy, trust and family values. President Bush and Vice Presi-

dent Dan Quayle received the offi-cial go-ahead from the party faithful at the Aug. 17-20 Republi-can convention in Houston. Bush and Quayle want four more years

to push their agenda of less gov-ernment and lower taxes. Democratic presidential candi-date Arkansas Gov. Bill Clinton and his running mate, U.S. Sen, Al Gore of Tennessee, maintain that Gore of Tennessee, maintain that after 12 years of Republican presidential leadership, a change of party and philosophy is needed at 1600 Pennsylvania Ave. The race for the White house in-cludes winning the hearts-and votes-of college and university students. While historically the 18-24 are group has had the lowest

students. While historically the 18-24 age group has had the lowest voter turnout of all age groups, both parties have made it clear the youth vote is important. And that fight is being held on college campuses across the United States. College Republi-cans were out in force at the Re-publican convention in Houston publican convention in Houston as was the Republican Youth Coalition, controlled by college Republicans. About 500 College Republicans

About 500 College Republicans helped run the show at the conven-tion, said Mandy Innis, national first vice-chairman of the College Republicans. She said many of them got on the convention floor each night and were active in helping out with logistics. Innis, who graduated this year from the University of Texas-Austin with a degree in in-

Austin with a degree in in-ternational business, said two main issues that face students are the economy and jobs. Like many other Republicans, she blamed Congress, not Bush, for the stag-nant economy and other social problems

congress, not ban, of the social problems. She doesn't have a job yet, but is hopeful she will find one. And what impresses her most is that "I feel strongly that the world is free now, and policies both Presi-dent Bush and (former president) Reagan helped with that," she said. "The president is committed to a safe world." While such phrases as "family values" and "lower taxes" were bandied about the Astrodome in Houston, neither Bush nor Quayle made direct mention of any high-er education issue during their keynote speeches. However, prior

keynote speeches. However, prior to the convention Bush had said he intended to make education one of his highest priorities.

During his acceptance speech

in Houston, Bush said: "Improve our schools so our kids can get the education they need to succeed. Let's help these kids." Tony Zagotta, chairman of the College Republican National Committee, said it is the Democratically controlled Con-gress, not President Bush, that's responsible for the current eco-nomic woes.

While the job market has not While the job market has not improved for college students, "I don't put the blame on Bush, but on the Congress. Young people feel that way. The president's polling numbers for this age group are the best he has. Young people appreciated the Republi-cans' approach to free trade," he said. "Of course there are pro-blems but there is a lot of oppor-

said. "Of course there are pro-blems, but there is a lot of oppor-tunity out there." What concerns college stu-dents, Republican student leaders say, are the economy, jobs and foreign policy. Democratic student leaders said students are interested in the environment, abortion student

environment, abortion, student

"Republicans aren't address-ing the concerns of young peo-ple," said Jamie Harmon, presiple," said Jamie Harmon, presi-dent of the College Democrats. "Republicans don't have a mes-sage that speaks for the young people. Democrats have a plank for change. Young people know George Bush has failed." A major issue that divides the Democratic and Republican planks is abortion. The Democratic c platform supports the right of

ic platform supports the right of women to choose, while the Re-publican platform supports a con-stitutional amendment banning abortion.

abortion. Another area is the economy. Democrats blame Bush for not us-ing his office or his personal pop-ularity to do anything con-structive for the economy, aside from supporting tax cuts for the wealthy. Bush blames the Demo-cratic majority in Congress for blocking various proposals that he believes would get the econ-omy moving again.

"I think that the Republicans have been giving young people the one-two punch," Harmon said. "We have the largest student loan debt in history and the worst job market in 20 years."

The campaign promises to be a rough one, with both sides attacking and counter-attacking on the economy, family values, social issues and even spouses. And the jabbing, some analysts said, could turn off college students to the election process.

"It's going to be ugly. I wonder how it's going to affect young peo-ple," said Evan McKenzie, a pro-fessor of political science at Albright College in Reading, Pa. "I don't think young people like this."

**ELECTION '92:** Pre Election Results Other Undecided (3.0%)(11.8%)(5.3%)George Bush Ross Perot (48.5%) Bill Clinton (31.4%) Other: Bill Bradley Rose-Hulman pre-election poll results. The poll is based on a 33 percent response of the student body. The poll was conducted by the Rose Thorn staff. Bill the Cat Jon Anderson Snoopy Mickey Mouse T. Songus

# Get them on the rolls, get them to the polls

by John Williams (CPS) Democrats want you. Republicans want you. Rock stars and celebrities want you. Public affairs organizations want you. Politicians want you. What those want from you is simple: If you are 18 or older, you can vote. But to vote, you must first be registered. And if you are a typical college, between the ages of 18 and 24, you represent a segment of American culture that is perceived as being not likely to is perceived as being not likely to vote or to participate in the politi-cal process. "Students tend to feel left out.

"Students tend to feel left out. Candidates don't appear to be addressing the issues that are of concern to students," said Becky Cain, president of the National League of Women Voters. "On the 20th anniversary of the right for 18-year-olds to vote, this group has the least percentage voter turnout than any other age group."

group." "Get them on the rolls, get them to the polls," said Mike Dolan, field director for the California based Rock the Vote, a non-profit, non-partisan organization that has organized student voter regis-tration drives nationwide.

Tasion drives nationwide. Top issue that appear to be of concern to college students on the national level include the econ-tion rights, activists say. If students want to address these concerns, they must first these concerns, they must first register to vote, registration organizers say. That way, they can vote for candidates who most closely represent their ideals and ideas of what government should be and what issues the repre-sentatives should address. According to the Census Bureau, 26 million men and women in the 18-24 age group are eligible to vote, and ap-

women in the 18-24 age group are eligible to vote, and ap-proximately 40 percent of this group is registered. Among col-lege students who are registered, 80 percent vote, said Jamie Har-mon, president of the College Democrats of America. "Many students don't feel they are a part of the American com-munity. They don't have families yet, they don't have sunk-in roots, so they are not as politically ac-tive," Harmon said. "Political participation increases with age.

tive, "Harmon said. Pointcan participation increases with age. We want to show students today that the political and government system isn't a joke." The College Democrats are

gram on campuses nationwide, with the goal of registering 50,000 students this fall — ideally as With the goal of registering 50,000 students this fall — ideally as Democrats. Having targeted about 500 colleges and universi-ties in 15 states, the College Demo-crats plan to hold rallies, get pub-licity and have politicians from the local and national levels speak

with abortion. Dolan, field director of Rock the Vote, said his organization is also working at the grassroots level to get students to register. Rock the Vote was founded in 1990 by leading record labels and musicians in response to perceived threats to artistic expression. It has since been broadened to include voter



to students. Harmon said national polls show students identifying with the Democratic Party, and said the main concerns on campuses in-clude educational issues and stu-dent loans, abortion and the environment.

Tony Zagotta, national chair-man of the College Republicans, said polls indicate the 18-24 age said polls indicate the 18-24 age group favors Republican views toward government, society and the economy. His group will be working at the grassroots level on campuses, and won't be using celebrities or rock stars to attract potential Republican registrants. College Republicans will be go-ing door to door to get students to register or vote by absentee bal

ing door to door to get students to register or vote by absentee bal-lot, Zagotta said. He called the Re-publican's one-on-one approach a "tremendous opportunity" to get students to register in his party. The Republicans, he said, see stu-dents' concerns as being the econ-omy, foreign policy and abortion. He said polls have shown the 18-24 age group is "not comfortable" age group is "not comfortable

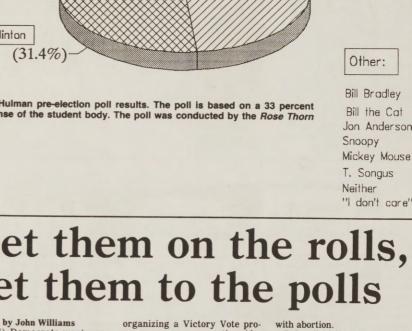
registration, especially for young adults, Dolan said. Musicians and movie celebri-ties will go to campuses and hold rallies to make students aware of

rallies to make students aware of the political process and urge them to register. "Having stars and musicians involved is intensive. It makes vo-ter registration sexier," he said. "Celebrities want to get involved, and when they do, it makes politi-cal participation a little cooler." Bock the Vote has registered

Rock the Vote has registered approximately 100,000 young peo-ple in the past two years, he said, and many college and university students are included in the and many college and university students are included in the numbers. What concerns young people, the said, is having access to "the system," or being heard by politicians. "We have seen the basic issue, and that is empowerment and ac-cess to the system," Dolan said. "Many politicians don't want young people voting since young

young people voting, since young voters have no patterns of voting and are unpredictable. That makes politicians nervous."

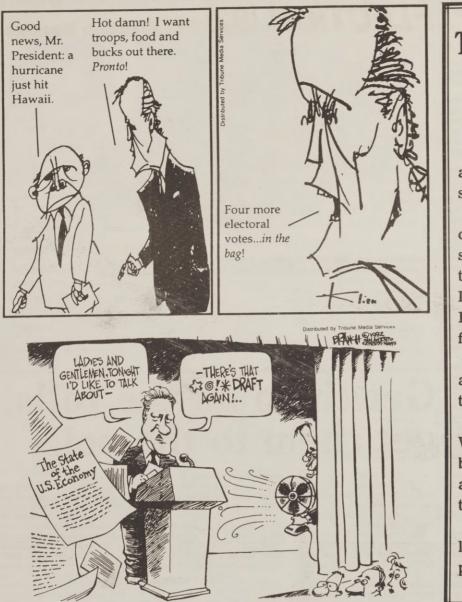




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### Comics



# The September Problem

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There are many situations in which an attempt is made to place something at a specific point in space or in a plane.

For example, an electron beam is focused on a phosphor screen, a robot positions a chip on a PC board, or an astronomer measures the location of star. Let O represent the point to be located. If there are no errors, the point O is found every time.

However, errors occur randomly, and a different location is selected instead of the point O.

Consider the electron beam problem. We are interested in describing the probability that observations occur within a circle of radius r centered at O (this is the 2 dimensional problem).

A solution of the 2 dimensional problem is worth 5 dollars (paid to the first person who comes up with the solution).

