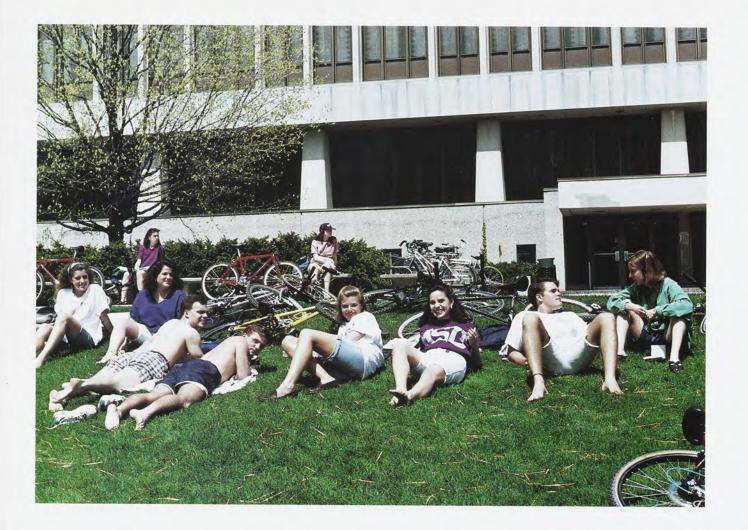




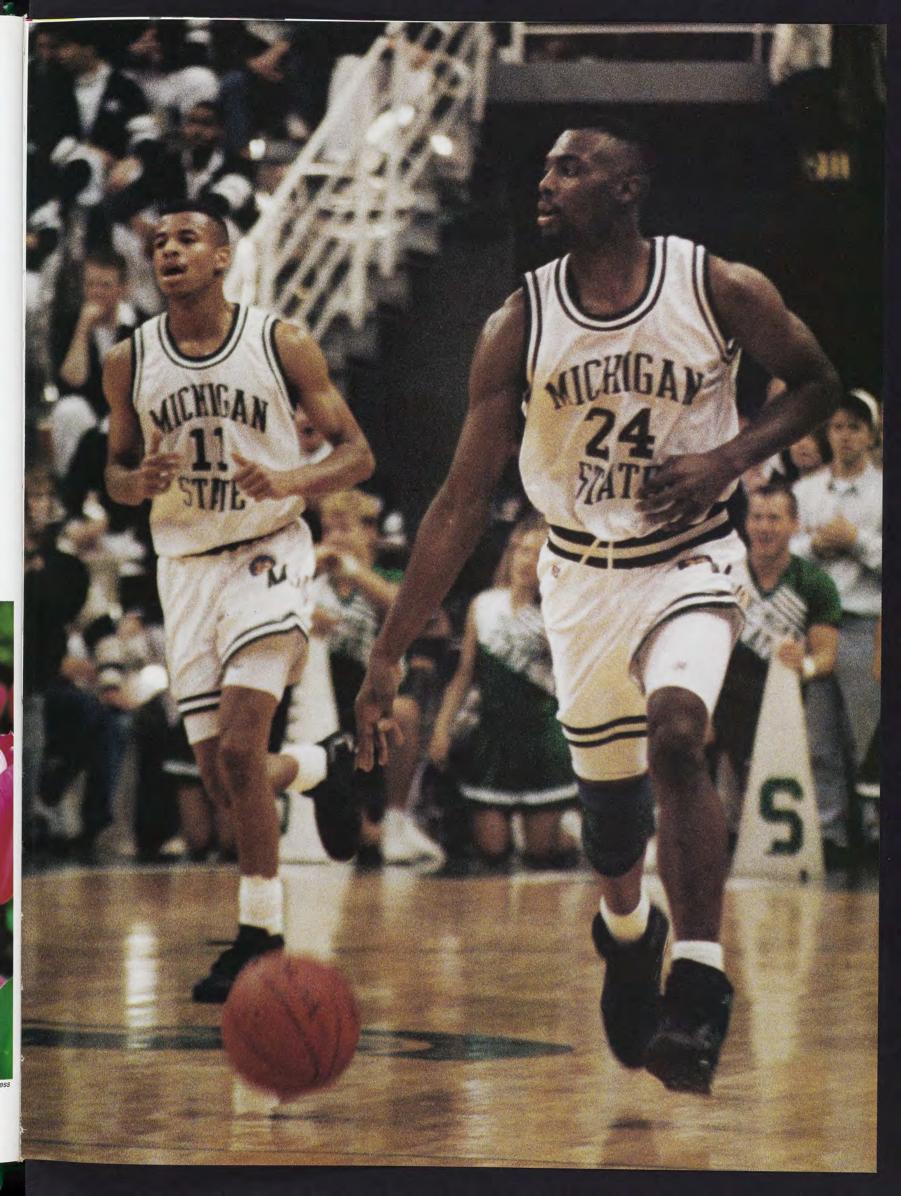


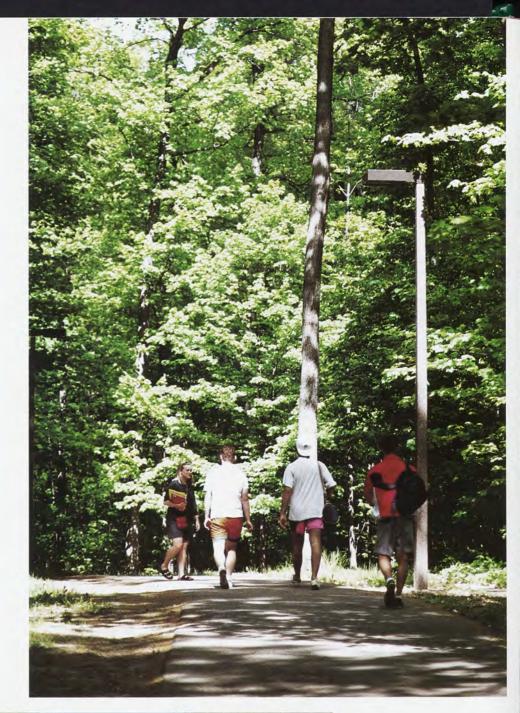
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Change was MSU's tune. Neither students nor administrators were immune. Quarters to semesters and Perles to Baker, Higher tuition and more money makers, No one could wait until June!

Modulation, transmogrification, metastasis, transmutation, vicissitude, or aberration. No matter which definition MSU chose, the result was the same—change. And just when people thought they understood the university, it changed again. And again.

And again.

The only constant may have been the advice taken by students from Garth, who said, "Party on, Wayne!"

The university guided students through the final stages of preparing for the Fall, 1992 semester transition. The Green Book became a familiar addition to students' bookshelves.

The Pit and I.M. registration were given good riddance by frustrated Spartans. Computer centers were crowded with students trying to enroll. Classes overflowed with students trying to finish general education requirements.

Too bad professors didn't ease the grading scale.

The Board of Trustees and President John DiBiaggio ended more than two years of controversy surrounding George Perles' dual role as football coach and athletic director. The appointment of Merrily Dean Baker as athletic director and Perles' continuation as coach produced an audible sigh of relief from Spartans tired of the internal politicking and bickering.

Students united through service projects aimed at helping the community. Into the Streets built parks in Lansing, remodeled low-income housing and worked with domestic violence groups. The Student Service Coalition sponsored a week-long series of concerts featuring local bands to benefit the homeless.

Of course, tuition also changed. It went up. Again.

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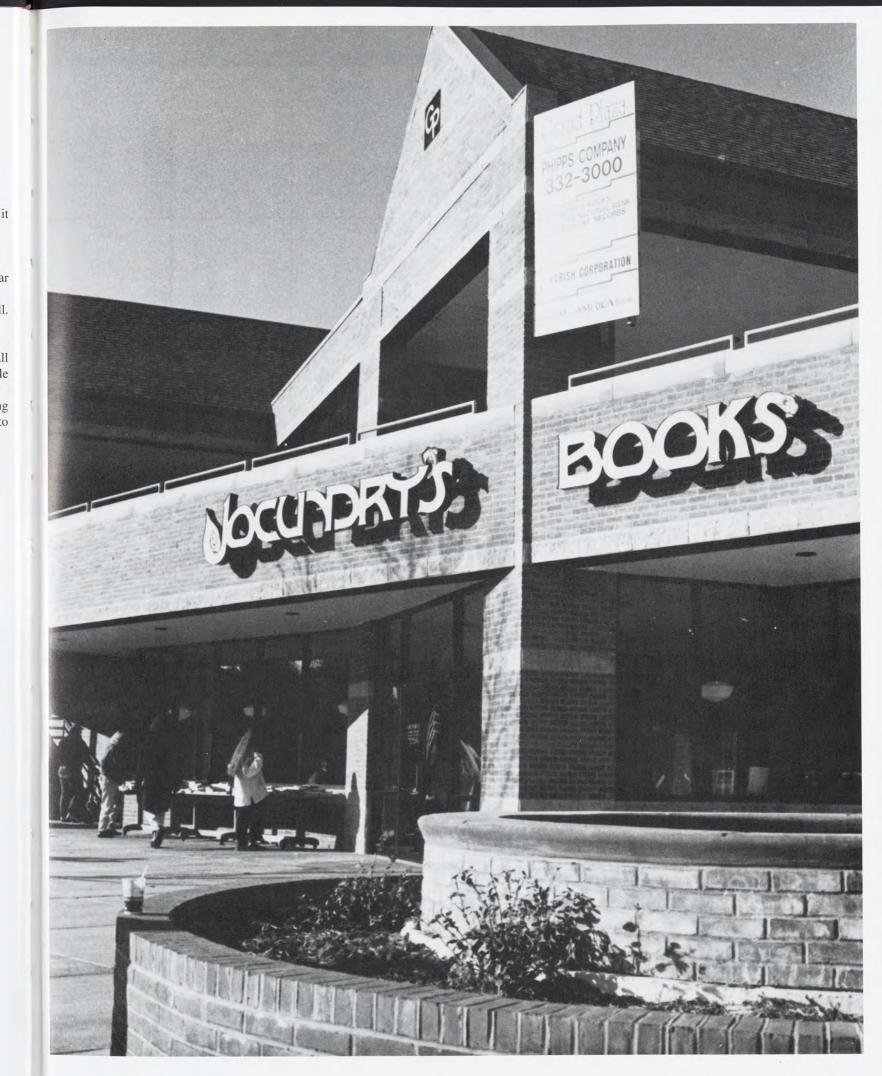
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This Magic Moment

By Melissa Levy

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Although MSU intended to "Discover the Magic of Other Lands" during Homecoming Week 1991, Spartan fans found they didn't need to travel far to find enchantment.

The magical week of Oct. 15-19 featured the first Spartan football victory of the season. MSU defeated the Golden Gophers of Minnesota 20-12 at Spartan Stadium. The win improved MSU's record to 1-5 overall.

Freshman Heidi Sachs was one of the patient, believing fans. Out of 30 of her friends who attended the game, only six were "die-hard and obnoxious enough" to stay throughout the game, Sachs said.

"No one knew what to do when we finally won our . fist game," Sachs said. "We stood there for a moment in shock and then started jumping up and down and singing the fight song."

Homecoming queen Jevelyn Bonner and king Eric Lamison were introduced at the game's half-time with court members Tim Gordon, Christopher Horner, Phyllis Kendrick, Bethany McAllister, Cheryl Saul, Douglas Scheidemental, Joel Schoenmeyer and Raelynn Vorce.

The Spartan Marching Band gave students a reason to dance and alumni a reason to reminisce with renditions of Motown classics.

Of course, Saturday was just the tip of the iceberg during Homecoming Week.

Hubbard Hall kicked off the week with its annu "Light up Hubbard" festivities. Residents of Hubba lit their windows to spell "Go MSU." Students also hall the chance to meet the court members for the first tim

Residence hall cafeterias mixed up a little Sparta 1 spirit in order to serve a "Homecoming Tailgate Diner" Thursday. The meal included an opportunity pose for a picture with a cardboard cut-out of Sparty

As alumni arrived in East Lansing for the gam . students from numerous organizations paraded from John Hannah Middle School through campus to th field behind the Duffy Daugherty building. The annul bonfire followed the parade.

Economics professor and former MSU preside Walter Adams served as the parade's Grand Marsh 1 and received the Honorary Alumni Award at Saturday Green and White Alumni Brunch.

In addition to the traditional game-day brunch, alumni from 1951, 1952 and 1966 celebrated class reunions during the weekend with a dance and campus bus tour. Many fraternities and sororities honored their alumni with post-game receptions.

To celebrate the Spartan win, a "Spartan Spectacu lar" was featured Saturday night at the Breslin Student Events Center. Pianist Ralph Votapek joined the MSI jazz band, Wind Symphony and Spartan Marching Band for a 75-minute show that ended the week with Homecoming magic. 5

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Homecoming spirit invades MSU

Matthew McCandless



"It's a special time because all the alumni are back in town. I'm on the water ski team, and Homecoming is our big get-together for the vear."

Bart Collins, social science senior.



Below left: Enthusiastic fans cheer the Spartans on during the game. Left: Homecoming king Eric Lamison and queen Jevelyn Bonner smile for the camera. Below: The Homecoming court lines up on the field. Far below: The Spartans get ready to make a play against the Golden Gophers. ce Robin

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Into The Streets

Students aid in community concerns



Matthew McCandless



"A lot of people volunteer because they feel like they have a purpose in life or it's part of their major." Stacy A. Gamble, engineering arts freshman.



Campus Into the Streets

By Elizabeth Fegan

All it took was one day.

In just one day, a new park was built in Lansing, five dilapidated homes were renovated, East Lansing businesses were educated on the importance of handicapper accessibility, and victims of domestic violence decorated t-shirts to be hung on the Capitol lawn.

These were just four of the 14 projects that were part of the Nov. 1 national kick-off day for "Into the Streets," a community service project sponsored by Michigan State University's Student Action group.

But MSU students weren't the only people involved. Over 1,000 students, community members, government officials and administrators literally went into the streets to help improve the quality of life in Lansing and its surrounding areas, project coordinator Darin Day said.

The program was part of a nationwide effort on college campuses to increase community service.

"I have a deep-seated belief that people need to take an active role in their community," Day said. "People need to know they can effect a change in their community if they work together."

Anyone could get involved. All that was needed was a willingness to help on a particular issue.

The areas studied were AIDS, education, health care, literacy, senior citizens, domestic violence, environment, homelessness, race relations, substance abuse, children and youth, handicapper awareness, hunger and campus safety.

MSU President John DiBiaggio began the kick-off day at the Jack Breslin Student Events Center by addressing the teams before they went into the community Nov. 1. h

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The site of the project was changed due to the work of the handicapper awareness team.

"Our goal is to educate the community about handicapper accessibility, not confront it," said Emily Munoz, handicapper issues team coordinator. "But the program was supposed to begin at the auditorium, which is not accessible to wheelchairs, so we decided we could begin this project a little early."

The assembly split up after the speech to orient the groups to the individual team projects. Then the real work began.

"The groups worked in potent areas where they could have an immediate impact on their community," Day said. "The shared experience of working together created a bond for long-term involvement in commu-



By Elizabeth Fegan

The difference began with the individual. But it didn't end there.

The long-term effects of the Into the Streets program were felt throughout the year. Here's where it all started.

*AIDS - This team worked on long-term projects with the Lansing Area AIDS Network to help educate the community on AIDS topics.

*EDUCATION - Each member of the education team was paired with a child from Lansing's Black Child and Family Institute to make a four-block-wide assessment of the feelings of the community.

This information was used to begin a child mentoring and tutoring program through the institute and Lansing-area schools.

*SENIOR CITIZENS - Two teams held Halloween parties for seniors at East Lansing's Active Living for Adults Health Care and at the East Lansing Health Care Center.

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Working with community groups such as the Black-Child Family Institute, Habitat for Lansing, local senior centers, soup kitchens, and neighborhood associations, each team tried to make a difference on an issue.

The groups returned to the auditorium that afternoon to reflect in teams on the effects they had on the community.

The campus wide forum decided how to turn the day's work into a long-term commitment.

And education coordinator Tony Castellani was ready.

"I'm more concerned with the long-term commitment rather than Nov. 1, because one day is incongruent with the long-term benefits of hard work," Castellani said.

"Nov. 1 was our assessment day to get to know the community and the children we're going to be working with," Castellani said. "We used the day as an opportunity to understand the feelings of the community through a child."

But individual projects weren't the only benefits of the program.

"There were 1,000 or more people coming



erative effort with Lansing community residents, a park was built in a vacant lot at the corner of Baker and Donora in Lansing.

*HOMELESSNESS - This team rehabilitated five homes to provide quality housing for low-income families. The homes were provided by Lansing's Habitat for Humanity International and the Lansing Area Housing Coalition.

*HANDICAPPER ISSUES - The team gave a presentation at the Holiday Inn-University Place for local businesses on the use of the Telecommunications device used by the hearing impaired.

*HUNGER - Four groups went to Lansing-area soup kitchens to serve food and interact with the people. Two other teams worked with Lansing's Meals-On-Wheels and the Capitol Area Community Services Distribution Center.

*CHILDREN AND YOUTH - This team went to the Lansing Boys' and Girls' Club to interact with young children Saturday, Nov. 2. The group worked with the children on athletics, computers, crafts and drama.

together to collaborate on a project," Day said. "This is a service in itself. People from very diverse backgrounds realized they can work together." *DOMESTIC VIOLENCE - To make

people more aware of domestic violence, t-shirts were decorated and hung on the Capitol lawn.

*SUBSTANCE ABUSE - Students Against Drunk Driving gave presentations on the dangers of alcohol and drug abuse at Okemos and Haslett schools.

*HEALTH CARE - This team performed skits for preschool-age children on hygiene, toxic chemical awareness and nutrition.

*LITERACY - An immersion seminar was given to let people know what it is like to be illiterate.

*RACE RELATIONS - A video was shown of MSU students' comments on racial tensions. The video was used to facilitate discussions on the similarities between races rather than the differences.

*CAMPUS SAFETY - Self-defense classes for men and women were offered at the I.M. West to help alleviate problems with violence on campus.

"And once that happened," Day said, "the power was enough to affect some very serious change."



Upper left: Volunteers from East Lansing High School prepare to go "Into the Streets." Left: Habitat for Humanity works on housing for low-income families. Above: The environmental team breaks ground for a new Lansing park.



Semester Switch

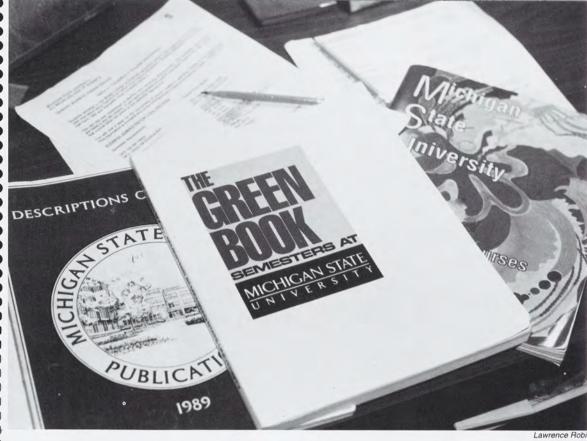
Miracle or headache? MSU students unsure of semester switch



Matthew McCandless

"The semester transition will give students the option of more summer job opportunities, because we'll get out of school earlier in the spring just like other universities."

Tish Hiaginbothan, political science/pre-law junior.



By Elizabeth Fegan

Imaginary student Sally Sparty was having a bad day. And it wasn't about to get any better.

After failing two midterms, the junior was late for her next class. But first she had to walk to the Administration Building to pick up the winter schedule of courses to computer enroll the next day. When she arrived at the building, the official bureaucrat behind the counter not only handed her a course book, but also a copy of The Green Book.

Sparty was confused. She didn't need a book about environmental issues! But The Green Book had nothing to do with saving the trees—in fact, it was the official source of information for MSU's scheduled switch to the semester system in 1992.

Sparty had just officially become another "transition student."

According to The Green Book, published by the Semester Transition Team 1992, MSU would follow a policy of "fairness to transition students."

Under this policy, "Students who are making normal progress toward a degree shall not be disadvantaged by the conversion to the semester calendar. Transition Students should not have to remain in school beyond the year they could have graduated if MSU had remained on quarters."

To make sure this was true, a conversion chart of credits was devised. The number of credits earned was multiplied by two-thirds to convert them to semester credits. For Sparty, this multiplication process gave her a total of 56.5 credits. According to The Green Book, this number was rounded up to her advantage to give her 57 credits.

Sparty's day was getting better already. As the president of the Student Coalition for the Abolishment of 8 a.m. Classes, Sparty slowly began to realize the advantages of a semester system.

Each semester lasted for 15 weeks rather than the usual 10-week term. This would provide more time for Sparty to decide on and carry out the club's activities.

"It will be much easier for students and student groups," said Mary Haas, the director of University Housing Programs. "They'll have 15 weeks instead of 10 to get things organized and moving."

Fall semester 1992 registration was scheduled to begin August 31, one full month before the traditional late-September start.

Sparty's friend Tonya Olson thought that was a major problem.

"I had to find an internship that began in the middle of June and ended in the middle of August," said Olson. a James Madison student. "The short summer was really tough on students who needed to work."

Spring semester 1993 was scheduled to begin January 12 and end May 7, another full month before the traditional mid-June commencement. That would allow Sparty to begin her job search along with the rest of the nation's graduates.

For once, Sparty was right on schedule.



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By Elizabeth Fegan

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The Evening College cut its schedule by two-thirds fall term 1991 but that didn't mean students spent less time in school.

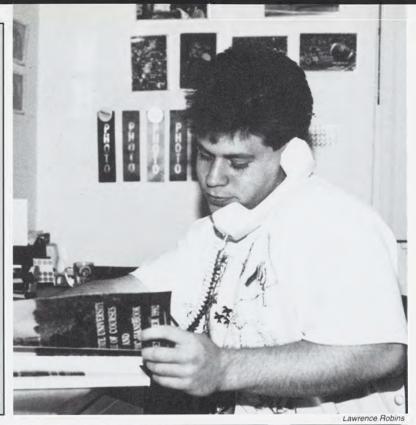
That's because the Evening College, sponsored by MSU Alumni Association's Alumni Lifelong Education, began its conversion to the semester system one year ahead of MSU's 1992 scheduled conversion.

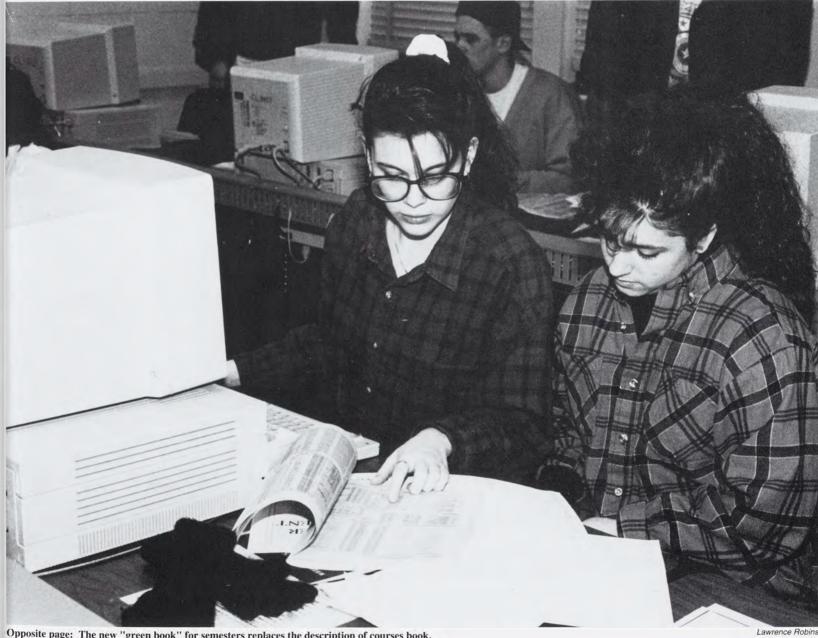
Students were still able to pick from many non-credit course offerings, but could only choose twice during the academic year instead of three times.

"This restructuring should enable us to provide a much broader and varied spectrum of university-level, non-credit educational opportunities, designed and tailored to meet the special needs and interests of our Evening College participants," director of Alumni Lifelong Education Charles McKee wrote in the Evening College fall brochure of class offerings.

More than 50 classes were offered Monday through Thursday and on weekends. Under the new semester system, the first term began in October and the second started in April 1992.

In addition to the college's traditional classes, such as a "Global Issues Seminar" and "Pleasures of Opera," new classes were added to the list. The new offerings included "Read Chinese in 10 strokes" and a fiction writing workshop.





Opposite page: The new "green book" for semesters replaces the description of courses book. Far above: Lyman Briggs junior Brad Sachs attempts to register by phone. Above: Two students register by computer on campus.



Viewpoints:

The benefits do not outweigh the costs

By Steven Schwinn, Chair ASMSU Student Board

Over the past few years, students at MSU have seen the administration initiate a number of creative measures to enhance the quality of our education. But only one of these changes will affect each student during the coming fall term: the semester conversion.

In fall 1992, MSU will switch from the current quarter system to a semester system. Administrative circles hail the conversion as a progressive step to bring MSU into the '90s. The greater depth in which we can explore subjects in a 15 week semester, coupled with our increased interaction with faculty over the extra five weeks, will yield a richer and deeper understanding of material presented in the course, they say. And the semester system will better accommodate other educational objectives, they say.

Many students, however, have voiced opposition to the conversion and rightfully so. Consider, for example, the claim that the longer semesters will provide better educational quality by allowing more student-instructor interaction and a greater time period in which to digest more information. In fact, universities which have switched from quarters to semesters (Iowa State and Berkeley, for example) find this



not to be true. While the possibility of increased quality exists, many courses simply become more leisurely.

Further, the extra five weeks provided by semesters comes at the expense of diversity. Under a semester system, a student will be taking approximately one-third fewer courses than the same student enrolled in a quarter system school. Therefore, the student at the semester system school will have less diversity and range among her or his courses at the time of graduation.

There will also be a greater demand for courses. If a course offered three times each year on the quarter system changes to twice each year on the semester system, and attracts the same number of students there will be a fifty percent increase in the number of students enrolled each term. Consequently, either class size will increase or more sections will have to be offered. Instructors will face either larger classes or more classes, both of which will have a direct negative effect on educational quality.

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This brings me to my final point: the cost. The cost of the conversion is much more than the administrative costs in juggling courses to accommodate semesters. Also included are the opportunity costs of the university community's time spent making the switch. Students trying to figure out new requirements, advisors trying to ease the transition for students, instructors adapting their courses for semesters, and administrators overseeing the process are all examples of time that could be better spent educating students now. And, of course, included in the total cost is the expense in simply informing students about the switch.

The central issue in the semester conversion debate is whether or not the benefits of the switch will outweigh the costs. The only benefit of the switch should be a higher quality education for students at MSU. But there is little conclusive proof to indicate that this benefit exists. The administration must re-evaluate its priorities to exclude future unnecessary extras and concentrate on educating the students.



Semester Transition

After all these years: why semesters?

By Bruce L. Miller Director of Semester Transition Team

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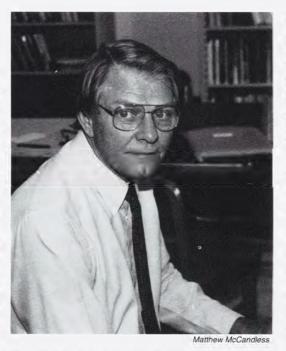
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MSU has been on quarters since it was a small agricultural college at the turn of the century. Why did it change to semesters, and why now? This is not the first time the semester calendar has been considered. In 1975 and again in 1980, the faculty and administration studied the matter and recommendations were put forward to make the change. There was not enough support from the faculty, and both attempts were shelved. In January 1988, Provost David Scott appointed the Semester Study Group. This committee reviewed the issues, visited other universities that had changed, and wrote a report recommending that MSU change its calendar. By December of 1989, the University had approved the conversion, and in March 1990 the Semester Transition Team was appointed to plan and implement the most extensive reorganization in MSU's history.

The principal reason for the change is the improvement of education. Semesters will allow greater depth of study in a discipline. The pace of a quarter is so quick that there is not enough time for independent projects, for submitting a prospectus of a project for comment, or for rewriting a term paper or report of a project. One of the most important abilities a college education should develop is



the ability for independent, critical thinking. The semester system will allow students more time to absorb the content of a course and work on independent projects.

The change is not simply a change of calendar. MSU is also implementing the recommendations of the Council to Review Undergraduate Education (CRUE). The report of this committee of faculty, students and administration charged the University to review all undergraduate degree programs, as well as General Education core courses. Knowing that most adults make three career changes during their professional lives, CRUE recommended that MSU "prepare its graduates to meet the demands of the work and social worlds with a wide contingent of skills in written and oral communication, in quantitative abilities, and in languages; that graduates understand the place of the United States within world culture, and the role of diversity within the United States..."

The educational advantages of a semester system and the mandated review of undergraduate education persuaded more faculty to support conversion than in the past. Faculty support was not overwhelming, but it was strong enough to justify their involvement in extensive revisions of courses and degree programs. Organized student opinion was mixed. Most students serving on academic governance committees favored the change, while Associated Students of Michigan State University (ASMSU) opposed it.

Transition students, those who start on quarters and finish on semesters, may find the period of change complex and, at times, confusing, though a foremost principle of the transition is that currently enrolled students will not be disadvantaged. In a few years, the students who have only experienced semesters will regard the calendar as the natural way of doing things and may wonder what all the bother was about back in 1990.



Goodbye John

By Elizabeth Fegan

Just a few months after publicly stating he would like to remain at MSU until his retirement, John DiBiaggio announced his resignation May 19, 1992, as MSU's president in order to head Tufts University in Medford, Massachusetts.

DiBiaggio's decision came as a surprise to fellow administrators, professors and students.

But DiBiaggio said it had nothing to do with the two-year controversy between himself and football coach George Perles, who had held the dual role as coach and athletic director for two years against DiBiaggio's wishes.

"I was really shocked. I thought I'd read he wanted to retire here," Perles told the Lansing State Journal. "In time, everything will be fine. It's like any other key position. We're all replaceable. I know that."

Many students were still smarting from the reputation MSU had gained from the internal bickering between DiBiaggio and Perles.

"I think it will be better for the university," said Pete Anastor, a James Madison junior. "Truthfully, I think DiBiaggio had a power kick that was not good. It seemed like he wasn't taking MSU's best interests into account."

Fifty-nine-year-old DiBiaggio is expected to start Sept. 1 at Tufts, which is a 7,330-student liberal arts school with medicine and law programs. DiBiaggio's move to a private institution was even more unexpected because of his adamant support for land-grant institutions.

In fact, on the day of his announcement, DiBiaggi lectured in an education-administration class on th merits of MSU's agricultural-based heritage.

"I feel as if I could bring the land-grant philosoph to a private school," DiBiaggio told The State New "There'll never be a good time to leave. There'll b problems after I leave."

Those problems include the pending semester transition and the appointment of athletic director Me rily Dean Baker.

But DiBiaggio has also soothed many other prob lems since he became MSU's 17th president in 1985

DiBiaggio created the vice provost for racial, ethni and multicultural affairs in response to a student sit-i at the Administration Building in 1989.

He was a member of the commission which issued a report on student athletics for the Knight Foundation

He was also a solid supporter of gender equity in sports. DiBiaggio headed a Big Ten Conference sub-committee which declared that women must make up 40 percent of all intercollegiate athletics by 1992.

MSU Provost David Scott was particularly saddened by the news.

"John has been here for seven years and I certainly thought he would be here longer," Scott said in an interview with The State News. "Rather than saying | wish he were here longer, I say Michigan State is lucky to have had John here for seven years."

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DiBiaggio

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"He's probably done his job here and feels its time to move on." Alana Voight, international relations junior.



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Opposite page: MSU President John DiBiaggio speaks at the Union during an open forum. Chris Kemnitz, executive director of ASMSU, sits next to him. Far Above: President DiBiaggio talks with graduating seniors at a reception in their honor at Cowles House.

Left: President DiBiaggio sits at a panel discussion held at the Union. Above: Cowles House, where John DiBiaggio and his wife live.





A United Student Voice

By Matias Saari

ASMSU and Student Council merge

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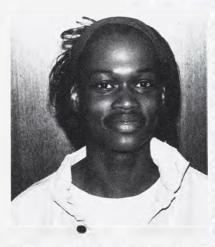
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"I have to work to make a lot of my tuition. That affects my study time, my free time and my time available to look for jobs." Patty Kersey, interior design senior.

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May 19, 1992 marked the end of 84 years of Student Council and a big change in ASMSU's history. One might think it was sad day for MSU student government.

However, that didn't appear to be the case.

The Associated Students of Michigan State University and Student Council merged, in a move aimed at improving student life and unifying the student voice.

The group will be considered a united Student Assembly, which will continue to focus on student life issues, and an Academic Assembly, which will focus on academic and curriculum issues.

"One difference is, they won't be handling the same issues," ASMSU'91-'92 Executive Director Chris Kemnitz said of the two assemblies. "The problem was, both (ASMSU and Student Council) were deciding academic issues and coming to separate and different conclusions, which weakened student voice."

Kemnitz said the merger gives student government the ability to offer students increased opportunities to get elected and more

control where money goes and, in essence, gives greater accountability to the student body.

A steering committee, consisting of representatives from each assembly, will decide which assembly student issues will be directed to.

All of ASMSU's funding comes from taxes as sessed at registration. Students, by a 2-1 margin, voted

for the merger at spring '92 registration.

ASMSU '91-'92 Student Board Chairperson Steve Schwinn came up with the merger proposal, along wit Kemnitz, Student Council President Darren Tetens an Residence Halls Association President Bruce Umpsteac Schwinn said he feels the change won't cause majo problems, although minor adjustments may be neces sary at first. Op

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"The transition should be smooth," Schwinn said "Most positions carry over and we have an experience staff."

Schwinn said one improvement is that Studen Council will become a more autonomous organization which no longer has to rely on funding from the admin istration.

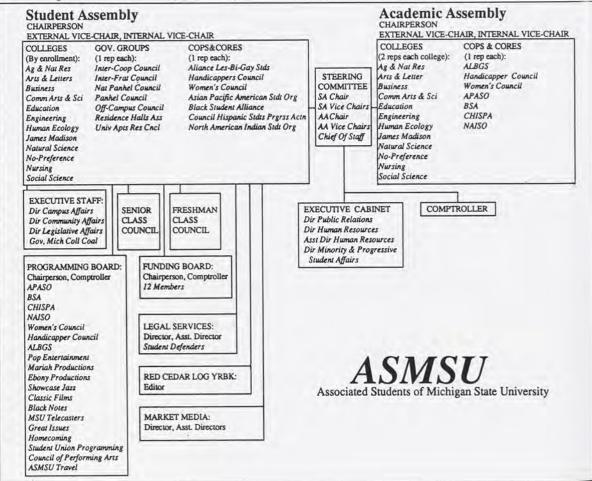
A second improvement is that the programming and funding boards will have to report to the studen assembly for budget approval.

One drawback to the merger, according to Tetens is that undergraduates and graduates can no longe work directly together as they did in Student Council

Former graduate students on Student Council have moved on to the Council of Graduate Students (COGS) Tetens said there are plans of holding regular forumwhich will reunite both groups.

While the merger is a substantial footnote in ASMSU's history, life in student government goes on as before.

"In reality, not that much is different," Tetens said "The day-to-day functions are still the same."





By Matias Saari

Imagine a stack of 2,000 one-dollar bills. Now imagine the effect that stack can have when presented as a protest to something students face each year—tuition increases.

Tuition 101, organized by ASMSU executive director Chris Kemnitz, is a movement aimed to inject student input into the decision-making process of tuition increases as well as to educate students on the damage a large tuition increase could cause.

Kemnitz said some tuition increase is inevitable, especially when the university has budget difficulties, but Tuition 101 aims to keep the hike at a minimum. Tuition 101 volunteer Amy Lounds said that at such a big school, students can get lost in the shuffle.

"Students don't think they can make a difference," Lounds said.

But Lounds and at least 40 other volunteers tried. They began collecting one-dollar bills at registration, and within a short time had much enthusiasm and a considerable stash. The project became popular and even spread to the dormitories.

Soon \$2,000 was raised. The money, which was to be given to financial aid, was presented to the Board of Trustees as a means of protest.

Kemnitz said people working their way through school have always been adamant about keeping tuition low, but many people with no financial difficulties have a philosophical problem with a tuition raise and are now speaking up.

Lounds said she feels the administration needs to eliminate wasteful expenditures rather than stick the students with extra costs that can cause some to drop out.

Will Tuition 101 make a difference?

"If we could keep (the raise) at 10 percent, our effort would be a big success," Kemnitz said.

Lounds said, "If we hadn't gotten involved, the raise would maybe be 14 or 15 percent."



Viewpoints:

By Chris Kemnitz Director of ASMSU

I was always told that college is a time of growth. Initially, I thought this growth only referred to the infusion of knowledge and the freshmen 15. Upon reflection, however, a lot more things have grown than that, including the cost of our education. Perhaps no single decision made by the University affects our lives more drastically. Every student will notice the difference between their first fee card and their last.

Students graduating in 1992 have been unlucky. The last several years have seen an economic decline which has been reflected in the state funding levels. This restriction has presented the state legislature with a serious decision and the University with a number of challenges. Increasingly, the balance of these decisions are provided by the students.

The largest changes have come in the political process. There was a time, not too long ago, when the state paid 76 percent of the cost of our education, and the students paid for less than 20 per-



Tuition hikes increasingly shouldered by students

cent. Now students shoulder over 38 percent of that burden. The past four years alone have seen Michigan higher education funding fall from 14th in the nation to 32nd. Appropriations for higher education, in real terms, have fallen more than 10 percent in the last 10 years.

This is the result of a philosophical shift, a shift which has left more of the responsibility for educating the state's citizens on the students and their families. The state has failed to realize the full value of educated citizens and the vital role graduates play in building the state's economy and social structure.

More importantly, the way that evaporating pool of money is distributed among universities works against us. The allocation process is a purely political system which lacks any model or structure to guide it. The funding levels produced have reflected MSU's lack of political representation at the capitol. We have received, therefore, over \$2,000 less *per student* than similar universities in the state. MSU, then, is in the bottom of a sinking boat.

The other end of the tuition decision is the University's expenditures, which have grown faster than appropriations. Pressure to increase faculty salaries and rebuild the poor infrastructure of the University have put the University in a difficult situation. The decision makers have always considered the students capable of filling the gap. The emphasis has been on finding the minimum, necessary increases in budgets, not the maximum acceptable in crease in tuition.

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Every time tuition goes up, student are forced out of the University. Ever student at MSU probably knows someon who has had to leave school for financia reasons. This does not begin to touch of the number of students we know who have had to reduce the quality of their education by working more and studying less to make ends meet. This hollowing of the student body and their education is no reflected in enrollment figures or demographics, but is nonetheless real.

Overall, I think everyone from the state legislatures to some of the University administrators have underestimated the impact tuition increases have on students. This is reflected not only in the outcome of decisions, but in the way they are made. The amount of student input into the tuition decision is unfortunately small.

This year, hopefully, the efforts of hundreds of students through the Tuition 101 initiative will help restore that. Until the students are considered necessary partners to discussions like this, decisions will continue to be made which are not in the best interests of the University and the students who compose it.

Years from now, we will certainly remember the classes we took, the people we met and the sporting events we attended. The score of every Michigan game will probably be more important than tuition increases. We may, however, also remember the late nights, rushed homework, plasma donations and Ramen noodles. Hopefully, by the time our children are going to MSU, the situation will have changed and the only thing they will have to worry about is the growth of their waistlines.

G Campus Tuition Editorials

Tuition

By John DiBiaggio MSU President

There is no more difficult action for a university president than the recommendation of a tuition and fee increase. At MSU, especially, we are committed to providing affordable access to the "sons and daughters of the working class." As one whose background quite literally places me in that very category, I am well aware—yes, painfully aware—of the burden placed upon families each and every time the cost of attending MSU increases.

As president, I have the obligation to adhere to this university's commitment to access. But equally as demanding of me as a steward is a parallel commitment to quality and academic excellence. Our obligations go beyond the present; we have a fiduciary responsibility to the future as well. To be sure, the Board of Trustees is ever-mindful that as MSU prepares for the 21st century, we must remain the wonderful provider of opportunity that has served society over the decades. We must be affordable; we must promise quality. As I have said many times, access

We can't sacrifice quality for cost

without quality denies opportunity.

These are difficult economic times. Sacrifices are being made. Faculty and administrators will receive no pay increase next year. Units are preparing for budget cuts. I am so very proud of MSU—from the trustees to the students—because we have once again declared universal willingness to sacrifice in the short run to protect both the value and the worth of the MSU experience.

We must remember something. Tuition is not a one-time payment for a single experience. Yes, tuition is an investment in the immediate future of the student making the payment, an economic decision. But tuition is aimed at more than the bottom line; it is aimed at the finish line. The payoff comes years down the road.



That's what alumni keep telling me. They tell me that in the long run MSU turns out to be the best bargain they've ever had. I am convinced they are right.

I would much rather face complaints today than have to apologize in 2010 for holding down tuition in 1992, a move that offered instant popularity but guaranteed deferred mediocrity.

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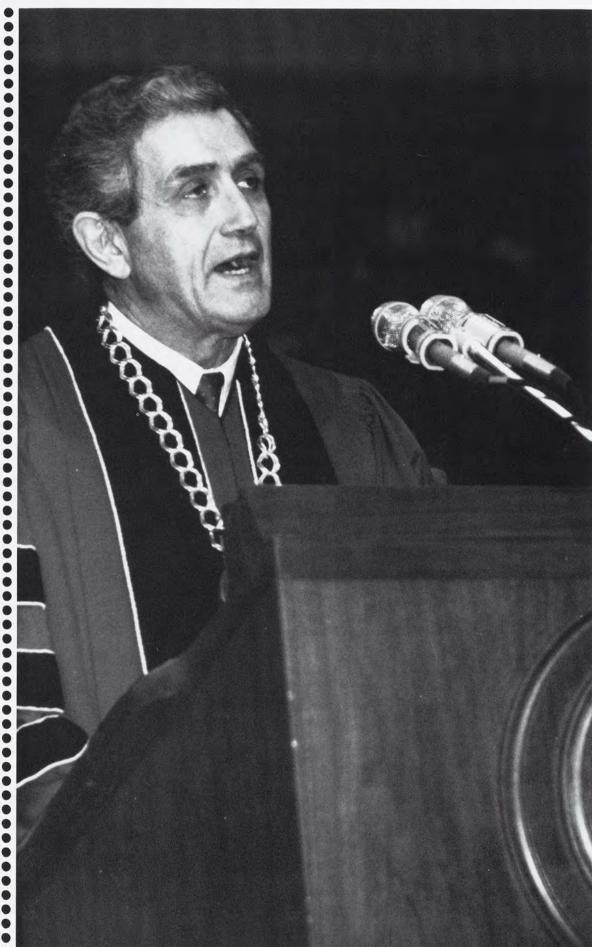
The Great Divide

Administrators divided on the separation of coach and athletic director



"With all the squabbling, it didn't reflect well on the school. It drew attention nationally to how much importance we place on athletics."

Sean Urbanic, criminal justice/ business senior.





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By Matias Saari

No one predicted the controversy that would result from athletic director Doug Weaver's retirement in 1990, but almost everyone was involved.

In 1990, football coach George Perles was offered a coaching job with the New York Jets. In order to prevent Perles from leaving MSU, the Board of Trustees called an emergency meeting on Jan. 23, 1990 and voted to offer Perles the athletic director's job on a one-year trial basis. The 5-3 vote was taken without a formal search for candidates and against President John DiBiaggio's wishes.

"I believe the selection process for athletic director should have included an aggressive and exhaustive search that surely would have resulted in the inclusion of minorities and women in the pool of applicants," DiBiaggio said in a written statement.

"The institutional credibility and integrity in the future could be jeopardized," DiBiaggio said. "There is an inherent need for a formal system of checks and balances in all administrative areas, a system that assures accountability."

Perles' term as A.D. began on July 1, 1990, and was subject to review under Provost David Scott's direction.

In a Nov. 21, 1991 memo to DiBiaggio, Scott said, "his performance has been at least satisfactory in most categories and superior in several."

Scott's review, which was based on interviews and fiscal data, praised Perles' accomplishments. But Perles was not offered an extension of the dual arrangement.

"The position of head football coach and director of athletics should be held by different individuals, at least at large universities," Scott said in his memo. "Prudence typically dictates that such combinations be avoided, particularly in the longer term."

Terry Denbow, the director of public relations, summed up the problem of the dual arrangement.

"It's a problem of accountability, of reporting to yourself," Denbow said.

Scott and DiBiaggio offered to extend Perles' term as athletic director through June 30, 1995, but Perles didn't accept.

Instead, the board voted 6-2 to separate the coaching and A.D. positions on Nov. 28, 1991. Perles chose to remain at MSU as football coach for the duration of his contract, which runs through Dec. 2, 1997. NCAA executive Merrily Dean Baker was appointed athletic director in April, 1992.

But even as the controversy subsided, the lasting effects continued.

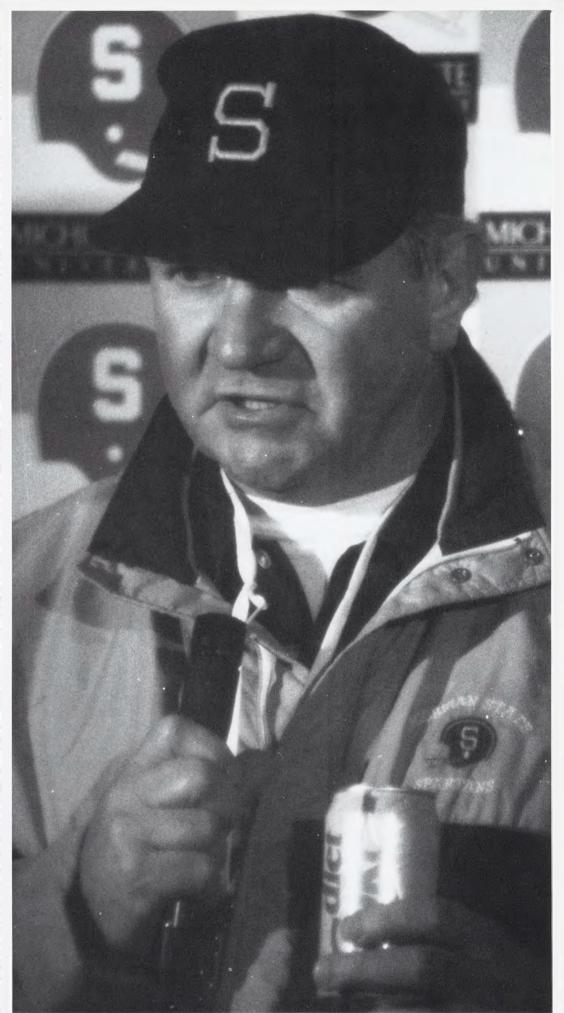
"I thought the controversy cast a negative image of the school," advertising senior David Kwasnick said. "Two of the top people were squabbling with each other."

Mike Marlow agreed.

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"I just graduated and people ask me about it in interviews," the 1991 graduate said. "I thought DiBiaggio screwed up. Perles showed loyalty by turning down the big money and then DiBiaggio stabbed him in the back."

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Left: President John DiBiaggio speaking at a commencement exercise. Above: AD and coach George Perles speaking at a press conference after a football game.



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The Living Textbook

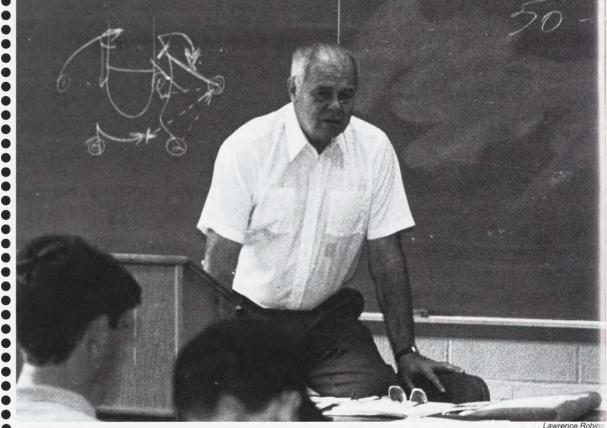
Jud Heathcote practices what he teaches



Matthew McCandless

"Coach Heathcote has a lot of knowledge about coaching and can help the students learn the ropes of playing and overseeing a basketball team."

Aric Morgan, biology junior.



By David Sauter

The grandfather-like figure with white, rustled hair sat before the desks anxiously awaiting the start of his early morning class. The Roman letters stitched into the breast of his Spartan-green sweat suit read "Michigan State Basketball Coach Jud Heathcote."

That's right—the man who led the Spartans to a national championship in 1978 and who coached such basketball legends as Magic Johnson, Scott Skiles and Steve Smith relayed his basketball coaching knowledge to 50 aspiring enthusiasts for two hours twice a week.

Coaches were not required to enter the classroom,
but football coaches George Perles and Larry Bielat,
baseball coach Tom Smith, soccer coach Joe Baum,
diving coach John Narcy and former tennis coach Stan
Drobac as well as Heathcote chose to teach their areas
of expertise to eager students.

Why would a coach like Heathcote want to take the time to teach a basketball coaching class?

"Probably only three students out of 50 will ever become coaches," Heathcote explained. "But with my help, that's three more than there would have been."

Heathcote said he knew not all of his students thought about becoming coaches. In fact, the majority of his students were journalism majors attempting to understand the game better.

"I hope that the students will have a better knowledge and appreciation for the complexities of the game," Heathcote said. "The name of the game is for them to have fun while learning." He made sure the students enjoyed themselves. Or some days, Heathcote took the class into the auxiliary gym in Jenison Fieldhouse for offensive and defensive demonstrations.

While limping across the gym floor on his bad knee, Heathcote harmlessly poked fun at his student helpers. He tried to create a relaxed atmosphere because he said he felt it was better for learning.

Over and over again Heathcote took the ball and tossed it through the hoop without missing, but he never acknowledged his spectacular feats. Heathcote was the teacher, the textbook and the demonstrator.

And Heathcote's students didn't take his presence for granted.

"I love it," accounting professor Ed Outslay said. "I think this is the best way for me to acquire knowledge to teach my daughter's basketball team."

Heathcote tried to vary the course from the basic classroom lecture, but the students couldn't escape papers, quizzes and tests.

"I felt this would be a nice change from my normally heavy course load," junior Gary Garber said. "It's cool to listen to Jud talk about himself, the players and his experiences. But the best part has been watching the Spartans' recruiting films and learning their complex offensive and defensive plays."

The class highlights for each student were different, but there was one main attraction shared by all.

Every student enjoyed being taught the basic fundamentals of basketball and coaching by a man who knows them better than anyone— Jud Heathcote.



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By David Sauter

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A student-athlete study complex may be the key for future academic success at MSU. MSU Sports Information director Ken Hoffman said the school definitely has the need for a facility to ensure Spartan athletes' academic success.

"The construction of this complex would offer an opportunity to increase the emphasis on academics," Hoffman said.

The proposed construction site is the tundra behind the Duffy Daugherty football building. Hoffman emphasized that the complex would take a lot of planning and financing.

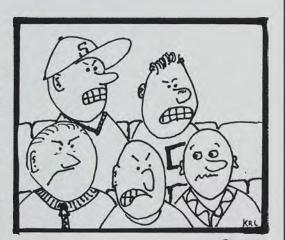
"This year, it's still in the discussion stages between athletic director George Perles and Provost David Scott," Hoffman said. "We're still not sure if it will be open to all students or just athletes."

One idea was to open the complex to all students during the day and to athletes at night, Hoffman said.

"Sounds like a great idea to me," football player Mill Coleman said. "During the season, school is more strenuous. Sometimes athletes miss school days because of games and may need help getting themselves caught up."

But some non-athletes thought the university shouldn't concentrate on the study habits of just one group.

"Athletes aren't the only ones with special needs," James Madison junior Tonya Olson said. "A study complex is needed on campus, but all students should have access to it. MSU should look into increasing the graduation rate of all students, not just athletes."



Which One Doesn't Belong?



Opposite page: Coach Jud Heathcote listens intently to a student's question. Above: Coach Jud Heathcote lectures his class on the fine points of basketball.

Lawrence Robins



Fighting Back

By Angela Daratony

This year, one in five women in Michigan and one in eight women on campus will be assaulted.

Safety and security have always been issues of concern to MSU students and faculty. To deter campus assaults, MSU officials and Intramural Sports and Recreational Services began a class titled "Self-Defense for Women" in the fall of 1991.

After MSU received 1989-'90 student enhancement dollars from the state legislature, Dr. Moses Turner, Vice-President for Student Affairs and Services, gave a portion of this money to the Student Women's Advisory Committee for a new program focused on women's safety and self defense.

The program was offered through intramural centers, residence halls and off-campus organizations. Sally Belloli, assistant director of Intramural Services, said the program was offered to increase awareness of assaults. She said effective security measures were difficult to implement because of the campus' spaciousness and large residence hall population.

"People would be crazy not to take advantage of a program like this, especially on a large college campus," said Katie Lindwall, an advertising junior. "Sometimes, it's necessary to walk by yourself at night. This program can help students feel a little bit safer and more confident." The self-defense class gave men and women a chance to defend themselves. An average of eight to (1) people attended the workshops, with as many as $\frac{1}{2}$) attending at one time.

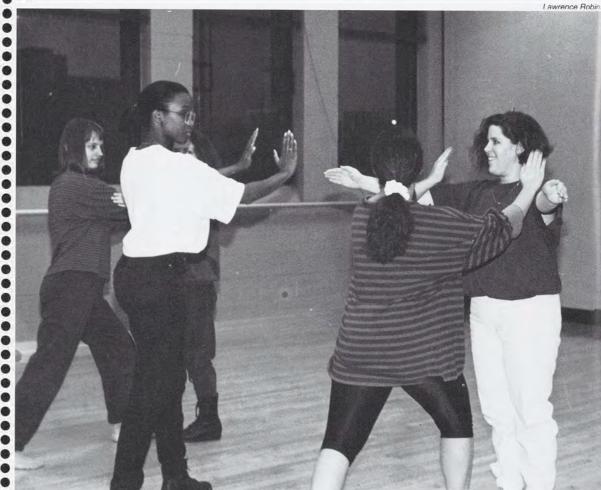
Beginning with introductions, the instructors set a comfortable atmosphere. Instructors Teri Carson ar 1 Kimberly Ebbe quickly distinguished between rar e facts and myths: although rape is physically an act of sex, it is meant to control, dominate and overpower a victim.

But the workshop covered more than the physic.1 threat of assault. The three stages of assault—selecting a victim, testing the victim for resistance and initiating force—were discussed openly with feedback from the class. The class also concentrated on teaching students to deter an assault in the first or second stage with verb d defense.

"In confronting the assailant during the testing stage, the victim is showing strength, not vulnerability or that she can be manipulated," Carson said.

Finally, the class worked on actual physical defence strategies to be used during the initiation of force.

The instructors were prepared to teach the self-defense workshop. In addition to an extensive training program, Carson belonged to the MSU Karate Club and Ebbe was a domestic violence graduate student.



New selfdefense class helps MSU

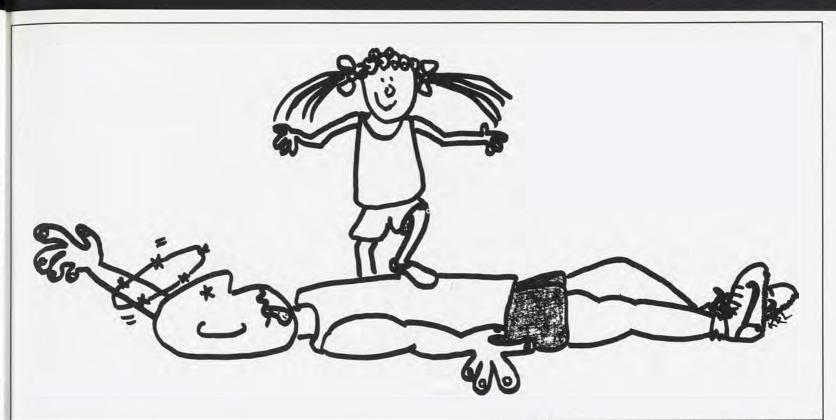
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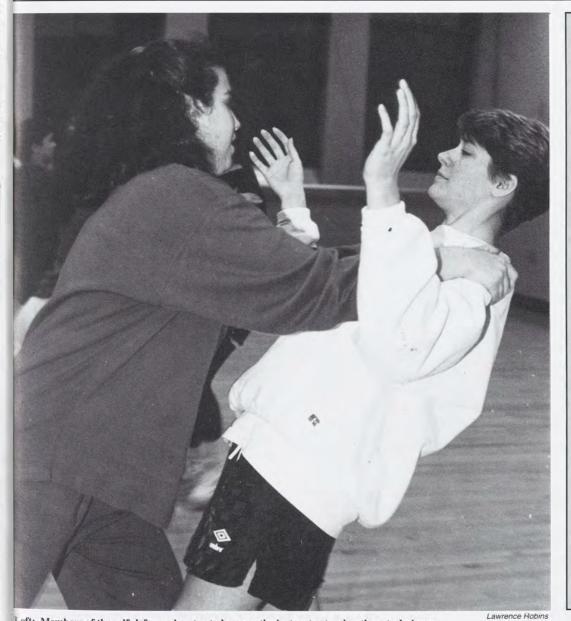


"You just have to be aware that you must travel in pairs at night, because it's a big campus. Otherwise, security is pretty good."

Catrina O'Dneal, computer science junior.







Left: Members of the self-defense class try to learn as the instructor teaches them techniques. Above: Two students practice what to do when someone comes up and tries to grab them. Illustration by Katie Lindwall

By Angela Daratony

First it was horses. Then it was cars and motorcycles. Now it's mountain bikes?

The MSU Department of Public Safety began a program to patrol campus walkways on bicycles in June 1990.

DPS officer Scott Beckner said the main purpose of the program was to better patrol the areas not seen from the road. The officers were able to ride through those paths otherwise hidden by buildings or trees.

"We can respond better to those areas," Beckner said. "This program will bring DPS closer to the community and vice versa."

Beckner created the program after seeing a similar program in California on a cable TV show on police tactics.

With this program, DPS hoped to regulate alcohol consumption and bicycle and moped violations. In barely lit areas hidden from the road, such as the pathways behind Brody Complex, Holmes Hall and McDonel Hall, this program was absolutely necessary, Beckner said.

Since the program began, officers on bikes have been able to increase security on campus for students.

But students haven't been the only ones to benefit.

On one rare occasion, the officers found people shooting ducks with crossbows. Beckner said the officers were able to follow and catch the offenders, who were in a boat on the Red Cedar, more easily on bikes than they would have been able to on foot.





Fast Track To Success

By Jackie Long

For some students who graduate in three years, getting a degree quicker and entering the real world sooner is not always a plus.

Despite the financial benefits of early graduation, students with such a brief college stay said they often feel they are missing out on extracurricular activities.

Greg Spaniolo, a third-year math senior, warned that early graduation meant less of what he considered to be a good time for growing up and for developing as a person. He said that although getting his degree quicker is a plus, it can also be considered a minus.

"Personally, I'm very scared of the real world," Spaniolo said. "I'm not happy about it, but I'm willing to admit it."

Spaniolo entered his freshman year at MSU with 17 advanced placement credits and 24 college math credits. Despite his early graduation, he said he still only averages what he considers a ridiculously light 13-14 credits a term.

Scott Vaughn, assistant director of the Honors College, said that many factors contribute to an undergraduate experience besides academics. He warned that a busy and hurried program may cause a student to miss out on those valuable experiences.

Vaughn also said that individual pros and cons are a big factor when advising a student who is considering early graduation. Although most students who attempt a three-year program have attained previous credits by their freshman year, Vaughn said that scheduling difficulties can still arise and can be considered a big negative.

Vaughn said he has a hard time identifying many advantages of an early graduation besides financial ones.

For Susan Flory, an accounting senior, financial reasons were a major factor in her decision to graduate quickly. With eight advanced placement credits and an ill mother at the beginning of her freshman year, Flor said her situation didn't leave her much choice.

To graduate early and to help pay for school, Flor said she averaged 16 credits a term and commuted t work in Southfield to waitress about 15-20 hours week. She also admitted that her hectic schedule durin the year and her summer class schedule meant sh didn't meet as many people and belong to as man things as she would have liked.

Despite her losses, Flory said she is happy with the idea of saving a year's worth of tuition and room an board, as well as gaining an extra year of "real wages.

"It's not horrible, it can be done," Flory said. "Bu I wouldn't do it if I didn't have to. I think you miss ou on too much."

Amy Wescott, a fourth-year student with anothe year in International Studies, voiced an opinion much like that of her fellow classmates. She said that for he graduating in four years would have been all work and no play.

Despite the fact that changing her major and deciding to take foreign language classes made graduating i four years impossible. We scott said she doesn't thinshe would have done it even if she could have.

"This time in your life, you might as well take it slow and enjoy it because you're going to be out in the real world soon enough anyway," Wescott said. "Uck, it's so unappealing."

Vaughn said his financial situation in college was also one that mandated a heavy work and course load. Although he took the full four years to graduate, he said he still feels that he missed out on many extracurricular activities as a result.

If he had it to do over again, Vaughn said, he would still go for a full four years to appreciate the undergraduate experience.

"The older I get," he said, "the more it strikes me that those (experiences) were important."

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A.P. credits allow students to graduate in three years

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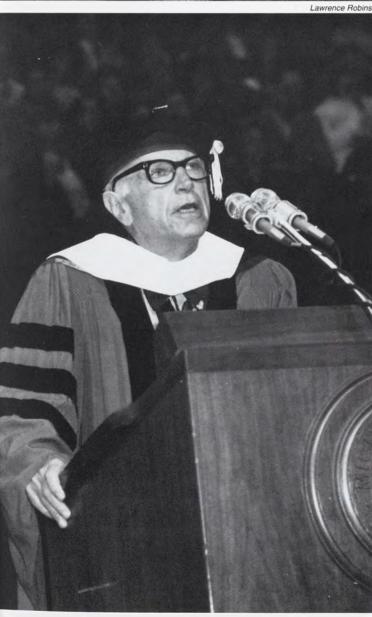


"How many years you spend at school has a lot to do with your finances, interests and how quickly you want to get out of here."

Kerri Smith, biological sciences/ anthropology senior.









Opposite page: Students at the computer lab work diligently on papers as the end of the term approaches.

Far above: Three year accounting graduate Susan Flory works on her auditing homework. Left: Dr. Walter Adams, former president of MSU, speaks at winter commencement. Above: A student enjoys the spring weather while accomplishing some work.



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Bag It

By David Sauter

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"To eat or not to eat" was a dilemma facing many students living in MSU's residence halls.

Many students on campus had trouble scheduling classes around the lunch time cafeteria hours and were faced with finding eating alternatives. Now, however, a student can take a sack lunch with them to classes under the "brown bag" lunch program, sponsored by Housing and Food Services.

"Things seem to be more fast-paced today than when I was a student," said Karol Fecteau, food service manager for Snyder-Phillips residence hall.

"There are a great deal of students who attend classes as well as work, and it's hard for them to eat during the cafeteria's lunch hours."

The program began as a test in the spring of 1991 in Snyder-Phillips. It began "due to increased requests from students who needed another option at lunch time," according to Ted Smith, the food service manager of all the residence halls.

Students are given a choice of six different lunc combinations. Various types of sandwiches, snack fruits and drinks are chosen by the student the da before the lunch is needed and picked up the new morning.

"It would be very convenient and it would allo students to get the most out of their meal plans," sail Paulette Charette, a pre-nursing/French sophomore. would definitely use it if my schedule ever conflicte with lunch hours."

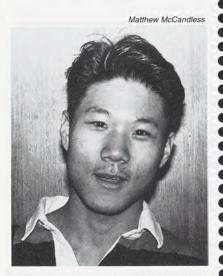
Approximately 3,000 students used the program the fall of 1991, according to Smith.

"This number is growing and will continue to grow due to the increase in the number of student teacher nursing students and interns, who are the biggest user of the program," Smith said.

"To eat or not to eat" was a question easily answered by MSU students in five words - the brown bag lunch program.



Busy schedules accomodated by MSU's **Brown Bag** lunch program



"The only problem is that the cafeteria hours start too early and end too early. Sometimes, if you get to the cafeteria late, the food really sucks."

Sung Yoo, pre-med sophomore.

Illustration by Katie Lindwal

The feeling of dread has been building all day.

The hunger pangs lost their intensity the minute you realized it was Saturday night. It's something every freshman quickly learns: Saturday night means leftovers in the cafeteria. Here's some of the best and worst cafeteria fare, compiled by our very own campus editor, Elizabeth Fegan.

Best Dining Hall Meals Four Cheese Quiche Spaghetti Bar Chicken Sandwich

Worst Dining Hall Meals Stromboli Wisconsin Cheesy Chicken Foot-long Hot Dogs Best Cafeteria Events Ice cream bar Deli bar Theme meals

Worst Cafeteria Events Breakfast Lunch Dinner



Above: An MSU employee finishes up packing a lunch for the Brown Bag program.

Michael McCandless



Connecting Deals

By Jennifer Koster

Michael Willens was fed up with spending hundreds of dollars each term on textbooks, so the MSU senior decided to take action.

He designed and started his own computerized book-trading club called The Book Connection. The club's purpose was to help students save money by selling their used books to other students who needed them.

Although he came up with the idea his freshman year, Willens didn't start the business until the fall of 1991. He had to find people to finance the business before he could start. The entrepreneur invested almost \$7,000 in three computers, software and advertising.

"I had to decide how I should do it, how The Book Connection would actually work once I got the money I needed to start," Willens said. "First I did a pilot through the mail to find errors and work out all the bugs."

Interested students could call or write the business
and were automatically entered into the computer, free
of charge. The students gave the class number and
professor for the books they wanted to sell, and Willens
matched buyers and sellers for specific classes.

For one dollar per book or a maximum three dollar per class fee, students who wanted to buy books received a list of students selling those books. Willens suggested a selling price for each book, but he explained that prices were negotiable.

"It's a little confusing at first, but both buyers and

sellers win," Willens said. "We say a book should b sold for 60 percent of its listed new price, but that's no written in stone."

Willens said he had a listing of 3,000 people, o which 60 percent use the club on a regular basis. He added that the average student saved between \$30 and \$50 as a buyer only. As a buyer and seller, a studen could save up to \$100.

Medical technology major Kris Kelley said it wa about time students were given the chance to save money on books.

"Buying books three times a year gets really ex pensive," Kelley said. "Sometimes you have no choic but to buy new books because all of the used ones ar already gone."

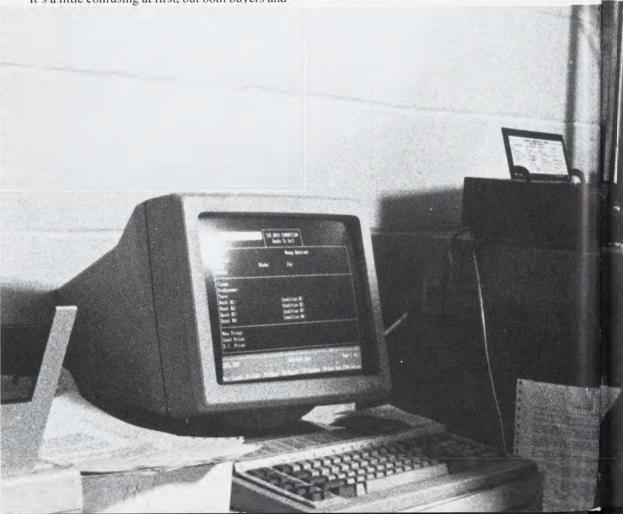
Along with the books, student buyers also received old tests, notes and course packs for the class. The clul also offered calculators that were used for math classes

"When I started out, I thought about it 24 hours a day," Willens said. "I couldn't sleep at night because I'c lie awake thinking about it. Now, when I'm not in class I'm working at The Book Connection."

Journalism professor Jerry Morton approved of The Book Connection.

"As an instructor, I feel that textbooks should be used, but not enough teachers use them over and over again," Morton said. "Textbook prices today are pretty outrageous, and any way to keep the cost down to students is fine with me."

And with Willens. S



Student begins own used-book service

Matthew McCandless



"Books are way overpriced at the bookstores. They know students have to buy books. It's the law of supply and demand." Ayanna Kumasi, English education senior.



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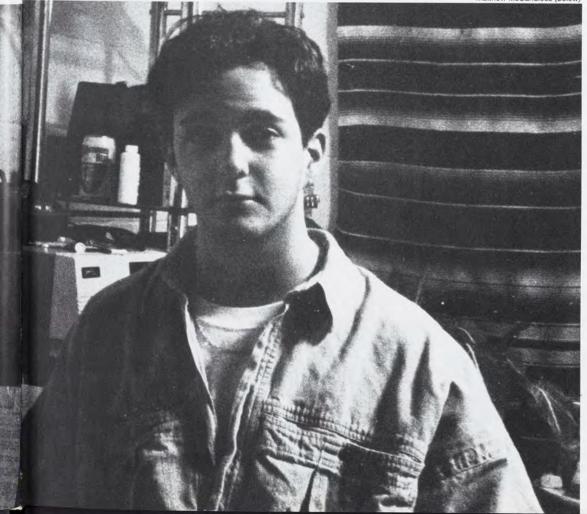
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Left: The Book Connection is an alternative to area bookstores such as SBS. Below: Michael Willins began The Book Connection winter term; he enters his customers names in his computer.

By Elizabeth Fegan

As MSU finds itself in a State of Change, it is appropriate to look back and take the advice of former Spartans.

The class of 1913 gave some proverbs to the senior class in the 1912 yearbook, *The Wolverine*. Each proverb has stood the test of time and can be taken to heart as we look to the future.

*A professor well-worked is a grade half-won.

*The real reason mistletoe is always hung in a light place is because its presence is unnecessary in a dark place.

*A flunker is a person who loves a subject too much to leave it or a person who was given an encore "B" his professor.

*The faculty is a body of people hired to help the students run the university.

*The real reason a bald head is like heaven is because it is a bright and shining place where there is no parting.

*It's Leap Year, but Look Before You Leap.



Bash With Beliefs

By Elizabeth Fegan

People that just went to groove to the music may have been surprised.

They may actually have learned something.

Two benefit concerts brought country rock and alternative bands to MSU. But more important than the music were the values and goals behind the concerts.

The organizers of these benefits figured the first step in achieving those goals was to attract MSU students with music.

The MSU Student Service Coalition sponsored three events to benefit the hungry and homeless:

* Guitarist Wally Pleasant played April 29 at the Union's Noontimes, a daily informational show.

* The Small Planet teamed up with the coalition to feature the Holy Cows and Either Way Patsy Dies on April 29.

* The final benefit featured El Smasho! on May 7 at Rick's American Cafe.

The MSU Earth Day Committee and MSU Students for Earth Day featured local bands April 25 at Landon Field. The lineup included Wally Pleasant, YMI, Groove Spoon and The Uptown Band, and speakers focused on environmental issues.

Whether swaying to Groove Spoon or tapping to the beat of Wally Pleasant's guitar, it was important to remember what these benefits were really about.

MSU STUDENT SERVICE COALITION

These three concerts were held to benefit Lansing's Economic Crisis Center and the Lansing-area Home-

less Persons Union.

The Noontimes presentation included Pleasant s guitar music and a speech by John Melcher from the Lansing Center for Urban Affairs. The coalition ercouraged a donation of canned goods.

All proceeds from the cover charge at Small Planet s concert were donated to Lansing's Economic Criss Center and the Lansing-area Homeless Persons Unio

"The idea was to get people to come in to actually hear the music and then throw in some speakers about important issues," said Darin Day, co-coordinator of the events.

EARTH DAY CELEBRATION

This free concert was the finale to a week-lor g series of speeches and projects focusing on environmental issues.

"I really believe people will learn about the environment, even if it's by accident," said Karina Rick, the event's organizer. "If you're on campus, you can't help but learn about the environment."

Groups passing out information at the concert included the MSU Health Advocates with brochures on birth control and population control, the MSU Foresers, the MSU Fish and Wildlife Club, the Peace Education Center, the Rainforest Action Network and Greenpeace.

"Different student groups and off-campus organizations that are related to environmental concerns (were) invited to speak between bands," Ricks said. "It was more than just a concert."

And the goals meant more than the music. 5



Concerts benefit the homeless and the environment

Matthew McCandless



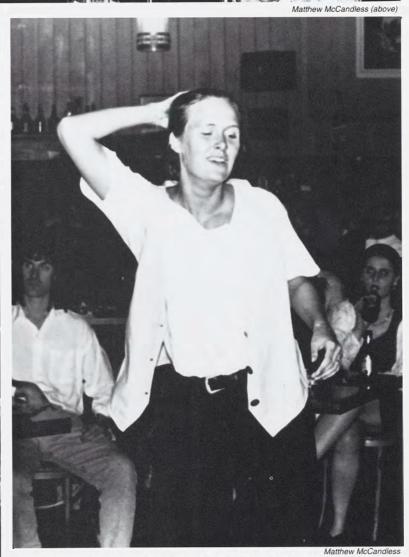
"The local music scene is pretty diverse and brings a lot of people together. But most of the bands center on Nirvana-type music." Tracy Cramer, pre-vet sophomore.





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Matthew McCandle Opposite page: A student enjoys a game of pool during the Homeless Benefit. Far above: Either Way Patsy Dies plays at Small Planet during the benefit. Left: Groove Spoon performs at Landon Field for Earth Day. Above: A customer dances at Small Planet during the Homeless Benefit.

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Rockin' All Night Long

Area DJs entertain students



By Elizabeth Fegan

The usual Wednesday night bar crowd trickled in slowly to Dooley's Restaurant.

The hum of conversation and quiet laughter drowned the background rock 'n roll. Most eyes were glued to the hockey game on TV, and not yet scoping the floor for potential dates.

Waitresses hawking multi-colored shots of alcohol received only a passing glance from the jeans-clad crowd. The unharried bouncers lounged in small groups against the wall.

But the mood was about to change.

It was time for the disc jockey to arrive. * * * Disc jockeys have been around since the beginning of the party.

The typical deejay may have started his career as the quiet guy who kept a steady stream of music barreling in over the speakers at the neighborhood block party.

Or maybe the deejay was left over from the 1960s, with a pretty good Wolfman Jack imitation.

The deejay may even be part of a pre-packaged deejay service hired to play the music of your choice at a special event.

But all deejays' jobs are the same-to keep the party rockin' all night long. * * *

Steve Swanson was late. Balancing a boom box on his shoulder, Swanson ran into Dooley's carrying his latest purchase—20 classic rock CDs. The CDs would be added to the collection that provided the music for Dooley's classic rock night.

Sporting a tail and a black Hawaiian shirt, the 31-year-old was a reminder of the pre-Yuppie era. But Swanson's brown loafers gave him away—he was spinning the discs (or at least putting them in the CD player) for a predominantly college crowd.

"Everyone here is out to have a good time," Swanson
said, pointing to the people who were now ignoring the hockey game and bobbing their heads to David Bowie. "I never plan ahead for what I'm going to play when I come in here," Swanson said. "Spontaneity is the ultimate way to go."

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Swanson started out as a deejay 12 years ago at the Bus Stop, which has since closed. After working as Sensations' in-house deejay, Swanson pushed for a classic rock night at Dooley's, Sensations' upstairs counterpart.

The classic rock night has done so well that Swanson takes his act to Rick's American Cafe on Sundays and Small Planet on Tuesdays.

"I own all my own equipment and use all my own material," Swanson said, pointing to the hastily set-up boom box, stereo, speakers, and crates of CDs and rarely-used records.

"Clubs shouldn't treat me as just another deejay, because not many people would bring \$8,000 worth of their own music and \$5,000 worth of their own stereo equipment to their job," Swanson said. "Not to be cocky, but to a degree, I'm a public figure. I have to make sure everyone enjoys the evening or it's my fault." * *

Downstairs at Sensations, Jim Thias stood in an elevated booth beneath the flashing red and blue lights. The dance floor in front of him was teeming with people gyrating to the music's beat.

Wearing an earring, the 24-year-old in tight-fitting jeans and oxford reflected the image of the dance crowd—a combination of '90s preppy and '70s disco.

"My main responsibility is to keep people in the mood to dance as the night moves on," Thias said. "They should remember me and what a good time they had at the end of the night."

Flirting with the girls and playing his regulars' favorite music, Thias made the deejays' job look easy. But Thias said nothing is easy in East Lansing's music industry.

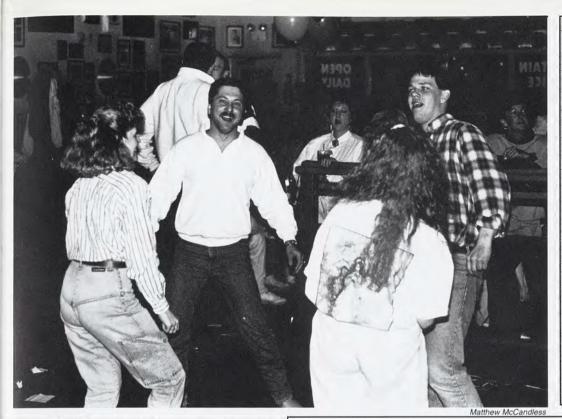
"People in Lansing go to clubs to dance to music they know," Thias said as he played the current Top-40 hits. "People here are especially picky about their



"They're wonderful. Plus, the bars are a good meeting place and provide a great social atmosphere for meeting new friends."

Bob Guiney, communications junior.





music. Music from five to six years ago still packs the floor."

Thias donned his earphones to cue up the next song. The continual stream of Erasure and AC/DC kept the dance floor moving to the music.

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"I'm the reason that people are having a good time," Thias said. "It's an emotional high knowing you are the one creating a party for these people." ***

"By golly, gee whiz, if you want to hear it, I want to play it," Scott Ward boomed into the microphone in his best rendition of a '50s deejay voice.

The 20-year-old entertains the crowd at East Lansing's USA Cafe five nights a week. The 1950s-style cafe specializes in staff-choreographed "videos," mini-shows performed to favorite hits from the '50s.

Ward shuffled through the shelves of wigs, sequined costumes, and dress-up accessories behind the jukebox. Throwing on some sunglasses and grabbing a fake guitar, Ward jumped onto the countertop and pulled two waitresses with him. Soon, all the restaurant employees were dancing on tables in sync.

"This isn't a typical deejay job," Ward said. "I'm more of an entertainer than a deejay. Most deejays just program in the music, but I have to get up and enjoy it with the crowd." * * *

Tim Campbell is not your usual deejay.

Campbell answers his phones at his self-started mobile deejay service, Tunes by T.

Tunes by T sends out eight deejays to dances, weddings and fraternity parties, and other special events.

"We can immediately gear to any clientele possible, where clubs can only play for the clientele that's there at the time," Campbell said. "We're much more diverse in our offerings."

Campbell summed up the job of a disc jockey. "The disc jockey is the key to a good time."

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By Elizabeth Fegan

*Songs Most Likely to Hear: "Push It" by Salt 'n' Pepa, "Shook Me All Night Long" by AC/DC *Dead Celebrity Most Likely to See: Elvis Presley at 9 p.m. nightly at USA Cafe

*What Deejays are Most Likely To Say: "If you want to hear it, I want to play it."

*Dancing Ability of Folks: None. That's where the bars' drink specials come in handy.

*Oddest Deejay Day Job: Proof operator at a bank. *Kind of Folks in the Crowd: John Travolta wanna-bes, Madonna look-alikes and Grateful Dead groupies.

*Kind of Dancing: The bop at USA Cafe, the hokey-pokey at parties with mobile deejays and the "If I throw my body around enough, it will look like I know how to dance" at Sensations.

*Who's Dancing: College-age at Sensations, closer to middle-age at USA Cafe, and the whole family at deejay-serviced parties.

*How Much Deejays Make: According to all of them, "not nearly enough." But, then again, who does?



Opposite page: USA Cafe DJ Scott Ward (in the hat) entertains the crowd with some help. Above: USA Cafe customers enjoy the music as they dance the night away.

Illustration by Katie Lindwal



Global Classroom

By Matias Saari

Students seeking study and adventure at the same time don't have to go far—just enroll in an overseas study program.

MSU's Office of Overseas Study provides the largest single-university program in the nation, with 78 programs in 32 countries and about 1,000 students annually.

"The whole idea is to give students a unique bi-cultural experience," Director Charles Gliozzo said. Overseas study at MSU has expanded from just three romance language courses in the mid-1960s to its

current size, enabling study on six continents. Options in 1991-92 included courses in Australia, Brazil, Israel, Japan, the Commonwealth of Independent States, Mexico, Zimbabwe and 16 European nations. More than half the programs are short-term summer courses, usually one month long. The London program offered the greatest number of options.

Student response has been overwhelmingly positive, according to Gliozzo.

"For most students that have gone over, it was really a milestone in their careers," he said.

Communications senior Mindy Neveaux, who completed the Mass Media and Reporting program in London in July 1991, agreed.

"It was the most exciting thing I've done in a long time," she said. "London was our classroom. We also met some British students, went to the pubs, tasted British food, went to Wimbledon...and England wasn't all we saw. I got to go to Scotland and Germany a Switzerland too."

Gliozzo pointed out many benefits of overse s study, including increased self-confidence, better feeign language skills, the possibility of living with a foreign family, improved job marketability, a great r awareness of other cultures and the opportunity of travel all over the world.

Students of all ages can be accepted into a program. While juniors were the most highly represented class in 1990-91, freshmen and graduate students also partipated. Female students comprised 62 percent of the e enrolled. Even students from other universities could take courses, provided they met academic requirments.

For those students concerned about financial constraints, more than one-third of participating students received financial aid or scholarship money.

Expenses for a typical London program include a round-trip plane ticket, room and board, a specific program fee and in-state tuition, even for out-of-state students.

While students may be intimidated by the cost of studying abroad, Gliozzo summed up the benefits by stressing the increased importance of being globally aware in an ever-changing world.

"International education is exciting; it's challenging," Gliozzo said. "We have to be globally competitive. Anyone who doesn't have this international background is going to be short-sighted...Now study abroad is a priority, where before it wasn't."



Students find adventure in overseas study



"I studied in Japan for nine months and I think every student should have the opportunity to study abroad. It provides a dual learning experience, in the classroom and out."

JJ Wentz, international relations senior.



Courtesy of Matias Saar

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MSU students weren't the only ones going to foreign countries to study. Many international students came to MSU to improve their English and gain insight into the American way of life.

The 1991 fall term enrollment included 2,361 international students from 107 countries. Foreign students made up 5.6 percent of the total enrollment of 42,088.

Students from Taiwan formed the largest group with 435. South Korean students numbered 319, Chinese students 287, Japanese students 161 and students from India 128.

The next largest group of students came from Canada with 72, Malaysia with 63, Indonesia with 61, Hong Kong with 45, and Thailand and Turkey with 43.

Middle Eastern students included 33 from Saudi Arabia, 22 from Iran, seven from Kuwait, four from the United Arab Emirates, two from Iraq, and one each from Bahrain and Yemen.

Conflict in Eastern Europe didn't keep students from traveling. International students included 13 from Rumania, seven each from the former Soviet Union and Yugoslavia, and three each from Bulgaria and Czechoslovakia.



Left: Four MSU students re-create the Beatles' Abbey Road in London. Far above: The International Center on the Michigan State campus. Above: A group of MSU journalism students participating in the Mass Media in London program pose in front of a famous site. Courtesy of Matias Saari

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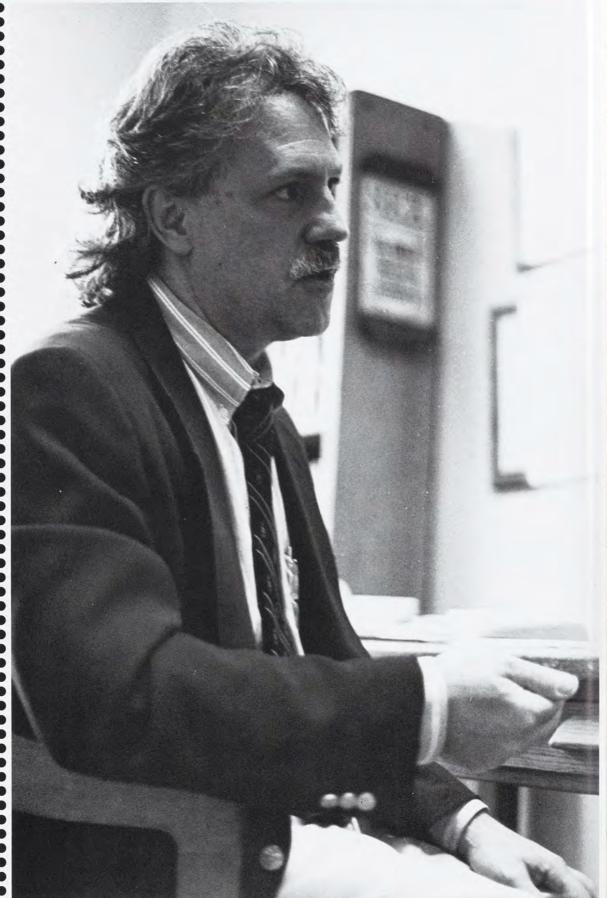


Dr. Sex, Ph.D.

Dr. Andrew Barclay is Dirty Andy, Dr. Sex and Dr. Love



"Relationships all depend on an individual's personality, preferences and how fast they plan on getting married." Yvonne Howard, interior design senior.



Above: Dr. Andrew Barclay stimulates discussion of sex and love in his pyschology class. Right: Love and emotions are as much a focus as sex in Dr. Barclay's class.

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By David Sauter

"Sex is only dirty if you do it right" read the plaque above the MSU psychology professor's desk.

Definitely not a normal decoration for a professor's office—unless you're talking about the office of Dr. Andrew Barclay, a psychology professor at MSU.

Barclay is known for portraying characters that deal with sexual and emotional characters, such as Dirty Andy, Dr. Sex and Dr. Love. In 1974, Barclay modeled his first character, Dirty Andy, after a person he met while on sabbatical out west. He began to refine this character by teaching a course on human sexuality through MSU's instructional television from 1973-'79 and by doing commercials in Phoenix, Ariz. in 1980. Dirty Andy soon evolved into Dr. Sex.

"Sex to me is funny," Barclay said. "How people could not laugh about sex, to me, is odd."

Barclay was so interested in talking to people about sexual interactions that he jumped at the chance to appear on a live, daily television show called "Good Afternoon Detroit" in 1981.

"Two or three times a week people would call and ask me sex questions on the air," Barclay said. "Sometimes they were serious, but mostly they were handled in a humorous manner. Laughter is what keeps me going."

From Dr. Sex, Barclay said he "matured" and transformed into Dr. Love.

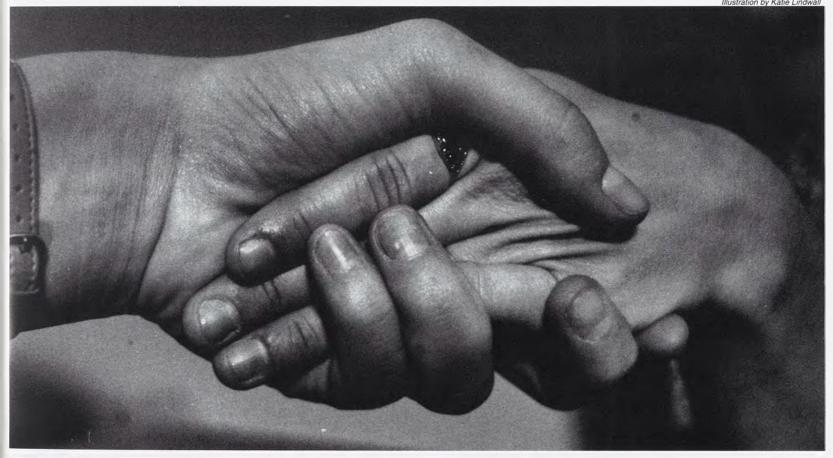
"Dr. Love is more interested in relationships and emotions, not so much of the physical aspect," Barclay said. "As I get older, I'm becoming more successful, not commercially or financially, but emotionally. I have a lot more loving relationships, like friendships, than I used to have."

The evolution of Barclay's portrayal of characters has created a man who considers himself to be very happy.

"I feel that I'm one of the luckiest people alive," Barclay said. "However, I'm a guy who has a good time everyday and that pisses a lot of people off."

Especially when it comes to the topic of sex. 5





By Matias Saari

Sex.

It's not the easiest thing to talk about. It's considered taboo by some in our society. But it's the subject of a popular MSU class.

"This class should be mandatory for incoming freshmen," instructor Dennis Martell said of Family and Child Ecology's "Human Sexuality and the Family".

The class, unlike many lecture courses, relies heavily on student participation. Students are divided into groups of five to discuss different issues, such as sexual experiences, values, contraception, child sexual abuse and date rape.

Martell said the small group experience, emotional sharing and diverse viewpoints are important aspects of the class.

Martell said student response has always been "overwhelmingly positive."

"I like the way it's set up (in the discussion format)," zoology junior Kelly Best said, "I thought the university was more conservative. It's cool to hear what people our age think about sex."

Martell has received three Human Ecology "Excellence in Teaching" awards for the course. Previously, he was involved in similar programs at Central Michigan University and the University of Michigan.

In his seventh and last year as the course's instructor, Martell said he hoped the class would continue without changes despite the upcoming transition to semesters.

Biological sciences senior Joyce Grzesiak agreed.

"It's the most informative class I've ever had," she said. "If I could recommend one class, this would be it."



Married at MSU

By Melissa Levy

In the 1950s and '60s, many people got married right out of high school. But the '70s and '80s brought many couples to college or even their "thirty something" years before they thought about making the life-time commitment.

While many people in the '90s continue to wait until an older age to get married, there are still many MSU students who are engaged or married. These students often find that there are new challenges to life on campus that are quite different from ones they faced during their single days.

Since Sarah Weismuller, a 21-year-old political science/journalism major, accepted the engagement proposal of her 23-year-old boyfriend, she said it has been hard to convince her male friends she can still go out to the bar with them and have a good time.

"I don't have to have two nuns with me where ever I go," she said.

Weismuller found more support for her engagement to Peter Nash from female friends, family and older peers.

"Most of the people who are uneasy about my engagement are those who aren't graduating." Weismuller said. "They think I'm too young to get married."

There are benefits to being engaged, Weismuller said. These included more time for studying and a greater level of self-understanding. She will graduate with a dual-major degree which took just four years to complete. Nash completed school in December 1991 with an engineering degree.

"It's really been pretty easygoing, and I'm gla I've done it," Weismuller said. "We didn't miss out o anything by becoming engaged at such a young age.

MSU alumni Ted Sinnaeve may disagree with Weismuller's optimistic outlook.

The 25-year old married 23-year-old Charlene, special education senior, in August 1990 after gradual ing with an English degree.

Sinnaeve said the hardest part of married life is th lack of potential job mobility and available time to spend with his wife.

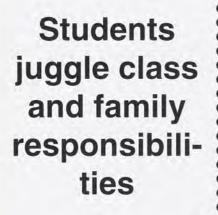
"She works 30 to 40 hours a week or more and is full-time college student- that's hard for her," said Sinnaeve, who works two jobs himself. "Our schedule don't overlap or underlap, so we don't see each other a much as we'd like to."

Sinnaeve gave up the opportunity to be a stal congressional campaign coordinator in Mount Pleasant because Charlene is still an MSU student. Sinnaeve had hoped the job would lead him to a higher salaried position in Lansing state government or journalism.

"If we had waited another year to get married there's no guarantee I'd be working in the state capitol. but I would have had a better chance," Sinnaeve said. "Because I can't move, I've shut out a lot of job possibilities. I can't get that far ahead just staying in Lansing."

Weismuller said she will probably wait to marry Nash until she has completed law school.

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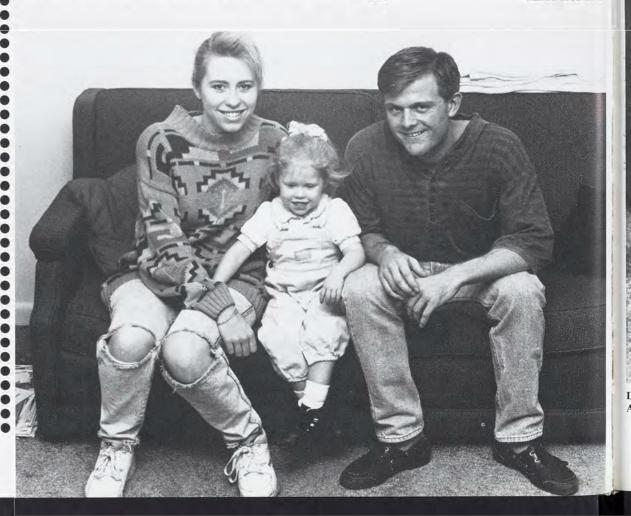


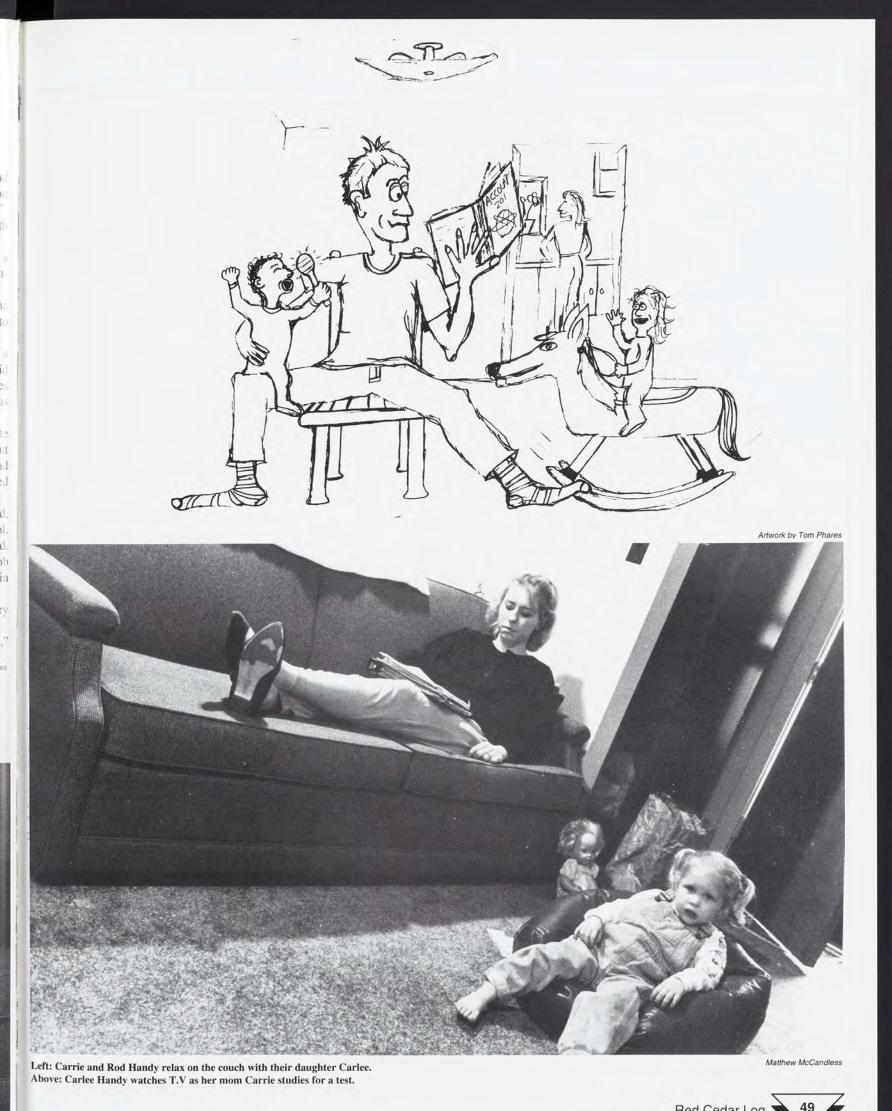
"I wouldn't choose to get married while in school because I want to focus more on my career and wouldn't want any strings attached."

Kim Friesen, merchandising management senior.



"He's really anxious to get married, but I can wait."





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Last Spring Term

By Mary Chuey

You're in your least-favorite gen ed class of your entire MSU career, and your concentration is at an all-time low. It's somewhere between 80 and 90 degrees outside, and the cracked window in the corner isn't providing any relief. Your favorite scope stands up with a slow peel of bare skin from a plastic desk chair, and suddenly looks a little less attractive. It's June 1, and you still have two torturous weeks to go.

But after spring term 1992, this will all be history for MSU. With the conversion to semesters, spring term '92 will end May 7, a few weeks before the usual last-minute rash of warm weather hits students and city alike.

For some, like business/pre-law sophomore Wanda Martin, this is a blessing.

"I don't like being in school when it's hot," Martin said. "I like to be in the privacy of my own home." Civil engineering senior Ben Sherman agreed. "I'd like to get out earlier," he said. "It would fre-

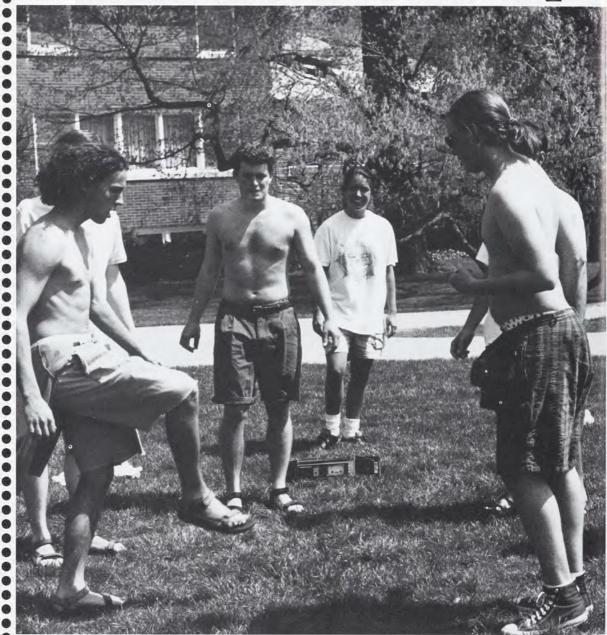
up more time in the summer."

But others, like nursing and psychology senio Tracy Tippitt, said they would miss the fun in the sur

"Spring term is known for having fun and layin out and going to the Peanut Barrel," she said whil studying outside in early June. "But you can't reall dictate your academic life by prime sun hours, eve though most of us would like to. I guess it's not to b taken for granted."

Students won't be the only ones to feel the change Melting Moments manager and MSU philosoph graduate Jason Cline said the business, which sells icc cream and deli food, is anxious to see how the change will affect it.

"We are kind of curious," Cline said. "(The change may not be too drastic. Plus, school starts earlier in the fall, so we make up the difference there."



A last look at MSU during spring term





Left: A group of guys play hackeysack on campus. Above left: An evangalist preaches the word of God to passing students in People's Park. Above right: Jason Hillman after he swam in the Red Cedar. He bet that Mike Peplowski would not lead the conference in shooting percentage, and lost. Above: People wander around at the East Lansing Art Fair in middle May. Mary Chuey

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A State of Expansion

Downtown expands its size and emphasis

Matthew McCandless



"I don't think East Lansing is losing any of its character at all. If anything, the city is gaining style from the stores that are moving in."

Denise Bazzett, English graduate student.



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By Matias Saari

Changes abound in downtown East Lansing.

Whether grabbing a bite to eat, hitting the bar, checking out a music store or simply buying a book, things just weren't the same at some places anymore.

El Azteco Restaurant, Small Planet Food and Spirits and Jocundry's Books relocated, while Flat, Black and Circular expanded dramatically.

Gone are the days of waiting on the steps leading to the old basement of El Azteco, a 15-year campus mainstay, and dining in the dark, "college-dive" atmosphere. No more watching live bands perform in the homey atmosphere of the old Small Planet.

Enter the new El Azteco, now at 225 Ann St., and witness a clean, spacious, well laid-out restaurant with fake adobe walls and sparkling new wooden tables and booths (engraving is no longer tolerated at these tables).

The new "large" Small Planet, at 220 M.A.C. Ave., has increased capacity from 136 to 220 people. A bar rests in the middle surrounded by tables. A stage to the side features performers, such as the Grateful Dead cover band Assembly Required.

Is East Lansing losing some of its culture by expanding its unique hang-outs for business purposes? Some students think so.

"El Az used to be really cool," advertising senior Tom Phares said. "Now they still have the same food, but the atmosphere's just not the same."

James Madison sophomore Chantelle Jones agreed.

"I don't go to the Small Planet as much as I used to," Jones said. "It's sort of a different crowd, a different scene."

Both establishments claimed the changes have been good for business and generally approved of by customers.

"We didn't want to lose the lounge-type atmosphere," Scherer said, adding that light dimmers and other features were installed to keep it more like the El Azteco of old. "A few have complained, but we'r received far more compliments."

Scherer said the move has enabled upgrading suc as window seating, which has noticeably increased de business and brought in non-student customers.

Small Planet owner Vaughn Schneider is also happy about the move, but he hadn't originally wanted to move from the old location. Schneider said the Azteco owner bought his Ann Street restaurant, while he desperately looked for a new location. It wasn't und the last minute that he found the current spot, former America's Cup.

"Some people miss the old place for sure, but th move has allowed us to do a lot more things," Schneide said. "The mass exodus of the upper-scale shops is th biggest change (in East Lansing). Either retail an clothing stores haven't been replaced, or the emphasi has moved more to the entertainment and restauran businesses."

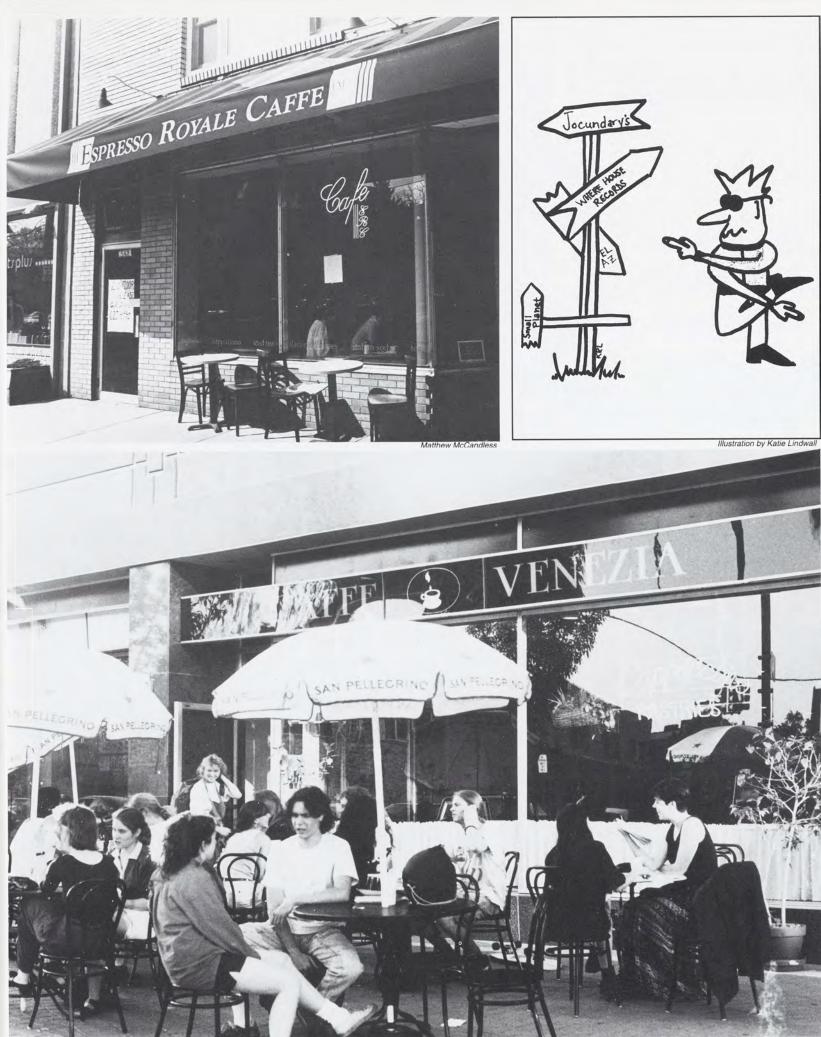
Jocundry's Books moved to an elaborate, modern building at 515 E. Grand River Ave, from its old, hidden location at 220 M.A.C. Ave. (the new location of Spir Etc.). The store now offers a greater variety of general books and features weekly poetry readings, musical entertainment and special guests, such as Mitch Alborn of the Detroit Free Press.

"We tripled our size in a commitment to the community," owner Madra Robison said. "The greatest honor was the 'community move' which 100 people signed up for and was accomplished in one day."

Flat, Black and Circular, located at 531 E. Grand River Ave. in the Campus Town Mall, also expanded Co-owners Dick Rosemont and Dave Bermath said the size increase was to improve the store and offer more space for patrons. They said the expansion was essential to make room for their growing cassette and compact disc stock.

East Lansing was changing daily to become bigger, better and more modern.

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Left: Michelangelo's Italian restaurant, located on Grand River across from the MSU Union. Far above: The new Espresso Royale Caffe, on Grand River Avenue. Above: Caffe Venezia, on Albert, offers another location to enjoy a cappuccino.

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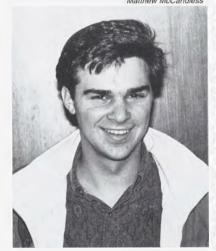
Breslin To Broadway

The Breslin and Wharton Centers showcase talent



By Angela Daratony

Matthew McCandless



"They offer cultural events at Wharton and sporting events at Breslin. They're venues that offer many types of events that students should look into." Jeff Pung, packaging senior. There's more to life than papers, exams and happy hours—and students don't even have to leave campus.

MSU has two facilities that provide the best entertainment this side of Detroit's Fox Theater or the Palace of Auburn Hills—the Wharton Center for Performing Arts and the Jack Breslin Student Events Center.

Celebrating its 10th anniversary, the Wharton Center opens and expands the mind to new worlds and cultures. Wharton features travel series, Broadway shows and original MSU productions.

New York City sends Broadway favorites, such as Les Miserables, M. Butterfly, and Chorus Line to Wharton. Students enjoyed these shows for one-third the price of the general admission ticket price.

"This is one of the great advantages of being a
student at MSU," said Meredith Brisbin, a marketing
major. "This is our facility. I've taken advantage of the
price break many times. It's crazy not to."

In addition to Broadway shows, Wharton offered symphonies, orchestras and operas. Music majors had an advantage, because they could experience the music they studied, including New York City's Opera, Dresden State Orchestra, and the Royal Liverpool Philharmonic Orchestra.

Wharton Center also offered "The World Travel Series" in the MSU Auditorium. The series took students to Africa, Poland and the Canadian West.

But it was more than just a facility to enjoy. Students were employed as ushers, box office help and marketing assistants.

"We couldn't afford to hire the talent we get from students and they couldn't afford to buy the experience they get from us," said Jane Becker, marketing director of Wharton Center. "Students can enhance their knowl-

edge and enjoyment of the fine arts."

The Jack Breslin Student Events Center was also a prime site for entertainment and sports at MSU. With a \$1 million sound and light system, the Breslin Center hosted concerts, rodeos and a circus.

The center was named after Jack Breslin in 1989 for his important role in developing MSU. He was an outstanding athlete as well as the "personification of Spartan spirit," according to the dedication plaque outside the center.

The center provides an arena for the men's and women's basketball teams. The folding bleachers maintain the same intimate setting found in Jenison Fieldhouse.

"The diversification of the building proves to us that we can support any event," said Marlie Vogl. publicity and promotion manager.

The entertainment has included shows by Don Henley, the Smithereens, the Ice Capades and the American Gladiators.

"The Breslin and Wharton Centers provide students an opportunity to see different events that they may not be afforded the opportunity to see other places," said Joshua Gillespie, an MSU graduate student. "It's great to have these different activities and a variety of entertainment."

The \$43 million Breslin Center also employed students as ushers, box office officials, and intern marketing assistants.

"It's a great opportunity for people interested in the industry to start," said Vogl, "and it's also an opportunity for students to take advantage of part-time jobs. They could really see how an event is put together."

For a night out on Broadway or a show of Spartan spirit at a basketball game, both the Wharton Center for Performing Arts and theBreslin Student Events Center were an exciting escape from everyday life.

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By Elizabeth Fegan

The Breslin Student Events Center celebrated its two-year anniversary on Nov. 9, 1991.

But Kendra Padgett of DeWitt was the one rewarded for it.

As Padgett stepped through Breslin's gates Nov. 2 for the Green and White basketball game, she was met by MSU officials for being the millionth patron.

Padgett received a Breslin sweatshirt, two season passes to the 1991-92 men's basketball games and two free passes to all Breslin Center events scheduled through June 30, 1992.

The 15,000-seat center has featured such performances as the Ringling Brothers and Barnum & Bailey Circus, Bill Cosby, the Smithereens and Mikhail Baryshnikov.

CLIFTON & DOLORES WHARTON CENTER FOR PERFORMING ARTS

Opposite page: The Dresden State Orchestra practices for a performance in the Wharton Center Great Hall. Far above: The Jack Breslin Student Events Center. Above: The Clifton and Dolores Wharton Center for the Performing Arts.

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By Ruqaiyah Rogers

News. What is it? How does it affect people? How important is it?

News is anything relevant to our social, intellectual and economic well being. With each breaking story new insights and revelations are made. Issues that were never given much consideration suddenly have many addressing voices. The once hush-hush issues of sexual harassment and rape gained notoriety with the Kennedy and Tyson rape trials and at the Senate Committee hearings with Professor Anita Hill's charges of sexual harassment.

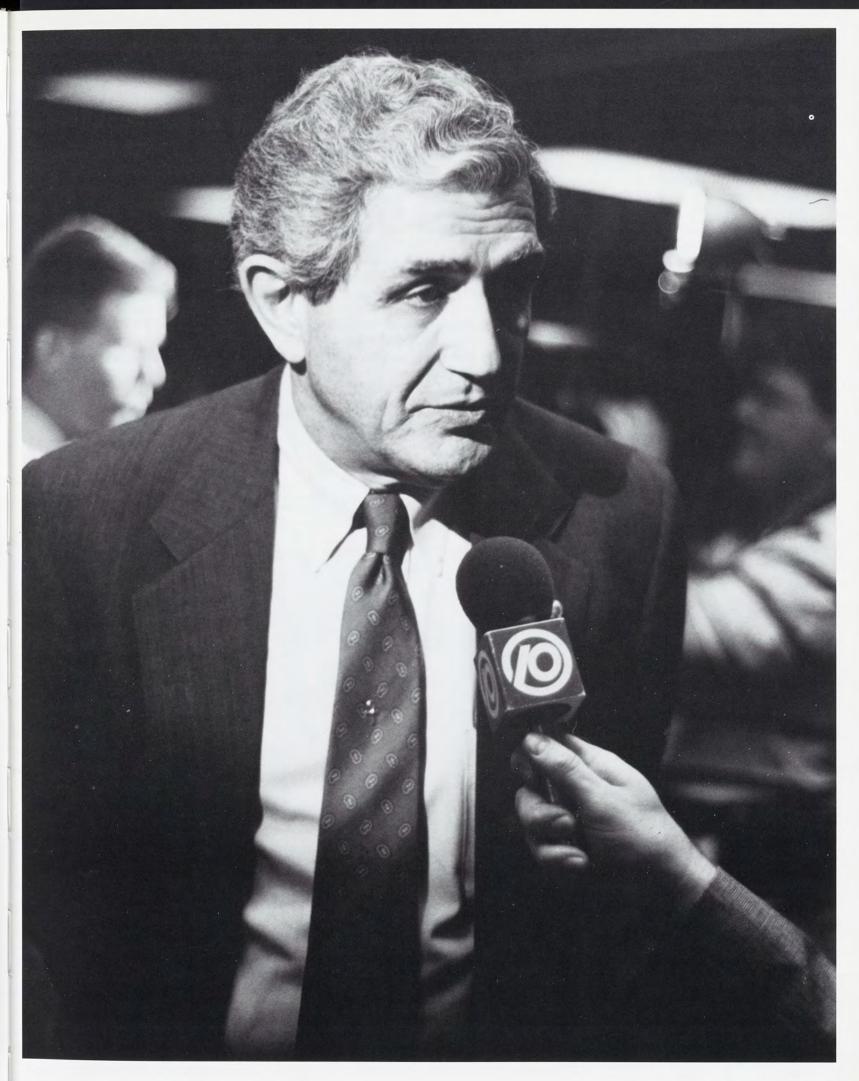
This state of change in our world is also reflected in the split of the Soviet Union and the disbanding of apartheid in South Africa. Just as MSU is switching over to a new system of semesters, America is switching gears to a more open and diverse state of consciousness.

The news stories included in the 1991-'92 yearbook are ones that affect the social, intellectual and economic status of our country on all levels. From the controversy on the nomination of Justice Clarence Thomas to the dismal recession and how it affects the job market for college graduates, the news plays an important role in our lives.

As students we sometimes become so immersed in the university life that state, national and international events seem irrelevant. News relates to students because many times it is a determining factor in our daily life decisions. So as a reminder of what happened in '91-'92, the news section gives a broad overview of the various events that will continue to have an impact on us.

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Financial Woes

Engler cuts budget; MSU and state of Michigan hurting

By Jenny Houston

The 1991-'92 school year saw drastic budget cuts. These cuts not only had an economic impact on the state of Michigan, but on MSU as well.

The Engler Administration cut funding for MSU programs by a minimum of \$300,000. Programs cut included \$150,000 for MSU's Dry Bean Initiative—a research program aimed at developing two new bean types—which awards 20 outstanding MSU faculty members with \$2,500 to be spent at the recipient's discretion.

Higher education wasn't alone in feeling the cuts. The arts and the poor were also among the casualties. The Detroit Symphony Orchestra funding was cut by \$250,000 and the Pontiac Silverdome funding by \$800,000.

Welfare and assistance programs were also cut. General Assistance, a program which gave financial aid to 90,000 adults, was cut completely. Families receiving Aid to Families with Dependent Children (AFDC) lost \$5 per family member. Currently, a family of three on AFDC receives less than \$500 a month for rent and living expenses.

Social agencies like the Council Against Domestic Violence(CADV), were also hurt by the budget cuts. The CADV is a resource base utilizing other state agencies to aid victims of domestic violence. It provides both men and women with legal counseling, housing furniture and other necessities.

Judy Harrison, Advocacy Coordinator of the CADV, said there has been a significant drop in the number of women utilizing the agency since the budget cuts. She attributed this to the lack of public assistance available to get them on their feet.

"For a woman dependent on her batterer, trying to find a place to live is an overwhelming task. The lack of being able to tap into community resources will send her back to an abusive relationship," she said.

Chris Sullivan, an assistant professor in the Department of Psychology at MSU, agreed. Her preliminary findings of a follow-up study on women after they leave shelters like the CADV showed that it is definitely a lack of resources that prevent battered women from moving forward in their lives.

Many argue there are always exceptions. Many question the population that is single, healthy and employable. Why do they need government aid?

"These people aren't highly employable, especially not in a recession, because of lack of education and job experience," said economics professor Harry Holzer. "The administration should



have combined job training with cash assistance. To dump them on the street in the middle of a recession is not the correct way to do this."

Kara Bettisworth, a forensics science and criminology senior, agreed. "Adjustments were unquestionably necessary in the welfare and aid programs. However, I feel the selected cuts are too drastic to implement all at once. A gradual decrease in aid would be much easier to adjust to."

Rochelle Black, deputy press secretary for Governor Engler's office, said, "Several programs and initiatives are currently in place and have been proposed to ensure that the needs of former general assistance recipients are met."

Senior Corey Richardson disagreed with

Bettisworth about the need to help those form hy on welfare. He said those people utilizing gen rai assistance have plenty of time to find a job on their own. a

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"Anybody who really wants to sup ort themselves will work as hard as they possibly an to do it," Richardson said. "There are jobs out there. If you don't apply yourself, you have no reason to complain. I wouldn't be opposed to a one-time deal where they (the jobless) get at istance for six months. If they didn't have a job by then, it would appear to be a lack of effort on their part."



Illustration by Tom Chase

By Melissa Levy

MSU students seeking financial aid may soon find that an IDEA or volunteer work will solve some of their monetary problems. Legislative representatives at both the national and state level are considering bills to make financial aid more accessible and convenient for college students.

U.S. congressmen Thomas Petri and Sam Gejdenson introduced bill HR 2336, the Income Dependent Education Assistance (IDEA) Act, to the House of Representatives, with 58 additional co-sponsors. Similar legislation was brought before the Senate by Senator Dave Durenburger.

The IDEA bill aims to combat the rising rate of student loan defaults by sponsoring loans with repayment schedules individualized on the basis of income after graduation. The program also hopes to open more loan opportunities for the middle-class to develop a type of universal loan system.

"The loan program would be a fantastic idea, because so many students take advantage of student loans and never repay—therefore limiting the number of students who can get loans," said biological sciences junior Amy Sandul. There were \$3.6 billion in loan defaults in the U.S. in '91-'92.

If the bill is adopted, loan payments would be determined and collected by the IRS through the

former student's income tax returns of actual paychecks.

"Under IDEA, every student, regardless of his or her parents' income, would be able to take out loans for education with complete confidence that repayment would be affordable, no matter what income the student ends up earning after leaving school," Petri said in his Jan. 17, 1992 newsletter.

In essence, those who earn a high income immediately after graduation would be expected to repay the loan in fewer years, with a higher relative interest charge of about 19 percent. Any loan portions left unpaid after 25 years would not be collected.

IDEA loans are designed to be self-financing and more economical for students than current loan programs, such as the Guaranteed Student Loan/Stafford Loan and Perkins Loan, which begins repayment immediately after graduation with interest rates of 5 to 12 percent. The IDEA loan would allow students to borrow up to \$29,000 for undergraduate study, \$41,000 for graduate work and additional funds for medical school.

Opposition to the bill has come from Congress members who are hesitant to commit billions of federal dollars to the new program when other loan opportunities exist.

Other new financial aid legislation under consideration would attempt to extend the definition of work-study to include volunteer community service. Currently, work-study eligibility is determined by a student's general financial aid application. Most employers prefer hiring students with work-study status, as Michigan shares in the responsibility of paying wages. For example, work-study students receive 80% of their salary from their employer and 20% from the State of Michigan if they work for a "for-profit" business. "Non-profit" organizations like MSU pay only 50% of the employee's wages, while the state pays the other half.

Michigan Collegiate Coalition Governor Kendra Howard said that working for a non-profit organization for work study would make students "feel better" about their jobs.

"It wouldn't cost the taxpayers anything because there is money left over from the program every year," she said.

If the new legislation sponsored by Okemos representative Lynn Johndal passes, work-study students will be able to do volunteer-oriented community service work, with wages entirely covered by the state.

Johndal said that the bill would "give those community service organizations an opportunity to attract and involve creative people."

Five U.S. Presidents were on hand to celebrate the opening of Ronald Reagan's presidential library near Los Angeles. The library was opened in November of 1991, and was the first gathering ever of five past or current presidents. From left: George Bush, Ronald Reagan, Jimmy Carter, Gerald Ford, and Richard Nixon.





Election Time

The East Lansing council election and the 1992 Presidential election

By Paula Turner

It's a right, a responsibility, and a privilege. It's voting.

Many MSU students say they do not vote in East Lansing elections. Students at MSU become a part of the East Lansing community, but most students are not involved in the local election process.

East Lansing City Hall has approximately 32,000 registered voters, half of which are students. This means that about 16,000 of the 44,000 students at MSU are registered.

Senior David Mikosz, president of the MSU Democrats, said he has voted in East Lansing elections all four years that he has attended MSU.

"(By voting) students have a chance to make a difference here," Mikosz said.

Some students say they vote by absentee ballot because they feel they are much more familiar with their hometown politics.

Students like sophomore Matthew West of Saginaw say they just don't want to sacrifice the time to learn about East Lansing governmental issues.

"I'm more familiar with Saginaw and I still consider it home," West said.

Some students say they simply don't want to take the time to figure out how to register in East Lansing.

Junior Brandon Reif said, "I think more students need to register here (in East Lansing) because we're such a large part of the city. A lot of decisions made affect students, and we need more student representation. MSU is a significant and important part of East Lansing."

For those students interested in becoming more politically aware in East Lansing, there are Republican, Democratic, and Libertarian groups to join on campus. All three groups are more than just political. At their meetings they discuss not only the party's platforms, but any other current issues of concern to the members. The groups are involved in bringing speakers to the MSU community.



Above: Vice President Dan Quale. Right: Attending summits and conferences is all in a day's work for President George Bush.



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By Matias Saari

Two MSU students and a well-known MSU professor played a major role in November's election for three East Lansing City Council openings.

Though student write-in candidates Joe Derhake and Kris Unger didn't win, they brought student issues into the limelight and helped elect MSU criminal justice professor Zolton Ferency, an East Lansing resident.

The final tally saw incumbents Jay Rosen and David Balas retaining their positions and Ferency edging out Ralph Monsma for the remaining seat.

Derhake and Unger received many votes for being write-in candidates. Both were slightly disappointed with the results but said they considered their campaign a success in raising student awareness about political issues.

"We made students aware of many city issues and it showed you can get involved," Unger said after the election. Derhake agreed. "When was the last time a student got 1,100 votes?" he said. "We got Ferency in."

Ferency said concern for the direction East Lansing was heading prompted him to run.

"I was very unhappy with the way the city was dealing with certain issues... and I saw a deterioration in city-student relationships," Ferency said. He said he hopes to conserve, not develop, East Lansing in the future.

"I think East Lansing is a college town, and it should never change," he said. "I'm opposed to turning it into a suburban shopping mall."

Despite the student candidates, voter turnout in East Lansing was low. Election supervisor Susan Donnell reported that 6,859 of East Lansing's 33,884 residents voted. At the 12 campus precincts, 1,052 ballots were cast out of 11,439. Donnell said the city was disappointed with the lack of participation.

"We hoped there would be a stronger turnout. We were prepared for it," she said. Voting was down from 1989, but up from 1987. At MSU, Case Hall had the highest voter turnout, where over 18 percent of those registered voted.

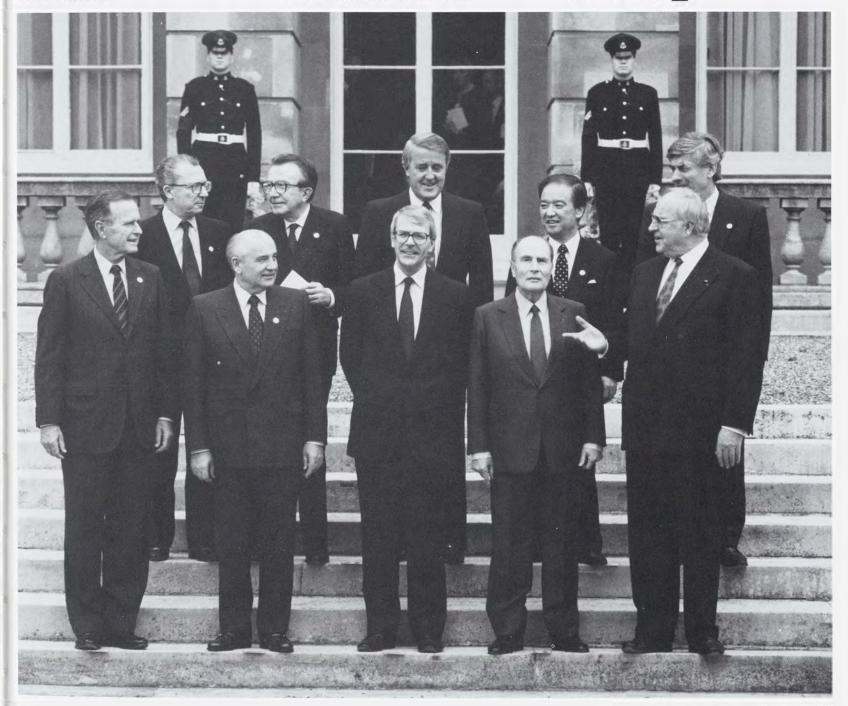
"I think it's fantastic that two students and a professor were running," said political science senior David Ladd. Ladd said he did not vote, but would have voted for Ferency.

Politically active students may be encouraged by Derhake's and Unger's showing in the election. Donnell said this election was the first time a student had an actual campaign.

Students can anticipate a vocal stand from Ferency on issues, including unfair law enforcement, sorority house additions, the constitutionality of noise violations, parking and improving the city-student relationship.

As for Unger and Derhake, they said they plan to remain involved with student-city issues.

"We're not getting a fair shake," Unger said. "Students should be involved in the decision-making."





A United Way

The East Lansing community helps out where needed

By Angela Daratony

Capitol Area United Way (CAUW) has helped numerous people throughout their years of service. There were 12 areas of service in 1991-92 ranging from job training to physical rehabilitation. The CAUW works year-round to identify those areas of greatest need and create programs that address those areas.

The 1991-92 CAUW campaign goal was \$6,657,000, according to President Bob Berning. This was an increase over last year. They needed the increase because of layoffs in the area, Berning said.

MSU's contributions over the years have been outstanding. The 1991-92 Community Charitable Campaign began Oct. 14 with a new name and a higher goal of \$460,000.

Formerly named the MSU United Way Campaign, the MSU Community Charitable Campaign reflects the change. It became an umbrella structure, covering more agencies than ever before, said Fredrick Whims, campaign chairperson and Assistant Vice Provost/Dean of the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources.

Other federations came to MSU asking for a similar campaign.

"We wanted to help the community but didn't want a major change to a complicated situation," said Whim.

Federal law enforces charitable consistency

to all non-profit agencies. MSU campaign staff decided to provide donors with added choices in agencies to pledge.

Any agency that meets the Internal Revenue Service's criteria for a non-profit agency is eligible for support, said Whim. These agencies are encompassed under the CAUW umbrella. Donors are able to write in on the "personal choice" card that comes with the pledge card.

The number of organizations increased from 50 to 890. Among these agencies are Green Peace, United Negro Fund, and the Cancer Foundation. All money collected goes to the CAUW for disbursement.

MSU's goal is \$460,000, up seven percent from last year's goal, said Whim, but only 2.7 percent from last year's amount pledged, which was \$459,179. The CAUW Associate Director-Campaign, Cindy Parks said, "Employees and students continued to respond in overwhelming way; MSU consistently had 5-10 percent increases in the last five years."

Many campus events take place to raise funds for the campaign. The annual Jack Breslin Memorial Run, sponsored by the Union Activities Board and Ford Motor Company, raised \$3,000 for the 1990-91 campaign. This year the race is set for April 26, 1992 and is expecting over 350 runners, at least as many as last year.

The Residence Halls Association's Mock Rock Concert, a lip sync and air band contest, raised \$400, said Director of Activities for the MS Union, Colleen Hennessy.

The Freshman Class Council, Campus Clow is, and the Sigma Nu Football Run are among other events to raise money for the campaign. The e events are especially charitable because the students have to raise money just to participate in the campaign, said Hennessy. Hennessy says she is pleased with student participation.

"More groups are participating, which communicates that students do support their community."

All Greek organizations have been asked to participate in raising money and presents for the holidays at Saint Vincent Home for Children, said Hennessy.

Changes this year continue with special honors, said Whims. Donors who contribute one percent or more of their annual salary will receive "platinum' recognition.

This spring, MSU received the traveling trophy for the fourth consecutive year in a row. "It hasn't traveled very far," stated Berning. This trophy is presented to the University with the highest per capita contribution.

Though the target date for the end of the campaign was Nov. 27, faculty, students, staff and retirees will continue to donate time and money throughout the year.

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Two million Iraqi Kurds fled north in April 1991 after a rebellion against Saddam Hussein failed



By Paula Turner

The race is on, but no one seems to be winning.

MSU students were brought a little closer to their leaders in 1992 as they watched and listened to the potential candidates begin their race for the White House.

While most people agree George Bush, Bill Clinton and H. Ross Perot seem to be the potential candidates for the November election, no one can figure out who seems to be the favorite. Each candidate has won at least one of the many polls about the campaign, adding to the various opinions on the individual candidates.

In a May 5, 1992 Times Mirror Poll on CNN, Bush won with 36 percent of the votes followed by Clinton with 33 percent, and Perot trailed with 30 percent of the registered voters.

An ABC News Poll surprised many people when it reported Perot with 34 percent, Bush with 31 percent and Clinton with 29 percent. But CBS News released a poll in early June showing Bush in first place.

The Cable News Network and <u>Time</u> <u>Magazine</u> also released a poll which showed Perot with 33 percent, Bush with 28 percent, and Clinton with 24 percent.

Even though a few of the polls may reflect President Bush's declining popularity in the nation, on campus some students don't agree.

Mark Melling, an MLM senior, said he believes Bush is doing a good job with what he has to work with, considering all the problems that have surfaced during his term in office.

"Bush has done a great job of fixing up the mess that Reagan left behind," Melling said.

Social science and philosophy sophomore David Schnurstein said he disagrees and favors Perot.

"There are a whole lot of people fed up with Bush and the current government, "Schnurstein said. "They want something new and Perot is offering that."

Schnurstein and others who share his views about Perot may be the biggest surprise to the campaign.

Perot, a Texas billionaire that Forbes magazine has valued at \$2.2 billion, gave up his position as CEO of his company, PerotSystems Inc., on May 26, 1992, to spend full time on his campaign. He also hired advisors from different sides of the issues, republican and democratic, liberal and conservative.

Perot spent most of 1992 campaigning on television news shows such as "Meet the Press" and "Face the Nation." While these appearances have made Perot's face recognizable, specific platforms have not been addressed.

Perot's attempt to address the issues resulted

in the purchase of 45 minutes on a cable show called "Electronic Town Meeting," where he explained his ideas for governing the nation.

Schnurstein said Perot's unconventional ideas are what's making him so popular. "Regardless of whether he's a politician or not, he may be able to steal some votes from Clinton and Bush."

Lance Misber, a hotel and restaurant institutional management senior, said he believes the candidates should be concerned with Perot.

"They should realize he's going to split the vote," he said.

Clinton, who has won the last eight Democratic primaries, may have his work cut for him, before the Democratic convention on July 13, 1992. Despite early allegations of an extramarital affair, marijuana usage and draft dodging, Clinton still had no contenders for the nomination in June 1992. Campaign officials said that Clinton will probably announce his running mate before the convention to attract some media attention.

Evert Ladd of the Roper Center for Public Opinion Research told the Washington Post that he believes the race isn't over.

"People are nowhere near ready to make a decision," he said.

Left: President DiBiaggio and members of Sigma Nu parade across the football field during halftime.





The Abortion Controversy

Pro-life and pro-choice advocates battle it out in state and country

By Angela Daratony

New state rulings on abortion are increasingly controversial and have brought the issue once again into the limelight. In 1989, the Supreme Court decided in *Webster vs. Reproductive Health Services* that a state abortion law is constitutional, thus opening the door for individual states to restrict abortions.

Pennsylvania and Michigan have similar abortion laws pending decision. Dubbed the "Informed Consent" laws, these bills would require women to wait 24 hours after their initial visit with a physician before obtaining an abortion and directs physicians to inform patients about fetal development and the medical dangers of the abortion.

The Michigan Informed Consent bill has un-

dergone several revisions and as of spring '92 was in the House Public Health Committee. The American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) and Planned Parenthood Affiliates of Michigan (PPAM) said that these laws could lead to abortion's demise. Faye Wattleton, president of Planned Parenthood Federation of America, issued a statement on Nov. 7, 1991, stating: "If Roe vs. Wade is no longer the law of the land, what is?"

However, Ed Ribet, legislative director of the Right to Life of Michigan, said the bills are about truth and choice.

"It will not be pushing choices on patients, it only helps women realize that it (the fetus) is a baby," he said.

Students United for Reproductive Freedom, a pro-choice campus group, opposes the bills and

petitioned the Public Health committee to ote against it. President Laura Schumaker said i m-fringes on a woman's right to privacy.

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"I feel it will be impossible for doctors to tallor what they say to patients according to patients' specific needs. It forces them (doctors) to raite anti-choice propaganda to the patient," Schumsker said.

Ribet disagreed, and said that 90 percen of women who have abortions don't even know their doctor's name.

Also experiencing changing abortion laws are Guam, Missouri, Utah, and Louisiana. Cases from these states were pending to the United States Supreme Court in spring 1992.







Left: A young woman participates in the march in Washington for reproductive freedom in the spring of 1992. Above: Thousands of demonstrators arrived in Washington D.C. to support reproductive freedom.

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Harassment on the Hill?

Anita Hill's claims of sexual harassment by Clarence Thomas caused a str

By Associated Press

Life has not been the same for law professor Anita Hill since going public with allegations that Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas sexually harassed her nearly a decade ago.

Hill was valedictorian of her high school in 1973 and went on to Oklahoma State University as a National Merit Scholar, graduating in 1977 with a degree in Psychology. From there she went to Yale University and received a law degree in 1980.

Most friends and colleagues described her the same way—honest, sincere and a principled person.

Although Thomas was confirmed, Hill insisted that by letting her story be known she had accomplished everything she set out to do. "All that's happened has made the general public much more aware of sexual harassment than ever before," Hill said.

She offered one piece of advice to victims of sexual harassment. "Try to find somebody you can trust and tell them," she said. "Try to find somebody who can help make you feel that you are not at fault. Find someone you can trust because you can't take it all out on yourself, you can't internalize it."

By Sarah Grace McCandless

"Without newspapers there would hardly be any common action at all."

- Alexis de' Tocqueville

Newspapers and the general media have played an extensive part in deciding the public's opinion. Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas narrowly escaped this media judgment when accused of sexual harassment by former co-worker Anita Hill. Before Due Process of Law could even begin, Thomas was judged by millions across the nation. Citizens of both sexes deemed Thomas guilty before testimony in the hearings even began. How could so many judge without assessing documented testimony from both sides?

The media.

There will forever be debates about the hearings; about the testimony, facts presented on each side, and the different theories. But Clarence Thomas was not a sexual harasser. He was a victim of the media, and of those pursuing self-glorification. Listen up folks, there is a judgment force surrounding us that is more powerful than the legal system: the media.



How did the media become so influential? And how did the American public let it nearly destroy Thomas's life? Actually, even though Thomas was confirmed into the Supreme Court, there will always be a part of his pride and reputation he can never reclaim. Thomas indicated, near the end of the hearings, that he wished he had never run. Not because he lacked the education or qualifications for the position of a Supreme Court judge, or that he sexually harassed Hill, but because of the unjust victimizing he and his family had to suffer. It is a sad society we live in that would cause one man to want to give up his dreams because the public is so quick to jump on the judgment bandwagon with the media as its leader. It is an equally sad society that allows the media to make or break a man's life. Perhaps Tocqueville said it best with this passage:

"As equality spreads and men individually become less strong, they ever increasingly let themselves glide with the stream of the crowd and find it hard to maintain alone an opinion abandoned by the rest."

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By Nicole Newton

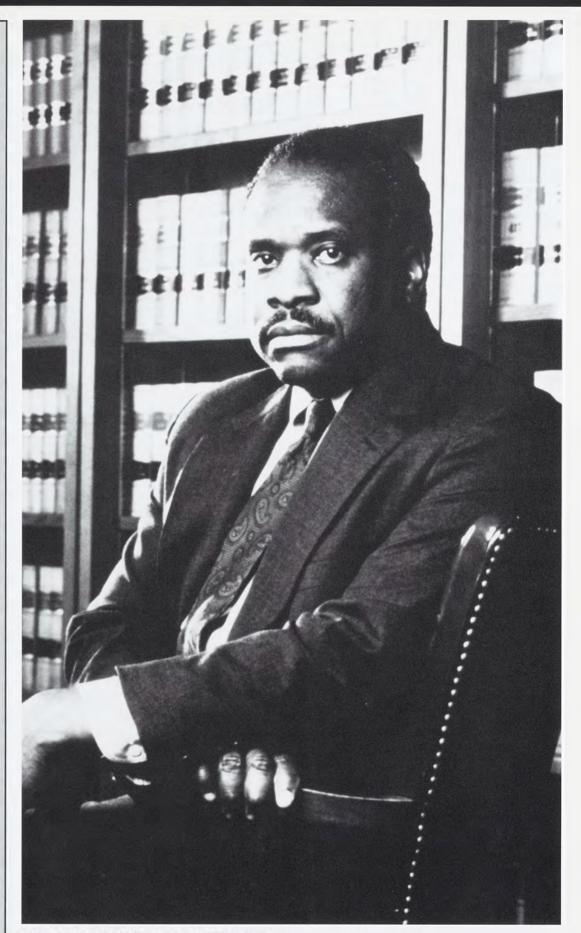
The question I hear continually about Anita Hill's credibility is, why did it take her ten years to tell her story? It is important to understand that only five percent of victims report sexual harassment. When they do, they are subjected to victim-blaming and personal scrutiny. Hill is a professor of law and knows what happens to women who come forward. Hill's harassment happened on Capitol Hill where legislators are exempt from many of the laws they initiate, and where no staff member can take sexual harassment complaints to the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission. This gives legislators a license to harass without repercussions. Because sexual harassment is about power, not sex, does it seem impossible to believe this woman was harassed by Thomas? And in this case, who was protected by the law of the land?

When we ask who believed Hill, look at the most likely side—his supporters. Why was there a push for his vote without looking into Anita Hill's accusations? Why was Thomas viewed during evening hours and Hill during the afternoon? And why were women from Capitol Hill who testified about their harassment and in support of Hill only allowed one-minute speeches? It seems that there was something to fear besides a publicity scandal and an attack on character. People believed Thomas because his confirmation vote was the closest since 1888, 52-48.

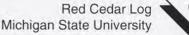
Many believe that these charges were erroneous allegations made to keep a black man off the Supreme Court. However, this was a man selected by white racists for a job where he will be asked to continue subjugating minorities, women, and the economic bettering of people. From what is known about Thomas, we can expect that he will kindly oblige. This trial was only made racial when Thomas screamed that he was being "lynched" by a woman who did not use her race or gender to support her charges. This was because Hill understood sexual harassment transcends race, sex, age and every other category.

Within days of the trial, grass-roots support movements sprung up in the United States. African American Women in Defense of Themselves was one, and another long-standing organization is Revolutionary Sisters of Color. Women must have safe environments to talk about what is happening to 42-90 percent of them. They question why sexual harassment increases with education, and how not to be considered objects, lynchers, or vindictive castrators.

When we have these opportunities to speak, we will realize our stories are similar and there will be a defense and support system for our sisters when they are held up to public ridicule for doing what is right, which is exposing a harasser.



Left: Anita Hill testifying in front of the Senate committee. Above: Clarence Thomas was eventually confirmed to the United States Supreme Court.





The End of an Era

Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall retires

By Associated Press

Thurgood Marshall, the first African-American member of the Supreme Court, was less than a week shy of his 83rd birthday when he announced on June 27, 1991, that he was retiring. His 24 years on the bench followed 23 of fighting before that court and others for the rights of the oppressed and forgotten.

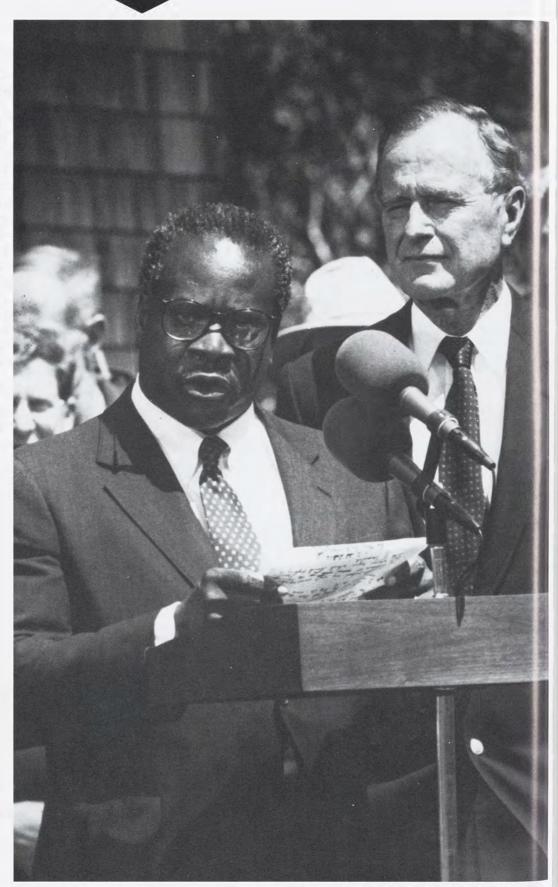
He won 29 of the 32 cases he argued before the Supreme Court while he was head of the NAACP Legal Defense Fund and, later, while he was the federal government's solicitor general. No victory was sweeter, or more earthshaking, than his 1954 coup in Brown vs. Board of Education when the court ruled that racially segregated schools were unconstitutional.

Marshall, the great-grandson of a slave, grew up in Baltimore and graduated from Lincoln University in Pennsylvania. He was refused admission to the University of Maryland Law School and attended Howard University instead. He traces his passion for civil rights to his father, who was a country club steward.

Marshall's pioneering civil rights career helped reshape the racial norms of the nation and earned him an exalted but ultimately lonely position on its highest court.



Above: Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall. Right: Clarence Thomas, Marshall's replacement, with President George Bush. Opposite page: Thurgood Marshall on one of his last days as a Supreme Court judge.









South Africa

Moving in a new direction for equality?



By Stacy Lammers and Ruqaiyah Rogers

For decades, the white-minority government in South Africa refused to see blacks as equals. But at a time when rival ethnic groups were tearing each other apart in many nations, South Africa's whites have voted to end apartheid.

The announcement of the vote on March 19, 1992 won a 68.7 percent "yes" response. President F.W. DeKlerk said his nation has taken a "historic step." DeKlerk's National Party and the African National Congress are among 19 groups that have been negotiating a new constitution since December, 1991. There could be agreement soon on general principles, but the constitution is likely to take several months.

It could take two years for black and white leaders to develop a new constitution guaranteeing rights for blacks, said Yacob Fisshea, assistant director of MSU's African Studies Center (Lansing State Journal, March 19, 1992).

Even though apartheid may be coming to an end after 44 years, enormous problems still may exist. According to an Associated Press article on March 19, 1992, whites are not likely to surrender power overnight. Also, many want a veto on the power of a future multiracial government and oppose drastic redistribution of wealth to correct inequities created by apartheid.

Whites still hold a very tight grip on the control of South Africa. MSU journalism professor Folu Ogundimu said compromise must occur before negotiation.

"Black South Africans' options are not being fully utilized, and they should be used. Blacks need to put more pressure on whites to show they are serious about (fighting for) change in policies," Ogundimu said. "This can be, and has been, done peacefully."

Votes and demonstrations are key examples of what South Africans need to use, Ogundimu added.

The United States played a large part in affecting change in South Africa. It was one of the few nations available financially and politically to help South Africa begin "affirmative action."

"The West holds the trump card for change," Ogundimu said. "The East still needs to define its political and economic agenda before it is significant (in this effort)."

Jabulani Buthelezi, an MSU education student from South Africa, said he has many strong beliefs about what needs to be done for progress to occur. He said black students in South Africa believe in "liberation first, education second."

"This thinking is very backward...black students should be concentrating more on studying than engaging in riotous behavior," Buthelezi said. "There is already too much violence in South Africa."

He added that education is the key to fighting the power of the oppressors in the country, and that the United States has played an important role in these efforts. Buthelezi said South African students are grateful for U.S. intervention and aid during these times.

"With the welfare of South Africa at heart. nothing else matters if the kids aren't in school." Buthelezi said. "As far as the government, I see blacks gaining power, sharing power—not a transfer of power."

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Mass Murders Sweep the States

By Jackie Long

In ten short minutes, a small Texas town received unwanted fame when it became the site of the worst mass murder in U.S. history.

At approximately 12:40 p.m. on Oct. 16, 1991, 35-year-old George Hennard of Belton, Texas plowed his truck through a window of Luby's Cafeteria in Killen, Texas, and opened fire on its customers. Before his bloody rampage was ended by police, Hennard gunned down 23 people and fatally shot himself in the head.

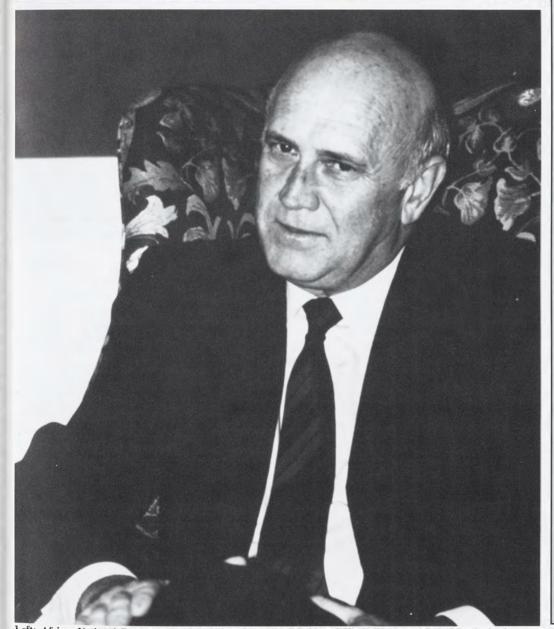
"As fast as he could pull the trigger he was shooting people," said one witness. Hennard wielded two semi-automatic hand guns, a 9 mm Glock 17 and a Ruger P89.

The once quiet, peaceful town was left to mourn and to wonder why its loved ones had fallen victim to a madman in his random and mass killing and leads people to take out aggressenseless act of violence.

Neighbors said they knew Hennard as a rude justice professor Jay Siegel. and frightening recluse. Women who knew him letters that terrified them. As an army doctor's son, armed forces. A former roommate, James Dunlap, said Hennard was " full of hate" for blacks, Hispanics, homosexuals and especially women.

Police theorized that his hatred of women may have motivated his actions. Witnesses said he seemed to single out women in his shooting. Of the 23 victims, 14 were women. He is also thought to have had a grudge against Bell County. Witnesses said that before he began shooting, he said, "This is what Bell County did to me."

" It is a random event that usually triggers a



Left: African National Congress president Nelson Mandela, President F.W. de Klerk, and Zulu Inkatha leader Mangosuthu Buthelezi signed a peace pact in September 1991 to end faction fighting in South Africa. Above: South Africa president F.W. de Klerk.

sion on the first available target," said MSU criminal

According to the Dallas Morning News, Dr. said he stalked them and wrote them disturbing Jack Levin of Northeastern University in Boston said Hennard fits experts' profile of a mass mur-Hennard spent much of his life in and out of the derer: a white male, usually at least in his 30s, socially isolated, motivated by an event that triggers the behavior, and someone who apparently has had some experience with and/or access to firearms.

> Siegel also said he sees a definite increase in the numbers of mass murders as random acts of violence in the United States. According to Siegel, there is no doubt that this phenomenon is related to violence-prone culture. A troubled economy can also be an influence, he said.

> To students and staff at the University of Iowa, no amount of theories can ease their pain. On Nov. 1, 1991, a former graduate student, Gang Lu, shot and killed five people and critically wounded another before fatally shooting himself.

> Lu was apparently seeking revenge for having been overlooked for an academic award nomination. Five of the people shot were faculty members and the sixth was a fellow graduate student.

> Unlike Hennard's rampage, evidence suggested that the Iowa's murders were planned in advance. Like Hennard, people who knew Lu also described him as extremely intelligent, but as a loner who had trouble with women.

> Unlike mass murderers, serial killers usually do not commit random acts, Siegel said. Jeffrey Dahmer, a 34-year-old former chocolate factory worker from Milwaukee, Wis., lured men to his apartment, drugged them, and then dismembered their bodies. Dahmer told police in July 1991 that he had killed 17 men.

> Siegel said that serial killers can be caught and stopped from committing more acts of violence, unlike mass murderers. He said through the use of "Process Psychological Profiling," a process that looks at the patterns of serial killers' murders, determines personality characteristics of the killer, and can determine where the killer may strike again so police can get clues to who the killer is. Siegel said technology is a benefit because it gives a larger resource information base and makes this information more accessible.

> Siegel said although it is impossible to predict or prevent cases of random and senseless violence, he does see some hope.

> "Things can't change very quickly," Siegel said. "It needs to be a cumulative effect of increased awareness. The best thing to do is to get those weapons out of the hands of these people," Siegel advised.



Natural Disasters

Oakland burned in fire; Texas ravaged by floods

By Ruqaiyah Rogers and the Associated Press

The brush fire that killed 19 people in Oakland, Cal., was the costliest blaze in U.S. history—the damage was put at more than \$5 billion.

Pushed by 25 mph winds across brush that had been dried by five years of drought, the October 1991 blaze destroyed more than 1,800 houses and 900 apartments, city officials said.

At least 48 people were injured and 5,000 evacuated, according to Sgt. Robert Jarrett.

President George Bush declared the fire site a major disaster area, opening the door to federal aid

for rebuilding.

The wooded area was a disaster waiting to happen because of the drought, officials said. Many of the area's once-elegant homes were reduced to rubble, their bare chimneys looming like giant tombstones.

Forestry Department spokeswoman Karen Terrill said, "The very thing that makes the wild lands attractive and romantic, like the tress, is what makes the wild lands deadly."

So what makes something so attractive turn deadly? MSU professor of forestry, Kurt Pretiziger, said in California, the shrub is very prone to

wildfire.

"Building houses in these type of communities is like building a house in a river flood. Pec de must understand these fires are very natural things, and it may be impossible to put the fires out right away," he said.

In places like the pine forest fires are bound to occur, according to Pretiziger. "People run the sisk of having their property destroyed if they build their homes in these type of environments."

Professor Donald Dickman of the fore ry department said part of the problem is an "urban-wild land interface." He said people in



urban communities are pushing farther in these wild lands.

"People don't understand the danger of fire that exist," Dickman said.

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ry an Not understanding the danger is a matter of growing human activity increasing the chance of fire occurring, he said. "With extremely dry conditions of a drought, people fail to realize the importance of putting out fires as quickly as possible," Dickman explained.

"When I say out I mean out, even the smallest ember," he said.

The real tragedy of this type of disaster relates directly to those involved, said Juliette Mackin, a graduate psychology student from California.

Mackin, who visited California in the summer of 1990, knows people in the San Francisco area who relayed how tough the fire was.

"What was interesting about the fire is that it hit a very wealthy area and the monetary loss was so big. Wild fires don't seem important until it hits peoples' homes," Mackin said.

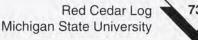
Mackin also noted that California is having an incredible water shortage. "It is a risk that you have all the time, living in this type of area," she said.

Living in the Midwest has helped Mackin appreciate the water that Michigan does have.

"I really don't think people here are aware of what goes on in California."



Left: Two men attempt to rescue a cow when rain storms in Texas caused massive flooding. Above: A brush fire in Oakland, California during October 1991 killed 19 people and caused more than \$5 billion in damage.



Dukin' It Out

Former klansman vies for Republican nomination

By John Guibord

David Duke, a former Ku Klux Klansman, rocked the political world by placing himself in contention for the Republican nomination for president in November, 1991. Duke made the decision shortly after losing the Louisiana gubernatorial election to incumbent Edwin Edwards.

Duke made blatant racist remarks in the press. According to a Detroit News article in December 1991, his past includes slurs against blacks, saying they are "unable to operate in society," and against Jews, saying "they should all become Christians."

Nevertheless, Duke's message fell upon the deaf ears of many Americans. Michigan's GOP chairman, David Doyle, said at a press conference, "He is not welcome in the Michigan Republican Party." White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said, "Hey, it would worry us if he gets one vote from anybody."

Ada Finifter, a political science professor at MSU, said Duke's emergence is indicative of the turbulent economic times.

"Figures like Duke tend to get more popular support in times when people are threatened by the poor economy," Finifter said.

Finifter said that besides the brutal recession, rapid social changes have enabled people like Duke to appeal to a segment of disenchanted Americans when it would have been difficult, if not impossible, for this to happen 15 to 20 years ago.

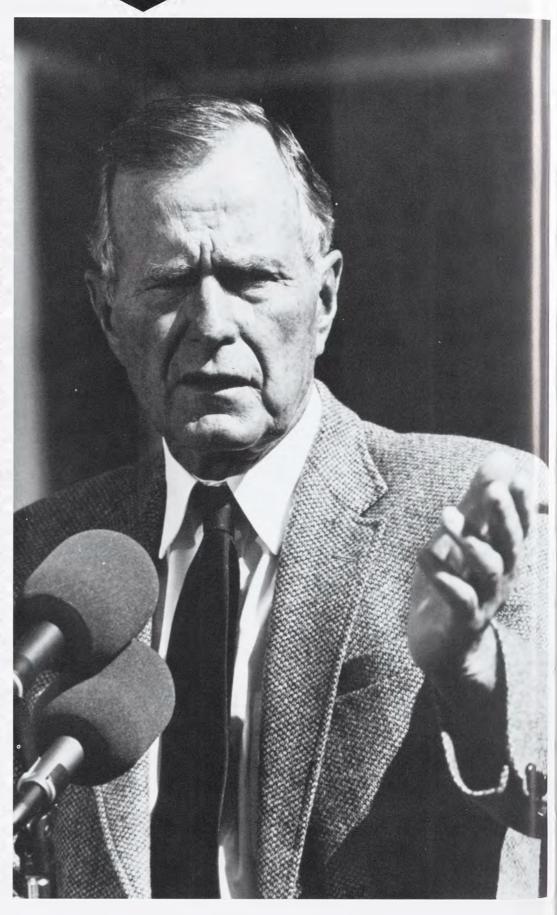
"Our democratic system proves the opportunity for those qualified to run for political office, " Finifter said. "But at the same time, you have to realize the system proves a form for many ideas, including bigoted ones like Duke's, to come out."

Ezra Hyland, academic guidance counselor to As One, said he is disgusted with a governmental system that can prop up David Duke by giving him a forum in which to profligate his racist beliefs.

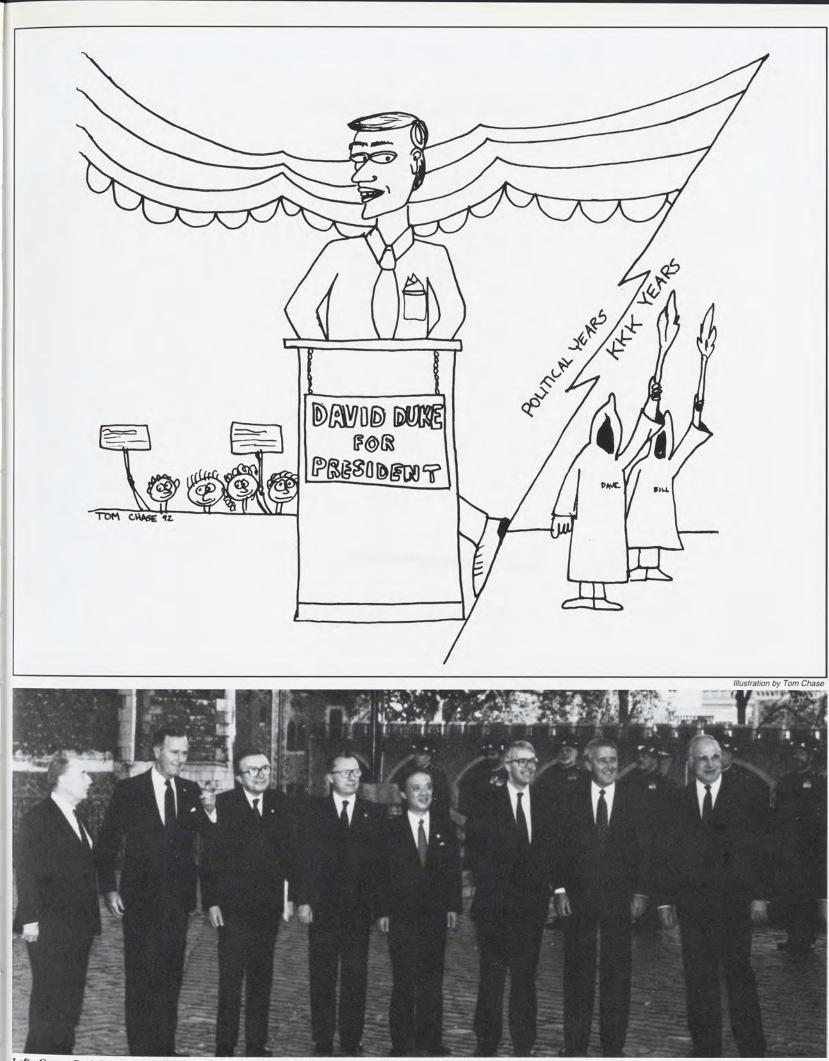
"What really worries me is George Bush can successfully focus the world's attention on a despot like Saddam Hussein, but here at home he won't publicly denounce a racist candidate of his own party," Hyland said.

Senior Caron Copeland said she doesn't believe there is a gap between Duke's policies and those of President Bush.

"His policies don't even contradict those of Bush—they're both serving the interest of white middle and upper classes," Copeland said. "While Duke may have made the mistake of being photographed in a KKK uniform, Bush wears the same clothing figuratively."







Left: George Bush faced competition from David Duke and Pat Buchanon for the Republican nomination. Above: Leaders of the world's seven largest industrial democracies began arriving in London in July 1991 for the summit focusing on aid for the Soviet Union.



Red Cedar Log Michigan State University

Freedom Finally

American hostages released

By Kate Curler

Terry Anderson, the longest-held U.S. hostage in Lebanon, was released on Dec. 4, 1991 after changes in the international scene led to a series of hostage releases.

Anderson, 44, was released healthy and in good spirits after 2,455 days in captivity. He was reunited with his fiancee, Madeleine Bassil, and his daughter Sulome, 6, who was born while he was in captivity.

Anderson was abducted on March 16, 1985, while working as the chief Middle East correspondent for Associated Press in Beirut, Lebanon.

Anderson was the most famous hostage held in Lebanon due to the exhaustive efforts of his sister, Peggy Say, who worked for his release.

"Of course I haven't changed at all," Anderson told his close friend Robert Fisk.

"I have been in a closet, so to speak, for seven years. Time stopped."

U.N.-assisted hostages-for-prisoners swaps led

to a series of hostage releases between August and December, 1991 that included Americans Edward Tracy, 60, Thomas Sutherland, 60, and Britains John McCarthy, 34, Jack Mann, 77 and Terry White, 52.

During 1984-1991, a variety of Shiite fundamentalist groups kidnapped more than 30 Westerners in Lebanon.

"There was no one reason for the taking of hostages," said Michael Rubner, MSU James Madison professor. "At different times, different people were taken for different reasons."

Hostages were kidnapped to gain release of the groups' own members in prison for terrorist activities, to protest American policies favorable to Israel, to gain free propaganda for the Palestinians in Lebanon or as a bargaining tool with the West for weapons, Rubner said.

The resolution of the hostage situation comes as a result of a variety of changes in the Middle East. With the Persian Gulf War and the declining influence of the Soviet Union in the area, the United States became the predominate power in the Middle East, according to *Newsweek Ma q*-*zine*,

"(The releases) essentially have to do v th Syria and Iran putting pressure on groups that h ve hostages in order to get on the good side of ve West to gain economic assistance, investment ve trade," Rubner said.

New Israeli willingness to reciprocate and release prisoners in the exchanges sped along the hostage releases, Rubner said.

"It's too bad that the hostages couldn't have been released sooner," said Lisa Jones, a psych dogy major. "I think the United States could have put forth more effort in gaining an earlier release. But I guess it's better to have the hostages released later than never."

"I've got a whole new life," Anderson sold after his release. "It's going to be happy. I'm going to enjoy it, God willing."





Left: Former hostage Terry Anderson salutes a crowd in Germany on December 5, 1991. With him are former hostages Joseph Cicippio (left), and Alann Steen (right). Above: Terry Anderson receives a cheerful homecoming after being released from six and a half years of captivity in Lebanon.



Nations Talk for Peace

U.S. meets with Arab states to promote peace

By Paula Turner

The year 1991 saw war and destruction, but led to new hopes for continuing peace in 1992.

The United States and the Soviet Union, under the leadership of former president Gorbachev, worked together to end the conflicts in the Middle East. Since they saw reconciliation as the only solutions to the problems of the East, the two superpowers began to bring Israel and Palestine to the bargaining table. With the two superpowers acting as co-sponsors, they invited the nations to try to work things out.

"The United States is pretty much the only country who can offer incentives for these countries to come to the bargaining table," said James Madison professor Michael Rubner.

Jason Friedenberg, mechanical engineering junior and a member of the Hillel Jewish Student Organization and Students for Israel, said he believes the United States should help out.

"It's important that the United States act as a mediator, but they must remember that's all they are," Friedenberg said.

The main issues to be discussed are the history of violence and fighting between the Palestinians and Jews over the settlement of the West Bank and Gaza strip. It is an issue that cuts to the very heart and history of both groups going beyond just political unrest. The battle between Washington and Jerusalem looms over the issue of \$10 billion in U.S. loan guarantees to Israel to help settle Soviet Jewish immigrants. To fuel the discussions even further, the United States hinted last September that the loan guarantees might be linked to limits on settlement construction. While the United States hopes this will speed up the process, it's up to the Middle Eastern nations to join the race.

Friedenberg said he disagrees with the way the United States is handling this part of the negotiations. He said he feels the United States is putting too much pressure on Israel and Syria, and forgetting the long history of fighting.

President Bush and Gorbachev formally announced joint US-Soviet sponsorship for a peace conference in a statement release on July 31, 1991, during their summit talks in Moscow.

Israel, Jordan, Lebanon, Syria, and the Palestinians accepted invitations last October to a Middle East peace conference held in Madrid from Oct. 30 through Nov. 1.

The somewhat successful Madrid conference was followed by two additional rounds in December 1991 and January 1992, in Washington. Progress has been made, but they still have a long way to go, according to Rubner.

Time seems to be the crucial element behind it all. Social science professor Fauzi Najjar said he believes the United States must stand the test of time and stick with their promise throughout the talks.

"The U.S. is doing the right thing provided they pursue the peace process until there is a lust and final settlement reached," he said.

"The more time that goes by the more things change and the harder it becomes to reach solutions," Rubner said.

Some believe many are waiting for the J ne 23 elections in Israel as well as those of the Un ed States in November. Both could be crucia to decisions and settlements, depending on who w ns. As the Middle East situation becomes more nd more relevant in election platforms, some seen to be just sitting back and waiting.

Friedenberg said he agrees the elections are behind some of Bush's motives.

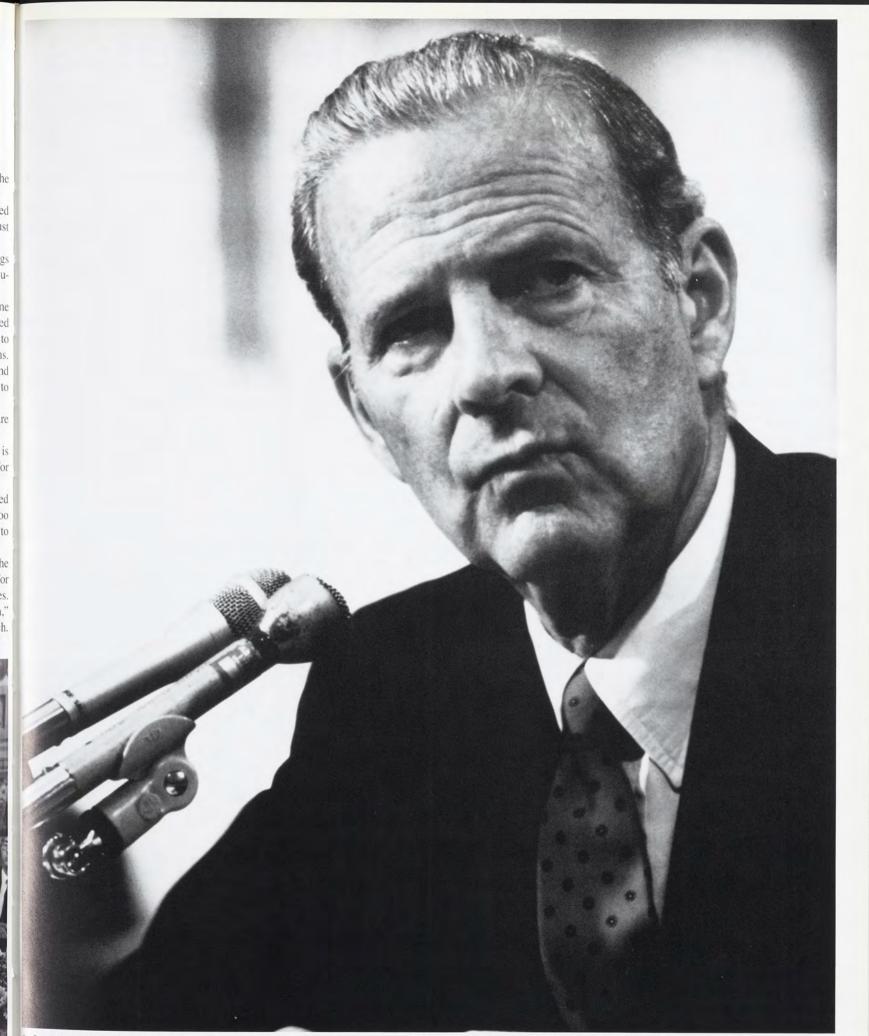
"With such a long history of fighting Bush is not going to find a short term solution in time for reelection," he said.

For now, Najjar said he believes the United States is handling things "sincerely" and that loo much pressure can't be applied to the countries to hurry things along.

Rubner said he agrees, but added that he believes that the United States can't do it alone for long, and will eventually need the help of its allies.

"The United States had the right approach," he said. "It's using a 'carrot and stick' approach. We can only hope they will bite the bait."





Left: Arab and Israeli delegates talked directly for the first time in Madrid, Spain. The talks were sponsored by the U.S. and the Soviet Union. Above: Secretary of State James A. Baker III represented the United States at the Middle East peace conference.





Rape in the United States

The rape trials of Kennedy and Tyson have brought public awareness

The Kennedy rape trial

By Jennifer Koster

The Kennedy name was made public once more, but this time it was not associated with any type of politics.

William Kennedy Smith, 31, a fourth-year medical student at Washington's Georgetown University and a third-generation Kennedy, went to trial on Dec. 1, 1991 for charges of second-degree sexual battery (Florida's legal term for rape) and misdemeanor battery. He was acquitted on all charges.

His accuser, 29-year-old Patricia Bowman, said that in the early hours of March 30, 1991, Smith raped her at his family's Palm Beach estate after a night of drinking and dancing at a nearby nightclub.

The story that went public on April 15 said

this: Smith, along with brother Patrick and Uncle Ted Kennedy, went drinking at a hotspot called Au Bar for a bachelor party. There, they met two women, one of whom Smith danced with all night and eventually left the bar with to go back to his estate.

Bowman said she was raped on the front lawn at the Palm Beach estate. Kennedy said she consented to have sexual intercourse with him, then "freaked out" when he accidentally caller her Kathy. She said he forced himself on her. He called her aggressive.

The case had a lot of loose ends that the prosecution failed to tie up. In 10 hours of tearful testimony, Bowman failed to provide many important details about the night, like who took her pantyhose off her body. She simply replied, "I don't remember. All I know is that he raped me."

Smith, when called to the stand, gave his story in 29 minutes.

public when she first pressed charges in April unt a Florida based supermarket tabloid, The Globy printed her name. A few news organization followed suit, but most had chosen not to revea her identity due to policies against publishing the name or photograph of accusers in rape cases. She was later criticized for accepting money to appear after the trial on ABC's "Primetime Live" and shed her anonymity.

MSU professor of women's studies Joya Ladenson said she didn't blame Bowman for keep ing a low profile.

"I generally am sympathetic with women wh come forward and say they were raped," she said "They have nothing to gain except public humil ation and pain."

There were no witnesses to the attack. Massachusetts Senator Ted Kennedy was sleeping i the Palm Beach estate but said he didn't hear or seanything.

Bowman's identity remained a mystery to the

Viewpoint: Too many factors bias opinions in rape

By Tim Noonan

Rape is among such a distinct classification of crimes that are so morally reprehensible that those who stand accused of such a crime fail to receive fair treatment in the press. The rape trial of William Kennedy Smith showcased how readily the press is willing to slaughter the accused before a trial is held to determine justice.

After the jury brought back a not-guilty verdict, the press cried foul, and claimed that because the defendant was white and rich, he was found innocent. Instead of applying the facts, it was easier to play up to people's emotions rather than their logic. Now, to satisfy this need, a closer examination of why he was deemed innocent will follow.

The case against Kennedy Smith was decidedly uncertain, and many legal experts questioned bringing this to trial. Rape is a difficult crime to prove under normal circumstances. In this instance, the accused never denied that he engaged in intercourse with the accuser. Now in order to prove rape, the prosecution must show that consent Cases

was not given by the woman. This, of course is practically impossible to prove beyond a reasonable doubt.

The prosecution's case fell apart in the beginning, when the judge ruled that the testimony of three other women claiming to have been raped by Smith wouldn't be admitted into evidence. Under Florida law, the testimony about a rape defendant's sexual history is not allowed unless there is a "striking and detailed" similarity to the crime charged. Roy Black, Smith's attorney, successfully argued that the accusations made by these women did not represent a "signature style." Furthermore, they had never filed charges against Smith, thereby nullifying any justification for allowing their accusations into evidence.

After this ruling, the prosecution's strongest piece of evidence was the bruises on the accuser's body. Experts were brought in to confirm that the bruises were consistent with the kind of bruises rape victims usually receive. The defense, however, was able to dispel this proposition by showing that the bruises were not fresh.

A strong piece of evidence that the de-

fense brought up was the accuser's dress. She claimed that she was tackled by the accused before the rape. When an analysis of the dress was made, no abrasions were found. Considering that they were down by the beach, if Smith were to have tacked her, either on the sand or the grass, certainly the dress would have some kind of soiling due to the impact of a body coming down upon the ground. Yet, the dress bore no marks consistent with the story of an attack. Naturally, in light of this evidence, it was very hard for the jury to be convinced of guilt beyond a reasonable doubt.

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This, by no means, was all there was to the case. The defense was able to constantly draw out discrepancies in the accuser's story, while Mr. Smith made a convincing testimony on the stand. It was, therefore, no surprise to anyone who followed the trial that William Kennedy Smith was found innocent. The fact that the media and the unenlightened tried to make this into a racial and monetary issue is perhaps telling of the ignominious state of our society.



Viewpoint: There are lessons to be learned from rape trials

By Amy Tasevich

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She went up to his room. She asked for it. She deserved it. Did you see what she was wearing? Or perhaps the other extreme. I knew he did it. He and his family think that they can do whatever they want and get away with it.

We've heard these lines come out of someone's mouth at one time or another.

Rape has come into the spotlight this past year. There was the William Kennedy Smith rape case and the trial of Mike Tyson. Both were highly publicized events that dominated the media. Because of the high profiles of the men involved, it seems that people have taken it upon themselves to not only form an opinion, but to profess a personal verdict based on that opinion. I have heard people refer to Patricia Bowman as the "woman who Will Smith raped" even though the jury in his case returned a 'not guilty' verdict.

People have compared the cases and turned the crime of rape into a racial issue. I have heard more than one person theorize that Smith got off because he was a white man and Tyson was convicted because he is black. People have compared the monetary status of the two men, their perspective roles in society and their influence in America.

This is all politics. The only similarity in these two cases is that they both dealt with famous individuals who were carefully scrutinized by the public throughout their ordeals. Both verdicts have been returned and that should be enough for us. We should try to take what we can from each case and run.

Rape is not a racial issue. It is not a question of wealth. It is not something that only happens to the famous. It happens everyday to ordinary, average people. One in four women will be sexually assaulted by the time they graduate from college. In fact, most rapes occur between two people who know each other. Rape is a crime of violence, power and exploitation. Perhaps the only way to prevent it is by using education to bridge the gap between the sexes.

There was a lot of criticism when CNN broadcast the Smith case live. Many people tuned in to take in the torrid details. But at least it made people aware. At least it familiarized people with the way that the court system works. And most of all, it made people think. If all the publicity made men and women think about their possible role in a rape scenario and how it would personally affect their lives, then the broadcast was a success. Now the education can begin. Women can learn how to protect themselves. They can also realize that they do not owe anyone anything. And if an unfortunate rape incident occurs, they can eventually gain back their self-esteem and realize that they did not ask to be raped.

We have all been taught since kindergarten that we say "no" when we do not want something. No means no and we all know it. Perhaps after this year of rape in the media, men will realize that they will have to start taking responsibility for their actions. Maybe now that we've seen a glimpse of the courtroom, we can put our faith back in the legal system and let justice be done.

The Tyson rape trial

By Jennifer Koster

On July 19, 1991, 18-year-old Desiree Lynn Washington went to former heavyweight champion Mike Tyson's hotel room. She had met him in Indianapolis at the Miss Black America beauty pageant, in which she was a contestant.

The room was number 606. The hotel was the Canterbury. And it was where Washington, a Sunday school teacher, said she was raped by Tyson.

From the beginning, the public was skeptical. After the controversial and well-publicized Kennedy rape case, there were doubts about the legitimacy of Washington's accusation. Stephen Lerner, an accounting junior at MSU, said he thought at first that she was out for publicity.

"It just seemed as if another unknown person was accusing a household name," he said. "At least that's what I thought before I heard the facts of the case."

Others assumed it was true, due to Tyson's track record for bad behavior. Jeanne Safranski, a history junior, said she believed Washington from the start.

"I definitely thought he was guilty, and I'm just glad she had the courage to press charges," she said.

At the urging of her parents, Washington filed charges against Tyson 24 hours after she left the hotel room. On Sept. 9, 1991, a Marion County grand jury indicted Tyson on one count of rape, two counts of deviant sexual conduct and one count of confinement.

On Feb. 10, after 13 days of trial at Marion County Superior Court in Indianapolis, Tyson was found guilty of rape and two counts of sexual deviant conduct.

Judge Patricia J. Gifford sent Tyson straight to jail in Plainfield, Ind., after his sentencing on March 27. He was sentenced to 10 years in prison with four years suspended. If he behaves in jail, Tyson will be eligible for parole in 1995.

Tyson had to call off his much-awaited boxing match with heavyweight champion Evander Holyfield.

MSU journalism professor Keith Greenwood said he wasn't sure if Tyson was guilty or not.

"It's a case of where both sides could be right," he said. "In her mind, she was raped. In his mind, it was normal behavior."



The Uncertain Job Market

Failing economy means scarce jobs for graduates

By Karen Holtschneider

An estimated 25 million people in the United States were unemployed at some point during 1991. In addition, a large number of corporations are "downsizing"- cutting back on their employees-according to the United States Bureau of Labor Statistics.

This year's graduates are facing a challenging job market, according to Vernicka Tyson, acting director of the MSU Career Development and Placement Services.

"Those of us who have been in the field for a while can say this is the worst market we've faced in many, many years," Tyson said.

Tyson said the number of companies coming to interview at MSU is down from recent years, and students are discovering that a simple diploma is not enough to survive during these competitive times

"The key is experience," said Jodie Ramsdell, an advertising senior. "If you want to separate yourself from other candidates, you have to get involved."

Tyson also had some advice for students.

"Students need to learn effective job search strategies, " she said. "They also must be persistent and flexible, as far as the types of jobs and the geographic area."

Larry Reibstein, staff researcher for Newsweek, gave similar advice in a January 1992 article. "Even as layoffs continue and joblessness rises, job seekers can find pockets of growth around the country," he said.

Reibstein said the mountain states, such as Nevada and Colorado, have small pockets of growth due to the exodus of small companies from California.

Graduates should remain aware of the financial status of each region when looking for a job, Reibstein said. This will result in a more effective search.

Despite the state of the job market, some MSU students have already found jobs. Other students continue their education in graduate or professional school.

Steve Harthorn, a 1991 MSU graduate, decided to continue his education in law school after graduating in March with a degree in finance.

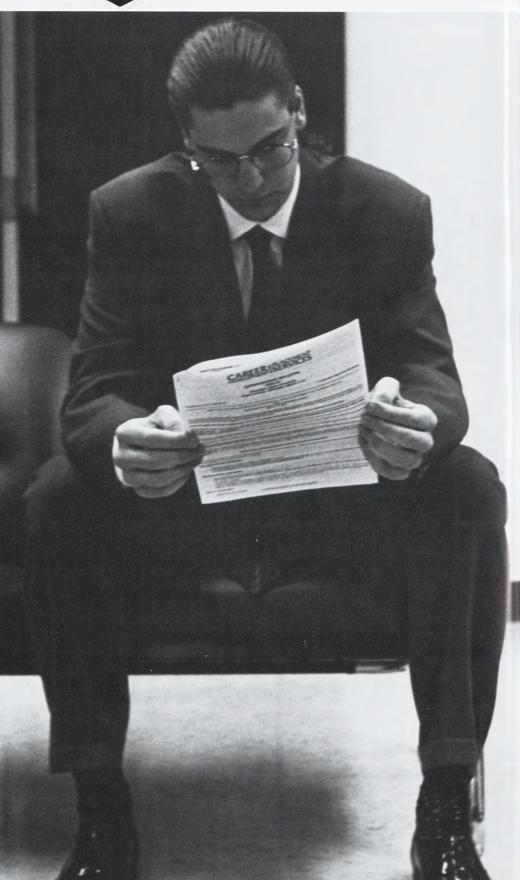
"The market was too tight for me to enter at that time and get the type of job I wanted," he said. "A law degree will help me."

Ramsdell advised students to be creative when hunting for a job.

"Don't pass up any job tip," Ramsdell said. "You never know which one will pay off."



Above: An MSU student checks out the interviewing bulletin distributed by Career Placement and Services while waiting for an interview.



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U.S. Congress Off Balance

By Ruqaiyah Rogers

Several members in the U.S. Congress have recently given the word "bounce" a new meaning.

The 355 check bouncers in Congress managed to scribble thousands of bad checks on House bank accounts without having to pay late charges or interest, according to a March 14, 1992 report from the Associated Press.

The U.S. House Ethics Committee released the names on March 13, 1992, after voting to publicly identify 296 current members and 59 former members who wrote bad checks at the chamber's bank between July 1989 and June 1990.

The now-defunct bank offered members no-interest checking accounts and direct deposit of their paychecks. Under the bank's procedures, checks written on insufficient funds were honored without a financial penalty.

Generally, the bank held the checks until the member either deposited money to cover the shortage or waited until the member's paycheck was deposited. The House Ethics Committee also identified the 22 worst offenders among those lawmakers who wrote bad checks. The worst offender on the list, former Rep. Tommy Robinson, R-Ark., had 996 overdrafts, the committee said. Locally, among those named were Rep. Robert Davis, R-Mich., with 878, and Rep. John Conyers, D-Mich., with 273 overdrafts.

Even though several members on the lists argued that the bank was slow to credit their deposits and the delay caused their accounts to be overdrawn, others didn't see this as a valid argument.

"I think it is typical of a bureaucracy to make up excuses," said Dale Braggs, a journalism education senior.

Braggs said he believes this type of behavior is expected in any type of huge infrastructure.

"There will always be problems with finance and waste," he said.

Charles Ballard, associate professor of economics, said he didn't see anything wrong with releasing the names.

"It was something that attracted attention from the public.," he said. "I think the government's point of keeping secrecy gave the decided impression of a cover-up."

How could members of the House get away with bouncing checks over such an extended period of time?

Ballard said he believes the members of the House didn't see anything wrong because taxpayers' money wasn't involved.

"It would have been easy for it to persist since the taxpayers' dollars weren't used. It would have come to light sooner if this was the case."

Ballard said that in one respect he doesn't see a reason to be upset because almost everyone has bounced a check. However, those involved in persistent overdrafts of large amounts do give the House a bad reputation, he said.

"There are some cases where criminal charges could be filed," he explained.

To know that members of Congress are exempting themselves from the laws they pass for the public is a symbol of an institution out of control, according to Ballard. "It sends a discouraging message," he said.



Controversial Figures

Louis Farrakhan and Jack Kevorkian stir up emotions

By Ruqaiyah Rogers

Minister Louis Farrakhan, leader of the Nation of Islam, visited MSU a second time on April 18, 1992. The visit was colored with questions and controversy.

As One leaders had complained about MSU's plan to bill the group for 20 police officers providing security at the event, which MSU estimated at \$7,000. After obtaining a copy of the group's financial records, the State News asked how As One was paying for Farrakhan's appearance because their records didn't reflect any available money. And Mark Finklestein, executive director of the Hillel Jewish Student Center, said he thought Farrakhan scheduled his visit on April 18 because as the first day of Passover it eliminated their ability to protest.

Despite the controversy about his visit, Farrakhan spoke to an audience of over 3,000 at MSU's auditorium.

Farrakhan addressed the problems surrounding his visit. "Every time I'm invited it seems to cause a stir and I don't understand," he said. "The poor students have to work so hard to bring a black man to the campus."

Farrakhan also criticized the MSU Department of Public Safety for its \$7,000 security charges.

"Maybe we ought to tell all black students to get the h— out of the white universities," he said.

In the three-hour speech Farrakhan discussed "black problems" and "black solutions" rather than the relationship between Jews and African Americans.

"I didn't come here to talk about Black-Jewish relations or about charges of anti-Semitism. We have your (Jewish) history and we know you pretty well. You're angry because we know the truth and we are not afraid to speak," Farrakhan said. Farrakhan's 1990 campus visit ignited protest from the Jewish community because of alleged anti-Semitic remarks made by him.

Speaking about abortion and building a stronger black family, Farrakhan said blacks haven't made any gains since 1968. He described what he said were historical and political conspiracies against black people.

"As black people, we are in a terrible condition. Black children are suffering," he told the audience.

Farrakhan said society ignores blacks when they're no longer useful, just as it ignores elderly people regardless of color.

"Where is the moral correctness in this society?" he asked.

Farrakhan's visit elicited a variety of responses.

Ezra Hyland, advisor to As One, thought Farrakhan's visit served to "uplift and motivate the audience to new action."

"His speech instituted a sense of new pride," Hyland said.

Alice Swanberg, an English and German senior, said she also enjoyed Farrakhan's speech and didn't take offense as a white person.

"It wasn't directed to me as a white person. I think he was saying that African-Americans should

unify. I don't think he was attacking white or Jews. He was attacking everybody," Swanl erg said.

However Swanberg disagreed with Farrakhan's position about abortion (women should view their bodies as "sacred" and not "murder the fruit of the womb") and questioned his theory on AIDS as a manufactured disease for the destruction of the "undesirables" in American society (people of color, especially African-Americans, and also gay men).

"I took offense to his anti-abortion stance," Swanberg said.

"I also thought his conspiracy theory on AIDS was kind of far-fetched. It made me want to go look at the Congressional records he referred to," (Senate Appropriation Committee Report, June 9, 1969).

Scott Metcalfe, a biological sciences senior, said he thought the speech was informative. "I think it is essential for blacks and whites to come see what he (Farrakhan) has to say. He has a very positive message," Metcalfe said.

As for the questions of Farrakhan's visit bringing trouble, Hyland said he doesn't see it as such.

"I don't actually believe people thought there would be any problems," Hyland said. "But whenever black people get together they think there will be problems. That is just racism and bigotry talking. In the 60 years that the Nation of Islam has had their meetings, there has never been a problem."



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Euthanasia became a prominent topic of discussion at MSU after Jack Kevorkian, the former pathologist now known as "Dr. Death," was arrested again in early February after assisting the suicides of two Michigan women in October of 1991.

Kevorkian's lawyer Geoffrey Fieger identified the latest suicide patients as Sherry Miller from Roseville and Marjorie Wantz from Sodus. Miller suffered from multiple sclerosis, while Wantz suffered from a pelvic disease. Neither disease was terminal.

Kevorkian first became a public figure when he assisted a woman in taking her life using what he described as a "suicide machine." Kevorkian injected lethal chemicals into the patient. Since that time the court has prohibited him from further use of the machine.

These latest suicides, which took place in a cabin at the Bald Mountain Recreational Area in Oakland County, were performed using two different machines also designed by Kevorkian. He has made three different machines. The first machine, which is an inhaler, has the patient inhale carbon dioxide through a valve. With the second machine, Kevorkian injects lethal chemicals into the patient. The third machine is also an inhaler which the patient uses without Kevorkian's assistance. All three allow the patient to turn the machine on.

Kevorkian was facing two counts of open murder and one count of delivering a controlled substance after his arrest in February. The charges were handed down by a citizen grand jury.

Some MSU students have very definite opinions of Kevorkian and the issue of "doctor-assisted" suicides. Derek Darkowski, a communications senior, supports Kevorkian's actions.

"I think it's fine. If people are terminally ill and they signed a waiver that it is what they wanted to do, then it is their choice."

Others agreed with Darkowski.

"I think it's a good thing if people's quality of life is that low where they don't want to go on living. They should be able to stop the pain," said Rob MacDonald, a physiology junior. "He's giving them a real alternative to the pain they're feeling." Some students said they could not form a definite opinion.

"It's something you really can't judge unless you're experiencing it at the time," said Julie Wing, a psychology junior.

"Dr. Death" has also triggered debate over the ethical dilemmas facing medical professionals who treat terminally ill patients.

According to Dr. Leonard Fleck, associate professor of Medical Ethics and Health Care Policy at MSU, what Kevorkian did was "morally wrong."

"He used those women for his personal purpose, to promote the public use of his suicide machine. He did not offer his patients the proper counseling required for their condition," Fleck said.

Kevorkian called euthanasia the "last civil right" while speaking via telephone to a conference on secular humanism in November.

"I will not follow the example of those immoral Nazi doctors, which the rest of the doctors in this country seem to be doing," Kevorkian said.

Currently, there is no law specifically banning "doctor-assisted" suicide in Michigan.

J. Scott Park



Above: Nation of Islam minister Louis Farrakhan has visited MSU twice in the past few years, stirring up controversy in the student community.



Racism in America

Racist acts on college campuses and police brutality have people concerned

By Ruqaiyah Rogers

In February of 1987, a student disc jockey at the University of Michigan asked listeners, "Who are the two most famous black women in history? Answer: Aunt Jemima and M—__f___," Two months later ethnic and racist jokes were discovered in the campus computer system. One of the students who logged in the file, which included homophobic and anti-Semitic jokes as well, remarked, "You had to go out of your way to see it."

In October of 1991 The Crimson-White, the student newspaper at the University of Alabama, reported that white student members of Sigma Chi fraternity and Kappa Delta sorority painted themselves black for a pledge party that mocked poor blacks using the theme "Who Rides the Bus?" In response to the fraternity's and sorority's actions, school officials ordered the cancellation of pledge swaps, parties between fraternities and sororities.

More recently, about 35 black students at Olivet College in Eaton County packed up and left the campus on April 8, 1992, saying the college was not doing enough to protect them from racist threats.

The students' decision to leave was a result of a fight between two groups of students that injured two individuals and degenerated into racial epithets. The fight allegedly started when a white female student in her dorm room called her sorority, claiming to be frightened by two African American students outside her door. Someone at the sorority contacted a fraternity and members of Phi Alpha Pi allegedly rushed over and confronted two African American students in the dorm lobby.

Racism on college campuses no longer con-

sists of isolated incidents. Racism is receiving national attention and college administrators and students are examining the direction it is taking.

Murray Edwards, coordinator for African American students at the Office of Minority Student Affairs at MSU, said race relations on campus have gone from bad to worse. This relationship reflects two separate societies—one white and other non-white, Edwards said.

"The climate of race relations on campus is explosive. I think there hasn't been enough done in terms of awareness. You can see this in the residence halls and in the classrooms," Edwards said. "My belief is based on looking at the campus in the Civil Rights era and the '70s. There was more effort made to have a comfortable environment. But in the last 10 years you have seen a reverse," he said.

A reduction in minority-based programs and decreasing minority faculty and staff has contributed to the state of race relations, Edwards said.

"We have constantly heard that professors don't provide comfortable environments for students in classrooms," he said. "Students have complained that professors make negative comments about minorities in class, and when students speak out, nothing is done to rectify the situation."

Olivet College is an indication of what is yet to come on college campuses, according to Edwards.

"Racial and ethnic students are getting frustrated with the racist attitudes."

Christopher K. Vanderpool, professor and chairperson of the sociology department, said MSU is one of the better places that has made an effort to overcome institutional racism. "I say this with a sense of pride," Vander ool said. "However, even though MSU has n ade efforts, it is not enough, because in some insta ces the system may aggravate problems institutiona ly."

Luis Garcia, coordinator for Hispanic Students in the Office of Minority Student Affairs, ag eed about MSU's efforts toward diversity.

"What has happened is that it is on paper but as far as implementing it institutionally to the extent necessary, it has only happened to a degree," Garcia said.

Vanderpool said that with institutional rac sm, people should have equal advantages, past advantages should be corrected and the system should be put on the track of how things should be run in the 21st century.

A possible way of educating people on compus about minority students and racism is through offices like Edward's and sociology classes that Vanderpool teaches. Edward said the Office of Minority Student Affairs does play a role, but he also believes the university expects them to do all the work.

"It is our responsibility to make people aware, but we can only play a small part. The other part falls on the community. You also have to have staff advisers, professors and administrators who are sensitive to these issues," Edwards said.

Furthermore, Edwards said, education on racism has to be a university-wide effort.

"We can talk to white people until they are blue in the face—some won't listen. It is the white professors and administrators talking to the white students that makes the difference."



Above: Although peace activists show their support for peace by painting the rock by Bessey, racist and violent acts still occur on campus.

Paul Simon refused to play in concert in South Africa because of the country's policy of apartheid



By Ruqaiyah Rogers

It was a decision that sent Los Angeles up in flames.

The April 29, 1992 verdict in which four white police officers were acquitted of nearly all charges for the beating of African-American motorist, Rodney King, resulted in a week of fires, rioting and looting.

After a little over a week of social unrest, statistics showed there were 46 deaths, including seven people shot by law enforcement officers; 2,116 injuries; 9,400 arrests; 5,273 heavily damaged or destroyed buildings; 12,900 troops and other federal personnel, including prison guards and border agents called to duty, and an estimate of 5550 million worth of damage.

The jury of six men and six women reached its verdicts in the King trial after seven days of deliberations in the East Ventura County Courthouse. But the jurors were unable to reach agreement on one count, the charge of excessive force, against Officer Laurence Powell, 29, the training officer who repeatedly clubbed King with his steel baton buring his March 3, 1991, arrest. A mistrial was declared on the count against Powell. Powell and the remaining three defendants, Sgt. Stacey Koon, and officers Theodore Briseno, 39, and Timothy Wind, 32, were cleared of the remaining charges in the five-count grand jury indictment.

Koon, Briseno and Wind had been charged

with assault with a deadly weapon and excessive force. In addition, Koon and Powell were charged with filing false police reports, for allegedly covering up the injuries King sustained.

The acquittals caused many people to be outraged and shocked.

The infamous amateur videotape, which documented King, a 27 year-old ex-construction worker, receiving 56 blows to his body, puzzled many people about its lack of success in court as the most incriminating piece of evidence.

On campus students, administrators and faculty felt the same frustration as those in Los Angeles did.

Lisa Gardner, a multi-disciplinary pre-law senior, felt the decision was a grave injustice.

"The evidence was very clear. There are ways of constraining a person without consistently beating them," Gardener said.

Beyond the verdict, the evidence in the case illustrates the social stratification and frustration the public experiences on a regular basis.

The fires, looting and rioting caused leaders from African-American, Latin American, Asian-American and European American communities to sit down and examine the "underlying" factors of the King case.

"What you have is police, citizens, students and even professors who are frustrated," said Dr. Christopher K. Vanderpool, chairperson of the sociology department at MSU. "We feel a challenge daily by a system that promises a lot and doesn't deliver, so we exhibit frustration," he said.

This system that hasn't delivered is what Dr. George Cornell, associate English professor, associate professor of history, and Director of the Native American Institute, questioned at an all-campus forum on April 20, 1992 called "Face to Face: The Rodney King Decision and Beyond."

"The rioting and looting are the consequences from a nation of disparity," Cornell said. "We have witnessed the result of increasing economic disparity, exacerbated from the lack of understanding... This economic disparity has led to a situation where we are seeing people increasingly frustrated...Frustration when it reaches the point that it did in Los Angeles has to find some outlet."

According to Cornell this outlet of frustration should be a signal to all Americans that we need to rethink issues and gear up programs in institutions to address these problems.

"It is time for America to stop sweeping problems under the rug," he said.

Another panelist, Dr. Thomas Gunning, professor of psychiatry, said that Rodney King is a "wake up call."

"It is not just Los Angeles, it's every city in America," he said. "Rodney King's issue just made us more ware of our own feelings and emotions."



The Magic Tragedy

The nation was shocked by Magic Johnson's announcement of AIDS

By Ruqaiyah Rogers

Magic Johnson's announcement of being HIV positive caused AIDS awareness fever. Suddenly the public was bombarded by information on the AIDS virus and safe sex.

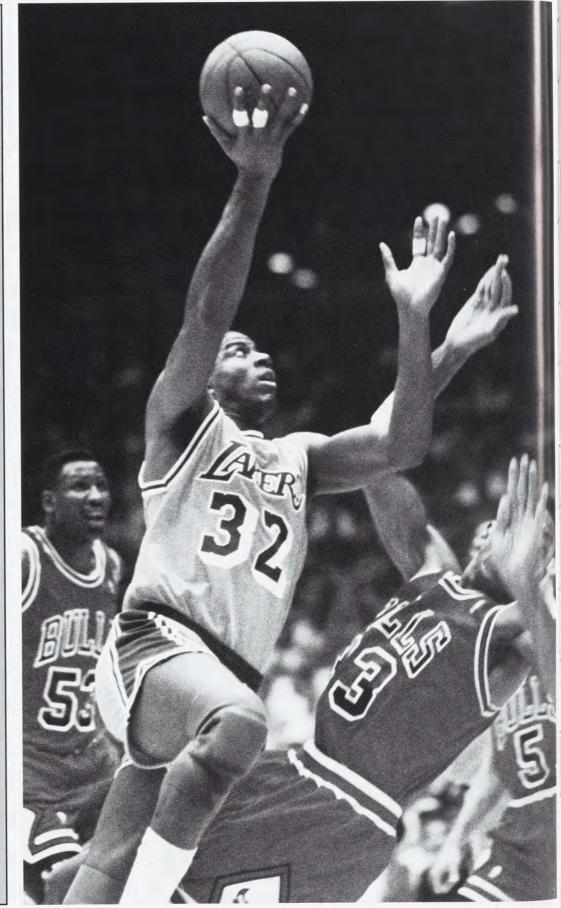
Johnson's personal message of practicing safe sex soon turned to "the best way of practicing safe sex is abstinence." He also volunteered to lead a national campaign on AIDS awareness. Now, Johnson has a book about AIDS prevention.

It is unfortunate that Johnson tested positive for HIV. He was at the height of his career and his personal life. But the plain facts showed that Johnson's promiscuity was the cause of his situation. I am sure at the time of his bachelor days, the possibility of being affected by the AIDS virus was the last thing on his mind, but you make your bed and you lie in it. Now, this is literally the case for Johnson.

I do commend Johnson for making his announcement and taking an active role in educating the public about the disease. His special on Nickelodeon, "A Conversation with Magic," in which he talked with younger kids about AIDS, was especially touching. Johnson is doing a good deed by making contributions to the AIDS foundation and aiming his message of "safe sex" to the younger generation. But I wonder— if Johnson hadn't discovered he was HIV positive, would he be such the crusader of this cause?

Johnson does deserve recognition for his efforts, although the image of "Magic" has come under fire by some AIDS activists who say that the public wouldn't care about the disease if it wasn't for Johnson. Whether this is plausible, I don't know. But I do know that a message of "safer sex" is not going to render any solutions to battling the disease and finding a cure. Instead of aiming a message of "safe sex" to the kids who are 10 and 11 years old and sexually active, we need to redefine our values in this society.

I am not saying that people should stop having sex, even though abstinence has its place, but for those who care about their health, like I do, we need to reevaluate the choices we have been making about our sexuality. I know that when I decide to have children, I will educate my kids about the consequences of their choices and behavior. That simply means instilling some basic values on morality.





By Paula Turner

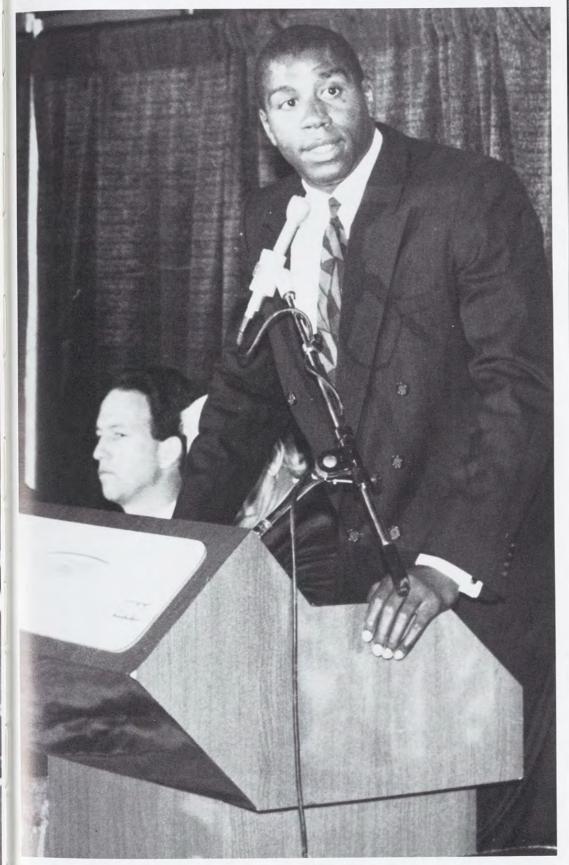
Sometimes it takes magic to show us what we've got.

In November, 1991, basketball superstar and MSU alumni Earvin "Magic" Johnson announced he was HIV-positive, and the nation was shocked.

The news spread like wildfire. No one was

exactly sure what had happened for hours. The nation suddenly supplied more rumors than a seventh-grade slumber party. Some said he had AIDS, and the evening news made it sound like he was already dead. People all over the country wondered what this actually meant, for this was the first time a famous athlete had been diagnosed HIV-positive.

Besides the threats to his life, what would



eft: Magic Johnson, #32, played for the Los Angeles Lakers before his abrupt retirement. Voove: Magic Johnson has now become an advocate of AIDS education. become of the career of one of the most-loved stars in the NBA? There were so many questions from naive America, and so few answers.

One simple test changed Magic's life forever. Concerns about his career, the Olympics, his health and that of his wife and unborn child were questions no one could answer. Finally people who said "it could never happen to me" started to wonder just how strong their philosophy was.

I guess it's true. Every cloud does have a silver lining. Magic proved this. His announcement made people realize it REALLY COULD HAPPEN TO ANYONE! What doctors have been telling us for years was finally sinking in. It wasn't a virus that only struck drug addicts and homosexuals, it was something that could infect strong, healthy, athletic heterosexuals.

Sophomore Laura Endersbe said, "It was like when something bad happens to a friend. It makes you think."

Junior Andy Hefty said he believes it was Magic's congenial personality and athletic ability, his "magic combination," that made everyone so concerned.

It's said that it takes something so horrible to wake people up. So many thousands of anonymous people have died from AIDS and it tool only one sports idol to be HIV-positive, with only the possibility for contracting AIDS, to make a difference. However sad but true, finally something worked.

I believe, though it's impossible to know how many students are taking extra precautions, that there has been a slight change in attitudes, and hopefully in actions. Magic is a married man in a monogamous relationship now. The past isn't just the past. It's a series of events that predict your future when it comes to AIDS.

Hefty said he believes the early announcement by Magic has made a large impact on education, and I agree.

After the confusion and chaos, settled people started to pay attention to what Magic was saying, and were more curious to find out the truth. Magic's first message was to practice safer sex and use condoms, and he started to think about it more too. As he learned more he changed his theory and said that abstinence is the best policy. By doing this and changing his advice to the public, Magic showed he too had a lot to learn about this virus, forcing people to learn and think even more.

Magic is now left wondering "what if.." for the rest of his life. And because we love him so much, so are we.

Thank you, Magic, for making something so private so public. Hopefully by your actions you can save someone else. I think we all agree even if one life is saved you've done the right thing.

Do you believe in Magic? I do.



The Year in Sports

Of Arthur Ashe, the Minnesota Twins, Dan Marino and Michael Jordan

By Ruqaiyah Rogers

Do Americans have the right to know about everything that happens?

Do journalists have an obligation or responsibility to inform the public about all facts, no mater how big or small?

These have become crucial questions with the discovery of many well-known public figures contracting the HIV virus that causes AIDS.

The latest revelation came from tennis legend Arthur Ashe, who reluctantly announced that he has AIDS.

Ashe, the first black man to win Britain's Wimbledon tennis tournament, said he contracted the virus from a blood transfusion, probably during his 1983 heart operation. He learned he had AIDS in 1988.

The decision to make an announcement and go public in much the same way as basketball star Earvin "Magic" Johnson did, came after a reporter and editor from USA Today confronted him with the information.

Could Ashe have denied the allegations? Only he knows. But Ashe's situation does raise the question of the difference between informing the public and invading the privacy of an individual.

Journalism professor Stephen Lacy said that as an editor he would have called Ashe to confirm the story, but he would have been hesitant about running the story.

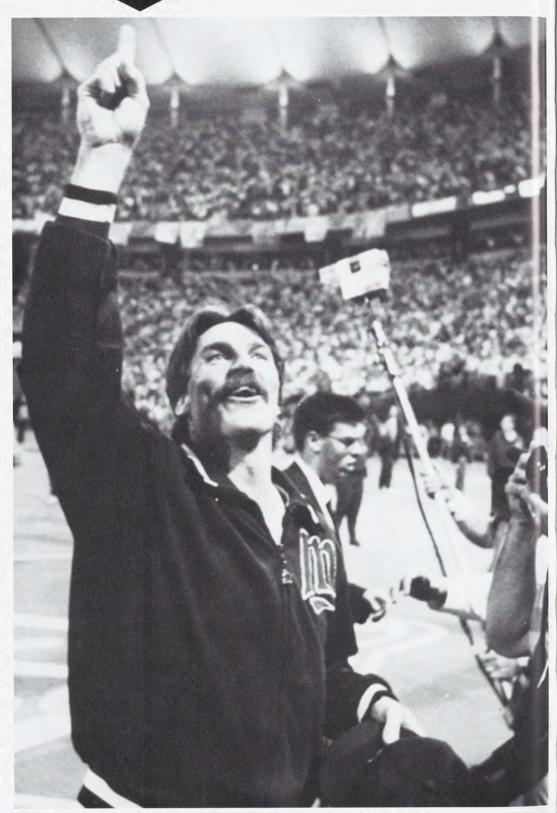
"You might be more likely to want to know about someone in the public, but Ashe isn't," he said. "I would not have been too eager to run the story. As a reader who cares. Ashe has been retired for years."

Should the line be drawn concerning people's private lives? According to Lacy it becomes a case by case situation.

"The private lives of people we vote for and those who are in office are far more newsworthy than those who are celebrities. But since they are public figures also, much can't be done about keeping information private."

Tammy Loos, an elementary education sophomore, disagreed and said the public doesn't have the right to know about everything.

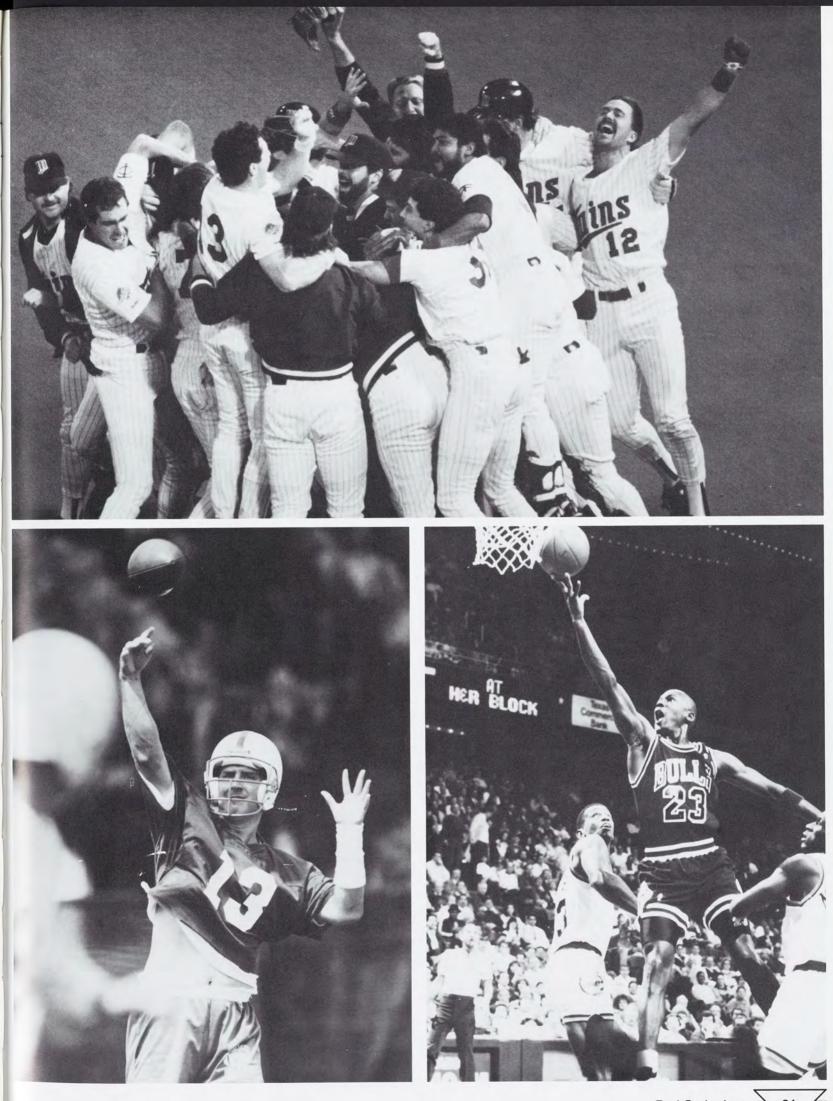
"Just because a person is well know, they still have their right to privacy."



Above: Pitcher Jack Morris, MVP of the 1991 World Series, played for the Minnesota Twins. Opposite page top: The Minnesota Twins celebrate after defeating the Atlanta Braves in the 1991 World Series. Three of the games in the series went into extra innings, a World Series record. Opposite page left: Dan Marino, quarterback for the Miami Dolphins, signed a \$25 million contract in the fall of 1991.

Opposite page right: Michael Jordan and the Chicago Bulls won back-to-back championships in 1991 and 1992.







The Aftermath of the War

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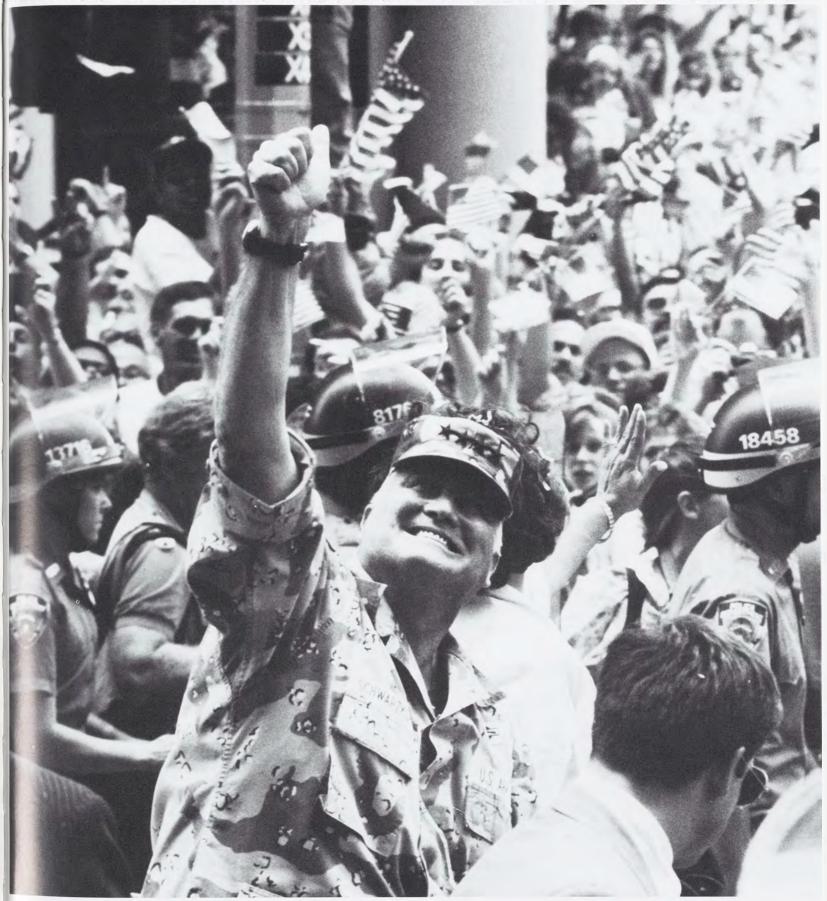
Life in the United States and Kuwait





Opposite page: During the war in Iraq, Saddam Hussein's forces ignited hundreds of oil wells in Kuwait. Smoke belched from the torched wells for many months afterwards. Satellite photos showed a black-grey plume swept to the south from Kuwait as far south as the Arabian Sea-- equal to the distance from Manhattan to the tip of Florida. Meanwhile, the invasion of Kuwait caused destruction estimated in the hundreds of millions of dollars. Months after the American military forces freed Kuwait City, the effects of war were still evident.

Below: Desert Storm Commander General H. Norman Schwarzkopf gave a thumbs up to the crowd as he made his way up Broadway during NewYork's Operation Welcome Home ticker tape parade in June 1991. A fireworks extravaganza capped off the celebration. Schwartzkopf, General Colin Powell and Defense Secretary Dick Cheney were the grand marshals of the New York parade, with over 600,000 people turning out to welcome the soldiers home. More than 1 million people attended a welcome home parade May 19 in Hollywood, and an estimated 800,000 turned out for the parade in Washington.





Breakup of the Soviet Union

Coup forces economic and political changes

By Kate Curler

In the summer of 1991, a coup in the Soviet Union sent shock waves through the international scene as the country fell apart, leaving its republics facing vast economic, political and personal challenges.

In August 1991, Communist hard-liners, prompted by a treaty that would grant republics more independence, tried to take control of the Soviet Union. The coup, led by a group called The Committee, lasted only three days before being toppled by the strength and determination of the Soviet people, according to *Time* magazine.

On Aug. 18, President Mikhail Gorbachev was put under house arrest. A state emergency was declared in the Soviet Union.

The Committee, unable to get Gorbachev's support, returned to Moscow, saying that he was ill. Gennady Yanayev, vice-president of the Soviet Union, took control of the country.

Responding to the coup, Boris Yeltsin, president of the Russian republic, called for the people of the Soviet Union to fight back. The Soviet people responded, coaxing the Committee's forces to resist with them.

Three men were crushed in skirmishes between tanks and bystanders before the army defected to Yeltsin, forcing the Committee to give up, according to *Newsweek*. Committee members were arrested and put on trial.

The coup set in motion vast political and economic changes stalled by debate in the months before. After the coup, debate turned to action and reforms swept the Soviet Union, according to *Newsweek*.

After Gorbachev returned to Moscow, he quit his post as general secretary of the Communist party and dissolved the party's power into a democratic multi-party system.

As leader of the Soviet Union, Gorbachev worked with Yeltsin in the weeks after the coup to lead the Soviet parliament in debating and approving reforms before resigning to become a private citizen.

The Soviet parliament voted for the dissolution of the Soviet Union. Eleven of the 15 republics formed The Commonwealth of Independent States. The three Baltic republics—Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania— as well as the Republic of Georgia, declared their independence from the Soviet Union and did not join the Commonwealth.

Economic changes for the republics included abandoning price controls, breaking up state monopolies, creating a new banking system and opening up the economy to world trade by making the ruble convertible to foreign currencies.

On Jan. 1, 1992, Yeltsin ended price controls in Russia, hoping to bring it closer to a free market economy.

Ending price controls caused mass inflat on, prompting the United States to airlift \$478 million worth of food and medical supplies in "Operation Provide Hope" to 12 cities in the Commonwe lth in the early months of 1992.

This economic assistance will greatly les en chances of unrest and speed along economic and political changes, said Felix Raskolnikov, a Fussian professor at MSU.

"If the people are not hungry, the shelves are not empty and the people have money to buy the necessities to survive, there will be new changes and less chance of another coup," Raskolni ov said.

Linda Racioppi, a professor of International Relations at James Madison, said she feels that ethnic and national identity will be a struggle for the people of the former Soviet Union.

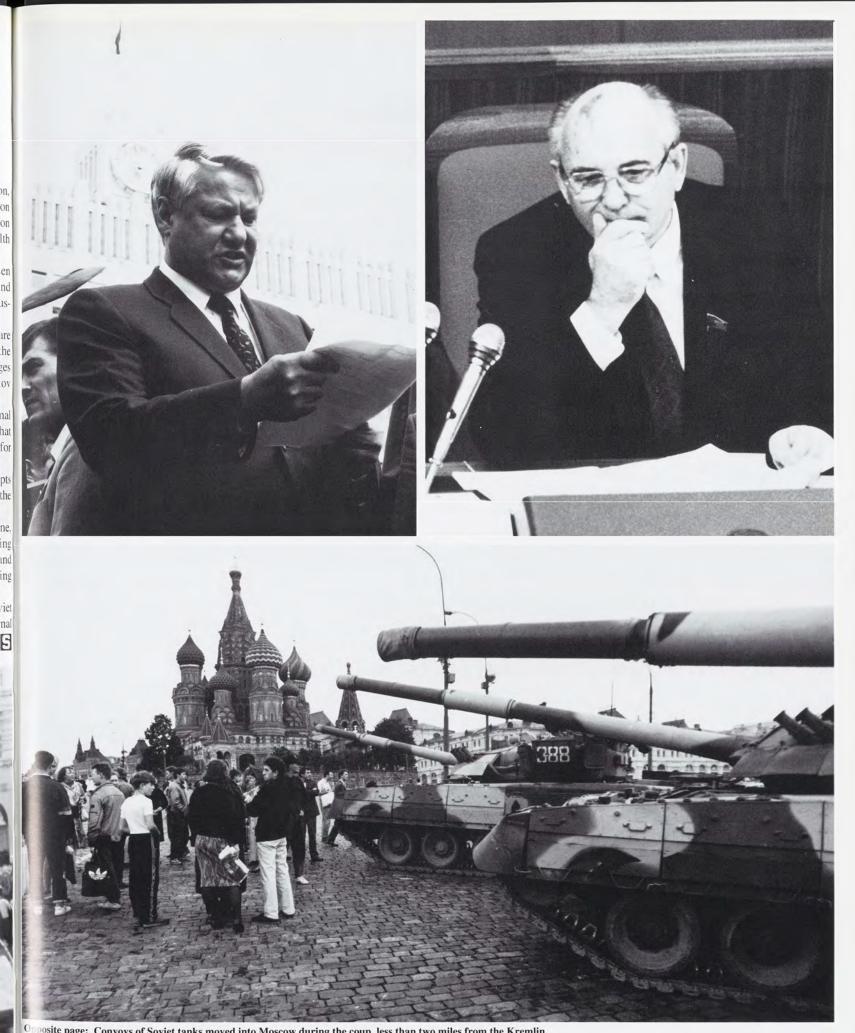
"Under the Soviet system there were attempts to control national and ethnic identities to unite the union," Racioppi said.

"With the old means of manipulation gone, republics are left with the problems of forming governments amid new feelings of ethnic and national identity and the tensions accompanying them," she said.

Whatever the conflicts, the former Soviet Union is undergoing severe structural and internal changes. The world can only wait and watch.







posite page: Convoys of Soviet tanks moved into Moscow during the coup, less than two miles from the Kremlin. ove left: Boris Yeltsin calls on Russians to resist the takeover.

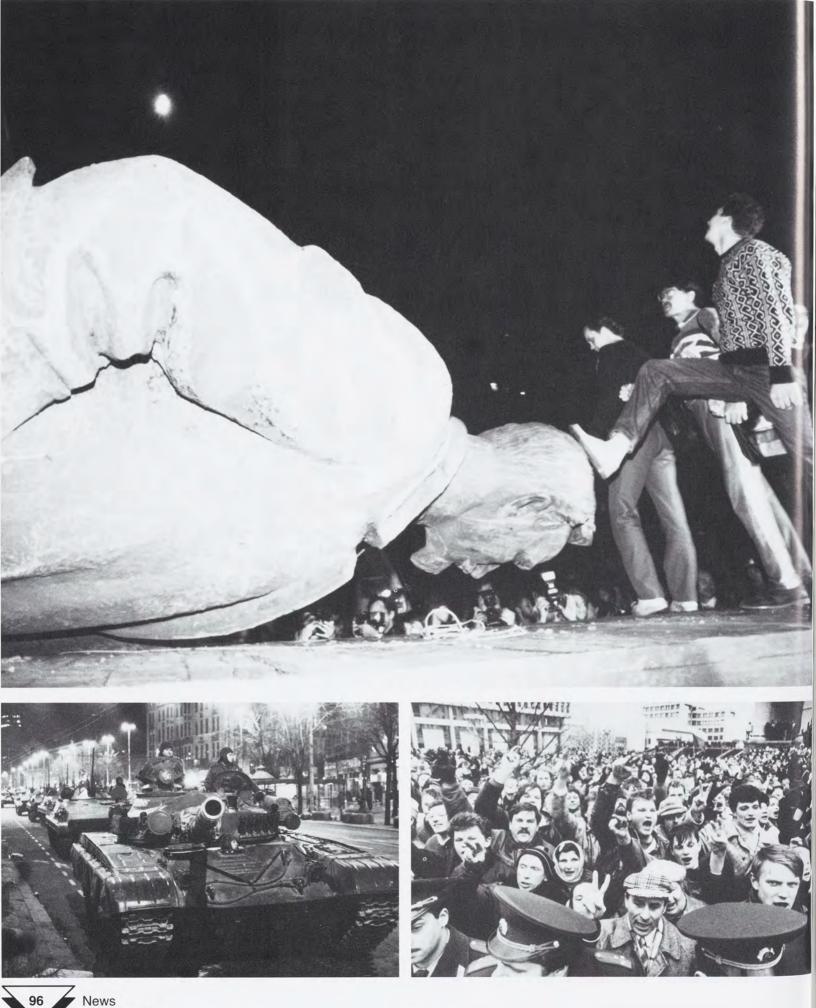
Above right: Mikhail Gorbachev returned to Moscow before dawn on August 22, 1991, and resumed power. Above: Crowds of perplexed people wandered among the many Soviet tanks parked behind the Red Square during the military coup. (St. Basil's cathedral is in the background.)

Red Cedar Log Michigan State University

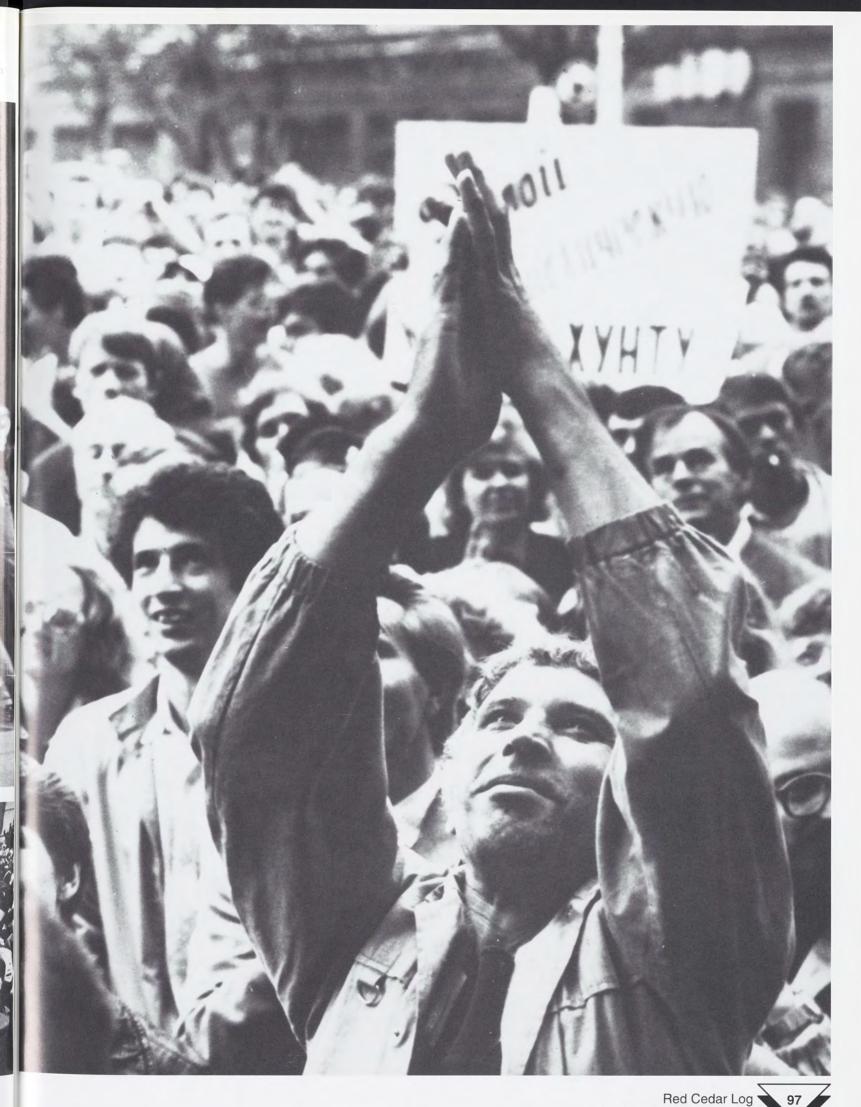


Below: The statue of the founder of the KGB was toppled while thousands of Muscovites watched.

Below left: Civil war broke out in Yugoslavia, with heavy fighting in Croatia and Slovenia, two of the six republics which make up the nation. Below right: The Baltic state of Lithuania declared independence from the Soviet Union after the coup failure. Right: As a former Gorbachev advisor spoke to the crowds, denouncing the coup and demanding that Gorbachev be allowed to address the Soviet people, hands were raised in applause.







Foreign Affairs

The 1992 winter Olympics and Bush's visit to Japan

By Matias Saari

No flag. No anthem. No "CCCP" on Russian jerseys. No more athletes from Estonia, Latvia or Lithuania on the Russian team.

The 1992 winter Olympics were not the same for the Soviet Union, now called the Commonwealth of Independent States.

And while CIS still won 23 medals, second only to a unified Germany, most athletes, unable to afford staying at the Olympic village, left the games early and returned to a country rung with poverty, economic hardship and depression.

David Prestel, coordinator of MSU's Russian language program, said the games were difficult for both the athletes and the Russian people.

"It was disappointing for people who were steeped in nationalism and national pride," Prestel said. "The old symbols were taken away."

The 1992 team, with about 160 athletes from the republics of Russia, Ukraine, Kazakhastan, Belarus and Uzbekistan, listened to the Olympic anthem on the medal platform. They waved the three-ringed Olympic flag and wore uniforms devoid of CCCP, bearing instead a small emblem of each republic.

"It was sad to see. It was disappointing," said Alex Kumming, an economics senior and native Russian who emigrated to the U.S. in 1979. "The unified team and the (Olympic) logo was definitely a no-go."

Former Soviet republics Latvia, Estonia and Lithuania competed, but received no medals.

"I cheered for all the republics. It was exciting to see them on their own," Kumming said. "But the fall-apart is disappointing."

Numerous members of the powerhouse hockey team planned to come to America and play in the National Hockey League, rather than return to uncertain futures in the CIS.

Things have changed. The cold war attitude and the "us vs. them" mentality appears to have ended in the Olympics.

Prestel said, "It was the last stand for the old sports machine."



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By Karen Holtschneider

To say that the '91-'92 economy was challenging was an understatement. All types of businesses were feeling the crunch, but nowhere was the strain more visible than in the automotive industry.

Two events brought this economic turmoil to the forefront of American minds—President Bush's trip to Japan in January 1992 and the massive plant closing and layoffs announced by General Motors Corporation in early March 1992.

President Bush's trip, dubbed by an Iraqi official as the president's "new job as a salesman of cars," was judged by many business leaders as a failure.

The 12-day trip through Asia was planned by Bush administration officials as an attempt to place trade issues on the top of the agenda.

This was especially important in the election year, with the president's approval rating dropping to 48 percent, the lowest level recorded since the Carter administration.

The second event that illustrated the trials of the economic conditions came on March 2, 1992, when General Motors Chairman Roger Stempel announced the first part of "GM's Future Vision."

The closing of 12 plants and the loss of 16,000 hourly jobs was the inevitable result of expensive living, according to Christian Science Monitor reporter Paul A. Eisenstein.

Eisenstein said that with the loss of 12 percentage points in market shares, the large number of underutilized plants and costly concessions to labor unions, "you create a recipe for huge losses."

In 1991, General Motors Corporation lost \$45 billion on domestic operations.

While these and other events caused many Americans to pull out the "Buy American" battle cry, Japanese officials argued that the Big Three should be rethinking the way they build cars and catering to the needs of consumers.

The "Buy American" ideal has become confusing with more and more "American" products being built oversees. It is no longer easy to tell "us" from "them."

Despite calls to limit Japanese presence in American markets, many business leaders said this will cost the United States thousands of jobs and perpetuate the troubled economy. MSU has not been exempt from these trying times. Many students feel the pressure of the tight markets and are questioning the political leadership.

"For years, Japan has focused on building its economy," said Janet Schlahcter, an accounting junior. "Now, the president thinks he can just jump in and bring the United States up to the same level."

Other students are focusing on the dwindling job market that is reflected in the "downsizing" of the automotive industry.

"I understand the need to operate more efficiently," said Danielle Malinowski, a journalism senior. "It's just very frustrating to complete your degree and not be able to put it to use because they can't afford to hire you."

Malinowski also discussed the "Buy American" trend.

"It's not as simple as going to the store and looking on the label," she said. "These days you have to analyze not only where the finished product was made, but where the parts were made and what the nationalities of the workers were. It's just too complicated."



Left: A victory celebration at Red Square in Moscow. Above: CIA head Robert Gates and President George Bush at a press conference.



By Jordan Glassco

What comes to mind when picturing Michigan State University? Academics, sports, the Greek System? Certainly, these are all aspects of MSU that are as recognizable as Sparty and the Beaumont Tower. But there is much more to life at this University than textbooks, parties, and football games. The interests, talents, and dilemmas of students are as varied as the students themselves—42,088 individuals who hail from diverse backgrounds, races and religions.

Being a Spartan means being involved in a State of Change. It is nearly impossible to leave this University without being affected by it. Exposure to thousands of new ideas and opportunities makes it difficult to escape. Time spent at MSU is a metamorphosis for many—from ignorance to knowledge, from childhood to adulthood and from passivity to activity.

Spartans make up a melting pot of unique individuals who are future leaders, rising stars, poets and good Samaritans. Many are going above and beyond simply earning a degree by volunteering their time and energy to helping others. Fighting illiteracy, befriending the elderly and saving the environment are some examples of the charitable activities that hundreds of students are involved in. Others are following the lead of the multitude of famous MSU alumni by taking advantage of opportunities to experiment with their unique talents. These rising stars are achieving success in film, writing, comedy and music while managing the busy schedule of students.

Deciding where to live and learning to live with college roommates, choosing entertainment, learning to deal with stress and missing loved ones, facing peer pressure and developing a style—these are just some aspects of the countless opportunities for change and growth at this university. Whether it takes four, five, even ten years to get that diploma (or not get to it), and whether one winds up a business executive, plumber, or rock musician— it is next to impossible to leave MSU without being involved in this State of Change .

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Housing Options

By Beth Goldberg

MSU may operate the largest residence hall system in the United States, but a variety of housing options exist in East Lansing. Some students who escape from the dorms find paradise and others don't.

Most freshmen begin their stay at MSU sharing a 12 x 10 room with a roommate and a loft in university housing. Many students spend a year or two living on campus, while others never move out.

Elise Cianciola, a psychology junior, said she lives in Shaw Hall because of the convenience, the people and her job as a desk receptionist. She said she enjoys not worrying about grocery shopping, paying bills or being alone.

Freshman psychology major Jennifer Crompton said she camped out with an older cousin to get a room in Shaw Hall. She cited floor activities as one reason for living on campus.

"The R.A. is good. She tries to make things happen. We're planning a scavenger hunt, a formal dinner and sporting events with our brother floor," Crompton said.

Some place for everyone

Upperclass students seeking a private room and their own kitchen can choose from a variety of housing options. Leisa Thompson, an interdisciplinary humanities senior, lives in Beal Co-op.

"I wanted a change from the dorms," Thompson said. "There are new people and a new way of life here."

Thompson said that all of the residents work five hours a week, doing chores like cooking and outdoor maintenance. They also set aside one weekend each term to work on the house.

Chris Zaugra, a physiology junior, said he moved into Beal because he needed somewhere to live and it sounded good. He said that living in a co-op is like living in a big house.

"Living in the co-op is different and better. It is more organized. We all have jobs. Iknow things will get done, and it will be neat and clean," Zaugra said.

Urban planning junior Rob Cohon likes the

atmosphere at the Hillel Jewish Student Certer Co-op.

"Living here keeps me involved in Juda an and in Hillel activities. I just walk downstairs and I am at dinner or a program," Cohon said.

Sorority living is a step between living in the dorms and moving into a house off campus. Foychology junior Linda Migdal, a member of Phi Mu sorority, enjoys having someone to talk to, but the admits that everything is not perfect.

Migdal said, "I don't like the phone situation. There are only four lines for 26 girls. And there is no privacy."

Debby Mally, a packaging senior, has experienced the full spectrum of student housing, from dorm to apartment to duplex. She said the advantages of living in a duplex include freedom and the family atmosphere.

"I get along really well with my roommates and we do a lot of things together," Mally said. "For Halloween we all picked out our own pumpkins at a cider mill in St. Johns. The Friday before Halloween, we had a pumpkin carving party in the middle of the afternoon, when we were all supposed to be somewhere else."





Lawrence Robins



Left: Sophomores Ross Parr, Beth Milburn, and Brent Nelson clown around in Ross and Brent's Holmes Hall room. Above left: Juniors David Robins and Brad "Milt" Sachs wash dishes in Brad's Woodmere apartment. Above right: Junior Larry Robins and Data the bedroom in his Woodmere apartment. Above: Juniors Amy Berk and Lori Galin prepare dinner in their Stoddard Ave. duplex.

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A Small Community

By Jordan Glassco

Like it or not, almost all Spartans are required to spend their freshman year in one of MSU's 26 residence halls. If students have good attitudes and are open-minded, most can find this experience anywhere from tolerable to the time of their lives. Although many eventually move to a house or an apartment off campus, the consensus is that living in a residence hall is one of the best ways to make friends.

Avoiding confusing, multiple bills, thieving landlords, dirty dishes and long hikes to classes are some bonuses to living on campus. Along with these obvious advantages, most students agree that the best part of dormitory life is the social aspect. Tina Wiechman, a junior who moved off campus in fall '91, said she missed her old hall more than she thought she would.

"When you live in the residence halls you have a whole community in one building," she said. "Sometimes I just feel like a hermit living in this apartment."

Life in the residence halls is certainly not without its disadvantages, however.

The most common complaints tend to involve cafeteria food, lack of space and privacy and the ever-irritating bathroom situation.

Steve Hogan, a senior from Wilson Hall, complained that the less-than-appetizing cafeteria cuisine led him to spend a fortune on ordering out

Students enjoy the social aspects of the residence halls

for food.

"Granted I'm not a good cook, but it seems like they have the same thing for three to four days in a row, and it just makes it so you have to go out and order pizza," Hogan said.

As in any other housing situation, whose turn it is to clean or use the bathroom can be a source of much controversy. And in halls that have community bathrooms, many students find it inconvenient to have to tramp down the hall every time a sink, shower or toilet is needed. Carolyn Herman, an advertising senior, said that peeping toms became such a problem in the bathrooms of her hall that a lock had to be put on the door.

Herman also said that the biggest complaint she has of her life in Landon Hall is the lack of space and privacy.

"In my dorm we don't have shelving space or much drawer or closet space, so there's a big problem about where to put things," Herman said. Despite such drawbacks, a multitude of programs and special events are set up to create a community atmosphere and provide residents with more than just food and shelter. The residence that special dinners are mixtures of elegant multi-context meals and discussions of hot topics. Where the second you go to learn about sexually transmitted diseases while eating a gourmet Italian meal?

Programs and events can be geared tow rd fun activities and getting to know floormales. Most floors have "Pixie Week" or an equivalent that helps floor members get to know each other at the beginning of the year. During Pixie Week, floormates anonymously exchange different gifts on days which have different themes, such as kinky day, green and white day and toy day. Junior Lori Bennefield said that Pixie Week is probably the most popular of the floor functions.

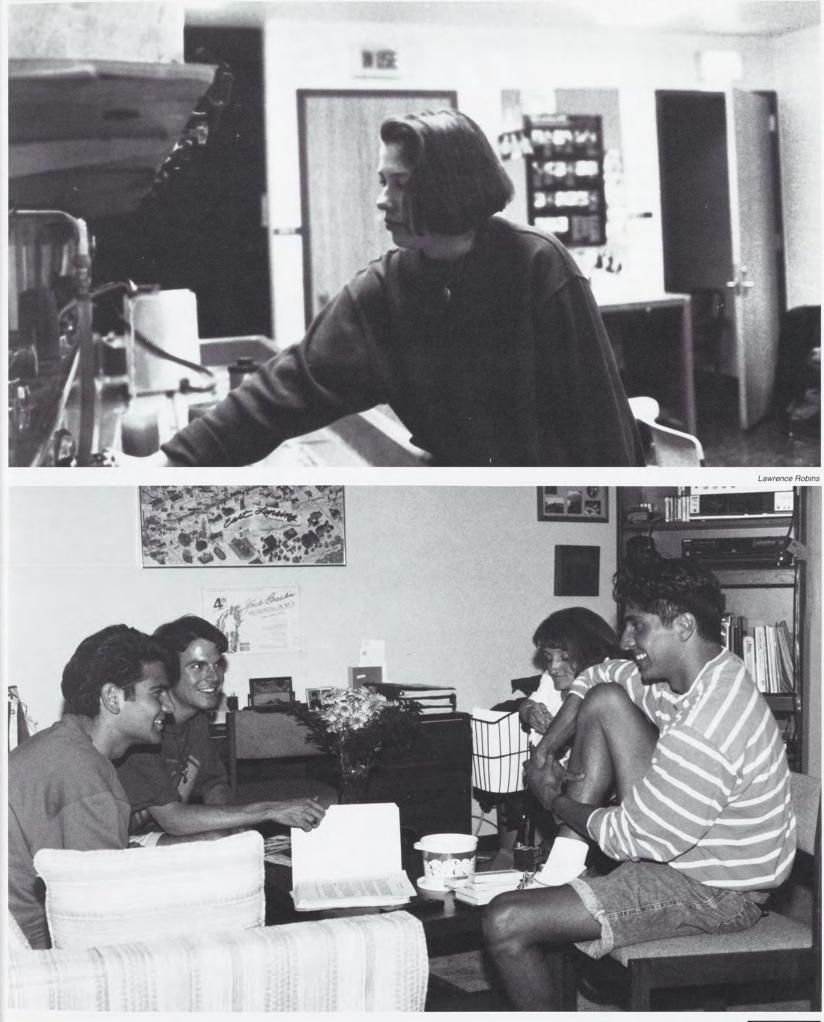
"It's a lot of fun trying to guess who your pixie is, and some of the gifts can be really wild, especially on Kinky day."

More serious programs are set up to help ease students through the trials and tribulations of life away from home. Holmes Hall resident director Anne Hower said that "some of the most popular programs that have the biggest turn-outs have to do with current events, relationships, academic performance and fitness."

Residence hall life provides an interesting way for students to begin—or end—their college careers.



Opposite page: Residents of Case Hall enjoy a "special dinner". Below: A resident assistant helps out at the midnight breakfast the RA's traditionally put on for their halls. Far below: R.A. Jeff Krasner, Graduate Advisor Jim Nestor, Associate Director Ann Gallagher, and Graduate Advisor Bo Garcia work at Holmes Hall.





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R.A.s

By Jordan Glassco

Living in the dormitories at MSU can mean having a special relationship with those who live on the same floor. Special programs can assist in bringing about closeness and comfort to those who are in need of some extra parenting away from home. The special programs in residence halls don't materialize out of the blue, however. Nor does floor camaraderie exist without encouragement. On each floor of every hall lives a brave student who, in exchange for free room and board, is assigned the task of creating special programs, organizing events, solving disputes and maintaining some law and order amongst the floor members. These resident assistants (R.A.s) can often make the difference between a good floor community and just another place to live.

Before they are hired, potential R.A.s must go through a rigorous interview and training period. Anne Hower, resident director of Holmes Hall, said the ideal R.A. should be "someone who has really strong interpersonal skills and is aware of the differences in people." Hower also said that a *Lawrence Robins*

Resident assistants work to establish a good floor community

good R.A. should be a real helper and someone who can be turned to as a referral and research agent.

As part of their duties, R.A.s are given a plan called a Wellness Wheel, which has ten different spokes such as alcohol, health, education and emotion. As well as creating different programs for each category of the Wellness Wheel, R.A.s must go "on rounds," monitoring the halls for trouble, and must be there when someone needs to talk.

This can be a very time-consuming job. Tim

Turkelson, a second-year R.A. at McDonel Hell, said the job turned out to be more work than he thought. "Being an R.A. is a 24-hour-a-day job," he said, "because you're responsible for all the residents on your floor all the time."

Turkelson said that one of the most difficult aspects of being an R.A. is setting a good example for students on his floor. "You're a student just like everyone else," he said, "and you want to blow off steam, but you gotta know when to say when and act responsibly."

Turkelson said that it is also very difficult to confront people who are causing trouble or disturbing other residents. "The biggest misconception about R.A.s is that we're power-hungry and want to get people in trouble," he said. "Of course, some R.A.s are like that... but for the most part we're just too busy to be writing people up for the heck of it."

"The basic rule," Turkelson said, "is to let them do whatever they want unless they're causing trouble. We aren't here to make people best friends. We just want it so they can live together."

Kelly Koesel, a resident of Bryan Hall for





three years, agreed.

"An R.A. should be a person who is a good resource, not someone whose main concern is to be in it for the power," she said. "The best R.A. is a person who minds their own business."

Opinions vary on what a good R.A. should or should not do. Bill Carroll, a first-year R.A. at Hubbard Hall, said that sometimes R.A.s need to look for problems on their floors. "It's a good idea to hang out with people on the floor to find out what problems are starting so you can nip them in the bud before they get out of hand."

One of the duties of an R.A. is to be there for

residents when they have a problem or just need to talk. Carroll said that sometimes people are hesitant to come to him because "they know the R.A. has the authority to get them in trouble. So they think, 'I don't want to get real close to this guy'."

Turkelson and Carroll both agreed that women are more likely to come to an R.A. with their problems than are men. "I'm learning a lot about people through this job," Carroll said. "Sometimes they come to me just to rap, and some come with problems that I honestly don't have any idea how to help them with."

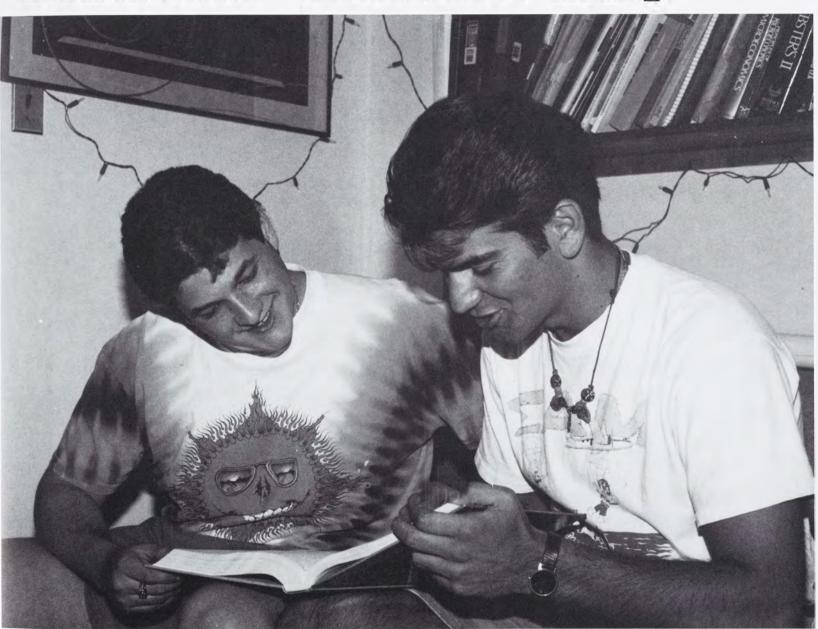
Turkelson said that being an R.A. isn't always

as rewarding as he thought it would be.

"Sometimes it seems like no one appreciates the job and it's frustrating because they think I'm just trying to hassle them and tear them down."

Despite the many frustrations and hard work that goes into the job, being an R.A. can offer great experience for a future career and can be an education in tolerance.

"I'm learning how to accept the differences in everyone," Turkelson said. "I'm learning a lot more in terms of multi-cultural awareness, and that different people from different backgrounds have different needs."



Opposite page left: Sophomore Maura Newell and Freshman Kelly Beebe solicit some advice from Resident Assistant Jeff Krasner. Opposite page right: East Holmes Hall Resident Assistant Jeff Krasner prepares one of the many informative bulletin boards displayed in the residence halls. Above: Resident Assistant Jeff Krasner helps Brian Levine with some homework. Lawrence Robins



MSU's "Caddyshack"

By Jordan Glassco

MSU's "Caddyshack," the Evans Scholars house, provides tuition and housing for former golf caddies and top students.

The house—at 831 E. Grand River Ave.—is home to almost 60 members who come in as freshmen and are required to spend their entire academic careers together.

Chris Kelly, an engineering senior and president, said, "Some benefits about the house is that it provides a good social atmosphere for incoming freshmen, and because we're with the same people for four or five years it's kind of a family atmosphere too."

Besides having to caddie at a country club for at least two years, residents must have graduated in the top 25 percent of their class in high school, demonstrate a financial need, help with house maintenance and display leadership qualities.

The house has no supervisor and is governed by a seven-member executive board.

"Having no supervision per se is kind of neat," said graduate student Mike Zweng. "It shows how well we take care of things around here."

The Evans Scholars House provides academic opportunities and housing to top students

Zweng, who has been a resident of the house for five years, said there is little conflict between members of the house since all the residents are there for the same purpose and share a common ground.

"People usually work out their conflicts between themselves," Zweng said. "There's always a good friend around since we've lived with the same people since we've been freshmen."

Evans Scholars are chosen by the Western Colf Association, unlike greek organizations where members are voted on.

Faculty advisor Tom Dutch said the Evens scholarship originated in the early 1930s by golfer Charles "Chick" Evans, who decided to give the money to the caddies since he didn't want to turn professional. Evans then set up the first chapter at Northwestern University.

Out of 14 chapters nationwide, MSU boasts one of only two chapters in Michigan—the other is at U-M.

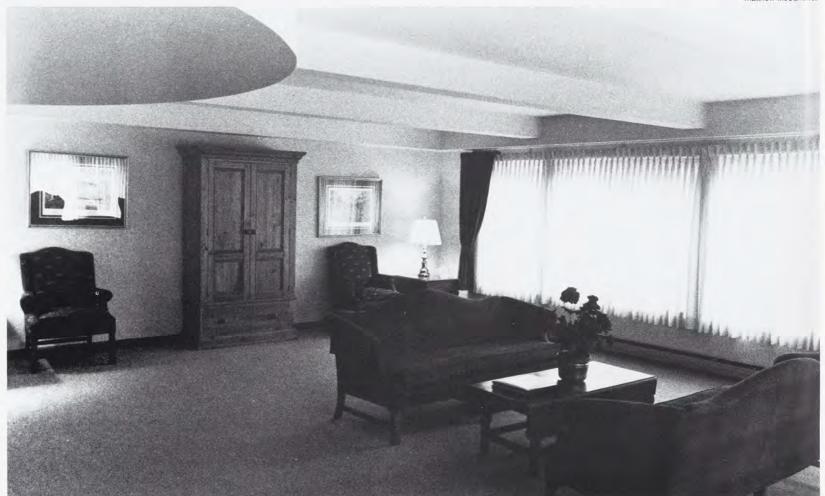
Dutch has been affiliated with MSU's chapter of the house since it was founded in 1954.

"To me, the most beautiful thing about this program is the tremendous diversity," Dutch said. "We have people from different races, religions, and sexes—it's like a microcosm of what's out there in the real world."

Agnes Milashus, a junior, said she appreciates the diversity but, being one of only 16 women in the house, sometimes feels in the minority.

"The guys are kind of like our big brothers, but a lot of times the girls get left out," Milashus said.

Matthew McCandless



"If one girl doesn't want to play a certain sport or do an activity with the guys, it reflects on us all."

Kelly said one of the few negative aspects he saw in living in the house was that members as freshmen don't get the advantage of the broad social spectrum of the life in residence halls.

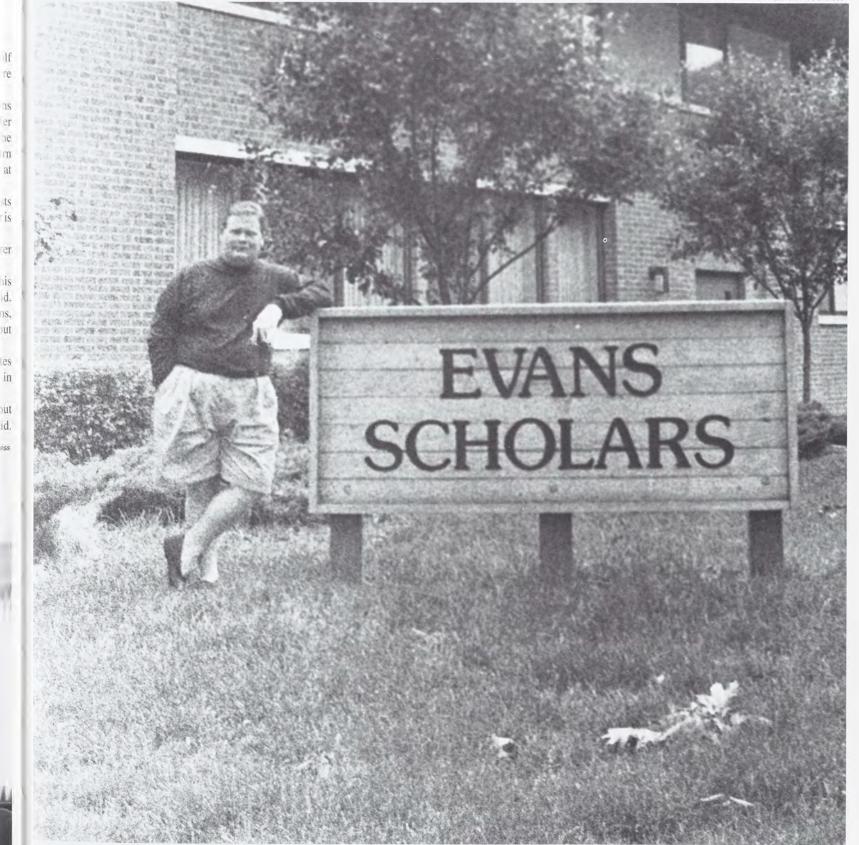
"But you do get a lot of experience really fast," Kelly said. "Because you come in as a freshman and learn a lot right away from the juniors and seniors you live with." Kelly said the house participates in intramural sports, and raises money for St. Vincent Home for Children—the house philanthropy project.

"We raise around \$5,000 a year for St. Vincent's," Kelly said. "We have a benefit basketball tournament and we save pop cans and things like that."

Dutch said as the faculty advisor he gets many calls from Evans Scholar alumni who want their children to be in the program. "It's kind of unfortunate but great at the same time," he said. "But our graduates are so successful that they make too much money for their kids to be eligible for the scholarship."

"It's not a free ride but it can be a great experience, "Dutch said "It's like that old song— 'If you can make it there, you'll make it anywhere."

Matthew McCandless



Left: The inside of the Evans Scholar House on Grand River. Above: A student poses by the sign denoting the Evans Scholar House, which is in the background.

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Roommate Wars

By Matias Saari

It's nearly every incoming college freshman's worst nightmare: rooming blind and getting stuck with an insensitive, incompatible roommate that you despise.

But unless a prior arrangement to live with a friend is made, it's quite possible one's living accommodations will be less than ideal.

The unhappy roommate has numerous choices, which include moving out immediately (this isn't always easy to do), fighting back (sometimes literally), ignoring a person, or just grinning and bearing it.

It doesn't take much to find amusing roommate horror stories. A few anecdotes:

-Senior Tammy Franks said she came home late one night to find her roommate's boyfriend wrapped in her own towel and holding her brush.

-Bethany Lovinski encountered a girl who wanted nothing to do with a roommate, and instead desired a single room.

"She tried to shove me out before I moved in," Lovinski said. "I wanted to stay all year just to bug her but I couldn't take it and moved out after a term. She had bad hair anyway."

Surviving the bad roommate experience

North Wonders resident assistant Jeff Terwin said he has experienced disputes which sometimes get out of hand.

"One guy flushed all his roommate's posters down the toilet, causing it to overflow. Then he threw his mattress down the stairs. But he succeeded with his mission. He got him to move out," Terwin said.

-Doug Smith told of coming home from late-night outings to find nasty notes on the wall.

-Twin sisters Christine and Karen Wilder didn't live together at first, and had separate disasters.

Karen said two roommates who were cousins would analyze everything she did. Their conflicts became worse and worse.

"You couldn't walk past them without a rude

comment. We would be yelling and scream ng every day within five minutes of seeing e ch other," Karen said.

Finally a physical fight broke out one day, the said, and the next day they were roommates to longer.

These stories aside (and there are more), what can be done when students can't peacefully co-exist? Smith said communication is a key. He suggested just talking calmly and trying to work things out.

Christine Wilder said taking the passive route is a bad idea.

"You have to deal with it directly. Stand your ground and don't put up with it. You have to survive. You can't become a victim."

Wilder said girls have different problems than guys, because girls notice every little thing and are more sensitive. Her explanation: "Maybe at's hormonal."

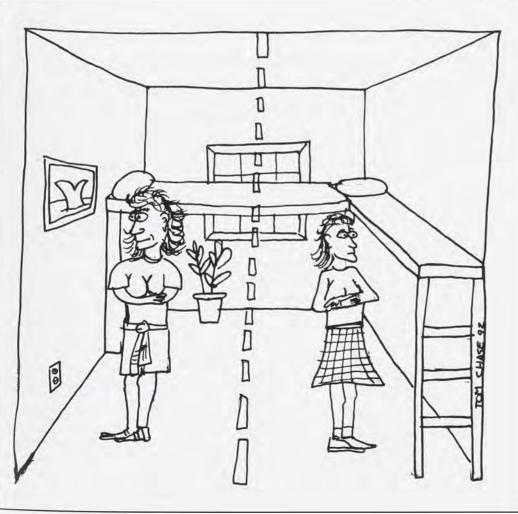
Terwin said he doesn't get approached by students asking for advice. He agreed that men tend to have less roommate disputes than women.

"They (men) just (complain) a lot," Terwin said. "Most learn to deal with it or attempt to get a roommate change."









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Opposite page: Often bad roommate situations can lead to communication by notes. Above: Though many people may be tempted to physically assault their roommates, most don't go to that extreme.





Long-Distance Love

By Ric Wilson

Amid the clutter of notebooks and text s that clutter a typical MSU student's desk lies the dreaded phone bill-driven to immense new heights from that long-distance love affair. These affairs cruelly snare students of all levels throughout MSU. The diversity of students is bound to create instances of separated relationships. Students come from all over the state, country and world to study, and often must leave behind a significant other. The most frustrating aspect of the dilemma, whether the beloved is in high school, Detroit or overseas, is the fact that only time will bring the love near again.

The lovesick student is often seen sifting through the junk mail to discover that important envelope with the special handwriting. Writing is often insufficient, as the flood of feelings are frequently unable to be conveyed with the needed

Many students are involved in long-distance relationships

emotion. After a day of taking notes and studying, the last thing many students want to do is pick up a pen and write some more.

Junior Karen Wilder tried to see her boyfriend, who attends the University of Michigan, every weekend. With the added concerns of a full load of classes and a part-time job, this was not always such an easy feat.

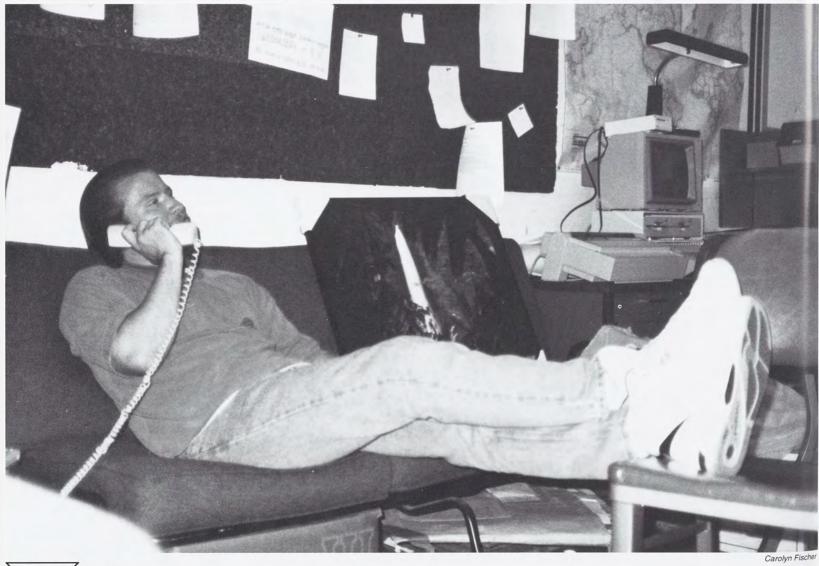
"You have to sacrifice a lot for the other

person, "Wilder said. "It's really hard when Ih ve to wait so long to see him, and I concentrate in when I'll see him next rather than what's going on with school."

The phone is used, of course, but m ny students find themselves answering to a volumin us bill at the end of each month. Highlighting their calls, separated lovers too often gaze upon a bl ze of fluorescent and realize it would have been easier to note which calls were not theirs. Roomme es with romantic interests down the hall or next door usually find this most humorous.

Lastly, there is the weekend excursion to bring the two together. Week-long anticipatio is finally broken by Friday afternoon contact. The weekend flies by, however, leaving a heartsick one to struggle through the "Sunday evening letdown blues."

One of the largest segments of the student population that experience the long- distance love





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affair are freshmen and sophomores. Leaving behind high school sweethearts, many students attempt to keep them in their lives.

Most find it difficult to maintain a rapport with someone who is not immersed in the MSU scene. Lyman Briggs sophomore Julie Grice takes a more practical outlook on her boyfriend, who lives in Detroit.

"It's probably a good thing he's not here all the time, or I wouldn't get any homework done, " Grice said.

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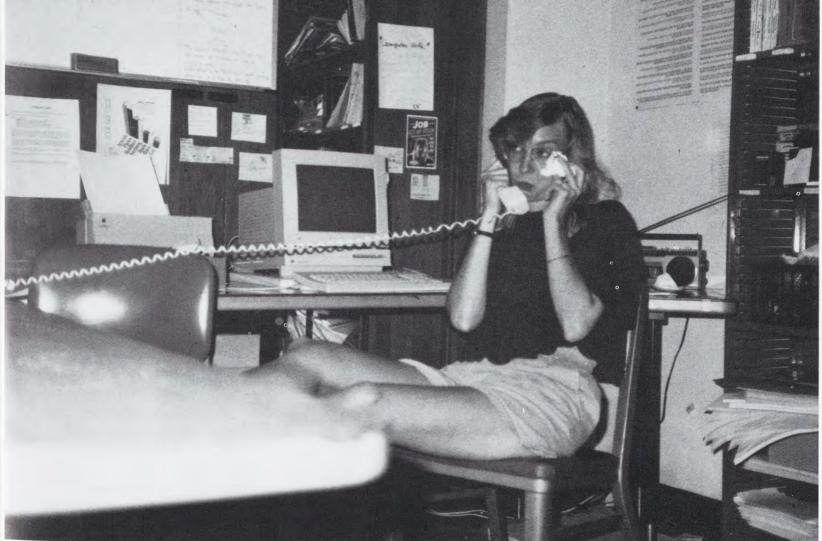
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Love can conquer all and true devotion and the possibility of a sweetheart coming to MSU may disentangle a relationship from the fetters of the long distance line.

Upper-level students also experience love at a distance. Graduation, job relocation and graduate school may interrupt a romance set by the Red Cedar River and steeped over marble coffee shop tables. Although the left-behind partner may also soon be leaving MSU, the traditional relationship trials must be undergone—separation, insufficient contact and life changes experienced in the "real world."

Absence makes the heart grow fonder...so they say. The education at MSU is a complete one. Not only do MSU students receive a degree in a field of study, but many also get an education in love and its endurance. Opposite page: Brad Bishop, now studying for a masters degree at University of Illinois, is an alumnus of MSU. Far below: MSU journalism senior Mary Chuey talks to her fiance Brad on the phone at work.







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Older Friends

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Above: Esther Wandell, shown here with great-grandchildren Megan and Zachary, lives at Autumn Woods nursing home.



By John Guibord

Grandparent's Day is once a year. But for 40 MSU students and senior citizens in the greater Lansing area, the spirit of the day lasts year-round.

The MSU Adopt-A-Grandparent program, begun by students in 1971, makes certain of that.

Adopt-A-Grandparent puts busy university students in touch with "adopted" grandparents older citizens who have referred themselves to the Service Learning Center or have been referred by family, friends, community agencies, senior citizen groups, and churches.

Erika Flanigan, a journalism junior, is one of two student coordinators and was first involved during the winter of 1991.

"I just walked in before the end of fall term and asked them how I could adopt a grandparent," she said.

Flanigan said she was matched up with a grandmother, and still visits her on a weekly basis.

She said maintaining the friendship was a little hard at first, but eventually she became close with her "grandmother."

"As long as both people are happy, we keep it," Flanigan said. "What helps is if you're supposed to show up at a specific time each week, you do, because they are counting on you."

She said the main goal behind the program is to bring companionship back into the lives of older citizens in the area.

"My 'grandmother' is paralyzed," Flanigan said. "But it doesn't stop us from laughing and

talking together."

Flanigan said the reasons for students wanting to get involved are numerous.

"Many don't have grandparents of their own," she said. "Often times, grandparents live too far away, or they (students) participate to prepare for a senior-citizen related vocation."

And everyone else?

"They do it just for the heck of it, because it's fun to take a walk with their 'grandparent,' or have a meal," she said.

Flanigan said many of the grandparents that apply for the program may have relatives, but still find themselves alone for many hours.

"We get requests from many grandparents (who already have someone visiting them) for more students," Flanigan said. "Unfortunately, we keep it one-to-one, but it does show many senior citizens need someone to talk to."

Flanigan said certain grandparents need people with cars so they can take them places and run errands.

"But it's not just chauffeuring old people around wherever they want to go," she said. "Our motive is not to provide just this, and students needn't have a car to adopt a grandparent."

Flanigan said the Service Learning Center's goal is to create lasting friendships for many seniors, not just those who are home-bound.

"Not all of the grandparents are stuck at home," she said. "What they are seeking is someone they can count on that will be there to talk."

Flanigan said the activities students partici-

pate in with their grandparents vary.

"It is totally situational, " she said. "Sometimes it's playing games, or walking with them really anything that the grandparent and student are comfortable doing."

Bertha Hammond, 93, has no grandchildren of her own, but has been involved with the program since it began.

"The girls I've had come out to help me were just great," Hammond said. "I don't impose upon them, because I realize with the way their lessons are nowadays, they're very busy."

Hammond said she tells her 'grandchild' from the very outset studies should come first.

"I am not going to interfere with their studies," Hammond said. "I know how important it is now for them to get their education."

Hammond said the generation gap between her and her 'grandchildren' has not hindered the development of close, lasting relationships.

"I usually have the same 'grandchild' for three years or so," Hammond said. "At the end, they write down their home addresses so we can always correspond, even after graduation."

Hammond said she recently received a letter from a woman who was her 'grandchild' seven years ago.

"Can you imagine that, seven years and she still remembered me," Hammond said. "She wrote to tell me she was getting married to a man working at the Grand Old Opry, and she invited me to come down and live with them in Nashville—how about that?"



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Literacy Corps

By Cheri Giroux

According to the 1991 "Information Please" Almanac, four percent of American citizens cannot read or write. For a population of over 250 million people, four percent translates to slightly over ten million illiterate persons. Without the ability to read or write, these people have limited access to the immense world of the written word, and pass through life in a world of vocalized communication. Fortunately, there are people and organizations striving to remove that four percent from the realm of illiteracy—at MSU, it's the MSU Student Literacy Corps.

The MSU Student Literacy Corps is a registered student organization enabling volunteers of any major to help combat illiteracy and promote adult literacy in the tri-county area. As members of the Corps, students become a part of the Capital Area Literacy Coalition, which works closely with the students and the Literacy Corps to facilitate one-on-one tutorships, and organizing program training to provide adults with individualized in-

Student volunteers help combat illiteracy

struction on a number of subjects. Subjects covered are reading (primarily for those adults whose reading skills are below a sixth grade level), English as a second language and quality tutoring for a range of subjects through the Adult Basic Education program.

Upon becoming a volunteer, students are required to undergo a certain amount of training specific to their program, depending on which of the five programs they choose. The five different programs are the Independent Literacy Tutoring, English as a second language, Family Literacy, Adult Basic Education and the Administrative Intern program.

Training for the various programs usually

takes place on campus twice a week for three weeks. After training is complete, volumers begin work as tutors. If students are unsure to which program to pursue, a Literacy Corps thaff member is always on hand to help match a student to a program based on the student's skills and the program's needs.

Mary Edens, director of the MSU Stuent Literacy Corps, has found the program to be ery successful, with both tutors and tutees enjoying the programs and gaining more than just educational benefits.

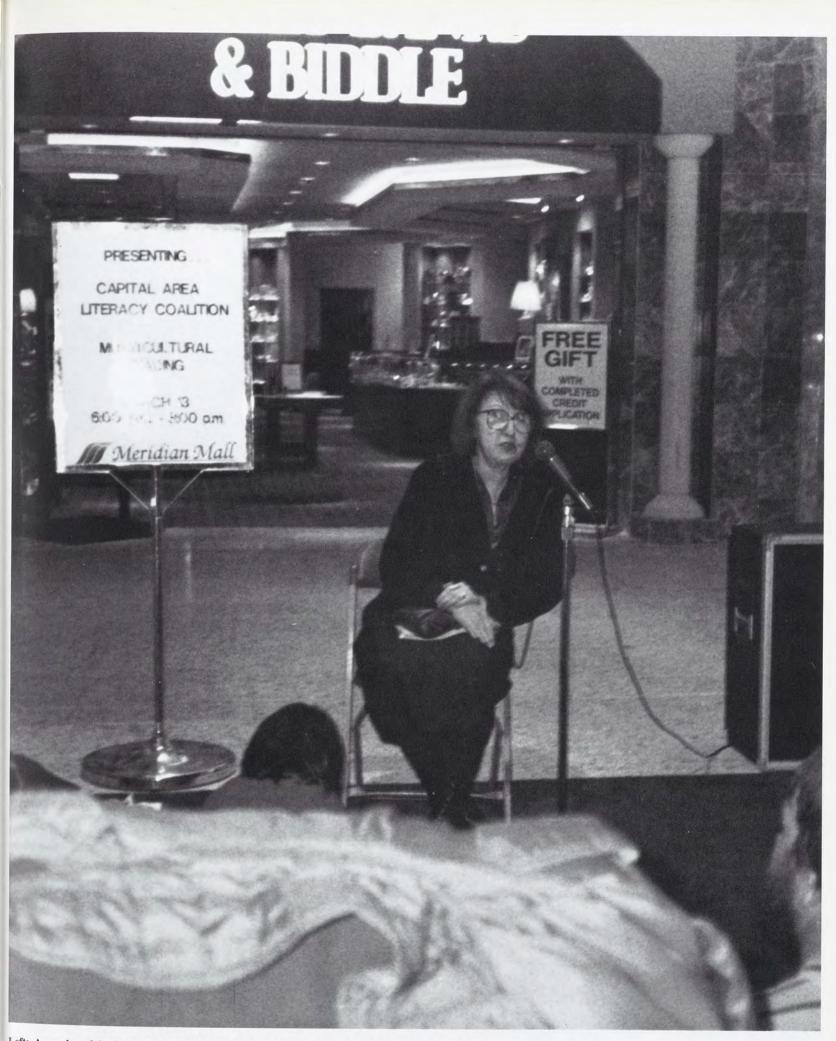
"One young man, after volunteering in the Literacy Corps, changed his entire program of study to major in education. It's been very exciting," Edens said.

With the help of student volunteers and devoted people, the MSU Student Literacy Corps has become instrumental in helping adults and children acquire greater literacy skills. It is only through the action of these people that literacy throughout the nation can be achieved, opening the doors to the literary world for everyone.





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Left: A member of the Capital Area Literacy Coalition educates a group of youngsters at Meridian Mall. Above: A volunteer from the Capital Area Literacy Coalition participates in the groups' Multicultural Reading at Meridian Mall.

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Steve McCornack

By Natalie Barna

His confidence is astounding and his intelligence, amazing. His ideas are thought-provoking and his opinions are radical. He has been called professor "geek," but stresses that he is not some light-hearted and easygoing guy. He is a serious, intense professor who cares about his research and about getting his students to learn.

Steve McCornack, a communications professor at MSU, has a style all his own that has allowed him to inspire and fascinate his students.

McCornack started teaching at the University of Illinois in 1984, while working on his doctorate. He received his doctorate from Illinois in speech communication.

McCornack came to MSU in 1988 and he brought a lot of his radical spirit with him, but he has toned it down.

"That was back in the mid-'80s. The climate has changed," he said.

However, McCornack is happy to be at MSU because he says the students are really very good.

"The students at Illinois had a different attitude," he explained, "(Illinois) was <u>the</u> state school, so there were a lot of kids there from Chicago who were raised with everything on a silver platter, and the attitude was like, 'what do <u>you</u> have to offer <u>me</u>?""

Liberal communications professor loves job, inspires students

He noticed that many MSU students are working their way through college and sees that they have a work ethic.

"They're willing to bust their butts to do well," he said. He also commented that the students are much more extreme at MSU than at Illinois.

"The bad ones are worse, but the good ones are really better," he said.

McCornack said he believes his students enjoy his classes so much because he has enthusiasm for what he's teaching. "The biggest thing I bring to class is enthusiasm. I'm really, really into what I am doing," he explained.

He said that when he was in college, there were two aspects that he thought made great professors: "The students know that the classroom is exactly where the professors want to be; and the professors are obsessed with what they are talking about."

He remembered a history professor that was always obsessed with his lectures, and McCornack imitated him by pacing back and forth and grimacing, eyes bulging, with his hands near his face, acting like he was explaining something that meant life or death.

"This is your life you're talking about and if you're into what you're doing you're going to get the students into it," he said.

McCornack's wife Kelly Morrison is in the doctoral program at MSU and said of her husband, "He is probably the one person I know that truly loves his job. It's not work for him."

McCornack said he does not plan to be dynamic in the classroom, but it happens because there is no place he would rather be.

"He's really energetic, and uses a lot of personal examples," Morrison explained, "He doesn't look down on his students... he communicates at an equal level."

McCornack does his research work on relational communication and emphasizes women's issues. He is the faculty advisor for the MSU chapter of NOW, he's done various programs for the Women's Council and is an "ardent financial supporter" for the Council Against Domestic As-



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SU for ial The reason McCornack is so involved in women's issues, he said, is because he is married.

"If you really get to know somebody, if you make a good friend, you become concerned and sensitive to the problems they are facing," he said.

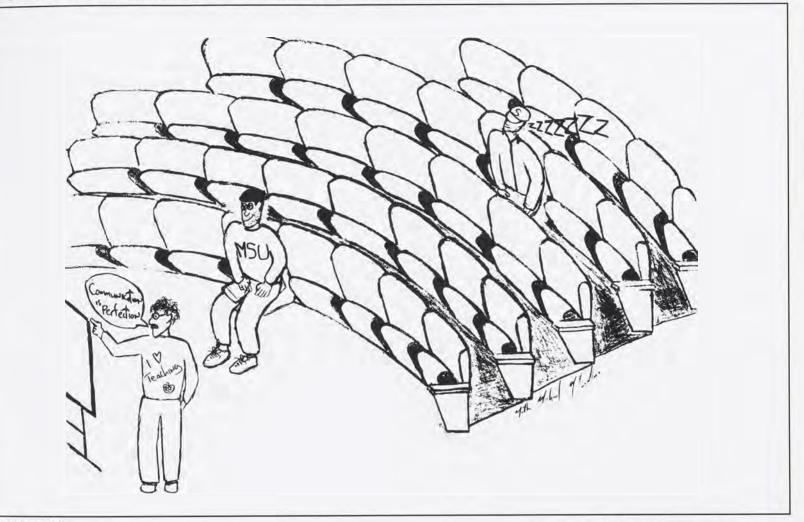
In order to learn more about these issues, McCornack began reading. "The more I read, the more I saw, the more I got concerned with it. When you read, and read about the history of women and language it's amazing. It inevitably leads you to a view," he said.

McCornack admits he is a feminist, but he said it was hard for him to admit at first.

"If you're really a feminist and you're male, you end up confronting your own sexuality. You look in the mirror and see the enemy," he explained. He said he became a feminist after he had been to a conference on violence against women.

McCornack said he believes that when it comes to these issues, it is impossible to be too radical. He said he is angry at the apathy of both women and men and wishes more people would take action to help end the injustices.

McCornack's youthful gait and gold hoop earring may detract somewhat from the image of a typical professor, but don't be fooled—students learn from him anyway.



Carolyn Fischer (and left)



Opposite page: The Communication Arts and Sciences building, where McCornack teaches many of his classes. Left: The sign indicating the Communication Arts and Sciences building.



Unusual Majors

By Matias Saari

Some MSU students might have trouble picturing a woman wearing work boots and a hard hat or a man donning a nurse's attire, but more students are breaking stereotypes and entering areas of work traditionally reserved for the opposite sex.

Men in the nursing field? Women in building construction management? Men in women's studies or human environment and design?

"I've had an amazingly positive experience" nursing senior Ron Coronado said. "I never want to leave the field."

Nursing student Skip Shipley said he's glad he changed from business to nursing, a more "people-oriented" field.

"I've seen a good side of the nursing world," he said. "My peers treat me well."

Coronado and Shipley are among the 19 male nursing majors. The program has 253 students total.

Both students said they have experienced relatively little stereotyping and said that being a man has, at times, helped them. Coronado spoke of both men and women refusing other nurse's services to be treated by him. His peers' reaction has been supportive, with "just a little flak" from classmates. Coronado plans to pursue a higher nursing degree after graduating from MSU.

Shipley said the only negative stereotype he hears is that some people assume he's selling himself short by studying nursing instead of premed. But Shipley said he enjoys the personal side that giving bedside care for patients provides, and has no plans to become a doctor.

"We're not just people running around in white skirts, cleaning up feces," Shipley said. "There are lots of specialties and opportunities in nursing."

After becoming a registered nurse upon graduation, Shipley said he plans to get practical experience in a hospital before getting a master's degree specializing in anesthesia.

Other predominately female-oriented majors include interior design (93 percent female), clothing and textiles (95 percent female), and women's studies (94 percent female).

One woman, senior Jennifer Eyde, is veering toward the male-dominated field of building construction management. As one of 47 women enrolled in a major with 381 students, Eyde said she has been babied as well as whistled at by her male co-workers.

"Guys tend to doubt me at first," she said.

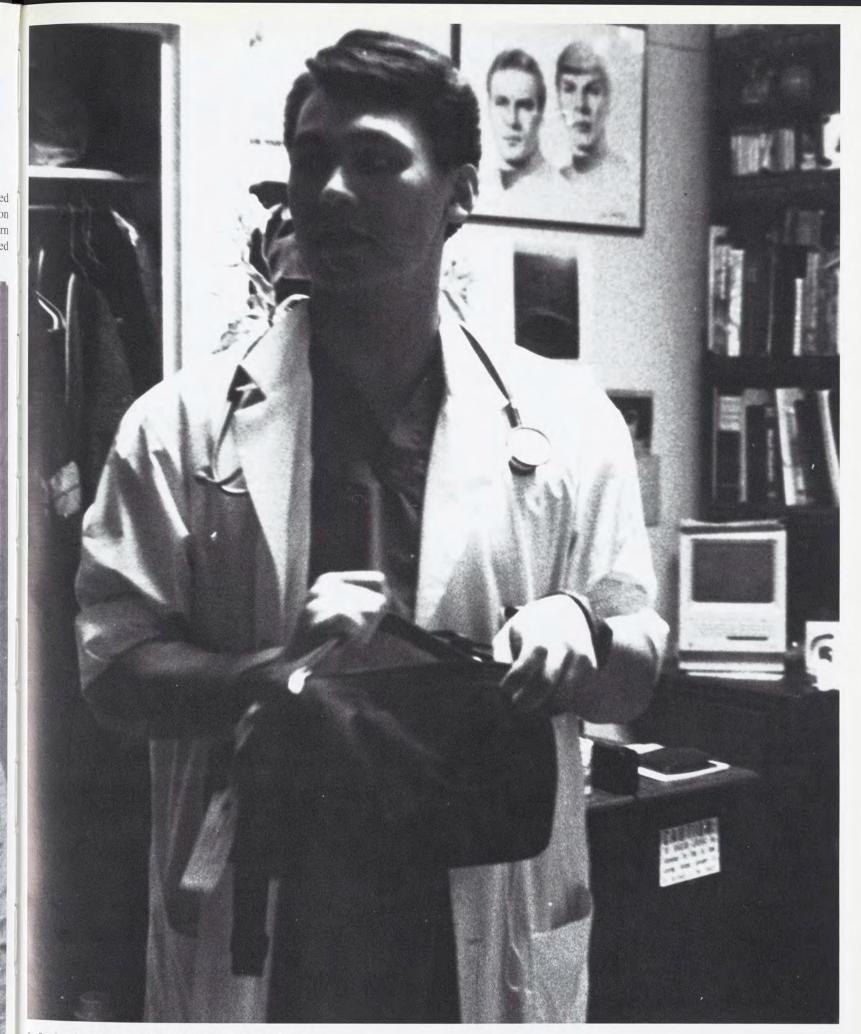


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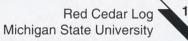
"You can't let down your guard."

Eyde, whose father is a developer, is working on the restoration of the state capital. She said she hopes to get a management position with a construction company after graduation. Being in a male-dominated field has, Eyde said, motive ed her to prove herself and taught her to always be on her guard. She said she feels it's important to earn her peers' respect and not be upset if she is treaded differently at times.





Left: Jennifer Eyde, a building construction management senior. Above: One of 19 male nurses in a program of 253 students.





Tattoos

By Jennifer Houston

Remember Popeye the Sailor Man? He would eat a can of spinach, giving him a burst of energy and enormous strength. He would flex his muscles and sport an anchor tattooed on each inflated forearm.

Since the 1960s, tattoos have moved from Popeye to professionals. They were found mainly on sailors, then bikers, then fraternity members. Just ask former Secretary of State George Schultz who, according to *Time Magazine*, has a Princeton tiger tattoo stamped on his buttocks!

Dennis and Debi Baker, owners of Splash of Color, a tattoo parlor in Lansing, said the majority of their clientele are professionals and college students. Sixty percent of the students are women.

Dennis Baker said the most popular tattoos for MSU students are a Sparty head or a world peace symbol on the ankle. He said college students are "in the chair" from three to seven minutes, provided they keep still.

Before the procedure begins, all equipment is cleaned and sterilized to prevent diseases or infections, and the area on the skin is shaved. The area to be tattooed is cleaned with rubbing alcohol and surgical soap before the artist applies a pattern. Pattern choices are endless—a client can bring in

They're not just for sailors anymore

his or her own design or choose from books of designs at a parlor. The pattern is first outlined, then shaded, and finally colored. Dennis Baker said the color will last anywhere from two to 34 years, depending on the company, the base of the ink, wearer activity and skin type.

"If you get it on an area with a lot of fat it doesn't hurt, but if you get it on a bone it hurts like a b—___," MSU junior Kristin Hall said. Hall said she and her friend Colleen Waverly went to Splash of Color their sophomore year to get tattoos.

A tattoo may serve as a form of self-expression, indicate membership in a group, express devotion (known as a "vow" tattoo) or serve as a badge of courage, proof that the wearer has guts and can endure pain.

Fear of pain is one of the main barriers people face when deciding to get a tattoo. The other is the idea of permanence. But while permanence may be a barrier to some, it's an incentive to others. "It's the one thing that's permanent in your life forever, and how many things are?" Wav rly said.

Senior Juan Bueno, who was tattooed in Chicago, compared the pain to that of skinning a knee. His tattoo artist told him to choose a design that would always be special to him. Bueno played soccer in high school and at MSU for two years so he chose a green-and-white soccer ball.

Bueno said permanence was not a factor in his decision to get a tattoo. The question was, where to put it?

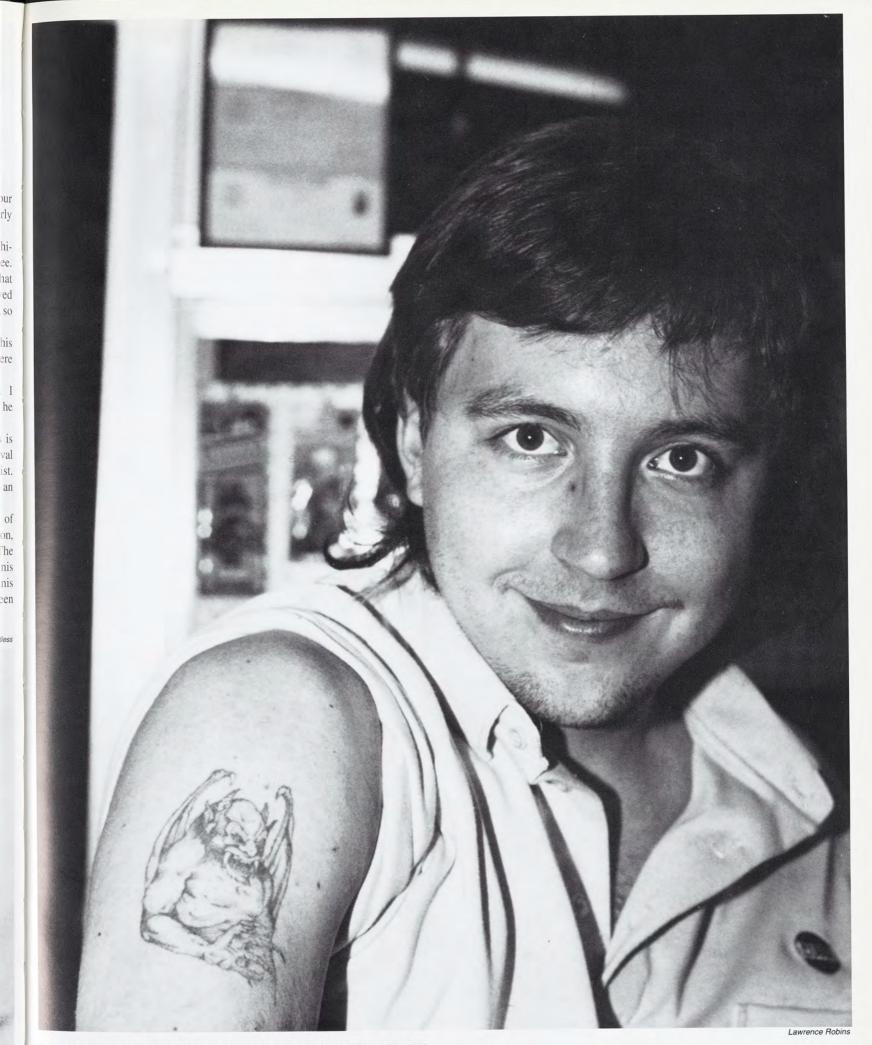
"My tattoo is on the inside of my ankle 1 picked a spot you can cover up really easily," he said.

Tattoos can be removed, but the process is both painful and scarring, said the Bakers. Removal is expensive and requires a doctor or specialist. Another route is to have a tattoo artist cover up an old tattoo with a new one.

Since receiving a tattoo requires the use of needles, there is always a risk of disease or infection, which is why sterilization is so important. The customer is not the only one at risk, so both Dennis and Debi Baker wear rubber gloves. But, Dennis Baker said, "No known cases of AIDS have been linked to tattoos in the United States."

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Left: Business junior Tamara Pridemore has a tattoo of a theatrical mask on her back. Above: Pyschology junior Pat Draves has a tattoo of an hutijiin on his right arm.

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Impact Radio

By Matias Saari

Radio dramas, Pandora's Musicbox, Reggae Sunsplash, Jazz Excursion, the Left Invasion, Progressive Torch and Twang, Spartan Sports Wrap, Punk is Dead.

There is only one place to hear such a wide variety of radio programming—and it's not at commercial radio stations such as WMMQ or Q-106. It's right here on student radio's IMPACT WDBM 89 FM and "The Almighty Left" WLFT cable FM.

"Our objective is to touch down on every genre of music," WDBM General Manager Dawn Paepke said. "We try to give something different, something you can't hear at many other stations."

WLFT station manager Rebecca Poling said, "We play music that isn't as accessible (like mainstream Top 40 is). We get more wacky in our programming."

WDBM began programming on Feb. 24, 1989, after a long struggle to obtain an FCC license. They haven't been off the air since, except for brief technical difficulties. WLFT has been on the air since the early 1980s. Both broadcast from the third floor of the MSU auditorium and employ only students.

One unique aspect of WDBM programming is that it is commercial-free. In fact, airing commercials is illegal for them, Paepke said. Occasionally local businesses do sponsor shows in return for brief general service announcements.

All of IMPACT's funding comes from a refundable \$2 student radio fee assessed at registration. This is enough to support WDBM's budget, which is about \$200,000 annually, Paepke said.

The majority of WDBM's approximately 150 employees are unpaid, with the exception of director positions. Paepke said jobs at the station are in demand in spite of this, and no one is ever turned down.

"People work here because they want to have a good time, and learn something," Paepke said. "Working here gives you experience if you're interested in a career in radio."

Paepke said she's learned things in her three years at WDBM that she never would have learned in a classroom, and her work there has guided her to her ambition—a job as a disc jockey.







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MSU's Rising Stars

By Jordan Glassco

Greg Mills, budding comedian and MSU senior, set the scene for the night when he announced, "We got it all for ya folks—poetry, music, skeet shooting..." Well, not exactly all that, but pretty close.

On Feb. 27, 1992, MSU students whose acts ranged from rap music to classical music to folk comedy entertained a full house during the Coffee House Talent Show in the Union Ballroom.

The show, which was arranged by the Union Activities Board and sponsored by *Perks*, treated the audience to three hours of entertainment, gourmet coffee and desserts. All this in an elegant setting of candlelight and linen table cloths—*free* of charge — a phrase not often heard at this University.

MSU students Simone Hurwitz and Nicole Henry coordinated the event. They evaluated a stack of talent on video tapes and cassettes before they chose the twelve acts to perform in the show.

Hurwitz and Henry looked for performers who would create a balance for the show.

"We wanted to get diversity in there. We had a lot of tapes from singers, so we tried to get different types of groups to bring more variety. This way we wound up with something for just about everyone," Henry said. Lawrence Robins

Spartans show off their diverse talents at the third annual Coffee House Talent Show

Student comedians John Heffrin and Greg Mills alternated as masters of ceremony and shared the dual roles of introducing the various acts and entertaining the audience with their stand-up comedy.

Mills, 21, an English and theater major, has been doing stand-up comedy in local shows and night clubs for the past three years. He is involved in the student comedy troupe "Fresh From Detox," which won him a spot on the HBO special "Kids in the Hall" in 1991.

Mills said he was pleased to be chosen to co-host the talent show.

"I think most people are probably doing it just

for fun," he said, "but I'm one of those just grate ul for the exposure and a chance to practice in from of an audience." Opposite) Below: T Below left Below rig

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Some of the other acts between comic breaks were: classical piano and song, a rap group, a poet who cried out for freedom, a group that combined African music with political and social commentary and the popular local rock band *Day Glo Orange*.

One of the most unusual acts that was extremely popular with the audience was the folk comedy of Jeff and Matt, *The Ashtray Profits*.

Coordinator Hurwitz said that she and everyone involved in the show were pleased and surprised by its success and look forward to more Coffee House Talent in years to come.

"This is the third annual Coffee House Talent Show and by far has been the most successful with the biggest turn-out," Hurwitz said.

Hurwitz estimated that over 300 people crowded into the Union Ballroom, and most enjoyed it enough to stay the entire three hours.

MSU sophomore Sara Cugliari said she appreciated that the show was free and that it provided an opportunity for something different to do.

"Whoever is running this is doing a great job of setting up something that provides an opportunity for so many different types of performers," Cugliari said. "I like that it's unbiased that way and exposes the audience to such different expression."



Opposite page: A duo performs a rap song at the talent show. Below: The audience listens to a stand-up comedy routine. Below left: An MSU student cracks some jokes at the third annual talent show. Below right: The keyboards are a necessity for one Enrico Caruso.

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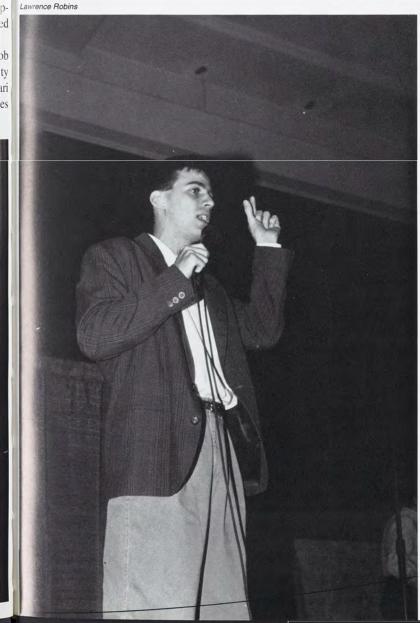
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Entertainers

By Melissa Levy

MSU senior Rico Beard has some modest goals.

First, he's going to direct and produce *at least* seven successful films, just to feel like he's established himself in the film industry. After winning *at least* one Academy Award, he wants to own an advertising agency and his own record label. Of course, in order to feel comfortable retiring at an early age, he plans to invest in real estate—maybe owning just a few apartment buildings to start. Beard will ultimately recognize his alma mater by establishing an MSU scholarship for minorities and a fund to improve the school's film program.

Although many might laugh at these pipe dreams, this 22-year-old has already written his first copyrighted screenplay. It is 110 pages long and has been sent out for production consideration to more than 85 agents from the Film Writer's Guild.

Beard, a telecommunications major from Detroit, said he became interested in a film career the summer after he graduated from high school, because of a job he held through the Detroit Council of the Arts and the city's Minority Festival program.

In addition to working as a resident assistant for three years, Beard continued to pursue production experience at MSU by directing the "Ebony Beat" television show during his sophomore and junior years.

Famous and not-so-famous people who keep us entertained

He got the idea for his screenplay in March 1990 and began working on it that summer. The film took a month and a half to write and about the same amount of time to type and polish.

Beard often worked on his film project up to five nights a week and usually wrote from midnight to 3 a.m.

"I just learned to go with the flow," Beard said. "I never knew what the next line of dialogue would be. At times I even wondered what would happen next."

If the movie is actually brought to production, Beard said he would like comedian Sinbad to play the lead, because the actor can be both serious and funny.

"I didn't base the film on personal experiences, but the lead handles things as I would," he said.

Beard said that his film flashes back to the weekend of a black high school girl whose parents go out of town (e.g. <u>Risky Business</u>), but is not as violent as movies which have come out recently from other prominent African-American director/producers.

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"There are movies like Juice and Boyz '1 the Hood which are well-written and get their point across, and I applaud them," Beard said. "But, 1 want to show the other side. There are no drugs in this movie, because not everyone is like that."

Although he wants to promote "a positive, smart African-American woman who does not come from the ghetto," Beard emphasized that he doesn't want to get stuck in a rut of having to write "black" movies.

"I don't want to be stereotyped," he said. "I want to be versatile."

Beard also wants to improve on his favorite genres — horror and adventure/mystery films.

"I want to write a horror movie where people are actually scared," he explained. "I really admire movies like <u>No Way Out</u> and <u>Dead Again</u> where you have to sit down and watch the entire thing, because they keep your attention the whole way through."

Beard said he has already started three other films and is working on an idea for another.

Ultimately, Beard said he hopes to focus solely on producing and directing and let others write the screenplays.

"In all honesty, I hate writing. I may be good at it but I'd rather someone else do it."



Opposite page: Chynna and Carnie and Carnie's younger sister, Wendy, form Wilson Phillips, one of the hottest trios of the year. Below: LL Cool J's name is an acronym for Ladies Love Cool James. Far below left: Arnold Schwarzenegger was the star of TERMINATOR 2. At a cost of more than \$90 million, it was the most expensive movie ever made to date. Far below right: Paula Abdul, former Los Angeles Lakers cheerleader, has had many hit songs in recent years.

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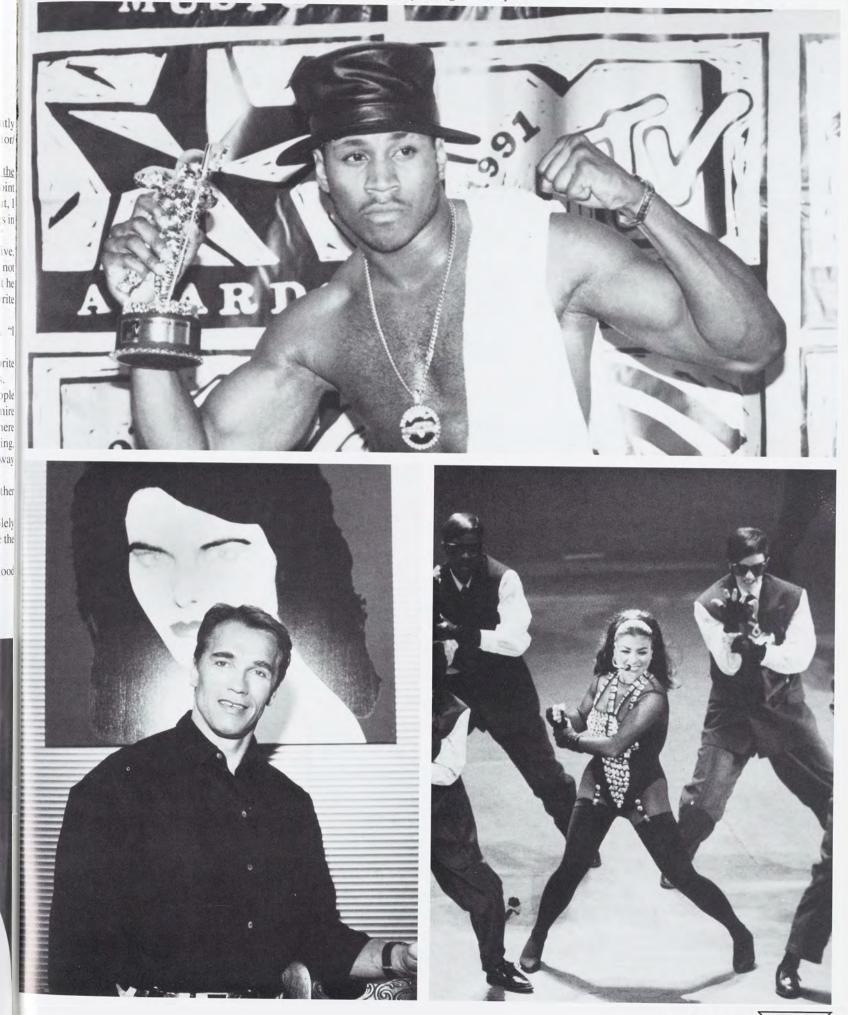
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'Cheers' to MSU Scriptwriters

By John Guibord

Jeff Witzke and Steve Van Wormer are going to a place where everybody knows their names. At least they hope so.

MSU seniors Witzke and Van Wormer were invited to the 1991 Warner Bros. and Lorimar Television Sit-Com Writing Workshop in Chicago. Their half-hour television script for "The Show," an MSU student-run cable program, was one of 11 chosen out of 400 submissions from seven states in the midwest.

Witzke, 22, a communications major, and Van Wormer, 22, a telecommunications major, said they plan to move to Los Angeles, where they hope to break into television script writing.

Once at the workshop, Witzke and Van Wormer met and talked with Reinhold Weege, creator of "Night Court," and Tom Reeder, producer and writer for "Barney Miller," "Night Court" and "Cheers."

"It was very intense," Witzke said, "We made a ten-page outline of our ideas for a "Cheers" episode, and then they would critique it."

Van Wormer said he and Witzke, the youngest members at the conference, came up with their idea four hours before it was due.

"Five to five in the morning we started it, and after they looked at it, we came home and started to create a full script," he said.

The four-day conference concluded on Oct. 4, 1991 and the duo sent their 40-page script to Warner Bros. on Oct. 24, 1991. They hesitated to go into detail about the nature of the episode, saying only that characters Cliff and Norm get into an argument over money, and Fraser and Lilleth end up running the bar.

Spartan grads shoot for the best

"You know and love the show, but when we were writing our episode, we watched it and really studied to make sure we were on the right track," Witzke said.

Van Wormer said he originally wanted to write an episode for "Married With Children," but after deliberating with Witzke, they settled on "Cheers."

"I'm grateful to this day that Jeff said, 'Now that we have this opportunity, let's shoot for the highest thing,' "Van Wormer said. "We just said, why not make it a challenge within a challenge?"

Witzke said they spent a week debating whether to pursue writing the "Cheers" episode.

"First we said no to 'Cheers' because that's perfection," he said, "We were like, "Who are we to mess with perfection?"

Van Wormer said a conversation with Una Hart, Warner Bros.' executive in charge of new writer recruitment, helped them decide on "Cheers."

"They said first and foremost they want to see if you're funny and can tell a story," he said. "In order to do this, they suggested picking a popular show so they know if you can do characterization."

Van Wormer said it was the first time the conference was hosted by such a prestigious figure as "Night Court's" Weege.

"He was really quiet the first day, and nobody

knew whether or not to approach him," Van Wo mer said, "But we sat right up there near him, bec use we wanted to jump right in and work."

Witzke said the big thrill was interacting with Weege.

"One of the amazing things about this experience was it wasn't like we just met him, or he just lectured us," he said. "We worked with hin and he'd throw ideas out to us, and we'd talk back and forth."

The writing duo said being part of the small group of 13 was conducive to learning the complexities of producing a 30-minute situation comedy.

"Not only did we learn how to write scripts but also about the entire process of making a single show," Witzke said. "For example, we found out writers don't worry about how long their scripts are, because they fine tune it the week the episode is filmed."

Van Wormer, a Grand Blanc native, said heis fascinated with script writing, and going to Los Angeles will put him closer to the action.

"You have to go there to work," he said. "I don't think we'll walk into a job, but it's still the easiest way to get things moving."

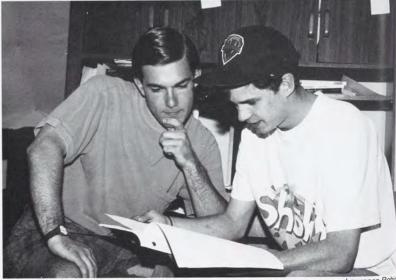
Witzke, originally from Grosse Pointe, said he plans to extend his career to acting as well.

"I'm looking at the performance/acting end," he said, "But right now writing seems to be the most open avenue."

Van Wormer said he would like to be a feature director someday.

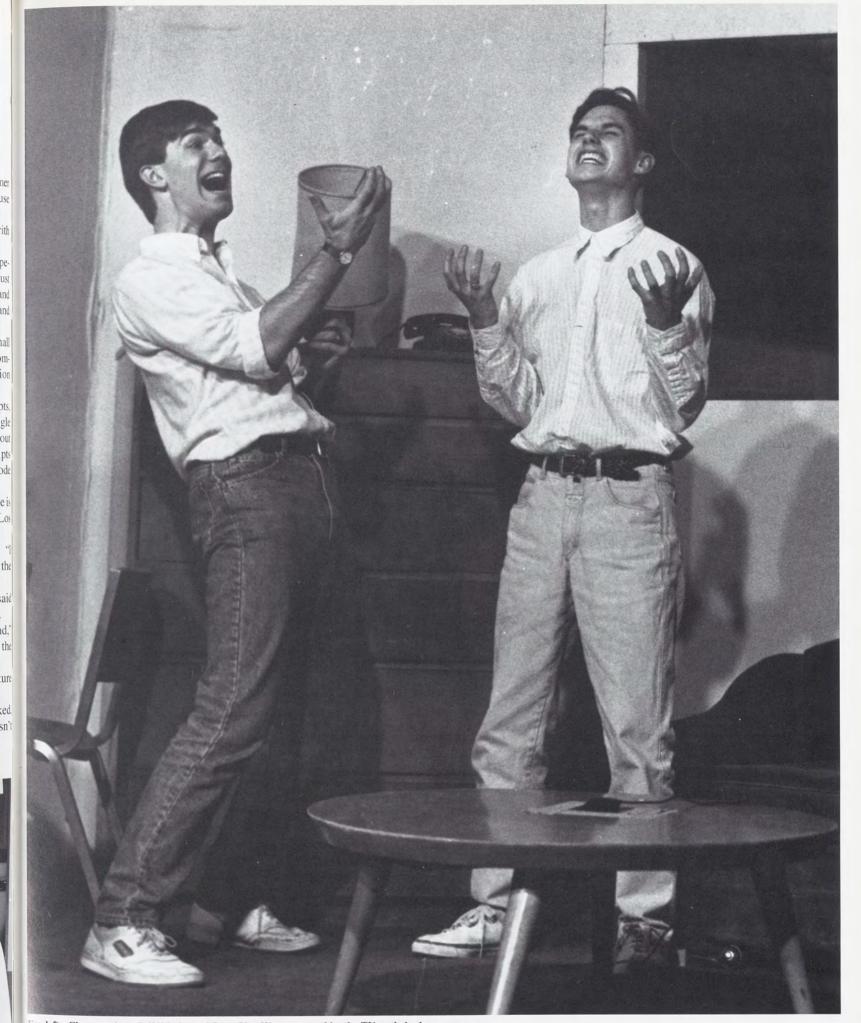
"I'd like to direct Jeff eventually," he joked "But really, I would like to make a movie that isn" 'Porky's 5' or anything like that."







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Far left: Cheers writers Jeff Witzke and Steve Van Wormer stand by the TV as their show comes on. Left: Jeff Witzke and Steve Van Wormer go over a script together. Above: Joking around together are Cheers writers Jeff Witzke and Steve Van Wormer.

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From State to Success

By Matias Saari

What do the lead actor of "Misery," the Chairman of General Motors, the President and CEO of USA Network, a host of professional athletes, three ex-governors and the current governor, five major university presidents and the vice-president of Liberia have in common?

Stumped?

They are all alumni of Michigan State University.

The list goes on and on-names known to people all around the country who once strolled the campus of MSU.

Didn't know that James Caan, an actor in 29 movies since 1963, was a Spartan who studied economics? What about Robert Urich, of "Vegas" and "Spenser For Hire" fame? He received his master's degree from MSU in TV and Radio in 1969.

Other notable alumni in entertainment include Sam Raimi, director of "Darkman" and the "Evil Dead" series (in which he used MSU graduates as actors); Ed Feldman, producer of "The Golden Child" and "Witness"; Jim Cash, scriptwriter of "Top Gun" and "Dick Tracy" and now an MSU telecommunications professor (see corresponding

MSU alumni achieve fame and fortune

sidebar); Tom Patchett, co-creator of ALF and Frank Price, President of Universal Pictures, Vice President of MCA and "One of the most powerful movie moguls in America" according to Robert Bao, editor of MSU Alumni Magazine.

Bao said many well-known alumni have not forgotten their college roots.

"I see a lot of them or I have contact with them," he said. "It depends on the individual, but some of them are very supportive."

Bao compiled a list of 75 of MSU's best-known alumni but said there are more than 300,000 not-so-famous alumni out there. The MSU Alumni Association has more than 40,000 members, nearly as many as current annual enrollment. Alumni status is effective upon graduation.

"Once an alumni, always an alumni." Bao said.

The magazine, which provides profiles, up-

dates and accomplishments of alumni and cur ent MSU news, is an important way for many alu nni to keep in touch, especially those who have moved away. It is published four times yearly.

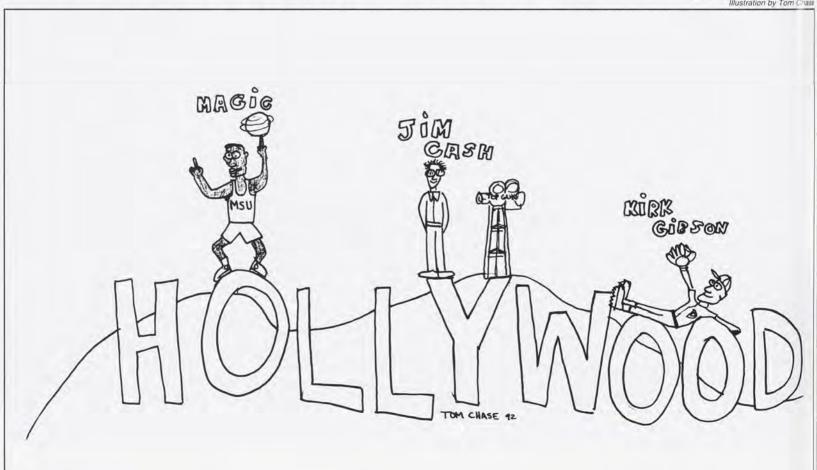
"The magazine is one liaison a lot of people have with the university," Bao said. "It promites Spartan spirit."

Bao said some of the famous alumni o casionally come back to East Lansing for activ ties like sporting events. Others remember their ties by donating money to the school. He said athletes Bubba Smith, Earvin "Magic" Johnson, Lirk Gibson and Steve Garvey have all kept in touch. Smith even donated \$300,000 for engineeing minorities. Businessman Eli Broad recently donated \$20 million to MSU's School of Business.

Some famous alumni in the literary world include: Craig Jones, author of Fatal Attraction: novelist Tom McGuane, who is married to Jin my Buffett's sister; Pete Gent, ex-pro football player and author of North Dallas Forty, and poet Jim Harrison, who still resides in Leelenaw, Michigan.

Politicians that might ring a bell are Michigan's own John Engler, ex-governor Jim Blanchard, and David Stockman, former budget director for the Reagan administration.

Illustration by Tom Chase





Above: Earvin "Magic" Johnson, a famous alumnus from MSU, played basketball for many years, most notably for the Los Angeles Lakers.



Winter Term Blues

By Jordan Glassco

With the semester change going into effect next year, the 1991-'92 school year will be the last time for MSU students to experience one solid term of pure winter— what for many is the dreariest and longest term of all.

According to the 1992 World Almanac, this year's winter brought a total of 38 inches of sleet and snow, temperatures that dipped down to three degrees and winds that reached almost 50 mph.

Facing these weather conditions, many find a warm bed and a television much more enticing than the prospect of braving the blizzards and trekking across the frozen tundra to attend a class.

As senior Liana Longato said, "I think I miss the most classes during winter term. The thought of freezing and walking through a snow storm doesn't appeal to me, especially when all I feel like doing is sleeping."

Being cooped up indoors can be a stress on friendships and other relationships as well. Tina Wiechman, a junior, said she and her boyfriend often get on each other's nerves when there are so few activities to do.

"In the summer you can go for walks or go canoeing or on a picnic, but now I feel like we are running out of things to do on dates. You can only play pool or go out to dinner so many times." Wiechman said. "The cold gets to you after a while because it's just so cold for so long."

Surviving a solid term of winter

Researches have found that spring fever's opposite—"winter blues"—can be caused by an actual medical condition known as seasonal affective disorder, or SAD, which is caused by lack of sunlight during winter months.

Laura Smale, assistant psychology professor, said that although many students feel depressed during winter term as a result of cabin fever or boredom, SAD has been known to cause very serious depression.

"Some individuals go through very serious changes predictably every winter," Smale said. "Their hormones are messed up, they either have trouble sleeping or they feel tired all the time, and they can experience very serious inexplicable depression."

Dr. Girard of MSU's Clinical Center said that although most students don't experience such severe mood changes during winter term, gloomy days affect almost everyone to some extent.

"It's so gray and depressing. We really don't have enough days of sunshine in this area." Girard said. "In January alone we've had 20-some days that were cloudy and dreary. There's no question in that this affects people's moods." Trystan Lindquist, a senior, said he fine in difficult to find a positive release of stress duing winter term. B

"It seems to me that I require a whole lot more sleep," Lindquist said. "I don't go out as much, which gives me more stress, and I have no wauto release it.

Not everyone hates winter, of course. Some optimists look forward to winter sports such as skiing, tobogganing and skating, and others scell as the best time to study.

Junior Aaron Peterson said, "It's easier to go to class because there isn't that temptation to party as much. It's also a good excuse to play intramal basketball."

The MSU Ski Club is a popular organization that gives students a chance to get discounts on ski trips and socialize.

Randall Fraser, president of the Ski Club, said the club had 520 members in 1992, which made it the largest sport club on campus.

"We go on three ski weekends during winter term and two week-long trips out West twice a year," said Fraser. "We like to say that our members range from excellent to no skiing ability. We have lots of parties during winter term, which everyone likes."

Although most students experience winter term blues to some extent, clearly there are some positive aspects. Perhaps the biggest plus: spring term soon follows!

Matthew McCandles

Below left: An MSU student lies in bed, sick with a cold. Below: Snyder Hall, blanketed in snow.

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By Jordan Glassco

As the stoic professor drones amidst the sounds of sneezes, wheezes, hacks and occasional moans, the question comes to mind whether one is in a lecture hall or an intensive care ward.

Another unfortunate aspect of winter term is the dreaded cold and flu epidemic which seems to permeate MSU's campus like the black plague.

Dr. Roy Girard of the MSU Clinical Center said he treats many MSU students during the winter months. Most come to him with upper respiratory viruses, earaches and cases of the flu, he said.

According to Girard, the reason for such abundant illness during cold weather has to do with going from warm buildings to the cold outdoors, which upsets a person's system. In iddition, he said, most heating systems are "breeding grounds for colds," as they blow dust and viruses into the upper respiratory tract.

"MSU is like one big incubator," Girard said. "There are some 42,000 students that come from all different parts of the state, country and even world, and each one is a different reservoir for illness."

As sniffles turn to fevers, hundreds of miserable students flock to Olin Health Center in search of some quick drug to get them back on their feet.

But finding a cure at Olin isn't always the quickest thing to do. Senior Tracey Waters remarked, "You've got to wait in line to put your name in, wait in line to tell them what's wrong, wait in line to see a nurse... by the time you see a doctor and get a prescription, you've wasted half the day and could be on your death bed."

Girard recommended, "Tylenol, lots of bedrest, and plenty of tender loving care" as the best home remedies for colds and flus. But for many students with full class loads and jobs, bedrest is nearly impossible, and T.L.C. is hard to find when living away from home.

Senior Jenni Stevens said, "When you're home you have someone to take care of you, but when you're pretty much on your own being sick can be a nightmare."

Stevens, who is also part of the peer educators group at Olin Health Center, created a program that alerted students to causes and remedies for colds and flus and passed out cough drops and chicken soup.

"It sounds simple," Stevens said, "but the best way to get well is to just take care of yourself. When you get run down your body uses its vitamins and minerals to care for itself, so it is also important to keep a well-balanced diet."

Campus Tours

By Beth Goldberg

A campus tour sold junior Kaylene Alvarez on attending MSU.

"One big deciding factor was that State had friendly people," Alvarez said. "Other campus tours were uptight. Here it was laid-back and personal. I felt like I could ask questions."

Now Alvarez is training to be a tour guide for the Student Alumni Foundation (SAF). And she is excited that she is learning how to give tours to prospective students.

Pat Jackson is a James Madison major and is an SAF tour guide. He has one bit of advice for Alvarez.

"Don't just give them the facts," Jackson said. "Personalize it. They can get the facts out of a book.'

Jackson walked backwards on a Friday morning tour as he told the group of 15 parents and young students that the campus is 5,000 acres but

The Student Alumni Foundation directs MSU's official tour program

only 2,000 are developed.

"Some of the land is sheep barns. Those are just for the agricultural majors," Jackson said. "The rest of us don't see them, we just smell them."

The walking tour of campus lasts approxi-

mately one hour. They begin at the Administration Building or the Union.

Jackson fielded parents' questions about anademics and campus life. He also broadened their vocabulary in the process.

"Grand Rivering' is a verb, " Jackson s id. "To go Grand Rivering is to spend your pare ts' money on frivolous items."

Jackson alerted prospective students to salety issues on campus and indulged in a little Wolverine bashing on his way to B-108 Wells Hall.

The tour ended back at the administration building, with 15 parents and young students feeing more comfortable with the campus.

"The campus seemed so big at first," said Frik Cabble, a senior from Rochester who plans on entering Lyman Briggs in the fall of 1992. "But the guide pointed out that you just have to find your niche."

The tours are designed to eliminate the overwhelming feeling that such a big campus and so



many students can create, said LoRae Hamilton, assistant director of the Alumni Association and advisor to SAF.

"This campus is as big as you wish it to be," Hamilton said. "We try to personalize it and have the guides share their experiences as a student. We also tell them the truth. We don't candycoat anything."

Jackson and 55 other tour guides give 11 campus tours each week during the school year. Their audience is comprised of prospective students, parents, elementary school students and senior citizen groups. SAF also coordinates special tours, which include parts of campus not covered in the routine walking tour.

"We try to accommodate the needs of groups," Hamilton said. "For example, we have given barn tours to the physically disabled where we brought out the animals. We designed and put together a tour especially for them."

Hamilton said that tours are coordinated by student volunteers.

"Tours are SAF's bread and butter program," Hamilton said. "Most of our members got started in tours. It helps the freshmen get to know campus."

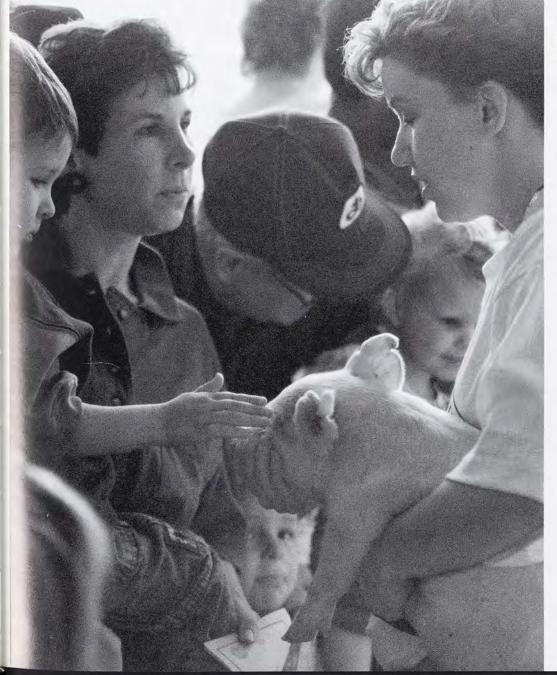
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Opposite page: Campus tour guide Carolyn Fischer shows campus visitors the Engineering Building, located on South Campus.

Above: Campus visitors check out the statue of Sparty, a symbol of MSU.

Left: A campus tour guide shows a young visitor a piglet during a barn tour.



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Battling the Bulge

By Jordan Glassco

The dreaded "freshman fifteen," beer bellies, and expanding waist lines are, for many, some of the worst downfalls of college life.

As students move from their teenage years to adulthood, and as countless nights of beer guzzling and pizza munching start to take their toll, many find the need and the opportunity to start thinking about health and fitness.

Ronda Bokram councils students with eating disorders and sets up programs to teach students about weight management and general nutrition.

"Many students find that they gain more weight than ever during their college years," Bokram said. "This is partly because they just don't exercise. They probably never had the need to as teenagers with quick metabolisms."

Bokram said that the typical student menu is high in fat. Most students tend to rely on pizza and fast food and avoid fruits and vegetables.

Carolyn Leppanen, a junior, said although she tries to eat healthily, she finds her eating habits suffering largely for economic reasons.

"When you don't have a lot of money all at once it just seems easier and cheaper to go to Taco Bell or McDonald's instead of spending money on healthy groceries," Leppanen said.

"In high school I was also a lot more active in sports, and now I just don't have the time," Leppanen said. "I really do have to watch what I eat for the first time."

Another reason for the sudden expansion many

Fighting beer bellies and other woes

students find themselves undergoing is the consequences of some favorite refreshments— beer and alcohol.

"Not only does alcohol have a lot of calories," Bokram said, "but it also really suppresses the body's ability to burn fat."

According to an article in the Lansing State Journal, Swiss researchers have reported that when people drink alcohol, they burn up fat much more slowly than usual.

The study showed that men who drank 3 ounces of pure alcohol a day burned off one-third less fat than usual.

The fat that isn't burned is stored in the places where people tend to put on weight like the paunch—thus the hated and common "beer belly."

Bokram said many students make the mistake of trying to combat the sudden weight gain by crash dieting or trying diet aids such as Dexatrim or Slimfast.

"It is much better to lose a little weight at a time and incorporate exercise," Bokram said. "These crash diets and diet aids may work for a very short period of time, but they don't keep off the weight and may lead to other problems." MSU Nutriguide, developed by registered dietitian Won Song, is a computer program which gives general nutritional information and helps students plan out the best diet for themselves. Fa

The program, which is used by 700 to 000 students a term, is personalized, easy to use and available at many campus locations, Song said.

Nutriguide asks users to provide their height, weight, age, gender and what they spend in a typical day. It then produces an assessment of the user's diet and offers suggestions to make it better.

Song said people may feel more comfortable with the computer. "If you eat a bag of polato chips, you will not be inhibited to report that to a computer," she said.

According to Bokram, shopping for a healthy menu does not have to be outrageously expensive.

"Buy chicken rather than beef and look for fruits and vegetables that are in season—as opposed to what's not, which would be more expensive," Bokram said.

Students can also take advantage of the numerous opportunities for exercise on campus.

Swimming pools, tennis courts and three IM centers with nautilus machines, free weights, basket ball and racquet ball courts, and aerobics classes can provide something for just about everyone.

"I recommend doing some kind of aerobic exercise four times a week." Bokram said. "The important thing is to find something that you like, because that's what you'll keep doing."

Lawrence Robins

Opposite page: Three MSU students go out for a night run. Below: A group of Spartans play basketball behind Abbot-Mason. Far below left: A student works out in the weight room at IM East. Far below right: Pete Cueter, two fisted and strong, shows off his beer belly.

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The State News

By Jordan Glassco

Some ponder it, some smile at it, some wince at it, and others quickly glance at their horoscope before throwing it out.

But whatever the reaction, the familiar rustling of *The State News* — 'MSU's independent voice'— is heard in every hallway and classroom.

Over 40,000 copies of the paper roll off the presses and are delivered throughout campus every weekday. It offers readers a wide range of sections, from news and editorials to sports and entertainment.

According to a not-so-random poll taken by the RCL, the comics and horoscopes ranked as the most popular sections, but many students enjoy different aspects of the paper for a variety of reasons.

After reading her favorite comic, *Mother Goose* and Grimm, senior Amy Rasmussen said she skips to Our Voice/Your Voice which features editorials from State News Staff and students.

"I really like the opinion section because it gives you the news while giving you someone else's perspective on it at the same time," Rasmussen said.

Best and worst of MSU's student newspaper

Junior Matthew Rudy, campus editor of the paper during the school year and managing editor for the summer, said the long hours of work create close friendships among the staff.

Rudy said a job on the State News is great preparation for a future in newspapers.

"As campus editor I worked 60-65 hours a week and watched my grades go down," Rudy said, "But this is as close to a real paper as you can get while still in college."

Joe Lamport, senior, has been a part of the State News staff off and on since 1988. He said the most challenging aspect of the job is balancing time for being a student with the 40-50 hours per week most of the writers spend on the paper. "Provost Scott addressed the staff about three years ago and said, 'We all know that State Newsers are part time students and full time journalists." Lamport said. "That statement really sums it all up."

Dean Scheerer, junior, said he appreciates the State News but finds much of the writing biased and one-sided.

"I think a lot of the student writers are really unaware of the complexities of certain issues," Scheerer said, "There is definitely a lot of room for improvement."

Lamport said in spite of criticism, he thinks the State News is "progressively ten times better than it ever was."

"As students we are more aware of what other students want to read," Lamport said, "The newspaper is very dynamic and always changing to reflect what's going on in the community."

Lamport said that he is glad people hold the State News up to very high standards.

"I want people to appreciate us because we're a good newspaper, not because we're a student newspaper." Lamport said. "But at the same time people should keep in mind that we are also a learning ground— not a professional paper."





Left: Students enjoy the antics of the State News. Above: Two students take a break on Grand River, enjoying the sun and the State News.

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By Melissa Wiles

Student involvement is as much a part of MSU as Sparty, the Red Cedar River, football Saturdays and the library. And with over 400 organizations at MSU, students have a multitude of groups to get involved in.

The changing communities we live in also contribute to the student involvement at MSU. With change comes the need to speak out about new issues, beliefs and concerns, and there is a lot students can speak out about.

Today there is a growing concern for the condition of life in both the environment and society. Organizations like Habitat for Humanity and MSU Students for Earth Day get students involved in helping their less fortunate neighbors and the environment.

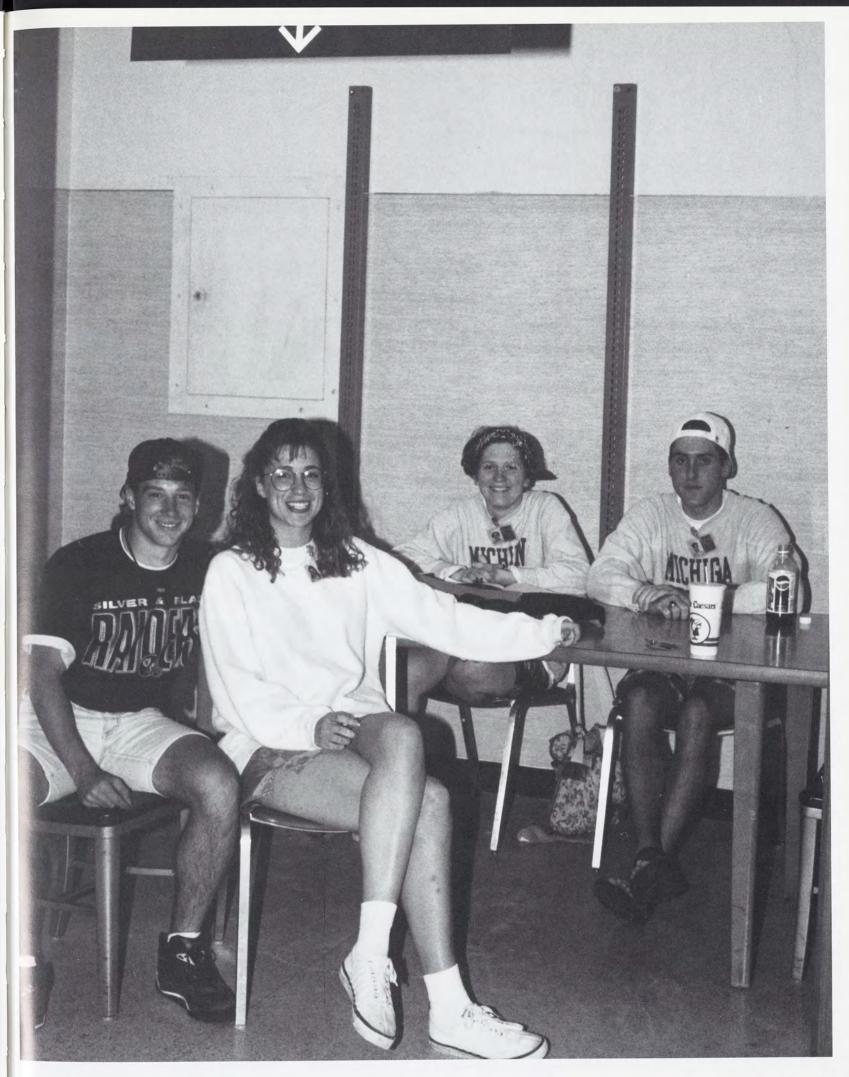
With the changing society students are also finding it necessary to provide a little extra protection for their fellow students. Groups like State Walk, Dial-a-Ride and the Listening Ear provide students with protection from the dangers of rape, assault and late-night walks alone, and provide counseling for problems that sometimes seem overwhelming.

For the more outspoken student there are organizations like NOW, HEA and other numerous politically oriented groups to get involved in. And for those students who want to be a little more intellectual or just kick back and enjoy college life, organizations at MSU can provide that need. Religious groups, language clubs, fraternal organizations and athletic clubs provide activity without radical, outspoken involvement.

Despite the change that seems to be engulfing the world around us, one thing has remained the same: student involvement. Whatever the club, student organizations help each Spartan find their niche at MSU. Organizations give students some structure and definition in the otherwise changing, chaotic life of a college student. And in return, students provide a feeling of diversity, motivation, intelligence and new ideas that will help change the environment of MSU forever.

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HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

By Melissa Levy

Imagine a non-profit organization that buys houses and land at the lowest price possible to provide cheap and decent housing for low income families. Imagine volunteers who donate their time, no matter what the temperature, to renovate and construct these homes.

The imaginary became reality in '91 at MSU with the formation of the MSU chapter of Habitat for Humanity.

Senior Jennifer Kowalczyk decided to start the chapter after volunteering in 1990 to work on a Habitat home with 14 friends in Covington, S.C.

"It was such a great experience, I decided to start a campus chapter," Kowalczyk said.

The MSU chapter worked with the Greater Lansing chapter of Habitat for Humanity, providing volunteers to work on the houses and land that the Lansing group owns. Kowalczyk said the MSU group had about 30 active members who, in addition to working on homes, held fundraisers in hopes of sponsoring an MSU Habitat home.

Habitat for Humanity maintained its own tool base, so potential members only needed to have a desire to help with Lansing's housing problem, Kowalczyk said. Although no technical skills were necessary, Habitat approached engineering Stephanie Milton and agricultural groups for help with their projects. Some construction students also used the Habitat projects as internships and practical work opportunities.

One of Habitat for Humanity's biggest local projects of the '91-'92 school year was MSU's community service "Into the Streets," which kicked off Nov. 1, 1991. Because homelessness and housing was one of the 13 areas of service emphasis, the Into the Streets committee approached Habitat to get involved.

"We looked for already existing groups," said junior Sam Singh, Habitat for Humanity president. "They provided the expertise and knowledge, and we provided the volunteers."

Freshmen Jamie Gazella and Kelly Lindsey were two of the 80 volunteers working on one of the eight Habitat for Humanity home renovations. The volunteers spent four hours gutting out ceilings, ripping out linoleum, carpeting, cleaning and sweeping.

Although Gazella and Lindsey thought the manual work was rough, both said they would like to stay involved and go back to see the house when it is completed. Kowalczyk estimated that 10 of the Into the Streets volunteers remained active in the organization.

"They stayed involved because I think they

felt a sense of gratification," Kowalczyk se d, "They were not just getting their hands dirty; they were really helping and finding out that there is such a problem with housing in the Lansing are ..."

Habitat was started 15 years ago by milli naire businessman Millard Fuller, as a non-pr fit Christian Housing ministry based in Americ s, Ga. Habitat homes are usually intended fo a single family and are either new or renoval d. Houses are sold to approved families with a no-interest, 15- to 20-year mortgage.

"The whole philosophy of Habitat is no interest, no profit. Home owners have a 'sweat equily' working agreement instead," Kowalczyk said.

"The most impressive part is after one family builds their own home, they have to help with others...It's like a chain reaction and I think it makes them appreciate what they're doing, "she said.

Since 1976, Habitat for Humanity has sponsored the construction or repair of over 10,000 homes in 602 United States cities and 32 foreign countries. Fuller told the Chicago Tribune his go al is to build 20,000 houses per year by the year 2000.

The Lansing chapter completed six homes by fall '91, and the group was working on house number seven in Mason and home renovations on Bingham and Helen Streets in Lansing.





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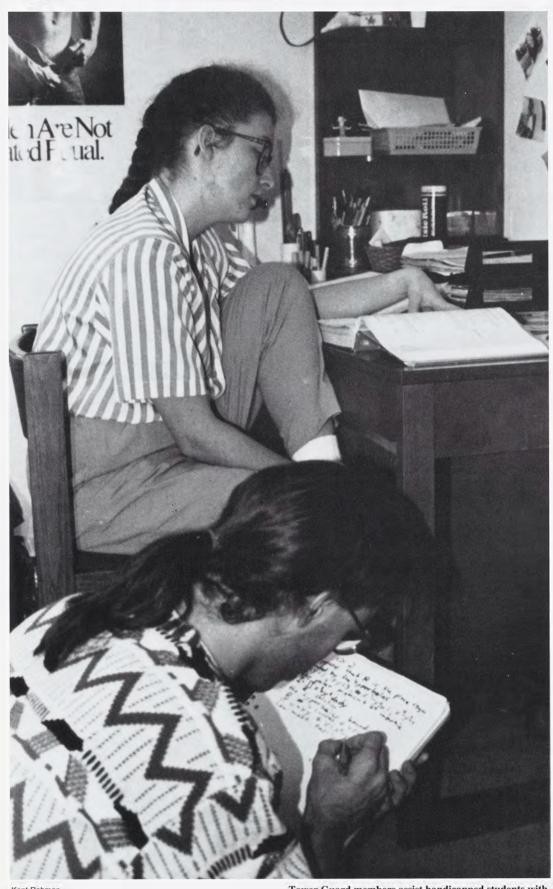
Three Habitat for Humanity volunteers scrape away old wallpaper in one of the group's many projects.

Left: Thirty Habitat members have worked on six houses in the Lansing area.

Far left: The walls of many of Habitat's houses must be sanded down before they are re-painted.



OVERCOMING CHALLENGES



Kent Rehman

Right: Angel Caro won Handicapper Student of the Year.

By Rick Wilson

MSU has a huge campus, and many stude its may grumble about the walking distance betwork classes. But for the physically challenged stude its of MSU, the distance between campus destinations can be very inconvenient and requires constant forethought and planning.

Most MSU handicapped students do not et the inconvenience of a large campus interfere wh their education and social life. Journalism junor Nicholas Coquillard and business graduate Angel Caro were both named outstanding Handicapper Students of the Year by the Michigan Association of Handicappers in Higher Education (MAHH). The award recognizes students who not only overcome physical obstacles but also establish themselves as role models.

Coquillard said his "so-called" handicap, stuttering, is less of a hindrance than many others, such as a physical handicap. Nonetheless, he said he considers the award a great honor and utilizes the speech therapy program that exists at MSU. He held a resident assistant position, is involved in the Society of Professional Journalists and looks forward to a sports writing career.

Caro also downplayed his physical challenge, which he described as a "characteristic."

"You determine if (you have) a disability of if it is a characteristic. To me it is just a characteristic that I can't use my legs," Caro said.

Caro also said he is continually attempting to change people's attitudes about the physically challenged. He filed a complaint with the Anti-Discrimination Judicial Board (ADJB), charging that the Masters of Business Administration Associates holds events in handicapper-inaccessible buildings. His insistence on filing a formal complaint and implementing an official ruling increased student awareness about physically challenged students at MSU.

Several other campus organizations also aid differently-abled students. Tower Guard is a service-oriented honor society whose members read for the blind.

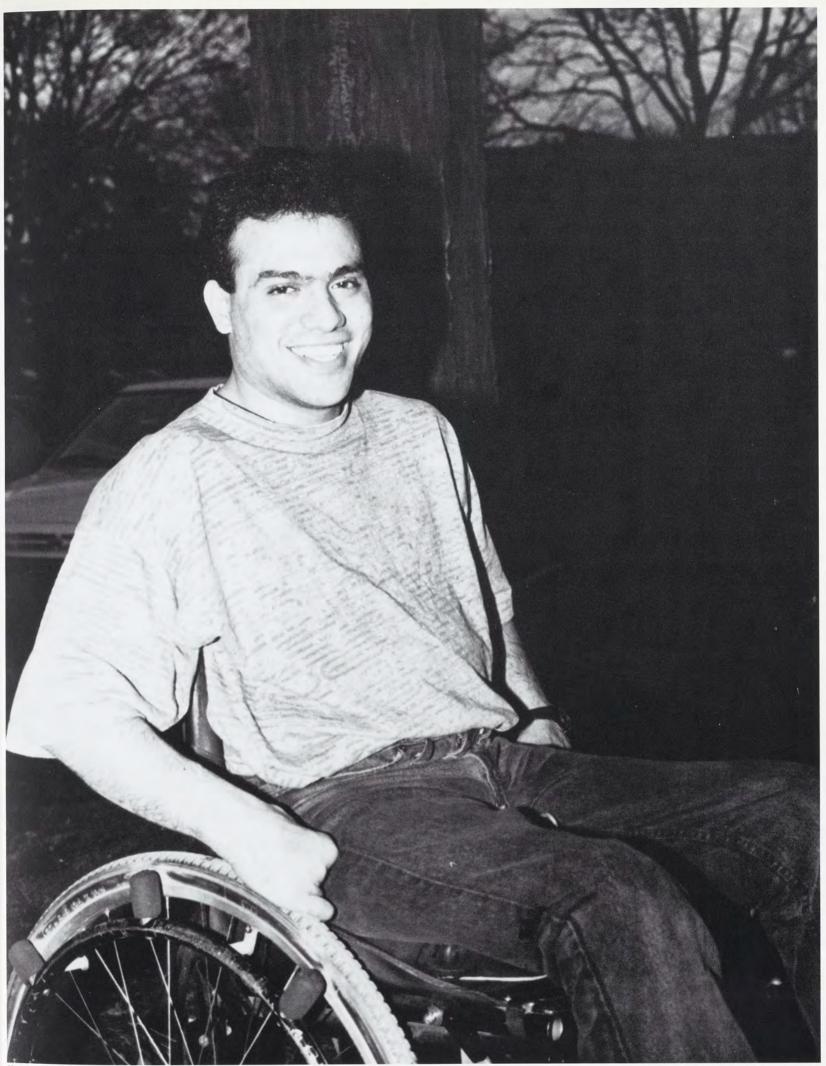
The Office of Programs for Handicapper Students (OPHS) also offers various aids. The Alternative Reading and Transportation Service maintains information-accessibility technology which can manipulate text, video and audio sources, and offers them in different formats. For the price of a term bus pass, a registered OPHS student can use special lift buses which run during class times and on weekends.

The presence of handicapped students adds diversity to MSU. Fortunately, there are aids, from accessible buildings to reading programs, to assist them.



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Tower Guard members assist handicapped students with reading and test-taking.



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SAFETY IN NUMBERS

By Melissa Wiles

Safety at night is a concern for many of the students, faculty and staff at MSU.

People often find that they have to walk around campus alone at night, making themselves an easy target for rape or assault.

Programs like Dial-a-Ride, Nite Rider, StateWalk and the Listening Ear 24 Hour Crisis Center are helping to meet this concern through crisis intervention and prevention.

Dial-a-Ride, Nite Rider and StateWalk help make MSU safer at night by providing transportation or walking teams to escort students, faculty and staff.

"It is important for people to feel safe," said DPS Sgt. Dan Beachnau. "Dial-a-Ride and Nite Rider are a safety valve for someone who doesn't want to walk alone at night."

Beachnau said that Dial-a-Ride was started about 10 years ago in response to people's concern about walking alone at night, especially women.

In trying to avoid picking up people going to a party, Beachnau sai only women in groups of two or less or single males could use Dial-a-Ride.

Beachnau said that Nite Rider was created this year when money was appropriated by the state for public safety at MSU.

"We wanted to create a specific route that would cover every residence hall and loop all around campus," Beachnau said. He said Dial-a-Ride is now strictly used for transportation to parking lots, Cherry Lane Apartments and Spartan Village from dusk to 2:30 a.m. Nite Rider has various stops around campus and starts when the MSU bus service ends for the night.

"Both services get a lot of use," Beachnau said. "They have the potential to make the likelihood of assault less for a victim."

Director of StateWalk Elizabeth Majewski said StateWalk also helps create a safer campus.

"Our main goal is to promote safety in numbers," Majewski said.

She said they send out volunteers in teams of two that are either female-female or male-female teams. Anyone can call the dispatch office ad request a walk. Majewski said thy then dispatch a team to go pick up the caller and walk her to her destination.

"Right now the main branch is the library," Majewski said. "But next year we are getting four new locations, two in the fall and two in the spring."

StateWalk was started during Spring term of 1991 and is a program of the Residence Hall Association. Majewski said they have over 100 volunteers and have walked close to 1,000 students, faculty and staff. She said StateWalk will walk anyone, but that 90 percent are women.

"It's a valuable program because it gives women access to the campus at night," Majewski said. "It helps them take back the night because they don't have to worry about being raped or attacked."

Unfortunately, not all crisis situations car be prevented. For people who need a listening ear, he Listening Ear 24 Hour Crisis Center provides ust that.

"The Ear deals with crisis intervention," said volunteer Wayne (last names are not used for he volunteers to ensure confidentiality.) "We can't do much until someone is worried about something."

Wayne said volunteers deal with any kinc of phone call from sexuality issues to rape, inces or calls from people who just want to talk.

"If you call up and want to talk about something we talk about it," Wayne said.

The Listening Ear was started in 1969 and is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Wayne said it's a volunteer organization and that a large proportion of volunteer are M/U students. The volunteers go through 60 hours of training, which includes factual information, training in how to handle calls and roll playing.

"I wanted to join and go through the training for personal growth," Wayne said. "Helping people is pretty cool."

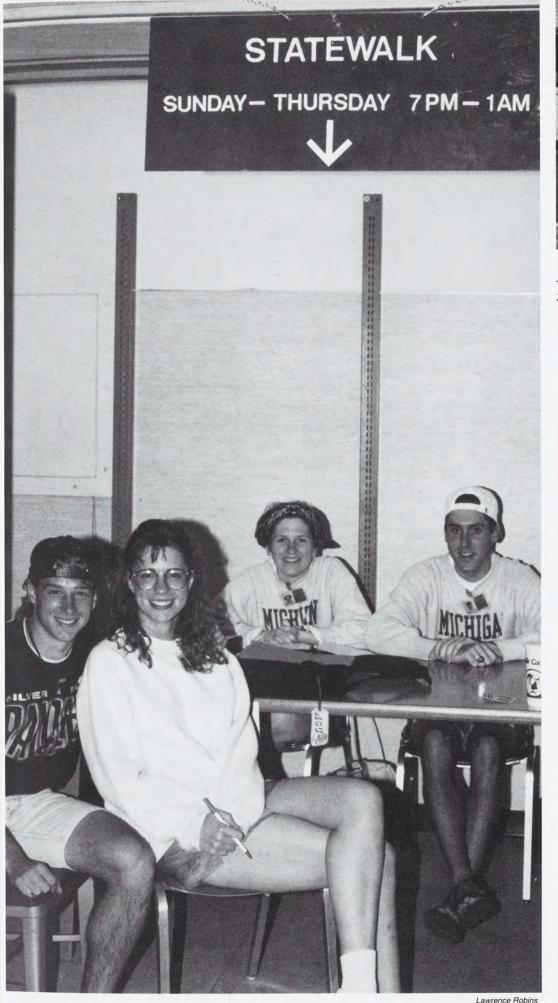
He said the Listening Ear also has a Speaker Bureau that sends out volunteers to speak on a variety of topics, like sexual assault, suicide, depression, alcoholism and drug dependency. He said date rape is a popular topic in the dorms.



The Dial-A-Ride van traverses campus.



Lawrence Robins





The Listening Ear 24 Hour Crisis Center is located at 325 Grove St. in East Lansing.

StateWalk volunteers wait at the library for students to use the service.

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FINDING FAITH AND FUN



By Angela Thomas

Whoever thought that doing someone else's work could feel so good?

When it's God's work, many students, no matter what their personal identity or religious denomination, feel it adds something to their lives. Students who are active in religious organizations on campus agree that it helps them feel better about themselves.

Tammy Burfitt, a physical education sophomore, participated in Fellowship of Christian Athletes at MSU and said that becoming a Christian changed her life.

"It changes the way you look at things. I'm a lot more optimistic...(being a Christian) just makes it easier to live with things in my life, and with life itself," Burfitt said.

Music sophomore Michelle Pena also participated in Fellowship of Christian Athletes, and said she liked the organization because she could find friends that she identified with.

"All my friends are here," she said. "We have the same interests...it's exciting. It's hard to find that in the dorms...people who are interested both in sports and in God."

Communications sophomore Queashar Halliburton said she enjoys going to church services on Sundays with Men Rallying for Jesus. In her everyday life Halliburton said that attending the rallies strengthens her faith in God.

Edward Fubara, associate director of the Minority Business Assistance Center and president of the campus arm of Men Rallying for Jesus, said that MRJ tries to reach people by talking to them about Christ. Jeffrie Hunter, the president and founder of the statewide organization of MRJ, agreed.

"Usually it's something they're looking for...for those who have been saved or come back to Christ it gives them a sense of reality...most of them grew up in the traditional church but have not really experienced Christ," Hunter said.

Students active in MRJ can also go to gospel concerts put on by those in the ministry of Doors of Healing and see singing, Christian rap, and instrumental performances. The organization is named Men Rallying for Jesus because they are focusing in on men, Hunter said.

"Women have always been the backbone of

the church, getting the men to come to the services," Hunter said. "We want MRJ to be a voice to men to take a stand in the home and in the community. The women will still be a part of it...men are not trying to do it all alone."

The B'nai B'rith Hillel Jewish Community Center is another religious organization that offers students different social and religious events.

"They get involved because they are interested in coming out and supporting the Jewish community," said Zaron Frumin, a representative of Hillel's executive board and a business/pre-law freshman. "It's a great way for them to meet other Jewish students."

Hillel is a parent group to all other Jewish and Israeli groups, but is also a group in itself. Groups such as Student Coalition for Israel and United Jewish Appeal have representatives on Hillel's executive board.

Hillel is not just for MSU students; it is also the Jewish Community Center for the Lansing and Mid-Michigan area.

"It's a fun place where students are always welcome," Frumin said. "We try to provide an interesting and diverse program that will educate people about their heritage and culture."

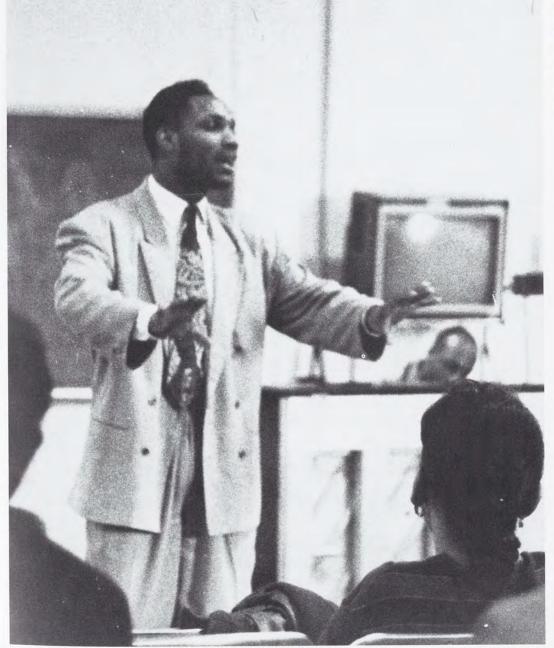




Top: FCA President Todd Koning, a sophomore, leads a group discussion.

Left: Jeffrie Hunter gives a sermon at a Men Rallying for Jesus meeting.

Far left: B'nai B'rith Hillel Jewish Community Center is one of many religious groups that holds special events, such as Culture Night.



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NARROWING CULTURE GAP

By Matias Saari

Imagine finding yourself in a foreign country, unable to order food or understand the surround-ings.

While in many countries people can survive by just speaking English, the growing importance of learning a second language has campus language clubs educating MSU students about different countries and customs.

Events such as the fall of the Berlin Wall, the unification of Germany and the breakup of the Soviet Union have also contributed to a general growing interest in lands outside the United States.

Students can join a variety of clubs, including the French, German, Italian, Spanish, Portuguese and Japanese clubs. Events include regular meetings, movies in foreign languages (with subtitles) and social gatherings.

"The purpose of the club is to provide a way to learn about French culture in a non-classroom setting," said French club president Ted Hudek.

Hudek, an economics and French senior, studied in Paris in the spring of 1990. He said the French club has a different theme each term, such as the cultural differences between America and France. They meet three times a term, have 20-25 members and attempt to speak both English and French at meetings. Spring term '92 featured a meeting focusing on a form of speech pervasive in any language—slang.

Hudek said visiting a foreign country without being able to communicate in that language can be an adventure.

"If you make a genuine effort to learn another language, the people there will be more responsive," he said.

Erich Bandemehr, president of the German club, lived in Germany for 14 years. He said the club is a good outlet to learn about Germany and get German majors together. The club met weekly and had 25 to 30 members.

Bandemehr said that while there are no native Germans in the club, many members are German majors and have lived or studied in Germany or Austria.

Bandemehr said club members meet at informal settings such as the Riviera Cafe where topics of the "bigger picture," such as German unification, are raised. Italian club President Andrea Arabia said I ly is becoming a more important trade market. Arabia said the Italian club, which dates back to the etaly 1980s, promotes Italian culture. Activities have included group dinners at Michelangelo's Rastaurant, pizza-making parties and Italian moves. She said the group hopes to get an Italian speader from a consulate in the future.

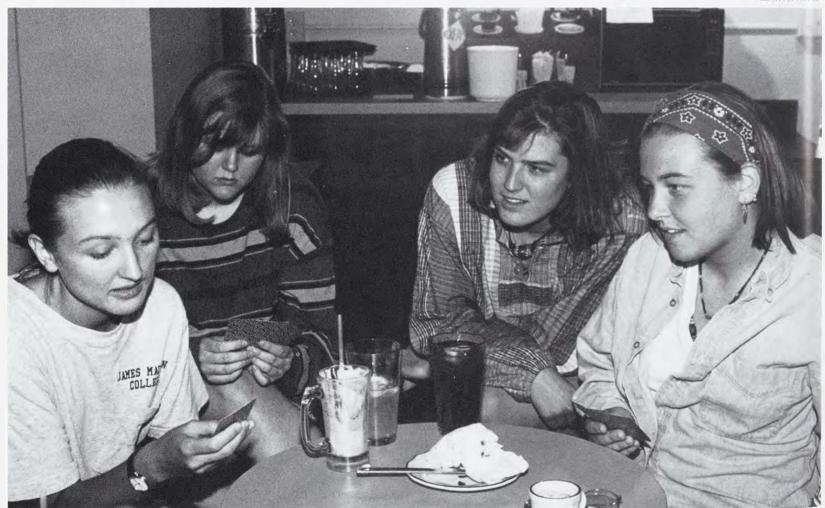
While the members of the clubs alre dy mentioned are predominantly Americans in erested in a foreign country, the Japan club is comprised of more than 200 Japanese students and faculty members.

President Seeichiro Nishihara said the club's parties and meetings help Japanese students (rel more comfortable in a foreign setting. Members often trade information and tips about housing and travel.

Hudek said he wants to teach English in a French-speaking country after graduation and summed up the importance of being globally aware and concerned.

"I think apathy is a big problem," he said. "It's a deficiency to not learn about other languages and cultures."











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Top: French Club members meet at Espresso Royale to practice speaking the language.

Left: Games often assist in learning a foreign language.

Far left: Members of the French Club play Trivial Pursuit.



ALTERNATIVE VIEWPOINTS

By John Guibord

A literary explosion is happening at MSU, and students are no longer limited to reading just The State News.

Lawrence Tucker and Steve Byrne are two daring souls who, along with a little help from their friends, contributed to this literary expansion.

Byrne is co-creator of The Alchemist literary magazine, which was new in 1991. Tucker is the business and production manager for Focal Point. Both said they hoped to establish a dedicated readership.

The Alchemist, with a circulation of 10,000, published 12 pages bi-weekly. Focal Point, with a 3,000-copy circulation, produced four eight-page issues a term.

Once dubbed "The Happy Anarchist" literary magazine by The State News, The Alchemist printed student and faculty columns as well as editorial cartoons by MSU artist Joshua Kilmer.

"We're not anarchists," Byrne said. "We want to go more in-depth and still be light-hearted, not taking ourselves too seriously."

Byrne said much of the magazine's space is dedicated to poetry. The writings of Diane Wakoski, a nationally-known poet, highlight each issue.

Byrne, a journalism senior, said he and his

colleagues, MSU graduate Brian Baron, journalism senior Dante Chinni, journalism sophomore Chris Lee and journalism senior Tim Silverthorn, founded the magazine on the premise that MSU needed a publication geared toward a more literary readership.

"We're targeting an audience that is really into reading," Byrne said. "Obviously we'd like every student to find something they're interested in, though."

Each founding member of The Alchemist contributed money to get the operation off the ground, and a staff of 15 spent 45-50 hours a week preparing each issue.

"Everyone involved in starting it up has lost money," Byrne said. "The advertising just hasn't been there yet."

Byrne said the challenge of The Alchemist was to be satirical while addressing serious issues.

"But I'll be the first to admit endeavors like this fade out," Byrne said. "Hopefully we'll get people to want to read us and then maybe advertisers will follow."

Finding additional sources of funding was also an obstacle for Focal Point. Tucker said each issue cost \$500 to produce, and after exhausting ASMSU funding, it was difficult to find alternate sources of income.

"Advertisers have accepted us somewhat,"

Tucker said. "Some of the caucuses have place adds as well as RHA and private businesses Grand River."

Focal Point, a publication geared for the innority student population, was founded by Tuch in and Cazzy Jordan. The 1991-'92 staff was many up of 15-20 writers who worked for free.

Tucker said Focal Point sought to cover issues impacting minorities on campus, in the Lansieg area and statewide.

"We want to show MSU we are a serious paper," Tucker said. "The main thing is, we are not a response to The State News, and we want to cover events affecting the minority community in-deploy, such as Black History Month."

Tucker said Focal Point reaches out to every MSU student, but said he realizes it will face adversity until it is published on a regular basis. He said there will always be misconceptions about how minority issues are handled in the press, and he hopes his publication can address and clear up these issues.

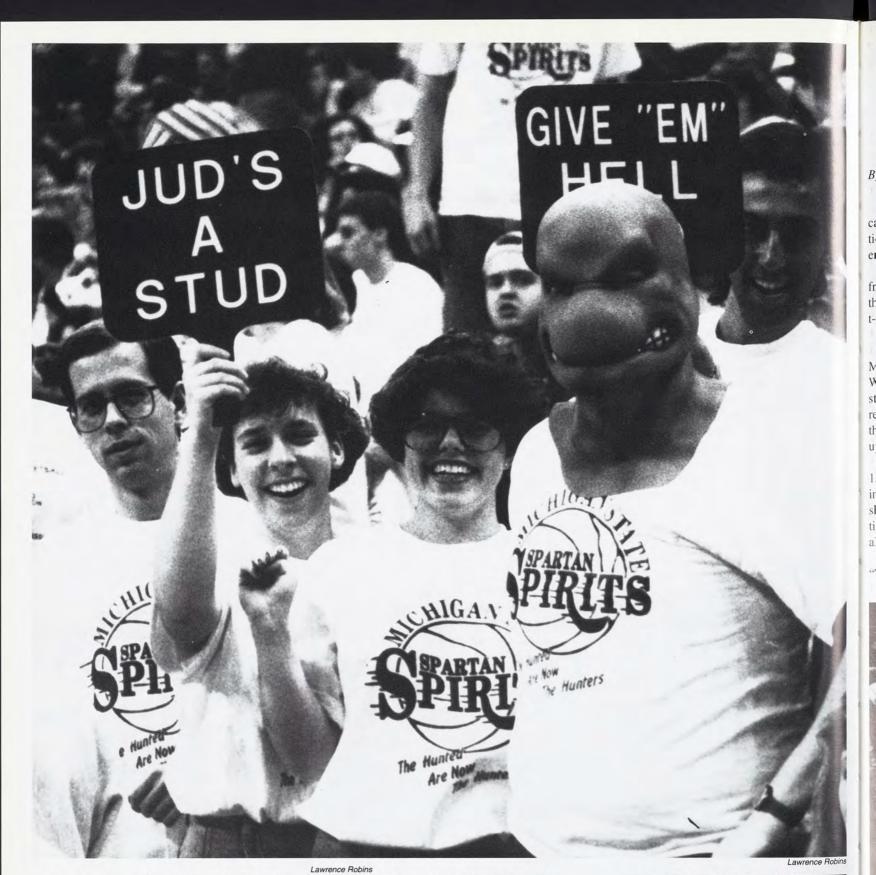
"There will always be the stigma to a certain extent that this is a 'black-oriented' paper, even though we don't perceive it that way," Tucker said, "But I think one of the positives that will come out is that people will realize that these issues affect all of us."

Carolyn Fischer

From Focal Point to The Alchemist, students have a wide variety of alternatives to the State News.







Members of Spartan Spirit cheer on head basketball coach Jud Heathcote.

Larry Schreiber (left) and Brad Sachs attend basketball games as Spartan Spirit members.





SPIRITED SPARTANS

By Matias Saari

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When head basketball coach Jud Heathcote came to MSU in 1976, 300 students had season tickets. But Jud had a plan to generate support and enthusiasm for the hoopsters.

Heathcote went to dormitories, sororities and fraternities with his proposition: season tickets for the best seats in Jenison Fieldhouse and a free t-shirt, all for \$10.

The Spartan Spirits were born.

Now in its 16th year, the Spartan Spirits are MSU basketball's most noticeable group of fans. Whether clapping and singing the MSU fight song, standing up for the entire game or yelling at the referees, the vocal Spirits have been helping cheer the Spartans to victory ever since Heathcote came up with the idea of a special fan club.

That first year, student tickets sales leaped to 1500. Now there is such a demand for tickets that in 1990 (Steve Smith's senior season) students showed up 26 hours early and 1700 students wanted tickets. In 1991 a lottery was held to determine the allocation of the 347 coveted Spartan Spirits seats.

"They're a special group," Heathcote said. "They'll get excited and enthused. The idea is to have some fun."

"We're the leader of the fans," said Spartan Spirits President Dave Fifer. "We don't sit down often."

Heathcote's theory is that fan enthusiasm starts with the students and then laps over to the general public, so he wanted to do something special to get students involved.

Heathcote started the Spirits as a fan club; the Student Alumni Association has since taken over organizational responsibilities, Fifer said.

Benefits of being a Spartan Spirit include centrally located seats for all Big Ten games, a season-opening pep talk from Jud, informational newsletters for each game, occasional three-point signs and pompoms and the free t-shirt.

Heathcote said Spartan Spirits' enthusiasm has varied in the past, depending on the team's success. However, since the move to the Breslin Center, the group has been consistently vocal and supportive, he said.

Fifer said the Spirits are a noticeable group of student fans, but they aren't appreciated by all.

In 1990, alumni and other fans sitting behind the Spirits complained that they couldn't see properly because the group often stood. They wanted the group disbanded, but Fifer said Heathcote negotiated and changed the seating arrangement, and the Spirits live on.

"As long as Jud's around, there will be Spirits," Fifer said.

The Spirits aren't the only fan club at MSU. The Spartan Slapshots are the MSU hockey team's most noticeable supporters.

President Gina Postelli said the group has 208 students, and season tickets are split so 104 attend each game. The group wears Spartan hockey jerseys resembling those of the players.

"It creates a place where more devoted fans are in one area," Postelli said. "Slapshots know a lot about the game."

Benefits include newsletters for each game, pompoms, first choice of playoff tickets and road trips as a group. Postelli said she is in regular contact with head hockey coach Ron Mason, who attended the group's first meeting.

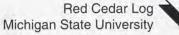
Spartan Slapshots membership is on a first-come, first-serve basis. This year students lined up the previous day to wait for tickets.

Postelli said the Spartan Slapshots have a goal: "We try to get everything else in the arena going."



Spartan Spirits mix with other MSU basketball fans to profess their loyalty to the team.

Lawrence Robins





SOUNDS OF BRASS

By Amy Jordan

When attending a MSU basketball game, sounds likely to be heard are the roar of the fans, the sound of buzzers, and the brass, percussion and saxophone of Spartan Brass.

Spartan Brass is a one-credit class with 60 spots open for auditions each term, and is dedicated to upgrading the spirit of MSU fans and team members, director John Madden said.

Madden, in his third season as director of the group, said that something would definitely be missing at the games without Spartan Brass.

"The group has been around as long as we've had basketball at MSU," Madden said. "The music has a huge effect on people."

Craig Wiles, a music freshman, said he is enjoying his first year with Spartan Brass and feels that he has made many new friends with whom he shares a common interest.

"It's a very laid-back group," Wiles said. "It's a good time."

While the whole band plays only for men's basketball games, spin-offs perform for women's basketball and hockey, Madden said.

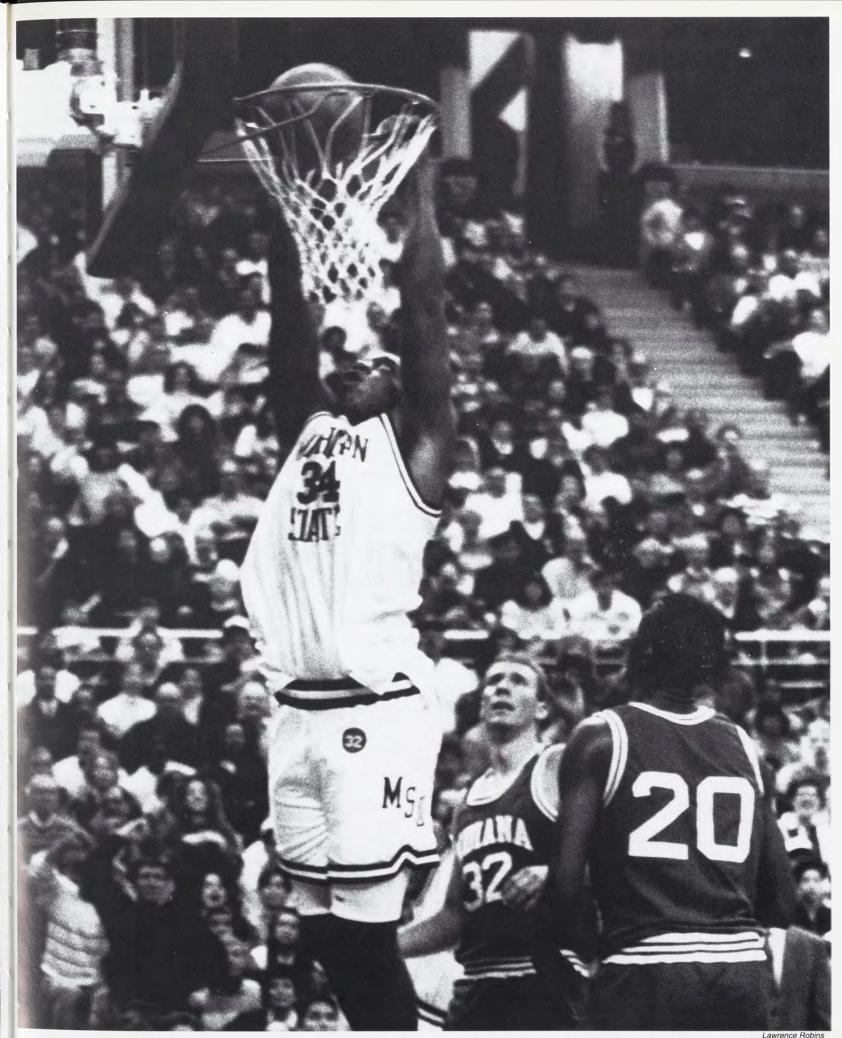
Madden said he feels the group is a continuing success and that it will receive support from fans, team members and coaches for a long time to come.

"Jud Heathcote loves it," Madden said. "He's a real supporter, as is Ron Mason."





Organizations Spartan Brass



Left: The sounds of Spartan Brass echoe in the Breslin Student Events Center. Above left: Bobby Knight argues over a call in Breslin Student Events Center.

Above: Anthony Miller leaps for a basket in a game against Indiana.





WOMEN'S RIGHTS NOW

By Suzi Straffon

Women's issues, such as sexual harassment and rape, entered the limelight in 1991-'92 through highly publicized cases such as the William Kennedy-Smith rape trial, the Mike Tyson rape case and the Anita Hill/Clarence Thomas Senate hearings. In the wake of these controversies, several MSU students founded an MSU chapter of the National Organization for Women (NOW).

"A bunch of us were sitting around this summer, talking about the lack of women's politics at MSU," said co-director Sarah Meyers, a James Madison junior. "We decided to begin a NOW chapter; we really felt it was needed."

NOW's executive council consists of two co-directors, a secretary and a treasurer, as well as student leaders in charge of campus safety, fundraising, gay/bi/lesbian issues, sexual harassment and reproductive freedom. Meyers, James Madison junior Heather Dunbar and James Madison junior Megan Hunter founded NOW.

Confronting various issues such as rape, abortion rights and sexual discrimination, the group aimed to strengthen the position of women in society through an active political voice.

"Women have to realize that they are a strong voice, and one that needs to be heard," Hunter said.

As a firm pro-choice committee, NOW sponsored a letter-writing campaign to voice opposition over former Senate Bill 141, now House Bill 4280. NOW opposes the "Informed Consent" bill, which would require women to wait 24 hours after an initial appointment for an abortion and also requires physicians to relay state-mandated information about abortion to women seeking them.

NOW was also involved with sexual assault issues and staged a march during February for Acquaintance Rape Awareness Week. The march was followed by a 30-second "scream-in" and rape statistics, educating the MSU community about rape and its aftermath. Sexual Assault chairperson Shelly Ketcham said rape is an issue that nost people don't want to talk about.

"We've got to make women aware that $(r_{-})e$) is not their fault," Ketcham said.

Reproductive freedom was high on the age da of NOW's targets. The group traveled to Wash ngton, D.C. for the "March for Women's Lives nd Abortion Rights" on April 5, 1992 to push for continued abortion rights for American wom n.

NOW's aim is to inform male and female students of the concerns of females in search of a mutual understanding.

"We're not male-bashing, we're striving for equality with men," said Hunter.

Through education, NOW's ultimate goal is to catalyze initiative among students to respect one another's rights, as well as realize when individual rights are violated.

In striving for equality, the group serves us a political voice, hoping to improve life for the women of MSU.



Organizations NOW



eft: MSU students from left, Claudia Clark, Laura humaker, Brady Schickinger and Susan Gies gather fter an abortion march in Waxhington, DC.

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Above: Activists carry signs during the April 5 NOW rally.

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THE SCOPE ON DOPE

By Jen Koster

The: Hemp Environmental Activists (HEA) at MSU don't want their organization to give people the wrong impression.

To many, HEA is a group trying to legalize the use of recreational marijuana. That, according to members, is not one of its goals. The group hopes to increase awareness and educate people about hemp and its important role in the environment today.

Physics junior Mike Fischer, former president of HEA and more recently in charge of public relations, is all for the legalization of hemp.

"It's such a valuable and versatile resource," Fischer said. "People don't understand what a positive impact hemp could have on the environment."

Fischer emphasized the fact that HEA wants to grow a fiber crop of hemp at MSU and use it for research, but not for illegal drug use.

HEA is a non-profit, student-run organization. There are HEA groups nationwide working to legalize hemp. The chapter at MSU was founded in 1991 by students Alan Pyle and Susan Gruber. HEA now has roughly 75 members at MSU, but

nationally there are thousands involved with the movement. One does not have to be a student at MSU to be a member of HEA. The MSU group has recently started to give free lectures to interested groups that want to learn more about hemp and HEA.

Hemp (Cannabis sative) is commonly known as the marijuana plant. Over a 20-year period, a fiber crop of hemp can produce 4.1 times as much paper as trees, with no dioxin. Hemp can also be used medically to treat glaucoma and asthma. Hemp fabrics are much more durable than cotton fabrics, and require no chemical fertilizers to grow. Hemp fuel can replace petroleum fuel, without increasing atmospheric carbon dioxide. Although illegal in the United States, hemp is used in countries like Russia, India, Hungary and Italy for textile production.

MSU Tree Physiology and Silviculture Professor Donald I. Dickmann is also an advocate of the legalization of hemp.

"The government abides by laws that forbid the culture of an agricultural crop that would take some of the pressure off of our forests," Dickmann said. "Culture of hemp also would provide farmers with an alternative cash crop at a time when they

are subsidized to take land out of productio to stem mounting world food surpluses."

But while there are many in favor of the legalization of hemp and what HEA stands for, some are opposed. Kathie Mavis, a history jur lor, said legalizing hemp would only start trouble

"Legalizing hemp would cause way too n iny problems," Mavis said. "Pot is so easily access ble now, and legalizing it would only add to the hige drug problem in the world today."

Melissa Laffrey, a business junior, also doe n't think hemp should be legalized.

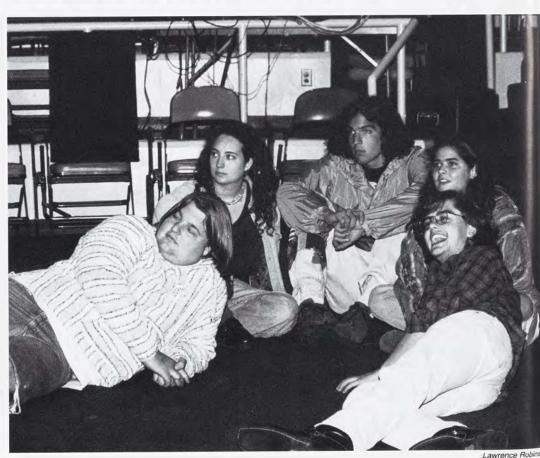
"It would be great if the only thing it would be used for is things for the environment," she s id. "But we all know that won't be the case. All sorts of people would have access to the drug."

Philip P. Bonifer, the community relations coordinator at the Battle Creek Adventist Hosp tal in Battle Creek, said that the legalization of he np should not even be considered by the government.

"Talk with any staff member from the addiction treatment services at Battle Creek Adventist Hospital who work daily with individuals who are dependent on cannabis," he said. "You will see for yourself the negative effects of using marijuana. It's illegal for a good reason."



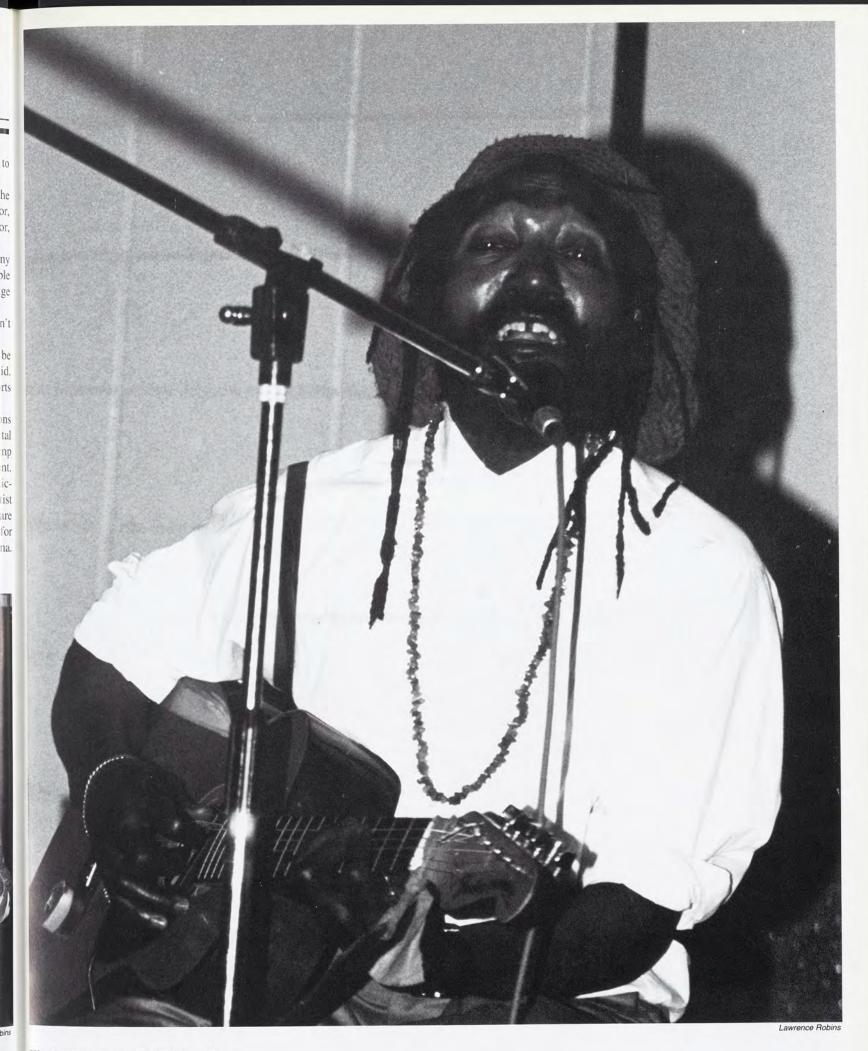
Products made of hemp are sold at the HEA benefit.



Students listen to live entertainment at the 1992 HEA Spring Benefit, held at Erickson Kiva.



Organizations Hemp Environmental Activists



King Swami performs at the HEA benefit.





ASPIRING POLITICIANS

By Thomas J. Stermer

From the aspiring senator to the casual observer of government issues, MSU's two political groups—the College Republicans and College Democrats—offer students a variety of opportunities to become involved in the world of politics.

"I've always been interested in this type of thing," said Brian Rowe, chairperson of the College Republicans, "and this is the best chance for students to get hands-on experience in the political field."

David Mikosz, head of the College Democrats, said there are other advantages as well, including employment opportunities.

"The MSU Democrats have historically been very good at getting people involved in ways that often lead to jobs," Mikosz said. "We're good at funneling them in the proper direction."

Both groups have remained busy in the past year, participating in an assortment of activities, some of which included bringing large-scale politicians to East Lansing. In February, the College Republicans welcomed former U.S. Attorney General Edwin Meese to the MSU community, while U.S. Senator Thomas Harkin of Iowa appeared on campus on behalf of the College Democrats in November.

"Harkin was the first presidential candidate to appear at Michigan State since 1976, so we were obviously quite excited with his appearance," Mikosz said.

The Democratic group also campaigned for Senator Harkin by sending representatives to New Hampshire, the site of the first presidential primary of 1992. Journalism senior Joe Koenig made the trip to New Hampshire, and said that the weekend taught him more than any class could.

"One of the things we wanted to do in New Hampshire was learn about the political process," Koenig said. "We came back talking like well-oiled political machines with all that we learned."

The College Democrats were also active on the home front, taking part in a voter registration drive for the Lansing area with Ingham County Commissioner Mark Grebner.

"We work closely with the county's Democratic party, and many of our members are involved at the county level," Mikosz said.

Despite the various activities in which MSU's political parties took part, membership in the two groups was relatively small.

"Politics at every level is really a boom ind bust cycle. It just so happens that this acade nic year was an off-year in terms of elections, so our membership was down slightly," Rowe said.

Rowe, a sophomore, and Mikosz, a sector, both international relations majors, said they expect interest in their groups to begin peaking ith the federal elections in the fall of 1992.

"Everybody is interested in who the ext president is going to be," Mikosz said.

The College Republicans and College Denocrats at MSU are student-oriented groups, according to College Republicans adviser Dr. Eileen an Ravenswaay.

"They do all of their own organizing," did Ravenswaay, also a professor of agricultural economics at MSU. "The faculty advisor is there to answer certain questions and give some advice, but other than that we really don't do much."

Rowe said that for this reason his involvement in the College Republicans is one that cannot be replaced.

"We work voluntarily because we enjoy taking part in politics," Rowe said. "It's an enjoyable experience not only for myself, but for all of the others involved."



Two aspiring mmbers of the MSU College Democrats engage in a group discussion.



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Left: David Mikosz, president of MSU College Democrats, discusses politics.

Below: Members of MSU College Democrats listen to the discussion at hand.



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REDUCE, REUSE, RECYCLE

By Karen Holtschneider

Environmentalism has always been an important topic on college campuses. MSU is no different, with more than seven student organizations designed to address this topic. These groups range from a chapter of the Autobahn Society to the Student Environmental Action Coalition (SEAC). Though they share concerns about the same issue, each organization concentrates on slightly different aspects.

The Earth Day Committee is a group of about 15 students who start meeting in January each year with the sole purpose of coordinating Earth Day activities.

In 1992 the committee, under the direction of MSU senior Karina Ricks, organized a week of events ranging from a speech by Gaylord Nelson, former Senator and founder of Earth Day, to the annual Red Cedar Clean-Up.

Project Recycle is another student group focusing on the environment.

The group's chairman, Brendan Foremen, said

the main purpose of Project Recycle is "to promote environmental awareness, specifically starting with recycling."

Despite the high level of organized activity, the question is, are people becoming more informed and changing their habits?

Ricks said it is not necessarily greater awareness that is changing people's lifestyles.

"It's getting easier now. There are more incentives to doing it," said Ricks. "It's starting to be mandated in some places."

Foreman said he is not so optimistic.

"People are more aware, but it doesn't seem that they are changing their habits," Foreman said. Many students said they shared this view.

"I think most people are just conscious of it during Earth Week," said Hilary Layle, a sophomore and Earth Day committee member.

Fritz Hoeft, a communications senior, said he agrees.

"During the (Earth Day) week, people pay attention," said Hoeft. "But the week itself is not a big determiner of people's attitudes." Despite the difficulty of raising students' c acerns about the environment, there are several other organizations who are trying. These include the organizations in the fisheries and wildlife epartment and the resources and development epartment.

In addition to getting involved in these groups, Foreman said he had suggestions for how people can be environmentally conscientious year-roupd.

"Try to reuse as much as possible. There are three steps to environmentalism," said Foreman.

The three-step process is reduce, re-use and recycle, Foreman said.

Ricks also had suggestions for students.

"Remember that consumerism is very powerful," Ricks said. "Watch not only what you are buying, but who the company is."

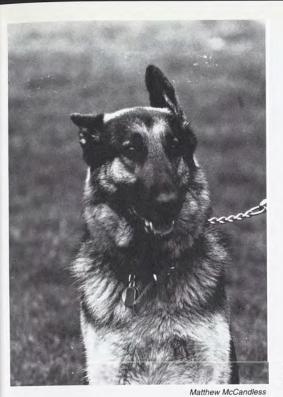
Ricks explained why it is important for students to become aware of the environment.

"There are so many great things out there," Ricks said. "Appreciate and respect the earth, because everything else comes from that."

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Bacoomba and his owner listen to bands and speeches given at Landon Field on Earth Day.



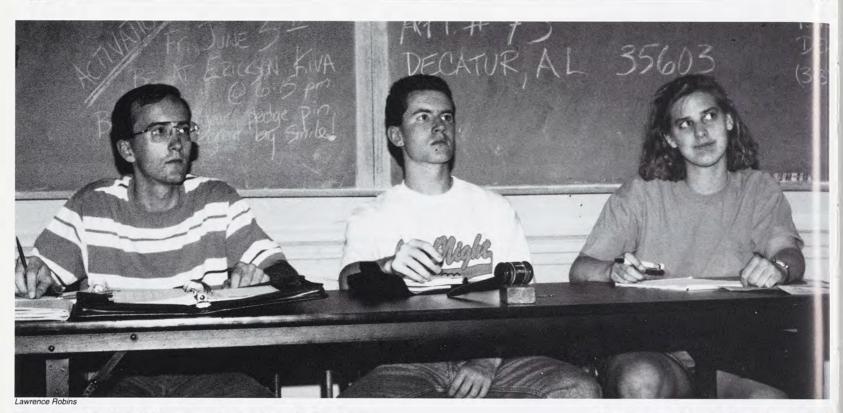
Left: Sean Kelly, an advertising sophomore, takes in all the 1992 Earth Day activities at Landon Field.

Above: The band "Groove Spoon" entertains crowds during Earth Day festivities.

Matthew McCandless



BREAKING A STEREOTYPE



The members of the Alpha Phi Omega executive board conduct a meeting.

By Tom Stermer

Friendship, leadership and service are the three cardinal principles which have a long-standing history in the Beta Beta chapter of Alpha Phi Omega.

Alpha Phi Omega is a national co-ed service fraternity that began at MSU in 1937, and continues to spread good will and service throughout the greater Lansing area.

Members of Alpha Phi Omega contribute more than 3000 hours of service in and around MSU, East Lansing and Lansing every year. The group currently consists of about 130 members who are required to devote a minimum number of hours to the community.

"There are service requirements for all of us, but that's really the only thing that we ask of members," said Alana Voight, vice-president of membership. "If you're willing to contribute your time, you can become a part of Alpha Phi Omega."

The best-known event sponsored by the organization is its annual "Ugly Man on Campus" contest, in which people vote for their favorite ugly man or woman by donating a penny for each vote. The proceeds from this week-long event go directly to the American Cancer Society.

Other projects help fund such causes as the Advent House, campus clean-ups and UNICEF. The Beta Beta chapter also takes part in Project HUNGER (Help Undernourished Grow and Eat Right) to assist the Red Cross. "We do a lot of good things for a lot of different causes, but it's a great time too," Voight said. "Things like the Ugly Man contest and next fall's Battle of the Bands are helpful, but they're also a lot of fun."

Alpha Phi Omega also performs many of its services in unconventional ways, like their trick-or-treat for UNICEF, in which members solicit financial donations rather than the usual candy and gum.

Kim Allan, Alpha Phi Omega's advisor, said the service aspect of Beta Beta is its most outstanding feature.

"They're very community-oriented, and the amount of hard work that they perform is not only valuable, but it's also commendable, especially considering the many diversions and distractions that a college student faces," Allan said.

Voight said the group's large membership is another key, allowing for tremendous variety and diversity.

"It just makes sense that the more diversity we have, the more we're going to be in tune with a lot of different projects and causes," Voight said.

In addition to its present work for the MSU community, the Beta Beta chapter of Alpha Phi Omega also has a strong history of involvement around campus. It laid the corner stone of the Student Union and helped build the maze of bike paths at MSU.

Alpha Phi Omega also sponsors many smaller, short-term projects, most of which involve children and senior citizens.





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Members of Alpha Phi Omega kiss lobsters as part of their pledge activities.

Alpha Phi Omega members trick-or-treat for UNICEF.





NEW KIND OF GREEK

By Mary Chuey

There was a new fraternity in East Lansing in '91, and it broke all kinds of stereotypes.

It allows women to join. It allows graduate students to join. It's not a member of the Interfraternity Council. And it operates under GST-Gay Standard Time (the act of being late).

The Chi chapter of Delta Lambda Phi is Michigan's first "gay" fraternity.

"Actually," member Chris Meyer explained, "it's not officially a gay/bisexual fraternity. It's officially 'progressive. "

Heterosexual men may join Delta Lambda Phi also, graduate student and member Steve Klimecky said, but "it would be nice if they told us that when they joined." The group does not currently have any heterosexual members, he said.

And because there is no MSU chapter of Lambda Delta Lambda, the national sorority for

progressive women, Delta Lambda Phi is authorized to initiate women as members, Meyer said. No women have taken advantage of the opportunity thus far.

Delta Lambda Phi was founded in fall 1991 by Marcus Wilson and Doug Scheidemantel, and had an initial pledge class of five, which grew to an active membership of nine by spring '92.

Scheidemantel said the group doesn't have enough members yet to join the rest of the Greek system at MSU, but said he hopes they will soon. He also said he would like to get an official house in the future, but said that may have some drawbacks

"A house is a fairly public location," Scheidemantel said. "I see a problem with possible vandalism."

Scheidemantel said he has gotten several prank phone calls and one death threat for being openly gay, but said he doesn't let it concern him.

"It's so ridiculous, it's not worth my tin or effort to deal with," he said.

Scheidemantel said one of the group's bis test activities was a trip to Purdue University to in ate the Alpha Beta chapter of Delta Lambda Phi

"It was a riot of an experience," he said "I always considered East Lansing to be conse vative, but you haven't seen conservative until yo 've been to Purdue....I'm sure Lafayette hasn' recovered yet."

Most members of Delta Lambda Phi ag eed that the biggest benefit of joining was the social aspects it offers.

"What I like is it provides an organized form of social activity in the model of the Greek syst. n." Scheidemantel said. "Yet I'm allowed to be op nly gay in the process. I don't have to worry a out hiding who I am."

"It's educational for all involved," Klimecky said. "And mostly for those not involved."







Above: Members of Delta Lambda Phi pause at an ice cream parlor on their way to Purdue University to initiate a new chapter. From left, Eric McPherson, Marcus Wilson, Charles Marengo, Doug Scheidemantel, John Follmer.

Left: Member Chris Meyer shows Steve Klimecky how to tie his tie.

Far left: Delta Lambda Phi holds one of its meetings at Beggar's Banquet.





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NOT JUST ANOTHER PARTY



Members of Chi Omega participate in the bed racing event during Greek Week.



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C H W Volunteers, athletes and MSU Greeks participate in Special Olympics at the outdoor track.



By Jennifer Koster

Let the games begin!

The MSU Greek system got a taste of fun, competition and rewards for Greek Week '92, a philanthropic event that raised money for the Special Olympics.

Fraternities and sororities were involved in Various games and events that made the Special Olympics organization \$60,000 richer.

Greek Week '92 officially kicked off on Friday, May 8, with the traditional FIJI Regatta boat race, in which each house built a float and raced down the Red Cedar river.

Other games throughout the week included rollerblade races, slam dunking a basketball, slip 'n slide, three-on-three basketball, super beach ball jell-o jump and mud slime-in. There were also bar nights at Sensations, like Battle of the Bonds, MTV Bar Night, and Stepshow.

Stephan Johnson, a member of Theta Delta Confraternity and head of its annual Hods-in-the-Sand Greek Week event, added a wole of an idea to make their event more worthwolle.

"We had local sponsors donate money for H ads-in-the-Sand, and part of that money went to the Whale Adoption Project in Massachusetts," Johnson said.

Johnson said Greek Week is an event that unifies the entire Greek System and eliminates some of the stereotypes placed on Greeks.

"Fraternities and sororities are not just about drinking beer," Johnson said. "Not only during Greek Week, but throughout the year, a lot of houses work hard to raise money for charities and philanthropies."

Friday was also the day that one of the biggest events of Greek Week took place: Songfest. Songfest is a song-and-dance show in which paired houses perform a routine that is judged. Songfest was held at the Breslin Student Events Center, and the theme was "Movie Madness." More than 5,000 people came to watch the 17 acts.

Gamma Phi Beta sorority, along with its fraternity partners, Theta Delta Chi and Delta Sigma Phi, swept all three categories of best costumes, creativity and overall performance and choreography.

At the end of the game-filled week came the entire reason for Greek Week—the Special Olympics games at the MSU outdoor track.

Special Olympics games included both wheelchair and running races and softball throws. Members of the Greek System ran all of the events, keeping times and awarding ribbons to the participants. Plenty of cheering, hugging and smiling was also provided.

Lori Ward, a member of the Gamma Phi Beta sorority, said the Special Olympics day was her favorite Greek Week event.

"It was so rewarding, seeing so many adults and kids smiling and laughing as a result of all our hard work," Ward said.

Also on Friday night, winners of the games, bar nights and events were announced at the Greek Finale. The finale included a cookout and performances by the local bands Groove Spoon and The Judy Bats.

The overall winners were Delta Sigma Phi fraternity and Zeta Tau Alpha sorority.

Phi Sigma Phi Corresponding Secretary Michael Baird said the entire week—events, games, bar nights and Special Olympics—was crazy.

"There's not too many places that you can jump in jell-o, wrestle in mud, and slide around on cardboard boxes to raise money for a great cause," he said.

Baird said that while the week was supposed to be all in good fun, there was definitely a competitive edge present at the Greek Week events.

"There is competition, even between partners," Baird said. "But I think that enhances the spirit of the whole week."



TICKET TO ADVENTURE

By Tina Marlowe

The MSU Adventure Club members peered over the edge of a World War II battleship before plunging, one by one, 50 feet down to the water below.

It wasn't the typical postcard-perfect vacation in the Bahamas. But the group of MSU students who dived into the crystal-blue Caribbean Sea wasn't looking for a commercialized mecca. They were looking for something beyond the tourist traps. They were looking for an adventure.

The Adventure Club is a group of MSU students who thrive on daring experiences such as rafting and skydiving. The club's annual sailing excursion to the Bahamas was just one example of the unique and inexpensive trips the group offers to students.

Club president Jen Fountain said one advantage of being an Adventure Club member is the discounts the group receives on excursions such as white water rafting, skydiving and manning a sailboat in the Bahamas. She said the \$12 annual membership fee covers information packets for the trips and advertising.

While the club has a core membership of about 40, Fountain said up to 300 members will join just for the sake of going on one trip. She said the club attracts all types of people.

"Some Greek functions go through us," Fountain said, "and then you've got the crunchy granola types. We've got everyone from freshmen to fifth-year seniors."

The group's common denominator, Fountain said, is the willingness to take a risk.

"I like to find a support group where everyone else is willing to do risky stuff," Fountain said. "We all have the same instinct."

Lisa Lowenstein, former vice-president for the club, said the members aren't necessarily always hard-core adventure seekers.

"We're just your basic, average people t at don't usually do things like this," Lowenstein sa d. "It's something different, not something you coll d do around here."

In the future, the club plans to go bung e jumping and wants to set up trails for mount. In bike riding. Vice-president Kevin White said le best thing about Adventure Club excursions is that each day is an adventure.

"Each day (of the sailing trip to the Bahamas) there was something fun," White said. "We want to Biminy and Grey Harbor and I don't even remember where else."

"Anybody can belong. Some people you find are really into it—they're real adventurous, or maybe not. Jen didn't even know how to swim when she went to the Bahamas."

Now she's president. How's that for adventure?

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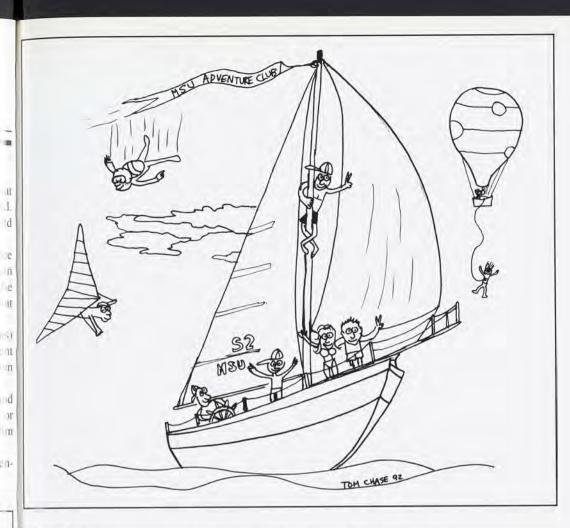
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SU SPIKERS

By len Koster

The men's volleyball club at MSU has a dream: to obtain varsity status.

They are working hard toward that dream. For now, they remain a club that gets no funding from the university, but are provided facilities and services for their organization.

Russel Rivet, the advisor and director of the club, said the university helps as much as it can.

"Our office is where the club's mailbox is located; we do copying for the club, and we also disteminate information for them," he said. "The sclool also provides facilities for them to practice and have games."

The men's volleyball club was established by a group of MSU students in the early 1950s, but has had a pattern of disappearance and reappearance. The club has been going steady since its revival in the fall of 1987 by Paul Patyk, now an MSU alumni.

Rivet said there are certain steps an organizatic must go through to become a full-fledged visity sport at MSU.

"First, an application of criteria has to be submitted to the Athletic Department," he said. "The application then goes to the Athletic Council, which is composed of faculty and coaches."

Rivet said the Athletic Council votes on establishing the club as a varsity sport. The club was denied varsity status in 1991, but planned to re-applying in spring 1992.

Michael Barnes, president of the club, said he hopes the university will eventually change its mind and admit it as a varsity sport.

"The main reason that we were denied status is because of the gender equality issue," Barnes said. "There has to be the same amount of men and women's varsity sports, and if they made us a varsity sport, then the balance would be unequal."

Barnes said another reason the Athletic Council kept it a club is the lack of high school participation in men's volleyball leagues around the United States.

"The high school programs have just begun to develop," Barnes said. "But it's not like football or basketball, something that's been around for a long time."

A final reason the Athletic Council gave Barnes was the cost.

"A varsity sport costs the university a lot of money," Barnes said.

There are presently 75 men involved with the club under coach Sante Perrelli. Tryouts are an-

nounced early in the fall and are open to anyone who is interested. In addition to their busy schedule of tournaments and games, the club practices three days a week. There are five teams within the club and two of those teams travel to other schools for matches.

"When we go on a trip, the club pays for some things, like equipment," Barnes said. "But we don't have any university vehicles to drive to away matches. We drive our own cars, and pay for our own gas, food and hotels."

Barnes said the club gets money through dues and lots of fund-raisers.

Barnes said the club planned to sponsor a clinic for high school students at MSU in summer '92 as a fund-raiser and to recruit new players for the 1992-'93 season.

The MSU volleyball club has captured the Big Ten Champion title for two consecutive years, as well as winning the midwest championships in 1992. Terry Barnes, a sophomore on the team and younger brother of president Mike Barnes, said he doesn't want to get his hopes up about becoming a varsity sport.

"It's very discouraging, still being a club sport," he said. "We're hoping the answer is yes, but we're not expecting it."

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THE CLUB THAT KICKS

By Carolyn Fischer

Some MSU students get a "kick" out of their extra-curricular activities. Just ask Mike Mahaffey, a member of the MSU Karate Club.

The club, formed in 1962, practices a Korean style of karate known as Pu Kang Tang Soo Do.

"Our style of karate is more open than Tai Kwon Do," said Mahaffey, a psychology junior and second-degree black belt. "By that I mean we concentrate on hands as well as feet. We work on punches and blocks as much as kicks."

All styles of karate are broken down into two areas, kata and sparring. Kata is a ritualized fight, club instructor John Williamson said. Basically, it is a memorized series of steps, similar to a choreographed dance routine. There are many different katas, each one progressing in difficulty. Students are tested on the katas. A panel of judges, usually black belts from the same style, judge them on how well they perform the steps, as well as their technique.

There are two kinds of kata- openhand and

weapons, Williamson said. Weapons kata involves the use of a martial arts weapon, such as a long wooden stick known as a bo. Openhand kata does not involve any sort of weapon.

The other area of karate is known as sparring. This is actual fighting, although in most instances the students aren't out to hurt each other, only to practice what they have learned. They generally wear helmets and protective gear while sparring.

"Karate can help you build your self-confidence, get in touch with yourself, and feel in control in unfamiliar situations," Williamson said. "It allows you to have a perspective that other people don't have. The discipline you learn through training is used everyday—at your job, on the street and at home."

Although students of karate train to be able to fight if needed, they rarely have to use their talents, according to one karate student.

"Black belts don't usually get in fights because of their confidence level," said Nermine Boulos, an electrical engineering senior and first degree black belt. "They make sure they stay in control of the situation," she said. "Especiall for women, how they walk and hold themse ves affects their chances of being attacked or rap d."

All styles of karate have the same basic movements of blocking, kicking and punching, Williamson said. They also have a series of balts, signifying rank. Pu Kang Tang Soo Do has eight belts below a black belt and ten black belts, said Bruce Henderson, senior instructor of the club.

Henderson is a sixth degree black belt. He began training as a white belt at MSU in 196 $\!\!\!\!$.

"The most important discipline you learn is how to learn on your own," Henderson said. "You have to push yourself and try to excel; you do the best you can."

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About 80 students are involved with the karate club each term, although membership can be as high as 100-120 during fall term, Henderson said Although they take their sport seriously.

Boulos said the students involved have fun.

"Everybody's really good friends," she said "We have a common respect level for each other."



Women blackbelts spar at the MSU tournament.

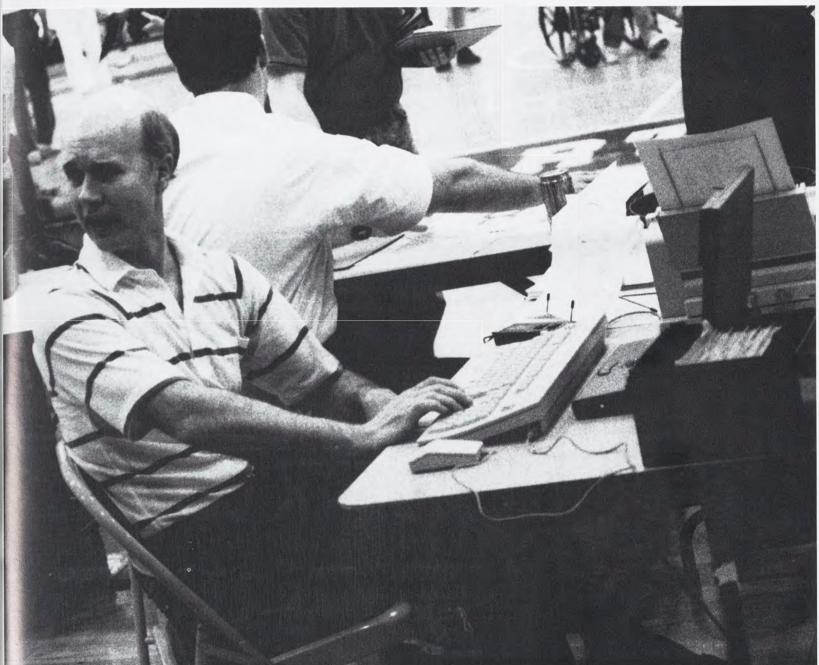


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A student throws a roundhouse kick in the men's green belt heavyweight tournament.

The MSU karate tournament runs smoothly with computerized sparring rosters.



Matthew McCandless

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BULL'S-EYE

By Matias Saari

For those who stereotype archery as being as simple as Robin Hood splitting an apple or an arrow in half, think again.

All you have to do is ask coaches and members of MSU's archery club to get their opinion on how challenging the sport can be.

"People underestimate archery," first-year club member Matt McCandless said. "It takes hours and hours of practice a day to be good. It's more difficult than shooting a rifle or a pistol."

The archery club (McCandless prefers to call them a team, although the university considers them a club) has existed at MSU since 1988 and consists of 15-20 formal members, but only about eight participate regularly and go to tournaments, co-coach Dr. Norman Graham said.

"We have an inexperienced team because it's such a new program, but we're improving," he said. "They performed quite well at the Big Tens."

MSU competed against clubs from other Big Ten schools such as Michigan, Purdue and Illinois. MSU's team is affiliated with the National Archery Association and participates in its collegiate division.

Co-coach Dr. James Atkinson said archery in Michigan is a fast-growing sport. The national indoor championships (north region) are held at Jenison Fieldhouse each year and have seen numerous past Olympians. Each September the MSU fall classic is held.

Atkinson said one difference with college archery is they shoot Olympic-style, which requires holding the full power of the bow and is more difficult than shooting with a traditional compound bow.

While Atkinson said he realizes archery is not a big spectator or revenue-raising sport and will doubtfully become a varsity sport, he and Graham are enthusiastically recruiting students to build their program. They are especially excited about one newcomer who will be at MSU in the fall of '92.

Jennifer O'Donnell, 18, of Farmington Hills qualified in May to represent the United States in

the 1992 Summer Olympics in Barcelona, S₁ in. She has shot in past tournaments at MSU and aid she is excited to become a Spartan.

Her coaches-to-be are enthusiastically av aiting her arrival.

"Jennifer will help the women's side," Fraham said. "We plan to start with her as the core," Currently, there are no women archers in M U's club.

O'Donnell had trouble describing her ε_{100} tions after qualifying.

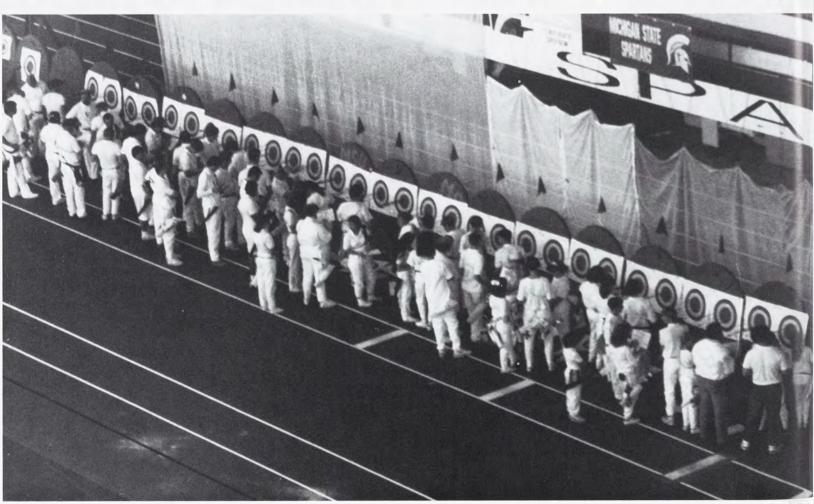
"It's been like a dream come true," she aid. "You always hear about Olympians. It's had to believe that now I'm one."

O'Donnell said archery is mostly a mental sport and said she enjoys competing against herself and striving to improve.

"Whoever has the best mental game, can block out everything else and stays focused vill win. That's challenging."

McCandless agreed with the expert.

"Archery is completely connected to your mind. It is fierce mental competition."



Archers mark their scores at the 1992 tournament.

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MSU archers line up and draw at 30 meters at their Spring '92 tournament

From back left: Dr. Norman Graham, Dr. Jim Atkinson, Gwen Atkinson, Klons Nnesslein. (Front row) Matthew Michael McCandless, Hugh Atkinson, Mike Shepard.

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STRESS BUSTER

By Melissa Wiles

Stress is a familiar word to college students. Trying to balance classes and extra curricular activities while getting good grades can add unneeded stress to the life of any student.

There is one club at MSU that has the answer to reducing stress; the Transcendental Meditation Club.

Patrick O'Neil, a member of the TM club, said that TM is a very simple technique to learn.

"It's natural and basically purifies your body," O'Neil said. "It eliminates stress from your system. It relieves deep-rooted stress in the body."

O'Neil said that learning TM changed his life. He said he used to be reckless, but now has settled down.

O' Neil said that in the last 30 years 3 million people have learned the TM technique. He said scientific studies show that TM can improve academic performance, develop creativity, increase learning ability, improve the self conscious and is the only thing ever found to increase a person's I.Q.

"Now I enjoy taking exams. My GPA went from a 2.7 to a 3.1," O'Neil said.

He said the club meets off campus and that students don't have to practice TM to join the club. O'Neil said the club has guest speakers talk about TM and its benefits.

For those members who want to learn the technique, they can go to the TM center located at 119 E. Grand River Ave., across from the MSU Union. At the center there is a free introductory lecture every Wednesday at 7 p.m.

Ruth Seagull teaches TM at the center. She said TM was founded 32 years ago by Maharishi Mahesh Yogi, who wanted to bring the knowledge of TM to the world.

She said you meditate for 20 minutes in the morning and 20 minutes in the late afternoon before dinner.

"It's completely effortless. Anyone who can think a thought can do it," Seagull said. "It doesn't involve concentration or belief in the system. People of every religion and walk of life can do it."

She said there are several steps in learning the TM technique. The first step is the introductory meeting on Wednesdays. On Thursdays there is another lecture and a private interview. The technique is taught during an instruction session for four consecutive days. The instruction sessions are each a couple hours long. There is a tuition fee starting at \$85 for high school students going up to \$600 for families.

But Seagull said the important thing is the benefits. They are categorized into four areas: mental, physical, behavioral and environmental. "Mentally what TM does is it expands he consciousness," Seagull said. "When practic ng TM we contact the inner self. All our thou, hts bubble up from the inner conscience. What yoo do is contact the inner conscience."

She said that TM is a mental technique that allows the body to reach a level of profound rest. The body gains an even deeper level of rest then it does during sleep, she said.

Seagull said that people who practice *CM* have improved health, less fatigue and a better functioning nervous system.

"Stress contributes to all illness. Medita ors actually stay healthier," Seagull said. "If you have positive thoughts and a happy mind you have a wonderful body."

Rosemarie Turke, another instructor at the center, said that TM can also improve a person's behavior and relationship with the environment.

"When your mind is strong and functional then you are more powerful and effective and are a greater benefit to the world and others," Turke said.

Turke said that people who practice TM radiate harmony of behavior because they have contact with the inner conscience.

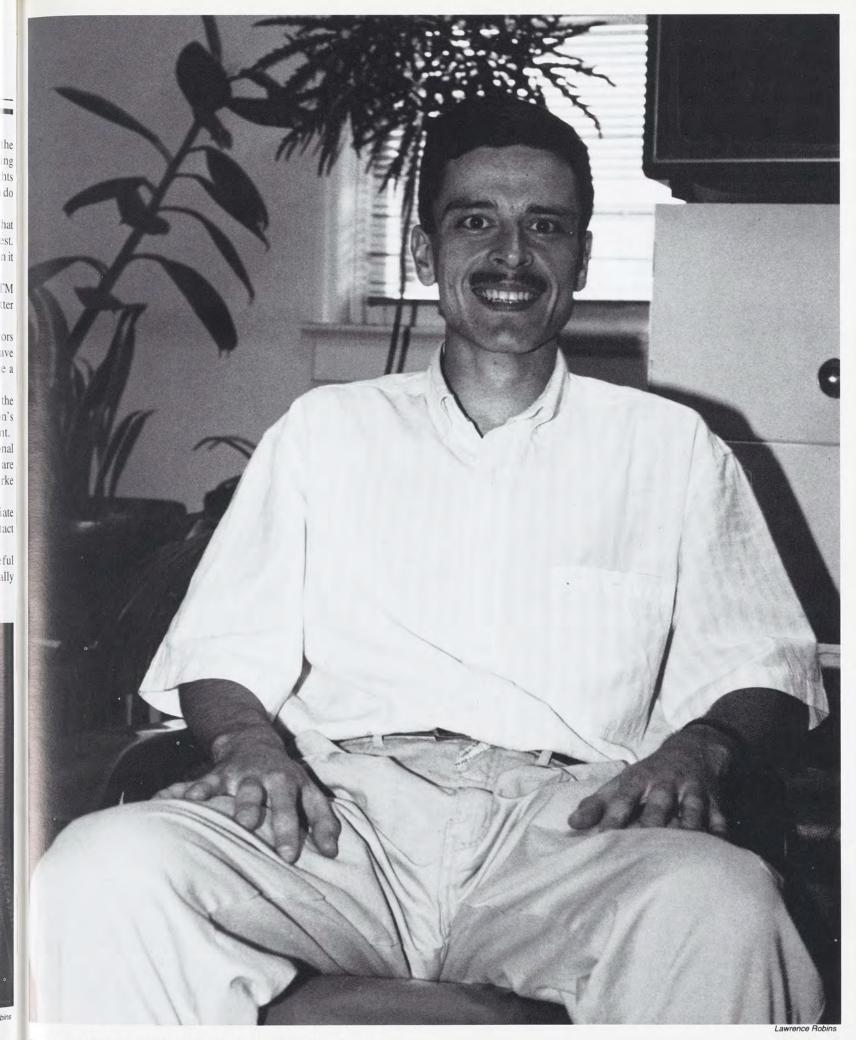
"A peaceful individual creates peaceful families which creates peaceful nations and finally creates a peaceful world," Turke said.



The TM Center at 119 E. Grand River Ave. has a variety of materials for those interested in learning about meditation.



Lawrence Robins



Patrick O'Neil is a member of the TM Club and practices the TM technique.





MOTIVATION TO MOVE



Courtesy of Kathi Braunlich of Olin Health Center

Exerstart for Life offers group support and motivation to exercise.

By Kristina Marlowe

Exerstart for Life is for those MSU students whose new Reebok Pumps sit in the closet next to a neatly-folded aerobic body suit.

Exerstart for Life is an exercise club for every MSU student and faculty member who needs a little motivation, support and incentive as they work toward a healthier lifestyle.

John Kermiet, an educational program coordinator at Olin Health Center, said the Exerstart club is a necessary complement to Olin's fitness testing.

"The main reason for the club is for motivation and compliance," Kermiet said. "The biggest problem is to get and keep exercising.

"The testing program doesn't always satisfy the need for motivation. They join the club to get motivation and support. It can be useful for some people."

The club encourages individuals to exercise regularly by logging work-outs, which are then tracked on a computer.

"Most people use the excuse that they're too

busy," Kermiet said. "It's a vital part of motivation, to see it on paper."

Exerstart president Tom Rafai said the club helps members with guidelines to slowly reach their ideal aerobic heart rate and establish a healthy lifestyle.

While the members exercise individually, Rafai said they participate in activities together such as IM sports, canoe trips and events such as the Save the Children relay.

"Some people come and go," Rafai said. "And that's fine. If we were involved with the buildup of exercise in their lives, we've served our purpose."

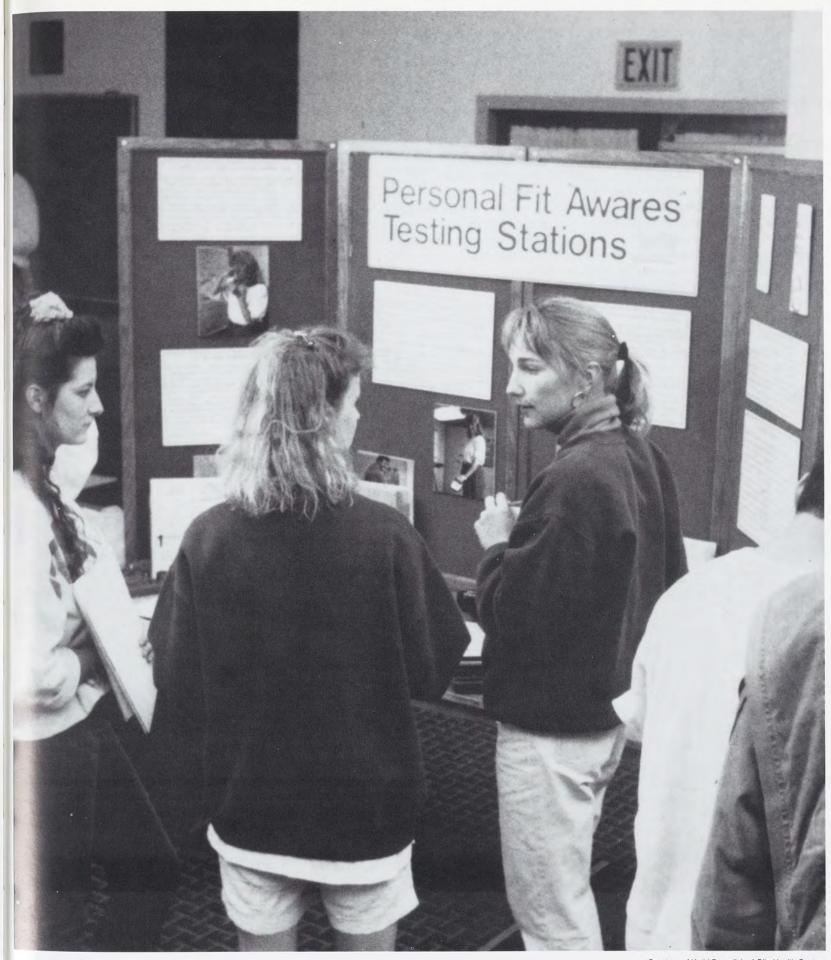
The club also serves an educational function by giving fitness testing demonstrations at on- and off-campus locations and focusing educational programs on topics of interest to club members. Rafai recently presented a program on body sculpting, which drew an all-female crowd.

The 180 club members (about a 60/40 female-male ratio), aren't necessarily die-hard exercise gurus, Rafai said.

"They're mostly people who need motivation," he said.



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A Personal Fitness Awareness testing station is on location at an MSU residence hall.

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Courtesy of Kathi Braunlich of Olin Health Center



STUDENTS SPEAK OUT

By Melissa Levy

MSU may only be a few miles away from the state capital, but with the MSU chapter of the Michigan Collegiate Coalition (MCC) students no longer have to yell as loudly to be heard there.

Established statewide in 1983, MCC is an information and lobby group that has chapters at 12 of Michigan's 15 public universities. Organizations similar to the MCC lobby group exist in 24 states across the nation including California, Illinois and New York.

The MSU chapter of MCC began in the 1988-'89 school year as a division of ASMSU.

"It was a good statewide move for MSU to join," said MSU's 1991-'92 MCC Governor Kendra Howard.

Howard said the MSU chapter of MCC focuses on state legislative issues that affect student life and university funding. She said that recently the group's main focus has been on areas such as financial aid, the state budget for higher education and sexual assault awareness on campus. Howard said another MCC goal has been to try to get more minorities involved in MCC lobbying for university issues.

"In a relatively short time, MCC has made great headway," Howard said. "Last year was a difficult year, but while most budget areas were cut 20 percent, there was a 4 percent increase in higher education."

Howard said that '91-'92 was a busy year for MCC. The group lobbied for the approval of a new work-study program that would enable students to gain state-funded employment at non-profit agencies. As of March 1992, the bill passed in the State House and MCC planned to continue sponsoring student support call-ins until the bill passed in the Senate.

Howard said MCC also participated in active lobbying to encourage state approval of a proposed 2 percent tax on the purchase of cigarettes, with all generated revenues going entirely for higher education. In winter '91 MCC blocked a bill in the hc $_{1se}$ that would suspend driver's licenses of mi $_{0rs}$ caught in possession of alcohol in public at $_{as}$. The bill had passed the Senate before MCC m $_{mb}$ bers became aware of its existence.

As MCC's governor, Howard has helped bein new student tax support for the lobby prog am under the pending MSU semester system. She has also had the opportunity to represent MSU at the state's bimonthly MCC Board of Govern r's meeting and at the fall and spring Board of Assembly conferences.

Howard said she was also responsible for appointing the group's 14 current members. Members normally meet four to five hours a week.

Howard said that the reason for her involvement in MCC is her interest in legislative issues.

"The average student doesn't realize how strong their voice is," Howard said. "It's been suid that one letter to congress equals 100 people who feel the same way and don't write."

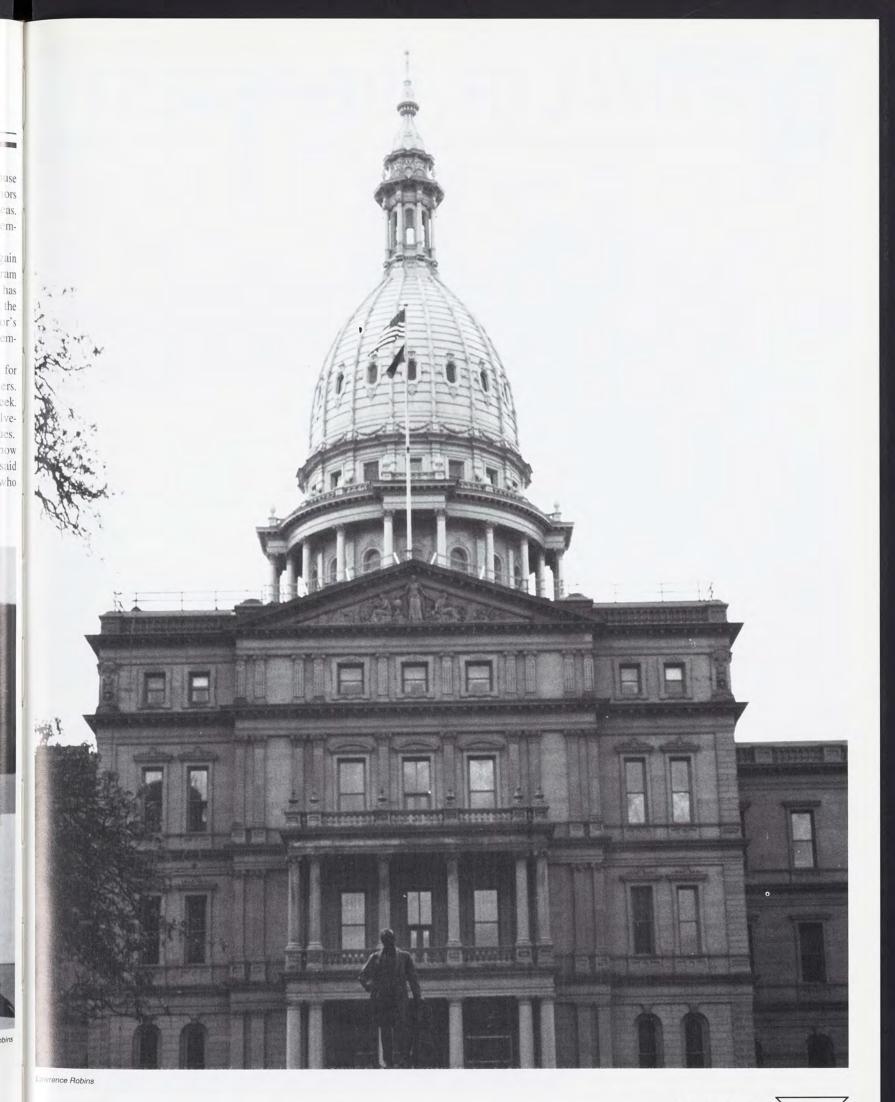


Above: MCC Governor Kendra Howard takes a break from her responsibilities. Right: MCC focuses on state legislative issues that take place at the Capitol Building in Lansing.

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SURVIVAL OF THE FITTEST

By Elizabeth Fegan

The long-awaited computer voiced the Red Cedar Log staff's opinion in two words: "Bite me."

One stolen computer and printer, four lost photographers, one photographer with a broken hand, a pathological liar for a former artist and countless revisions later, the yearbook staff finally breathed a sigh of relief.

But then the staff realized it had a problem. Carolyn Fischer, the design editor, had become so immersed in the huge pile of layouts on her desk which still needed to be done that she had even started cropping her homework.

That left 11 staff members to come up with a solution.

So copy editor Suzi Straffon stepped in. As the magic copy monkey, Straffon knew one way to get people's attention: just post a note that read, "Don't cop an attitude with me." Alas, she spun around the room, plastered the area around Fischer with multi-colored, illegible signs and shook baby powder all over everyone's (oh never mind).

Carolyn Herman, the business manager, thought she could help. Just skim a little money off the huge profits (NOT!) the RCL made and teach everyone the mamba to be performed that night at Sensations. The only glitch was that Herman ran off to "dirty dance" with the preferred enemy (a very hot dude) of the Man-Haters Club and left the staff looking like clods.

By this time, the staff was down to nine

supposedly sane people.

Think again.

Larry Robins, the photo editor, was last seen searching the bottomless pit in the center of the darkroom which had swallowed four spineless photographers and left one with a broken hand. Robins realized it was a hopeless situation, decided to try skydiving (a.k.a. pit-diving) and jumped over the edge.

Photographer Matt McCandless tried to stop his beloved photo editor, but got hung up at his apartment tapping secret messages on the linoleum to his neighbors below. The samurai photographer spent the rest of his career writing uncalled-for comments about his subjects on the back of his photos.

Jordan Glassco, the features editor, knew it was a hopeless situation from the very beginning and decided, contrary to the staff's warnings, to become a model for a cigarette-eating artist.

Ruqaiyah Rogers, the news editor, looked at the staff as it began to fall apart and decided not to help it, but to make a case study of it. Rogers' fellowship-winning study was used in her student-teaching position for how <u>not</u> to teach little kids to grow up. Melissa Wiles, the organizations editor, would have been a logical staff member to turn to for help in bringing some sanity back to the RCL, except for one suspicion. Just before each of her section's photographers disappeared, Melissa was seen lurking around the darkroom pit. Hmmm.

Elizabeth Fegan, the campus editor, would

have lent a hand but was being chased by Presid int DiBiaggio and was being barraged by expletions from Chris Kemnitz for pleading and begging with them to condescend to write RCL editorials.

Steve Hogan, the sports editor, did his best (if you want to call it that) "Pat" imitation and cajo ed the staff into allowing him to do all 22 spread in his section on the controversies, trials and trilations of the football team.

Matias Saari, the editorial assistant, be an avoiding the section editors at all costs as he realized he had become the dumping ground for any and all stories that the editors needed written in a pinch. He was last seen trembling under a dosk while trying to get money for a staff t-shirt.

That left one lone semi-sane staff member (not including the computer).

Mary Chuey, the editor-in-chief, looked in exasperation at her dwindling staff. She tried to explain that she was getting married and needed to have the book done before the summer.

But no one listened.

Chuey tried another tactic and ordered pizza to keep everyone's attention during the supposedly mandatory, weekly meetings. No one even blinked an eye.

Chuey posted a Straffon-style note warning the staff, not to miss the meeting or "you're gonna piss me off." Still no one listened.

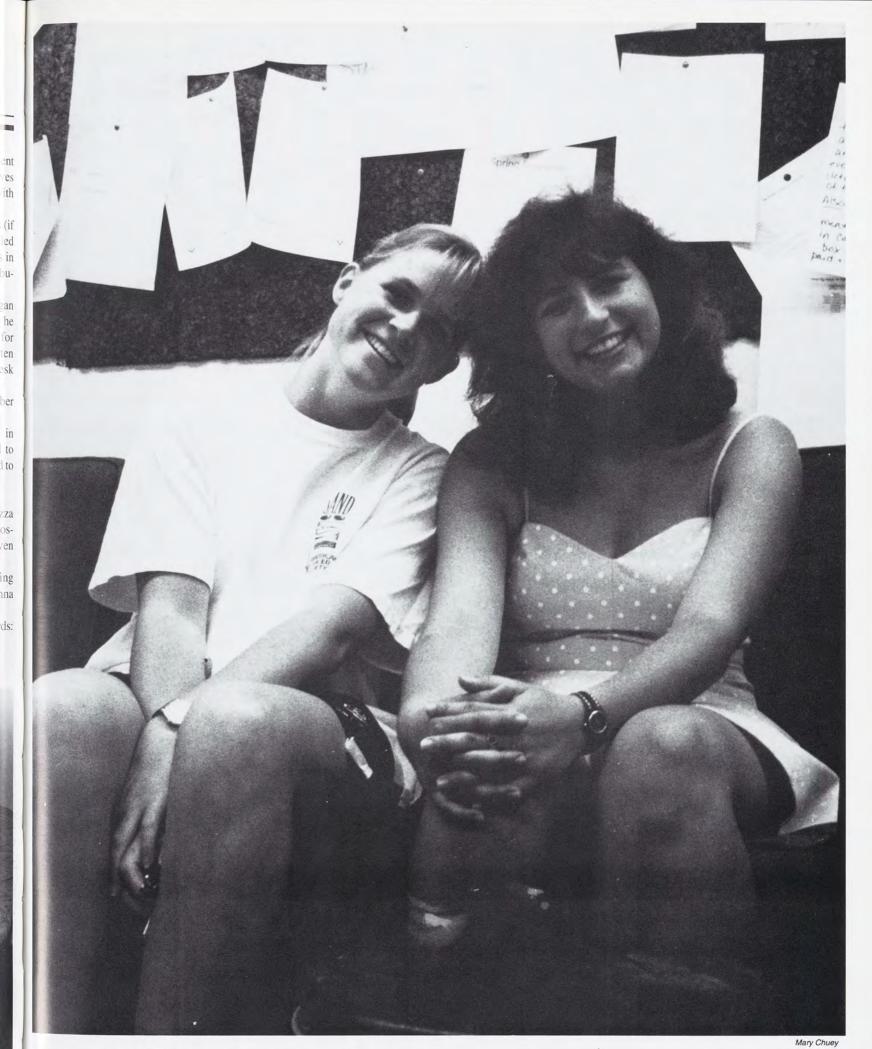
So she left the office with two final words: "Bite me!"



Staff members Mary Chuey, Melissa Wiles and Suzi Straffon enjoy a relaxing break from their activities.



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Beth Fegan and Carolyn Fischer smile amidst mounds of memos during a staff meeting.

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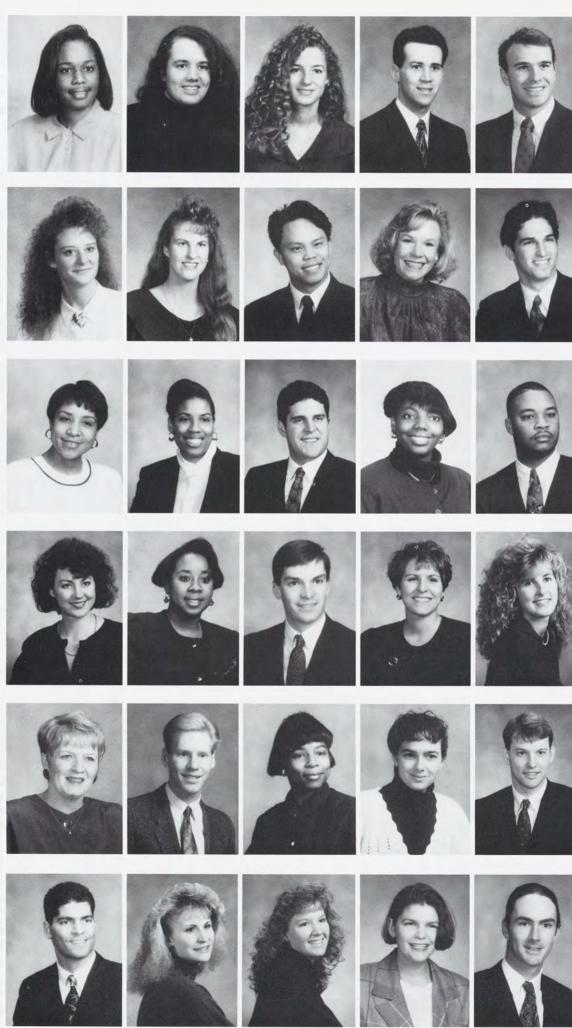
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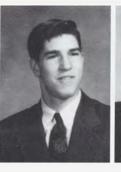
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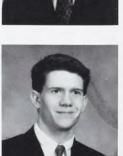


























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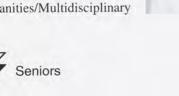
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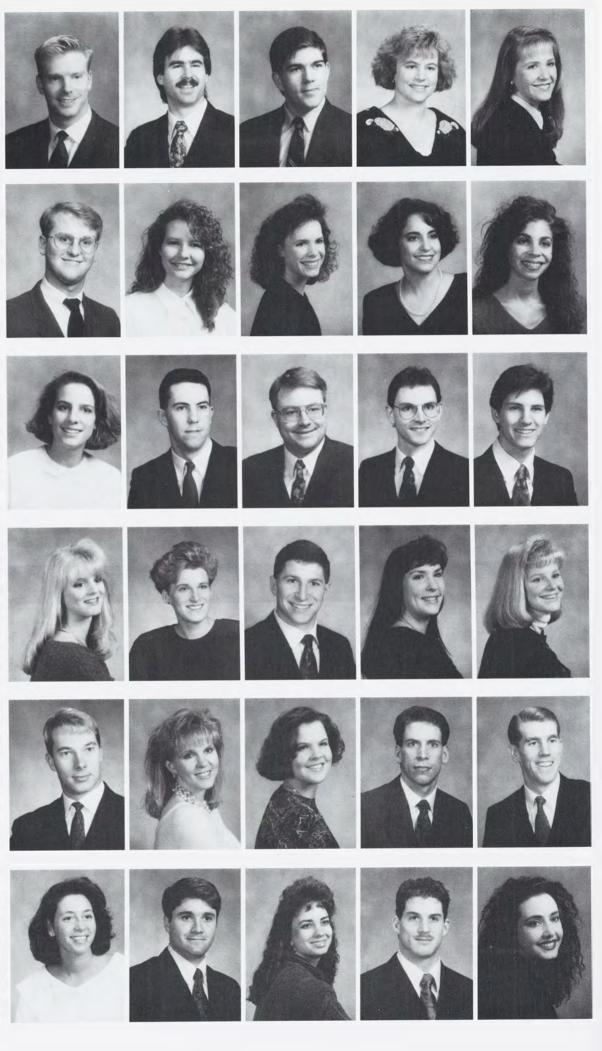
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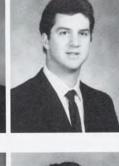


















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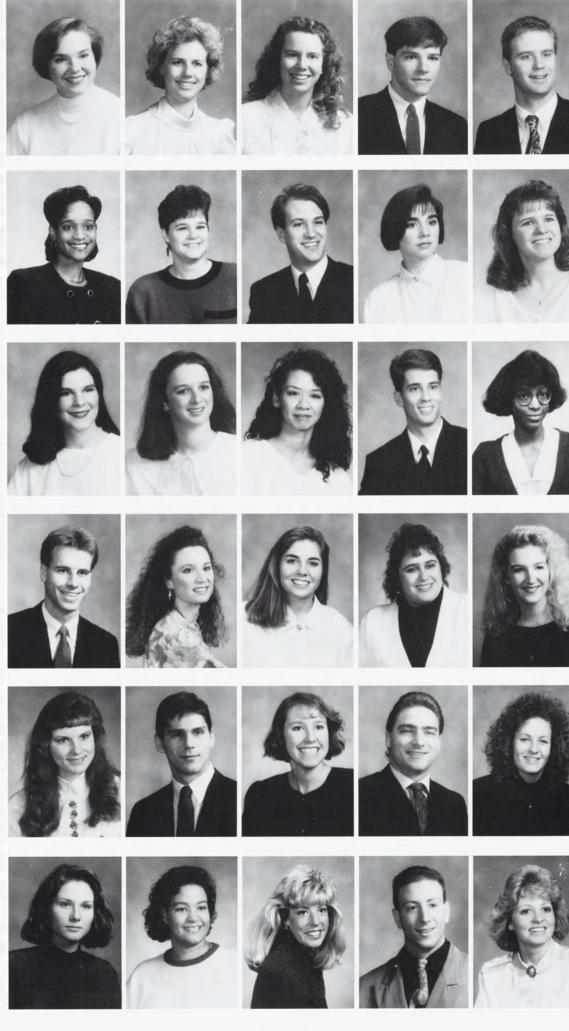
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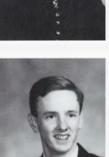
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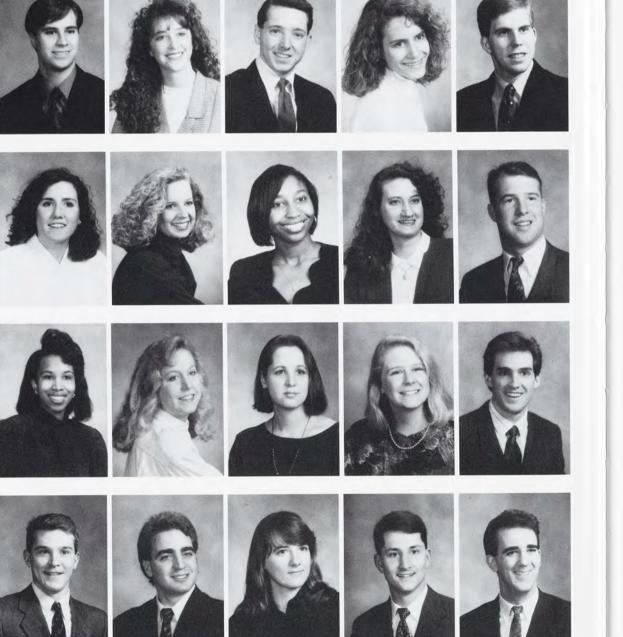
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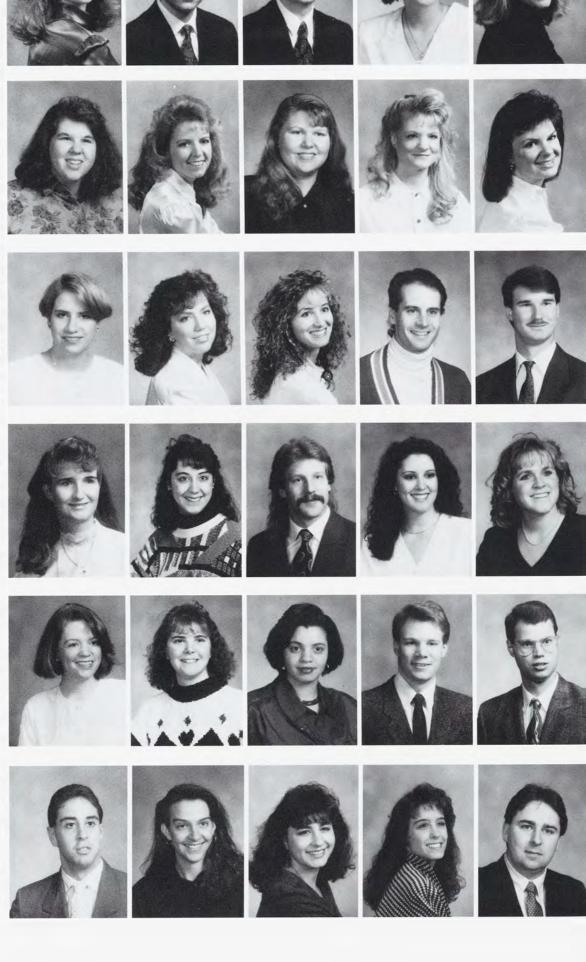
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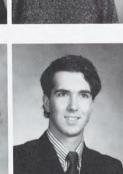
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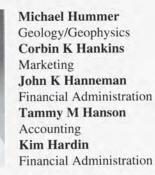












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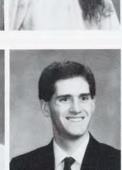










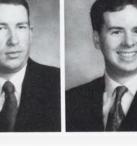
















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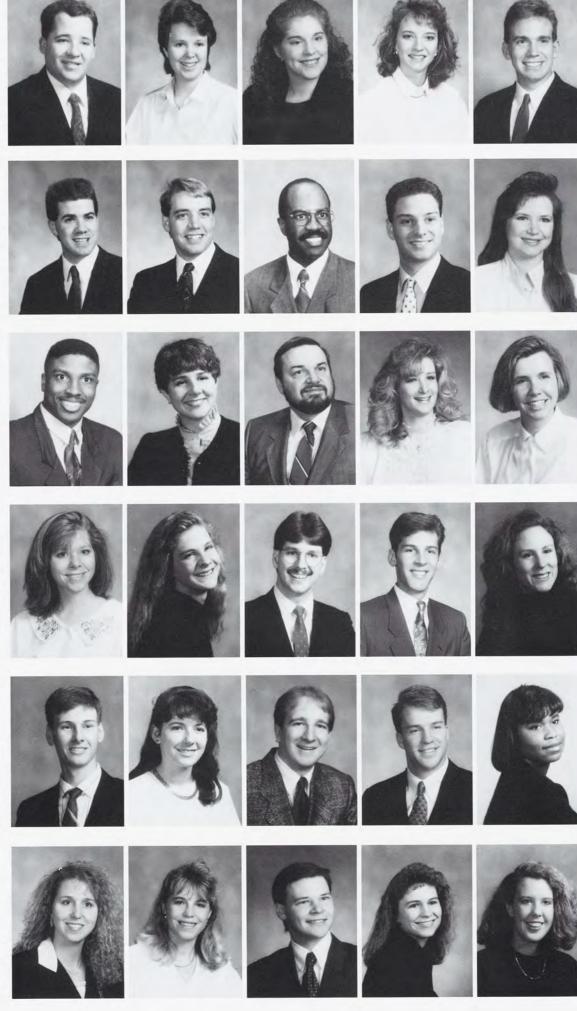
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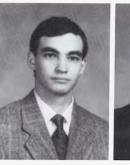


















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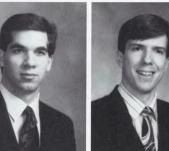
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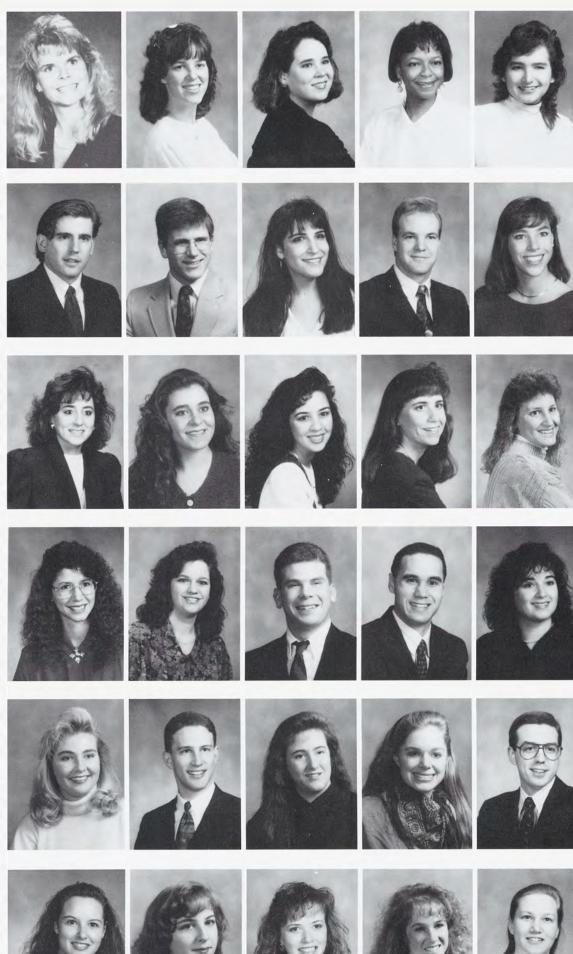
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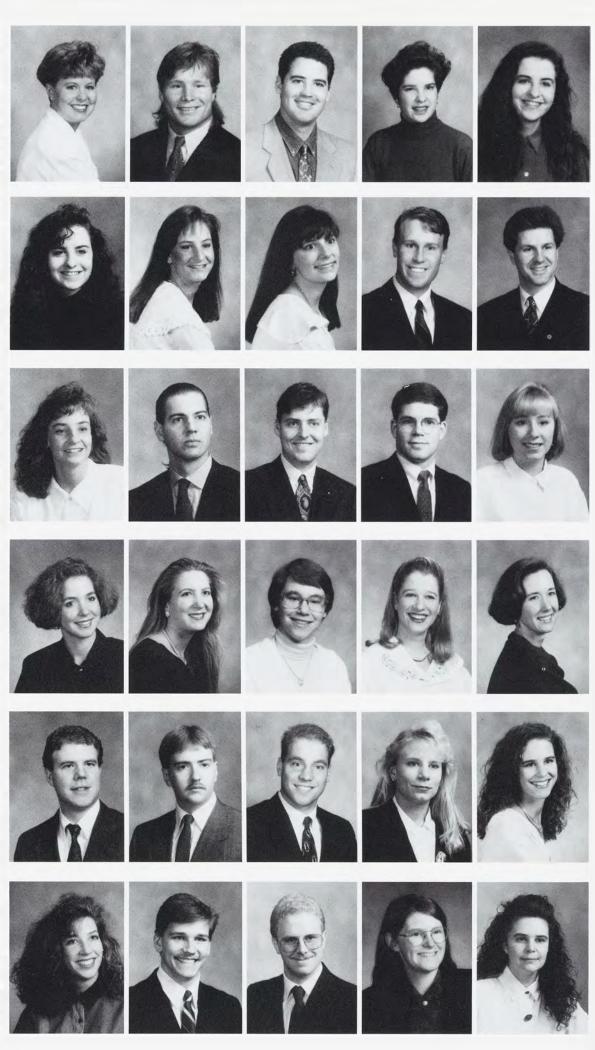
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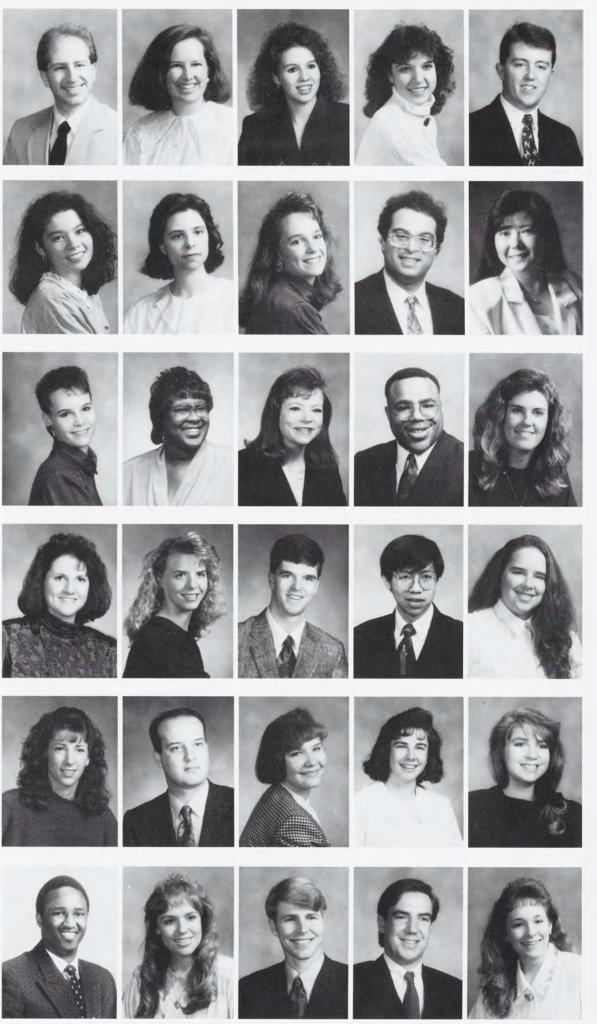
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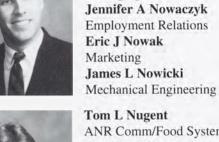












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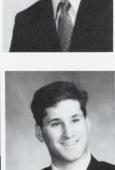




















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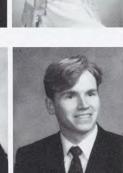














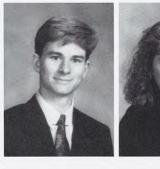












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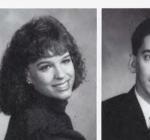














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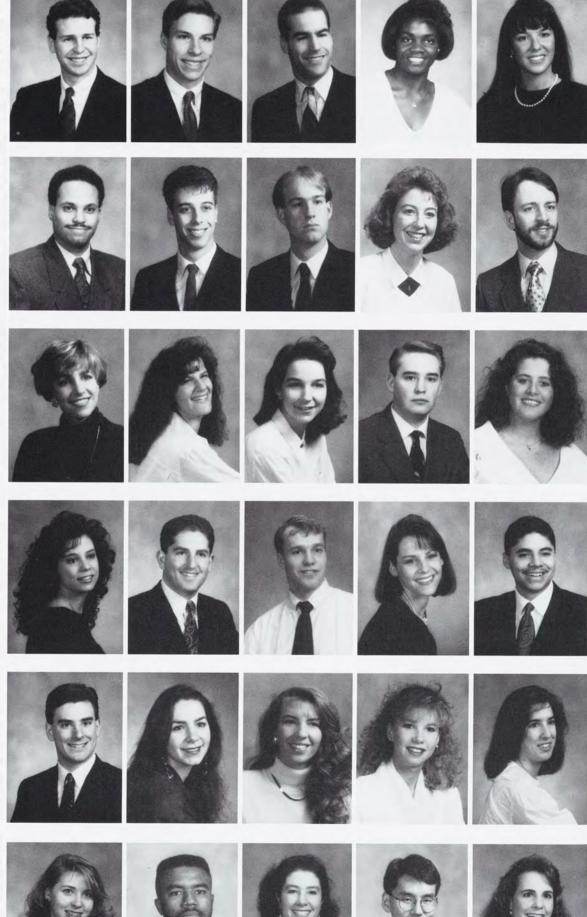
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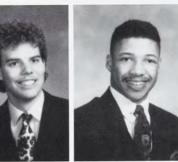
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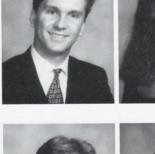






















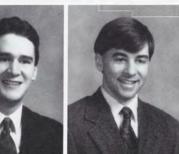










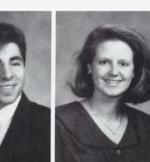














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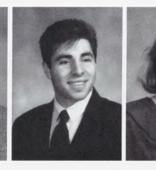
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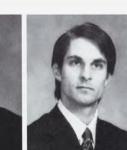
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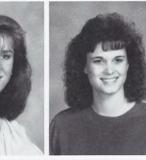
















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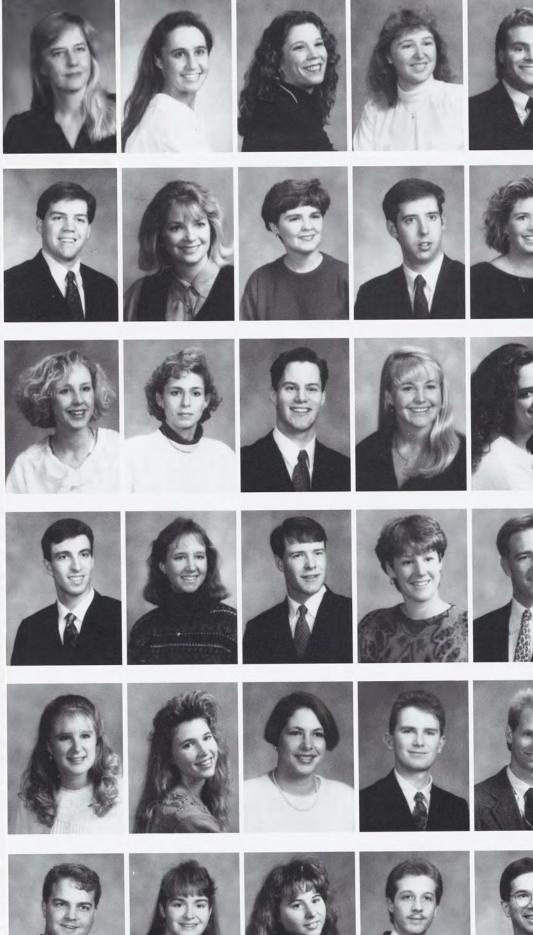
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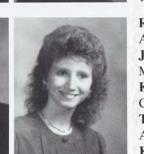












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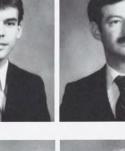












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By Steve Hogan

The state of change is always constant on the MSU sports scene. New faces come and go. And during their stay, all athletes learn the tradition of excellence held at MSU. Spartan fans have seen their sports teams emerge as some of the best in the nation.

This year, however, was an exception for the Spartan football team, which was inundated by seemingly endless injuries. Add controversies, such as the selection of the starting quarterback and the taking away of the athletic director position from head coach George Perles, and the Spartans finished a less-than-desirable 3-8.

But the hockey team, expected to finish as low as fifth in the Central Collegiate Association, rebounded after an average 1990-'91 season. They finished third in the league and fourth in the nation after the regular season. The Spartans were led by CCHA Player of the Year Dwayne Norris, who led the nation in goals scored, and a highly successful freshman class.

The basketball team exploded to the best start in school history at 10-0, which included the championship in the Maui Invitational to start the season. Some said the Spartans would amount to nothing after the departure of scoring machine Steve Smith. But redshirt freshman Shawn Respert quickly came out of the woods to replace the scoring of Smith, and Mike Peplowski and Dwayne Stephens emerged as the leaders of a rejuvenated inside threat.

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But the revenue sports were not the only ones to take the spotlight as the non-revenue sports took some well-deserved time on center stage. The men's indoor track and women's gymnastics teams hosted their respective Big Ten Championships with both teams placing high in the competition.

The men's cross country team finished their season in the national Top 20 and the women's cross country team finished their season strong. The men's gymnastics team started their season ranked third in the nation and Karen Langeland won her 400th career game this season as the women's basketball coach.

It is the games that Spartans play that break up everyday life on campus.

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Cross Teams make Big Ten sit up and take notice Country

By Ben Schmitt

When MSU women's cross country coach Karen Campbell-Lutzke began her first season in 1990, her goal was to make her team a respected Big Ten contender. In 1991, after her second season, she believed she was well on her way to attaining that goal.

The team placed eighth in the Big Ten Championships in 1990, and moved up to sixth place in '91. Lutzke stressed that the five teams ahead of MSU were all ranked in the nation's top 22 cross country teams.

"All the teams who beat us qualified for the

nationals, so even placing sixth was very respectable," she said.

Lutzke said she was very impressed with the team's improvement overall. She added that most of her team will be returning.

Junior Misty Allison was the only runner to qualify for the national meet, making All-American honors by placing 28th in the field of 179 runners . But Lutzke said the team is not losing any runners who are among the team's top five scorers.

"Our team improved a lot this season," Allison said. "We're slowly moving up in the ranks and we're aiming to come out on top next year."

Freshman Laura Bell said she was also excited

about the future.

"Overall, we had a really good season," Boll said. "We still have a long way to go, but I thick next year things will start to come together."

Allison said one of her high points of the season was at the Illinois Invitational when seven runners had times under 19 minutes.

Lutzke said she feels very comfortable a a coach at MSU, and is eagerly awaiting '92 seas n.

"We're a young team and we have a lot to look forward to," Lutzke said. "I think next year we ll be a top contender."

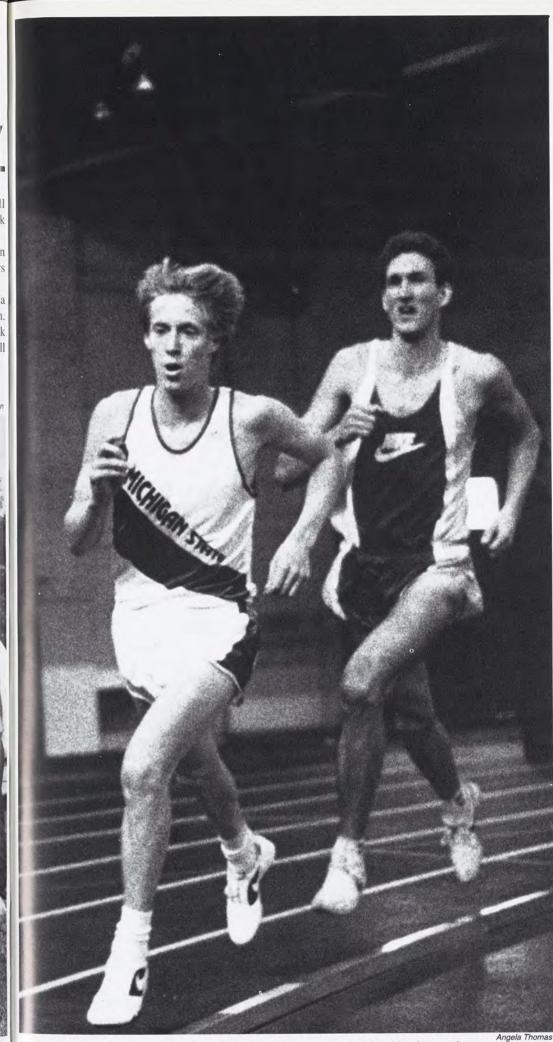
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Front row: Allison Dain, Mary Welch, Tiffani Morrell, Laura Bell, Heather Stuht, Amy Balint, Cheryl Paskvan, Kelly Powis. Back row: Head coach Karen Campbell Lutzke, Melanie Mathers, Sara Reichert, Nora Ettienne, Michelle Brown, Misty Allison, Cathy Ackley, Mary Lantinga, Joy Strawser, Dawn Harrison.





Above: Senior Adam Norman tries to keep pace dduring the MSU Relays during the indoor track season.

By Steve Hogan

The talent was there. The question was, could they produce? By the end of the season, the results that coach Jim Stintzi wanted came to fruition.

The men's cross country team took their talent to the NCAA Championships in Tempe, Arizona and finished ninth out of 22 teams and repeated a third place finish at the Big Ten Championships.

"We knew we had the talent as a team that was capable of a good finish," Stintzi said. "But we had some injuries that hurt us. We were ranked 12th going in so ninth was a good meet."

MSU started their season with an explosion as the Spartans finished second at the MSU Invitational, first in the Michigan/Ohio State quadrangular and fourth at the Michigan Intercollegiate.

However, Stintzi said his team may have had their eyes opened when his team finished fourth at the Arizona Pre-NCAA Invitational. He said the team did not run its best, despite the finish.

"That was probably our worst meet of the season," Stintzi said. "That made us wake up a little bit. But I think later in the season we ran better because of it."

The Arizona meet gave the Spartans a springboard for success as they finished third at both the Big Ten Championships and the NCAA Region IV Championships.

The Spartans were led by senior Anthony Hamm, who placed sixth in the NCAA Championships and finished as a three-time All-American at MSU.

"In the modern era, Anthony has been the most consistent runner we've had at MSU," Stintzi said. "He has done well all throughout his career at MSU and the sixth place finish was just an outstanding effort."

Hamm also placed first at the Michigan/Ohio State quadrangular and second at the MSU Invitational and the NCAA Region IV meet.

Senior Ian Smith may have been overshadowed by Hamm, but his 23rd place finish also earned him All-American honors. He also led MSU at the Big Ten Championships with a fourth place finish.

The biggest surprise of the season was sophomore Toby Lefere, who had some strong finishes, including an 11th place finish at the Eastern Michigan Invitational.

"We thought Ian could do as well as he did but Toby just improved through the whole season," Stintzi said. "He worked hard and went the extra mile this year."



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Players, coach look optimistically towards future

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By Matias Saari

The 1991 men's soccer team struggled to overcome injuries to several key players, finishing with a 9-11-1 (2-3 in the Big Ten) record and a fourth-place finish in the inaugural Big Ten tournament.

Head coach Joe Baum, in his 15th season, said the team was close in most matches and lost five games to Top 20 teams. He looks optimistically to the future, as this squad had only one senior captain, Jeff Petoskey, see considerable playing time.

"We played well down the stretch," Baum said. "The tournament was the highlight of the season."

In the tournament held at Indiana, the Spartans defeated Ohio State 1-0 on a Petoskey goal and hung in a scoreless game the first 60



 Sports Men's Soccer minutes versus nationally-ranked Wisconsin before bowing out 3-0.

This year's team was led in scoring by junior Brett Christensen (four goals, four assists, 12 points), sophomore Doug Consigny (2-5-9) and sophomore Jon Petoskey (3-3-9), senior captain Jeff Petoskey's brother.

Pat Trese posted a 7-6-1 record in goal and redshirt freshman Curtis Payment was 2-2 in the final two games and the tournament, in what Baum called some of the most incredible goaltending in recent memory.

But it was injuries to senior Jeff Cobb, Steve McCaul and Payment, and the loss of senior Mike Rawlins, that slowed the Spartans the most. Those four players combined to play in only 18 games.

"It was and up-and-down year," Baum said. "Our offense didn't have much scoring

punch." The Spartans scored just 28 goals all season.

Soccer

"We did the best we could with what we had," Jeff Petoskey said. "It's hard to play at this level of competition with such injuries."

Petoskey said it was tough closing out his successful four-year career at MSU.

"It kind of hurts," Petoskey said. "It's the ultimate playing in the Big Ten, putting on a Spartan uniform."

But the future looks bright for the soccer program, Baum said. Athletic director George Perles's support for non-revenue sports has increased its budget, allowing for extra scholarships and a better chance to land some of the state's best players.

"They'll have a heck of a team next year." Petoskey said. "(MSU) soccer's going to skyrocket in the future."

By Matias Saari

It took 35 years, but MSU's ence.

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Baum said he anticipates that men's soccer team is finally a the extra scholarships may help member of the Big Ten confer- land standouts from Michigan who have in the past attended such Six teams are required to form powerhouses as Indiana.

MSU finished the Big Ten University was the sixth team to season 2-3 with victories over be added in 1991. This enabled Northwestern and Ohio State and Penn State, losses to nationally-ranked Wisconsin and The Big Ten now consists of Indiana. They also beat Michigan MSU, Indiana, Wisconsin, Ohio 2-0, but U-M soccer is not a varsity sport.

> Baum said he hopes to see further expansion.

"We would love to go to eight Indiana defeated number one teams," Baum said. Possible future additions include Minnesota, Iowa and Michigan.

Baum said each Big Ten team Coach Joe Baum called the plays each other once, unlike basketball and hockey. Most of the for MSU soccer. He said it will other games played are against allow for more media recognition regional teams, with those results and more funding and scholarship as well as the results from the Big money, and will improve soccer Ten factoring into the seeding for



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Opposite page: Freshman Andy Macielinski tries to center the ball to start an offensive attack. Above right: Sophomore Brett Christensen, freshman Jim Stamper and juniors Steve Belloli and Rich Goldman prepare for an indirect kick from Bowling Green. Above: Junior Tim Richey tries to avoid two Bowling Green defenders.

Red Cedar Log Michigan State University



Field Players making a name for themselves on campus Hockey

By Jeff Plum

When people think of popular sports at MSU, field hockey may not come to mind right away. But if the field hockey team and coach have their way, it may become a more visible sport. Head coach Martha Ludwig said she believes her squad is close to joining the upper echelon of programs at MSU.

Although the Spartans struggled through the 1991 season, Ludwig said she felt the team was regaining their confidence toward the end of the year after suffering through a rough period. According to Ludwig, a decent start of 3-2 turned into a case of indecent exposure after the first five games.

Tough losses to the University of Michigan (2-1) and Northern Illinois (1-0) in overtime showed the green and white's fighting spirit. The field hockey team finished 5-14-1 and 0-9-1 in the Midwest Collegiate Field Hockey Conference.

"It wasn't an exciting season but it was better than last year," Ludwig said. "We've been improving over the last few seasons. The opponents in the MCFHC are as competitive as you'll find n the country."

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The Spartans face three of the top field hock by teams in the nation with the addition of Penn State to the conference. Penn State will give the Big T in six teams playing field hockey. MSU will leage the MCFHC to join the Big Ten, which will start is first year of play in 1992.

Field hockey will return to the Big Ten conference as the Nittany Lions, who were ranked as the number two team in the country for 1991, join the conference. Along with Penn State, Iowa and



Above: The Spartans celebrate a goal in a 2-1 victory over Central Michigan. Above right: Senior Robin Morrison anticipates a pass from a teammate.



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Northwestern, who were ranked fifth and sixth respectively, they will make things rough for MSU.

"The competition will create an incredible challenge for us next year," Ludwig said. "The team played better with teams with winning records. We played them with composure. However, against teams with weaker records, we played at their record."

Ludwig hopes to develop an overall tradition of success during the next few years. She would like to see the Spartans as a force that's competitive across the board. Then, she said, the field hockey team will be a very competitive team.

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The coach added that the senior leadership for the 1991 season was outstanding. Midfield co-captains Maggie Iezzi and Debbie Hochheiser led the Spartans to their most wins since 1989. MSU will lose Lisa Besser and Tammy Lanza on defense and Robin Morrison at midfield as well as Iezzi and Hochheiser.

"We are losing some outstanding players and people," Ludwig said. "The midfield is an integral part of our game with Iezzi, Morrison and Lanza but we're hoping to bring in some freshman to add to the group."

Iezzi led the Spartans in scoring with seven goals and two assists for the season and was named third-team All-American for her efforts.

"It's really an honor and privilege for me," Iezzi said. "It seems like all the hard work came together and has paid off this year."

Ludwig has brought the MSU field hockey program a long way since becoming the coach in 1989. She believes her team is prepared to join the elite programs at MSU and in the Big Ten Conference.

"The future is exciting for us," Ludwig said.





Front row: Robin Morrison, LeAnn Chaffin, Terri Keranen, Tammy Lanza, Mel Anderson, Jenny Hoy, Kara More, Maria Ross, Diane Hartmann, Wendy Wilson, Maggie Iezzi, Taffy Lowery. Back row: Melissa Wuelser, Assistant Coach Karen Saver, Sara Beilen, Sharon Hill, Lisa Besser, Becky Johnson, Sara Humpage, Stacey Biegal, Mari McLinden, Heather Blanton, Debbie Hoccheiser, Head Coach Martha Ludwig, Assistant Coach Natalie Beckerman.



Women's

Two losses put team out of contention

Soccer

By Tom Stermer

The women's soccer team finished with a bang-a nine-game winning streak to close the season-but two key losses denied the Spartans a berth in the NCAA Tournament. The Spartans finished the season with a 14-6 record.

First-year head coach Tom Saxton saw his team begin the season by losing six of their first 11 games, including key losses to national powers Hartford (3-0) and Wisconsin (1-0). Saxton said a victory in one of those games could have been enough to send the Spartans to the post-season tournament.

"We really got off to a slow start because of the amount of freshmen we had on the team this year, and that's what ended up killing us in the long

run," Saxton said. "It would have been different if we could have beaten Wisconsin or Hartford, but it just took us a while to get rolling."

The Spartans were led in scoring by sophomore Caeri Thomas, who lit up the nets for eight goals while assisting on five others for 21 points. Freshman standout Karen Winslow also was a major factor on offense, finishing with seven goals and three assists for 17 points.

"I didn't know how I would fit in with the offense and the other players," Winslow said. "Our big goal for next year is to get a bid for next year's (NCAA) Tournament."

Goaltending was another key to the Spartan's success. Sophomore Kristi Turner led a trio of goalkeepers by allowing less than one goal per game, including seven shutouts.

The defensive corps was anchored by sen or co-captains Chris Lamb and Staci Hendershet. Saxton said replacing these two players will be is toughest task during the off-season.

"It's going to be difficult to replace those ty o. there's no doubt about it," Saxton said. "But ve return a solid nucleus for next year, and hopefully we can keep on improving."

The Spartans will have 16 returning play rs on next year's team, most of whom gained valuable game experience during the 1991 season.

"I was happy with the team's performance this year, especially the nine straight wins to fin sh the season," Saxton said. "It's great to finish up like that, but I think next year we can make the tournament."





By Tom Stermer

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Most people cannot help but think of moving on and moving up, but for Tom Saxton, first-year women's soccer coach, the ultimate in life has already been reached.

"I've dreamt about doing what I'm doing since I was a boy," Saxton said. I wouldn't trade places with anyone."

Saxton received his bachelor's degree from MSU after transferring from Columbia University in 1983. He has since received his master's degree in exercise science and physical education.

While at MSU, Saxton was a member of the men's soccer team for three years, including a stint as the team's co-captain, before joining the coaching staff in 1986 as an assistant on the men's and the women's teams.

"It was a thrill to be able to stay at Michigan State to coach following my career," Saxton said.

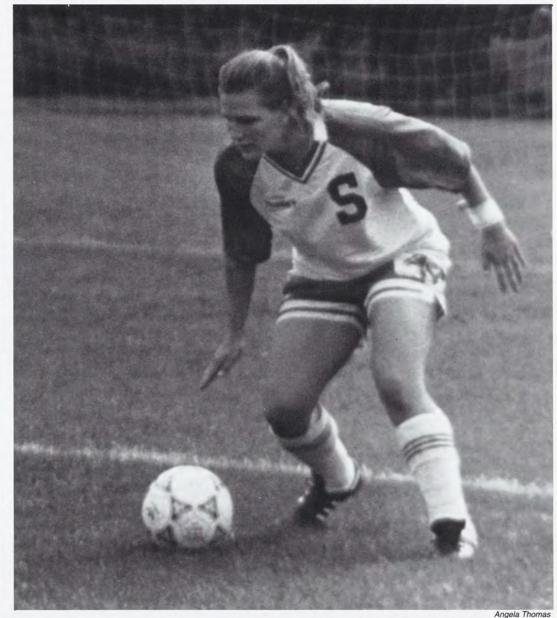
In addition to his playing and coaching career at MSU, Saxton has also coached the men's soccer team at Delta Community College and the women's team at Flint Central High School, as well as coaching an amateur team made of mostly ex-Spartan players.

Saxton's spare time is used to keep up with his wife, Susie, and his two sons. He says there's more to his life, however, than soccer and his family.

"I love golfing and rock-n-roll," Saxton said. "When I want to get away from it all, that's what I want do."

And with the pieces to his life firmly in place, Spartan soccer fans can expect to see Coach Saxton for years to come.

"I love this place, and I'm doing what I've always wanted to do," Saxton said. Opposite page: The Spartan bench root on their team during a rainy afternoon game. Below: Junior Jennifer Schuerman attempts to make a move to prevent an opposing team from scoring. Far below: Junior Yolanda Marino dribbles the ball upfield, looking for an opportunity to score.





Spartan

Injuries plague team throughout season

Volleybal



By Steve Hogan

In what seemed like the perfect opportunity for the MSU volleyball team to make a name for themselves in the Big Ten, the injury plague hit the Spartans—and with devastating consequences.

Numerous injuries throughout the season inundated coach Ginger Mayson's team, resulting in the worst season in MSU's 18-year volleyball history. The final numbers: 3-27 overall, 1-19 in the Big Ten.

Mayson said the team members that were able to play did their best at trying to give 100 percent on the court despite the adversity around them.

"At that time, it could've been 'just come to practice' and 'we're not going to win'," Mayson said. "That is when they were fighting at their hardest."

The injuries started before the season began. Freshman middle hitter Felicia Seals and sophomore setter Kristin Ojala were out with ankle and knee injuries before the first match.

Then junior setter Amy Rauch was not allowed to play in the first nine matches because she transferred from the University of Tennessee and the NCAA did not have the paperwork completed to confirm the transfer.

Because Mayson was switching setters con-



stantly throughout the season, there was no rhythm between the setters and the hitters.

"Once you get used to somebody and you get into the flow of it, then you get somebody totally different—the hitters were never sure," Mayson said. "When the hitters are unsure, their rhythm gets messed up."

Mayson said because of the numerous injuries throughout the year, practices were very limited due to the shortage of players.

"It totally eliminated any match situation," Mayson said. "You didn't have anybody fighting for your position. Even though they pushed and worked hard, they knew they had that spot.

"It seemed like every week we would encounter something that would set us back. It was a state of limbo at all times."

Players became so scarce at one time during the season that only seven players dressed for a match. Mayson said her team would get tired fast, especially when a five-game match occurred.

"Not only did we have only seven players, but some of them couldn't practice," Mayson said. "And at times, we could only practice with five players."

One player that did stand out for the Spartans was senior setter/outside hitter Corinne McNamara,

who became a versatile asset during the season.

"Cory was a key player for us and we had to keep moving her into different positions," Mayson said. "I don't think there was another player in the Big Ten that played as many positions as she did in one year."

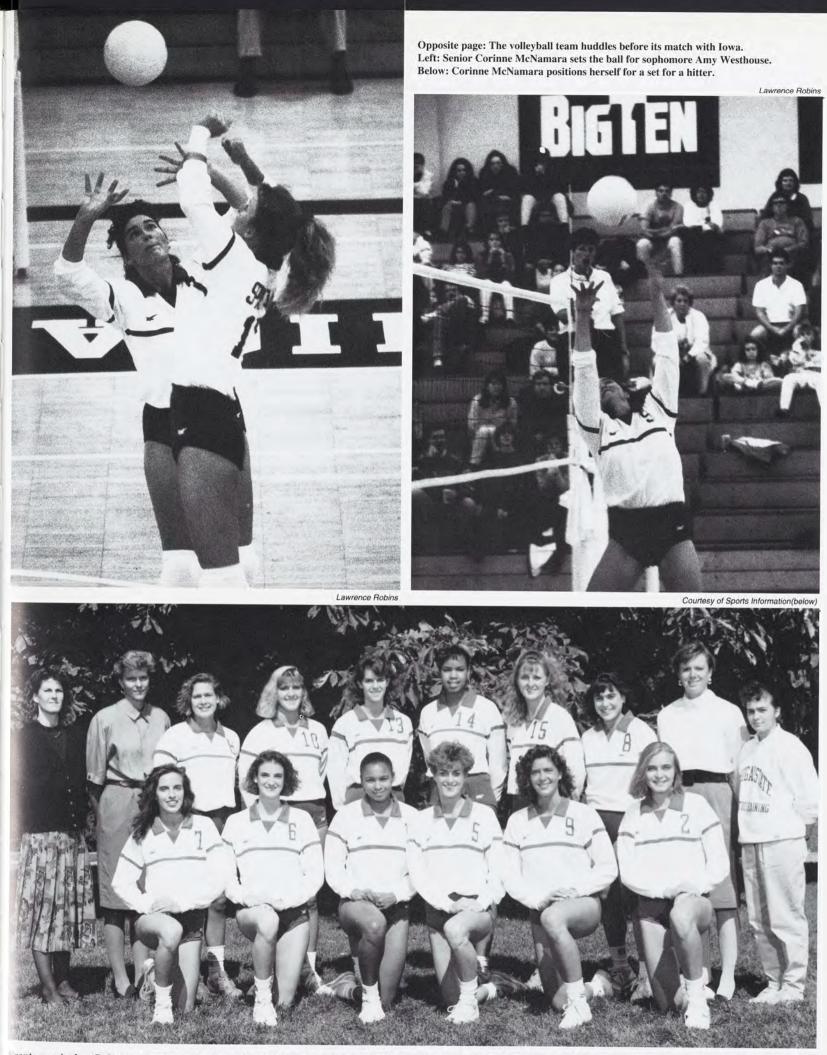
McNamara led the team in block solos and service aces and was second in kills and assists. She was also second in the conference in aces per game.

Other team leaders included Connie Thomas in kills, Rauch in assists and Andrea DeLuca in digs. Thomas also placed seventh in the Big Ten in kills per game, Rauch sixth in assists per game and Amy Westhouse ninth in hitting efficiency.

Despite the problems, Mayson said she is very hopeful for the future of the Spartan volleyball team. The team is losing only one senior, and Mayson is positive that the team can pull itself out from the bottom of the conference with help from players like Jennifer Gray, Thomas, Rauch, DeLuca and Westhouse.

"This team was probably the most focused than any other team I've had here," Mayson said. "The core of next year's team—Gray, Westhouse. DeLuca and (Susan) Spaniolo will come back, and they will be strong for us."

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ront row: Andrea DeLuca, Amy Rauch, Jennifer Gray, Mickey Durbin, Corinne McNamara, Amy Rauch. Back row: Graduate Assistant Coach Patty Mitchell, Assistant Coach Madelyn Meneghetti, Kristin Ojala, Amy Schloss, Connie Thomas, Felicia Seals, Amy Westhouse, Susan Spaniolo, Head Coach Ginger Mayson.



Spartan

Not a kind season for Perles and team

Footbal

By Steve Hogan

It is not that often that George Perles' team has a losing season.

But this year was an exception for MSU football, which suffered its worst season since Perles arrived in East Lansing in 1983. The Spartans finished their season 3-8 overall, 3-5 in the Big Ten.

Those eight losses included losses to teams such as Central Michigan, Rutgers, Indiana, Purdue and Northwestern. Was this the same team that had some people saying 'Rose Bowl' in the early fall?

The first loss of the season may have been an indicator of what was to come. Central Michigan used a ball control offense and a stingy defense to take a 20-3 victory at Spartan Stadium.

Things got worse in a hurry when MSU ventured to South Bend to tangle with Notre Dame. The Spartan offense was stopped constantly by the Fighting Irish defense, and the Notre Dame offense moved the ball at will against MSU.

The end result saw Notre Dame over MSU 42-10, the worst loss suffered by the Spartans to a Notre Dame team since the Fighting Irish beat MSU 48-0 in 1921.

The next game with Rutgers carried higher implications, since the Spartans lost to the Scarlet Knights in their home opener in 1988. But Rutgers scored with under a minute left and tight end Ty Hallock dropped a potentially game-tying pass from Miller to continue the Spartans' frustrations in a 14-7 decision.

"Defensively, we did some things better, but not good enough to win," Perles said. "Offensively we struggled all day long. We could throw the ball on them but we couldn't run it."

And it wasn't only that game in which the Spartans had trouble running the ball. Perles, who is known for his rushing attack, could only muster 143.2 yards a game after averaging 243 yards the previous season.

Problems continued with the starting quarterback position. Junior Bret Johnson, who transferred from UCLA, started the first three games but was relieved in the second half by sophomore Jim Miller. Johnson said he felt frustrated that he could not stay in the game.

"It is really hard to play when you have somebody looking over your shoulder," Johnson said. "I think we need to establish some consistency."

Miller was given the starting job and played the entire game against Indiana. But the result wasn't different: a 31-0 spanking by the Hoosiers. After loss number four, some feared what might happen when MSU played cross-state rival Michigan. However, many positives came out of a 45-28 loss to the Wolverines.

Miller threw for 302 yards on 30 of 39 passing and three touchdowns. This gave the Spartans some hope that their offense was coming back to life. "We're not going to come unglued," Perlassid. "We're just going to continue to work an work and work."

And MSU did not get unglued. Despite a lage of offense, the Spartans used ball control and any 88-yard run by Tico Duckett in the second half get past Minnesota 20-12.

But things went back to normal as the Spatans fell to Ohio State 27-17 and followed that with a painful 17-14 defeat to Northwestern, a sign that Spartan football was not the same as it has been in the past.

"This is a tough one to take," Perles said, as his team fell to 1-7 on the season. It was the worst record the Spartans had since 1982 and the worst start Perles had at MSU.

The Spartans recovered from the loss to down Wisconsin 20-7, but fell to Purdue 27-17 the following week. The season mercifully ended with a 27-24 victory over Illinois, but it took seven Fighting Illini turnovers to help the Spartan cause.

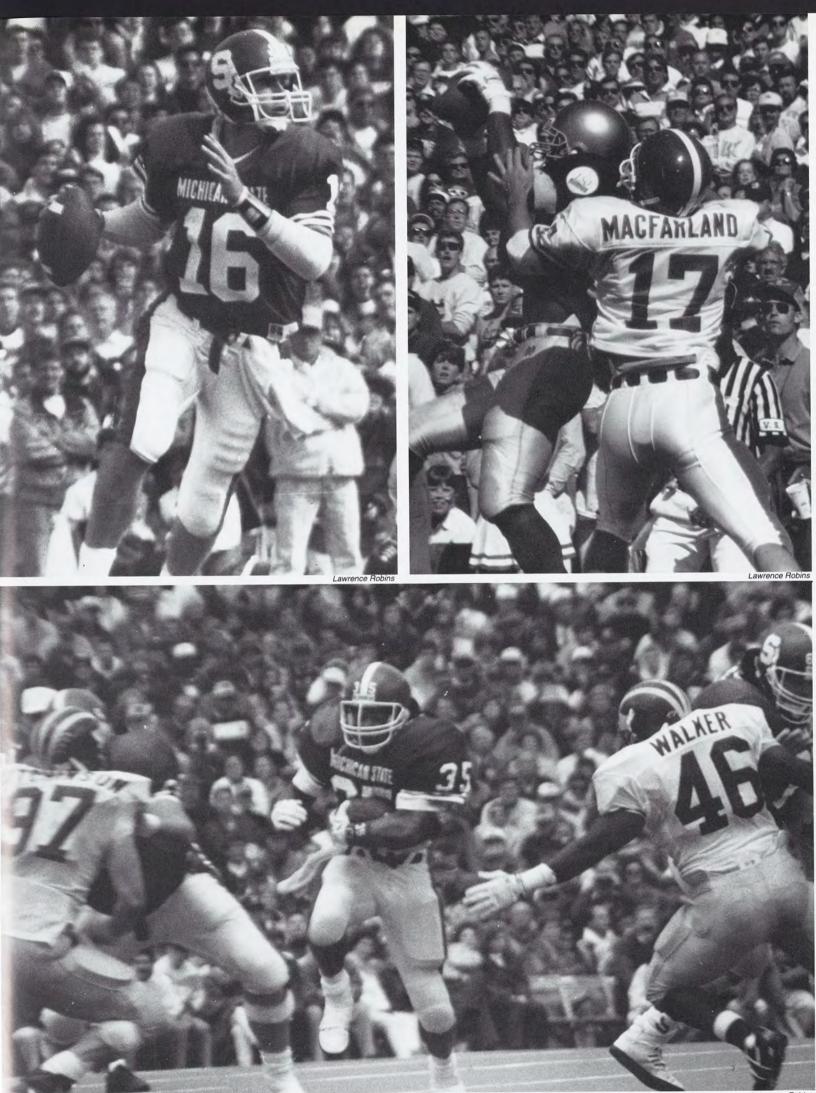
The season had numerous differences with past Perles teams, especially on defense. This Spartan team gave up over 200 yards on the ground where traditional Perles teams lead the nation in rushing defense, giving up only 116 yards in 1990.

Post-season honors were few and far between as senior flanker Courtney Hawkins and senior linebacker Chuck Bullough garnered First Team All-Big Ten honors. Duckett and senior punter Josh Butland were named to the second team.

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Opposite page: The 1991-92 Spartan football team. Above left: Sophomore quarterback Jim Miller sprints out to find a receiver against Michigan. Above right: Junior wide receiver Mark MacFarland could not get to this Bret Johnson pass as Notre Dame's Tom Carter intercepts it. Above: Junior Tico Duckett finds a hole in the line and passes Michigan's Chris Hutchinson and Marcus Walker.

Athletic

Baker takes over as first female Big 10 AD

Director

By Steve Hogan

The seemingly endless story of who would be the new athletic director finally came to an end at the April 3, 1992 MSU Board of Trustees meeting.

But not before another firestorm of controversy rained on the meeting.

By a 6-2 vote, the Board confirmed the nomination of NCAA assistant executive director Merrily Dean Baker by MSU president John DiBiaggio. Baker, who started May 12, 1992, replaced interim A.D. and head football coach George Perles.

Controversy stemmed from the selection of Baker over MSU associate A.D. Clarence Underwood. Some people in the MSU community felt that he deserved the position.

"Why do we have to look from beyond, when we can look from within?" trustee member Joel Ferguson said.

Trustee member Robert Weiss said that blacks in the university have worked hard and deserve a chance to move up.

"It pains me to see somebody labor in the vineyards, pick cotton in the field but not be let in the house," Weiss said. "This matter will not go away today or tomorrow."

"It was probably one of the most racist decisions made since I've been here," said Weiss.

Weiss and Ferguson were the only two to reject the selection of Baker. Trustees Jack Shingleton, Russ Mawby, Dean Pridgeon, Dee Cook, Melaine Reinhold and Barbara Sawyer voted in support of the nomination.

"A major part of this issue has been the difference between the athletic director and the president," Shingleton said. "The issue is before us now and let's get it behind us now."

Some took exception to the criticism of Baker to the position. Dr. Susan Peters, a member of the department of education, was part of the 14-member committee which selected the six finalists for DiBiaggio to select from. "I feel very confident in doing an exemplation job in representing my constituencies," Peters sai

Baker, 49, had worked at Princeton Univesity and the University of Minnesota before arriing at the NCAA in 1988. At the NCAA, Bakedirected many programs including professional development programs, programs for women and minorities and drug testing and education programs.

During her tenure at Minnesota, Baker supervised the transition of the Gopher women's program into the Big Ten and NCAA, implementing a nine-sport, \$3 million program.

After the board meeting, Baker held a press conference and was excited about beginning her new job.

"Obviously there is a tremendous amount of sensitivity right now," Baker said. "We need to reaffirm our unity and work as a team." S *For a related story, please see page 29.*







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Opposite page: George Perles enters the stadium on game day. Far above: The football team follows George Perles as he charges the field. Left: George Perles ponders the next call for the football team. Above: Merrily Dean Baker, MSU's new Athletic Director.

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Fencing & Both teams in process of rebuilding

By Steve Hogan

MSU fencing coach Fred Freiheit was hoping for the 1991-'92 MSU fencing team to have a lot of depth coming from last year's 10-10 team.

However, the depth and the experience never materialized, and the Spartans finished their campaign 4-13 overall.

MSU finished its season hosting a quadrangular meet and ended up losing all three matches. The Spartans fell to Illinois (22-5), Cleveland State (16-11) and Detroit- Mercy (14-13).

"It was disappointing," Freiheit said in a State News article. We had a close match with U-D. We could have come through with a win."

Senior Nelson Grimes led the Spartans in the saber with a 42-35 record. Grimes was also the team captain.

Junior Kyle Glasgow came back from missing all of last season with mononucleosis to lead the Spartans in foil. His 36-28 record was the best, followed by senior Gary Cooper's record of 21-31.

"Kyle really came through," Freiheit said. "He's been slightly better than 50 percent overall. He made a huge improvement. We hope he keeps it up."

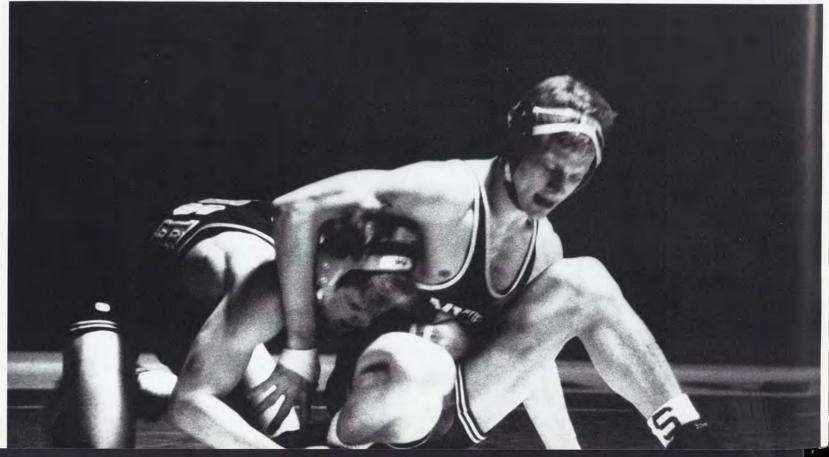
The Spartans felt a terrible loss when Karl Neumaier graduated and Freiheit was left with some big shoes to fill in the foil weapon. Juniors Brian Holmes (15-40) and Pat Zann (6-29) tried their best to pick up the slack with Zann winning five times in the last meet of the season.



Matthew McCandles



Wrestling



By Steve Hogan

It didn't take first-year wrestling coach Tom Minkle long to realize that it takes more than one year to turn a major university wrestling program around.

Minkle took over the reigns of the program from former head coach Phil Parker and found the season tough as his team finished 6-12 overall, 1-6 in the Big Ten.

"Rebuilding a program is a slow and painful process," Minkle said. "You would like to think that you can turn it around overnight, but it doesn't happen that way."

Minkle said the one thing that a program must do is to get organized as a team, then get into conditioning for wrestling. He also put most of his freshman class on the redshirt list to save them for the future.

He said it was a very risky move, but a move that will help the program in the long run. "We knew we would pay a price this year but in the long run it gives us stronger personnel for the years to come," Minkle said.

Two wrestlers that Minkle will bank on for next season are juniors Roy Hall and Don Whipp. Both wrestlers qualified for the NCAA Tournament, with Hall qualifying at 167 pounds and Whipp in the heavyweight division.

Minkle said going to the NCAA Tournament is an experience that is treasured and it can help everybody on the Spartan squad.

"It is an invaluable experience," Minkle said. "You become less intimidated from it once you have been there and see what goes on. Plus, it makes the underclassmen hungrier to get there too."

Whipp finished the season with the best record at 32-19-1: 7-3 in the Big Ten, with nine pins. Hall finished 18-12-3 with six pins, competing at 158 and 167 pounds.

Brian Woods will be the only senior leaving

the team this year. He compiled a record of 23-19-1, competing at 177 pounds. Minkle is confident, however, that his team can compensate for the departing Woods.

"The attitude right now is 100 percent better than it was in the beginning of the season," Minkle said. "We have a young team but they realize that they can be a strong team if they work hard. The will to win is nothing without the will to prepare."

Minkle is preparing for a busy summer in 1992, as he plans to coach the United States Greco-Roman Olympic Wrestling Team at Barcelona. He said after a training camp held at MSU in the early spring, his team noticed how much work it takes to be a world-class wrestler.

"The biggest difference they saw is the level of dedication that is needed," Minkle said. "It requires an extraordinary amount of commitment. Our wrestlers saw that focus and know what it takes now."

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Upper left: Two fencers dual at the Midwest Regional

Championships hosted by Michigan State. Lower left: Freshman Matt Becker tries to control his Notre Dame opponent during the 126-pound match. Above left: Sophomore Jay Helm rides his opponent during a win against Notre Dame.

Above: Freshman Todd Garris gets his hand raised after winning his match 9-5.



ont row: Jay Helm, Dan Wirnberger, Matt Becker, Demond Betts, Casey Krause, Garrett Gamet, Joel Cohen, Brian olton, Chris Morgan, Jed Kramer, Jeremy VanAntwerp, Roy Hall. Second row: Head coach Tom Minkel, Ian Engle, iil Judge, Tom Neu, Joel Morrissette, Everett Simmons, Tim Conley, Andy Hector, Mike Gowans, Derrick Boswell, odd Garris, Asst. Coach Jesse Reyes. Back row: Trainer Chip Wise, Trainer Dave Kinde, Jason Howell, Don Whipp, milio Collins, Brian Woods, Charles McDowell, Jeremy Berg, Nicholas Zbin.

Women's Spartans struggle to find weak link in season

By Elizabeth Fegan

Nothing came easy for the MSU women's basketball team.

The Spartans lost seven of their last eight games to finish the season with an 8-10 record in the Big Ten and a 14-14 record overall.

It would seem easy to find the weak link that dashed the hopes for a repeat of 1990's first-ever NCAA bid and second-place tie with Iowa in the Big Ten.

Think again.

"I said early in the season that this is the most talented team I've ever had," coach Karen Langeland said. "But the most talented team doesn't always translate into the most wins."

Junior center Sheronda Mayo attributed the problems to fatigue.

"The first half we were a lot stronger mentally and we had more of a goal and desire to play," Mayo said. "What happened was the team went through a lot of changes in the lineup and a lot of inconsistencies that hurt the team's morale." Nothing seemed to stand in the way of a bid for the Big Ten title in the first half—not even No. 10 Purdue or No. 14 Northwestern could beat MSU.

Losses to Wisconsin, Ohio State and number five Iowa were counteracted with demands for more intensity, better free-throw shooting and more consistency.

But no one answered those demands. The coaches spent a lot of time trying to find an answer to the question: who would pull MSU out of its second-half slump?

*A. Marline Ferguson: The 5-foot-7 junior racked up 103 steals and 138 assists to become the first Spartan ever to hurdle the 100 mark in both categories. The All-Big Ten second-team selection averaged 13 points.

But Ferguson sat out the first two games of the season because of academic trouble and was suspended indefinitely for disciplinary reasons just before the final two games.

*B. Mayo: The All-Big Ten honorable mention is MSU's all-time leader in field goal percentage with a .593 mark.

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But being double-teamed at the post and sharing the forward/center position with junior Annelle Babers, freshmen Tanya Place and Kisha Kelley and junior Dianne Hall left her confused.

*C. Babers: The forward topped the single-season chart for blocked shots with 34. But Babers was still tentative during her first year of college competition. She sat out her freshman year after originally signing a letter of intent with Howard University and was sidelined her second year with a knee injury. A back injury hampered performance in the second half of the season.

*D. Marie Williams: The senior captain provided strong defensive action in the backcourt and an average of nine points per game. But an ankle injury forced the guard into a cast and onto the bench during the last four games.

"The losing season wasn't a matter of physical ability at all," Mayo said. "It was definitely mental. We just had too much mental junk to worry about."

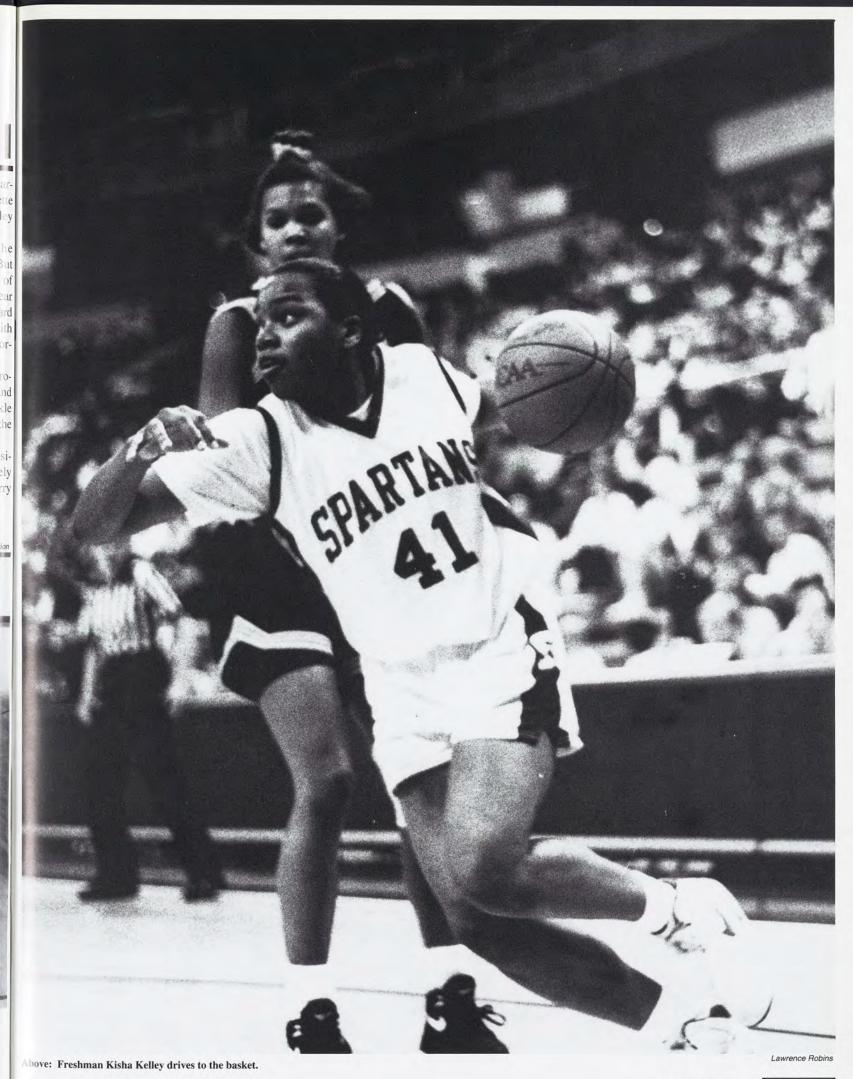
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Front row: Becky McMaster, Marline Ferguson, Janel Tilghman, Co-captian Marie Williams, Head Coach Karen Langeland, Co-captain Sheronda Mayo, Prudence Evans, Christine Powers, Kisha Kelley. Back row: Manager Tracey Keane, Assistant Coach Sue Guevara, Debbie Stevens, Tanya Place, Connie Peterson, Dianne Hall, Annette Babers, Marla Smith, Graduate Assistant Coach Robin Garrett, Assistant Coach Leanna Bordner, Trainer Heidi Stettler.



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Women's *Coach Langeland hits 250 win plateau*

By Steve Hogan

Valentine's Day was especially sweet this year for MSU women's basketball coach Karen Langeland.

Langeland was given her 250th win when the Spartans edged Northwestern 68-66. Two free throws by junior guard Prudence Evans with 18 seconds secured the milestone win for Langeland.

"This either shows that I'm a really good coach or that I'm really getting old," Langeland said.

"All I really care about is the win," Langeland said, as her team raised its record to 7-3 in the Big Ten which kept it in the hunt for first place, chasing Iowa, Wisconsin and Purdue.

Langeland came to MSU from Grand Rapids, where she attended Calvin College and earned her bachelor's degree in education in 1970. She earned her master's at MSU in 1977.

At Calvin, Langeland was a four-sport player, participating in basketball, volleyball, tennis and field hockey.

Langeland's first team at MSU won its Midwest regional in 1977 and later finished 16th in the AIAW National Championships after going 6-16 the previous season.

Her 16 years at MSU gives her the longest reign of any women's basketball coach in the Big Ten. In 1988, she was named Big Ten Coach of the Year and in 1989 she became the third coach in the history of MSU men's and women's basketball to win 200 games.

Her biggest season came in 1991 when she coached the Spartans to a 21-8 season and 13-5 slate in the Big Ten, good for a tie for second place. That same team went on to the school's first-ever NCAA tournament appearance. She was named District IV Coach of the Year for her team's accomplishments.





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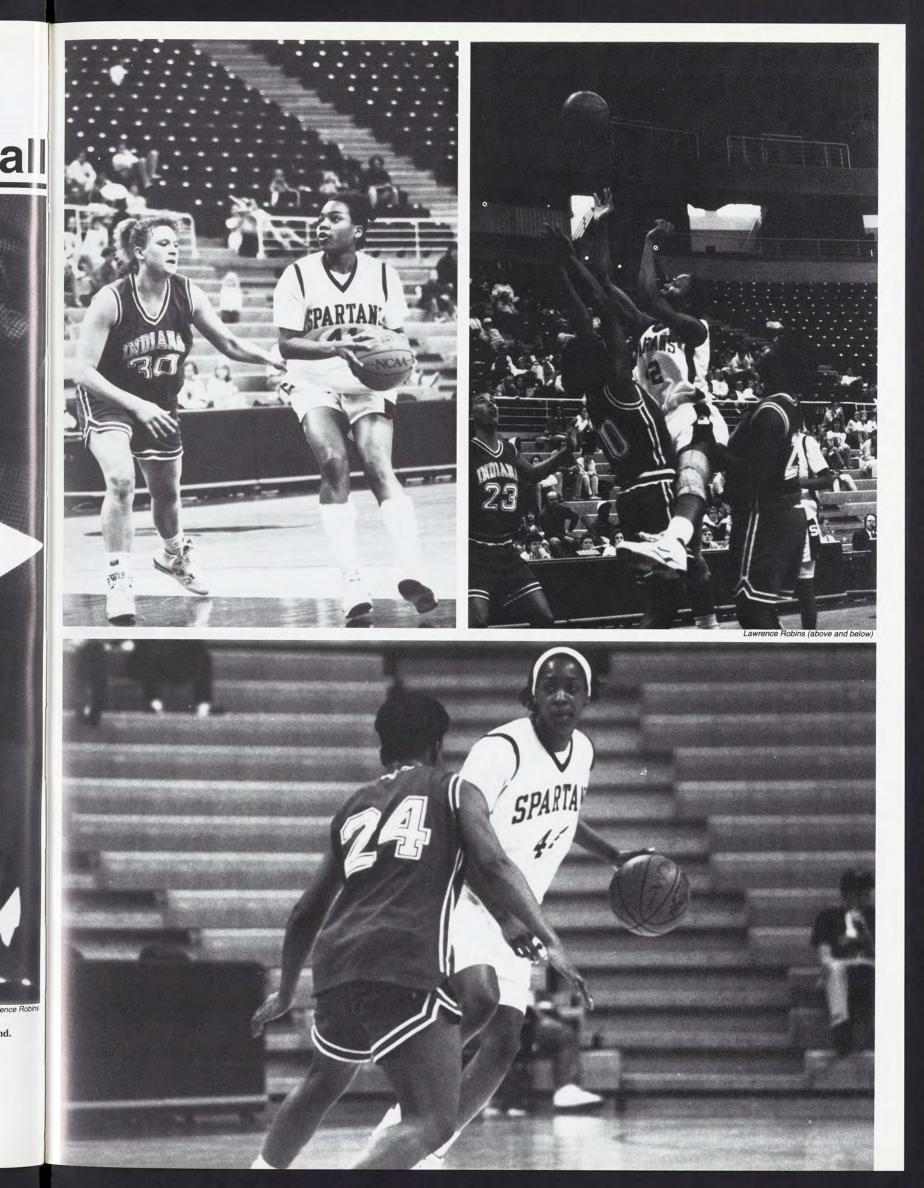
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Left: Women's basketball coach Karen Langeland.

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Above: Assistant coach Sue Guevara and head coach Karen Langeland smile for the camera with ball in hand. Opposite page left: Freshman Kisha Kelley drives the middle and looks for an opportunity to shoot. Opposite page right: Junior Sheronda Mayo attempts a shot while surrounded by three Indiana players. Right: Junior Marline Ferguson looks upcourt to set up the offense.



Swimming & No luck in the end for men's and women's teams Divinc

By Jeff Ostrofsky

Some coaches have said it is better to be lucky than to be good.

The 1991-'92 MSU men's swimming and diving team was definitely good. It finished with an overall dual meet record of 10-3, including a 6-1 record in the Big Ten.

However, the team did not get any luck at the Big Ten Championships in Minneapolis. It finished seventh in the three-day competition.

"We had an incredible year," said third-year coach Richard Bader. "(Our seventh place finish is) disappointing, but at the same time seven (Big Ten) teams finished in the (national) top 25."

The team only lost three dual meets during the course of the season, and those losses came at the hands of national powerhouses UCLA, Michigan and Nebraska.

MSU was ranked as high as 17th in the nation during the year and finished as the 22nd best team in the country.

The Spartans smashed 17 records throughout the year. Senior four-time All-American Steve Leissner shattered three school records while fellow teammates, senior Greg Mahallik and junior Tim Shanley, broke two each.

Freshman diver John Maxson broke the pool record held by former Spartan and Olympic diver Dave Burgering.

Leissner was an All-American in three events: the 500 freestyle, the mile and the 400 individual medley. He placed in the top 10 in those three events at the NCAA Championships in Indianapolis. He finished fifth in the 500 freestyle, eighth in the mile and ninth in the 400 individual medley.

Leissner said the team was the most talented he had seen.

"I saw it both ways-if the team was really focused and if we wanted to do well, we could do extremely well," he said. "But if we weren't, we wouldn't do well."

Leissner said he felt the team was not focused enough at the Big Ten Championships

"My own view was that people really weren't into it," Leissner said.

Senior Steve Shipps said the team did not have the proper mix going into the Big Ten Champion-

ships.

"We went into the meet mentally ready, but not physically," Shipps said. "We were tired."

Shipps said the team set high goals. "This year was our best team concept," le said. "We had an excellent team goal. This year by far was the best team we've ever had. (Our) final placing just didn't show it."

Bader said the 1992-'93 team has the potent al to continue MSU's strong swimming and diving program.

"Next year we return some very solid people." Bader said. He added that recruiting went very well. He said the team missed out one some of the nation's top recruits, but felt positive that it was in the running for those recruits.

"It's hard to compete with the University of Michigan and Minnesota when they've got \$14 million complexes," Bader said.

"We need a good training facility if we're going to go after the best and continue to get athletes like Steve Leissner in here."

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Front row: Assistant Coach John Narcy, Michelle Ricklefs, Alissa Gowing, Julie Little, Nicole Egan, Janet Caraher, Linda Erickson, Karen Templeton, Stacey Rice, Janet Forenbach. Middle row: Corrin Convis, Pam Bartles, Kristyn Erickson, Erika Orns, Wendy Wegener, Kelly Walters, Michelle McZenzie, Margaret Holmes, Andrea Bird, Graduate Assistant Coach Nordine Burrell. Back row: Heather Sarkozy, Kirsten Heyer, Gwen Rowlands, Joan Huellmantel, Kris Kovacevic, Rachel Zobel, Leann Lousier, Robin Tenglin, Rachael Hath.



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Even though they slipped two places from last year's finish, the MSU women's swimming and diving teams took many steps forward this year, competing in what many called one of the nation's toughest swimming conferences.

Its 2-10 season is a bit misleading, according to third-year coach Corrin Convis, who said that young teams without much experience have problems competing in demanding conferences like the Big Ten.

With a roster consisting of 18 underclassmen (only four juniors and four seniors), Convis said that the team's lack of depth really hurt it in dual meet competition.

"We were a little weak in some areas," Convis said, referring to the fact that the Spartans were unable to challenge the field in the backstroke because no one specialized in the stroke.

"We had these huge holes that I'll have to sew up with recruiting this year," Convis said.

In one of the brightest spots of the season, junior Margaret Holmes shattered the school record by nearly one second in the 400-meter individual medley, posting a time of 4:33.06.

Holmes, one of MSU's top distance swimmers, said the team worked well together and that many swimmers reached personal goals.

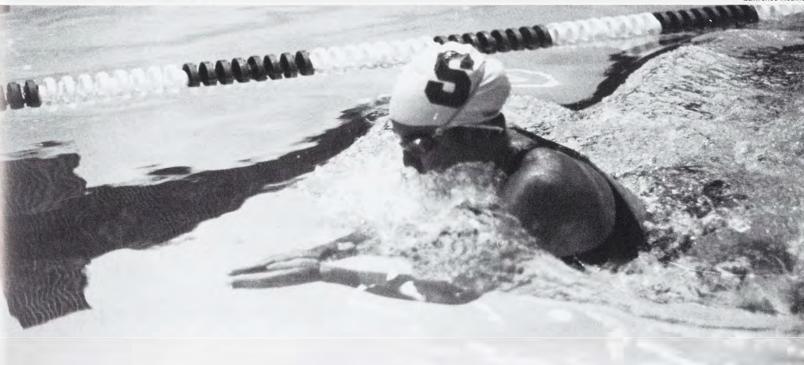
"We all hung in together, and even though we didn't do as well compared to other teams, we achieved a lot of personal goals," Holmes said. "We were really supportive of each other and we were a lot closer personally and better friends than other teams I've been on."

With the switch to semesters, the 1992-'93 team will start practice nearly one month early, which should "provide us with a starting point which is equal to the rest of the Big Ten," Convis said.

In addition to the pre-season practice time, the Spartans will have more experience under their belts and all but four swimmers will return in 1992-'93, and the team should climb more steps in the ladder of Big Ten competition.

Below: An MSU swimmer leaps off the starting block. Far below: Pam Bartel does the breaststroke during the 1000m freestyle race.





Spartan Spartans march to the Final Four in Albany Hockey

By Steve Hogan

MSU hockey has been rich in tradition since coach Ron Mason arrived in East Lansing in 1979. During his reign as MSU head coach, Mason has put nine teams into the NCAA Tournament and has won seven Central Collegiate Hockey Association playoff championships.

In 1991-'92, the tradition continued as the Spartans reached the Final Four in Albany, N.Y., losing in the semifinals to CCHA rival and eventual national champion Lake Superior State.

"We don't have the best players in the league," Bryan Smolinski said. "But everybody realized that each person had to pull their own weight."

The Spartans, who were only picked to finish fifth in the league, took many in the nation by surprise after a sluggish 1990-'91 campaign. But as always, MSU rose to the top in the ranks of college hockey's best.

"Every player on the team made a renewed commitment to the team," Mason said. "There was a renewed commitment in the weight room and to conditioning."

It started with an opening night 5-3 upset of league favorite and preseason top ranked Michigan at Munn Ice Arena. After that game, people sensed that there was something special about this team

"We looked at this game as if we didn't have anything to lose," Mason said. "But it's only a game and we have to keep on playing."

The Spartans went unbeaten in their first six games before losing to Lake Superior 3-1 and went 6-2-4 before going into their holiday tournament schedule. MSU took third place in both the Great Western Freeze-Out in Los Angeles and the Great Lakes Invitational in Detroit.

The first game of the new year brought senior goalie Mike Gilmore out of a slump as he picked up 17 saves in a 5-2 victory over Western Michigan. Mason said his stopper had been in trouble, but not any more.

"To shut them down is outstanding," Mason said. "We executed well on offense and that helped us on defense because it gave us confidence."

MSU then went 7-2-2 in their next 11 games punctuated by taking three of four points at Lake Superior. The Spartans had first place in their grasp and held their own destiny to the CCHA crown.

But the roof caved in as the Spartans only took one point in their next four games, including getting swept by Michigan. The Spartans fell to third place and stayed there in the final standings despite



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winning four of their next five games.

Ferris State, a team that seemed always to be a thorn in the side of the Spartans, were the first round opponents of MSU in the league playoffs. But Mason's crew put aside any doubts and promptly swept the Bulldogs 5-2 and 4-1 to go to the semifinals.

This led MSU to yet another encounter with Lake Superior State, their fifth game with the Lakers, in the CCHA semifinals. But the Spartans were stopped by LSSU goalie Darrin Madeley in a 5-3 loss.

"Lake Superior was the better team," Mason said. "The score was 4-3 and we had some opportunities and couldn't cash in. But it's not going to cost us a chance at the (NCAA) tournament."

After beating Miami in the CCHA consolation game, MSU packed its bags and flew to Providence, RI to play Boston University in the first round in the NCAA tournament. After falling behind 2-1, the Spartans scored three straight goals to advance 4-2.

Then what may have made the Spartans' year, two goals by Dwanye Norris and the game-winning goal by Smolinski led to a 3-2 upset of the number one team Maine. Gilmore also may have had his most outstanding game of his career as he stopped 20 Blackbear shots in the third period.

This led to the Final Four in Albany and yet another showdown with Lake Superior State, but this time the loser would go home. MSU had a 2-2 tie going into the third period, but two Laker goals put MSU out for the season 4-2.

The season was capped off by many players receiving honors, such as Norris, who receiv d CCHA Player of the Year along with First Team All-CCHA and First Team All-American West Region.

"The thing about this team is that we are more dangerous this year more so than last year becaule we are a team," Norris said. "My first two yeas, the talent was a lot better. But this year we had the horses, the work attitude and the chemistry."

Senior defenseman Joby Messier also wis named to the First Team All-CCHA, the league's Best Defensive Defenseman and First Team All-American West. Messier anchored the blue-line corps almost single handedly after Michael Stewart went out for the year with a knee injury.

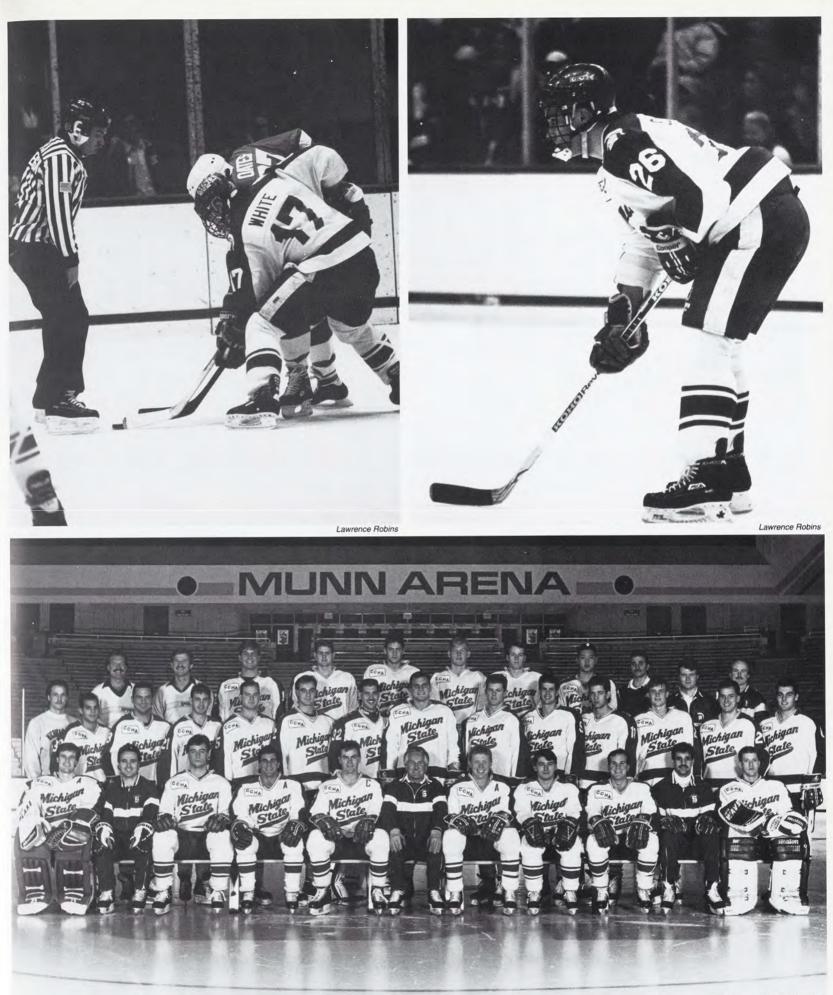
Smolinski and Gilmore picked up league honorable mention honors with Gilmore taking his third All-Academic team kudos. Freshmen Steve Suk and Rem Murray were winners of the CCHA All-Rookie Team for their efforts. Suk and Murray were the fourth and fifth leading, and both were key on the power play team.

"Rem and Steve both deserve the awards they get," Mason said. "Some people questioned why they were on the power play, but that worked out, which shows that coach knows best."

Other players that made their presence felt on the ice were senior Peter White, who was second in the team in scoring and led the team in assists, and sophomores Steve Norton, Nicolas Perreault, Bart Turner, Michael Burkett and Kelly Harper.



Above: Miami's Enrico Blasi controls the puck while MSU's Matt Albeus tries to create a turnover. Opposite page left: MSU's Peter White and Miami's Matt Oates battle for a face-off. Opposite page top right: Charlie Elliott readies himself from his defenseman position on a face-off.

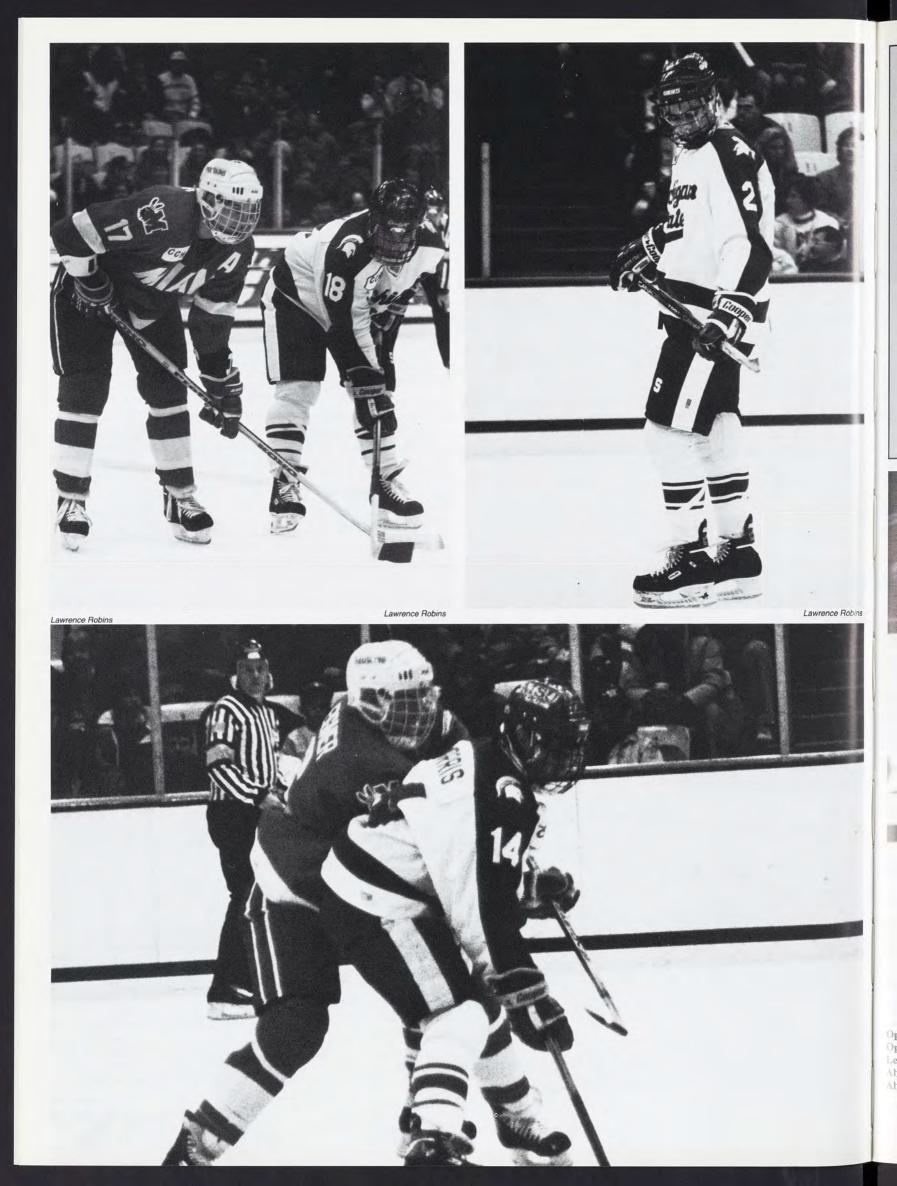


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Front row: Mike Gilmore, Assistant Coach Tom Newton, Doug Garbarz, Dwayne Norris, Joby Messier, Head Coach Ron Mason, Michael Stewart, Peter White, Scott Worden, Assistant Coach Tom Anastos, Eric Kruse. Middle row: Bill Shalawylo, Michael Thompson, Wes McCauley, Bryan Smolinski, Nicolas Perreault, Mike Buzak, Rob Woodward, Steve Norton, Michael Burkett, Bart Turner, Kelly Harper, Charlie Harper, Charlie Elliott, James Lambros. Back row: Graduate Assistant Carl Repp, Trainer Dave Carrier, Equipment Manager Tom Magee, Scott Dean, Steve Guolla, Rem Murray, Ryan Folkening, Matt Albers, Steve Suk, Student Manager Ray Guzall, Student Trainer Brian Farr, Graduate Assistant Taran Singleton.





By Steve Hogan

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Two words were one of the keys to the success of MSU hockey in 1992— Dwayne Norris.

In leading the Spartans to the Final Four and a third place in the Central Collegiate Hockey Association, his accomplishments earned him CCHA Player of the Year along with First Team All-American West honors.

"I started slow because I was nervous and tight around the net," Norris said. "Because it was my senior year, I wanted to end on a personal high."

Because of the pressure, Norris found himself struggling around the net and not scoring as much as he would have preferred.

"You tend to shoot for high goals and there is a tendency to put a little pressure on yourself and you squeeze the stick too hard," Norris said. "But in a eight to 10 game stretch, things started going in for me."

Norris tied for first in the nation for the most goals scored with 44. He also ended the season with 39 assists which gave him 83 total points.

He finished his MSU career with 105 goals and with 113 assists. Those numbers put him sixth for goals and total points in the Spartan individual career books.

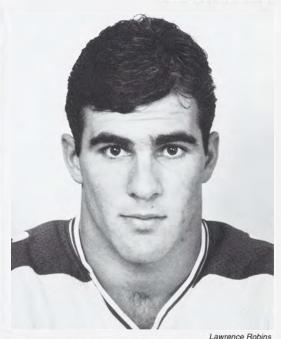
MSU coach Ron Mason said Norris deserved all the honors he received because of his work ethic on the ice. Mason said that other players tended to slack off when Norris wasn't on the ice.

"He has always set a work standard since day one," Mason said. "He has great work ethic and his work ethic is his forte. There are not too many players like that."

Norris said he tries to set an example when he goes out on the ice for practice every day and hopes his example is followed by other players.

Norris was drafted by the Quebec Nordiques in the seventh round of the 1990 National Hockey League draft. He said this year's team was much different than the other two that made the national tournament.

"The thing about this team was that we were a team," Norris said. "My first two years, the talent was a lot better. But this year, we had the work attitude and the chemistry." Courtesy of Sports Information





Opposite page top left: Miami's Brian Savage and MSU's Michael Thompson cross sticks to get advantage on a face-off. Opposite page right: Nicolas Perreault checks his stick during a stoppage of play. Left: MSU's Dwayne Norris keeps the puck away from Miami's Trent Eiguer. Above left: Dwayne Norris.

bove: Bryan Smolinski looks up the ice to pass while he is in the neutral zone.



Spartan Women's team does well; men's team disappointed Gymnastics

By Steve Hogan

Women's gymnastics coach Kathie Klages knew she had the talent for a big year.

She wasn't disappointed. The Spartans finished their season 14-5-1 overall, 5-1 in the Big Ten. Klages was also pleased to see her team finish its season third at the Big Ten Championships, a jump from seventh place last season.

"I knew we had the talent, losing only one off last year's team," Klages said. "We had a lot of depth which created a lot of inter-team competition."

The second-year coach saw two of her gymnasts qualify for the NCAA Regionals at Columbia, Mo. Junior Ruth Aguayo and freshman Colleen Toohey qualified with Aguayo placing sixth in the floor exercise and Toohey taking fourth on the balance beam.

"Ruth had an exceptional year," Klages said. "She has had problems with consistency in the past, but this year she had more hits than misses."

Aguayo led the Spartans in three of the four events with top scores in vault (9.75), uneven bars (9.80) and floor exercises (9.90). Her scores also put her on top for all-around scores with a 38.90.

Toohey was one of two Spartan freshmen who created a stir on the team. She placed second in floor exercises (9.70) and all-around (37.90) and was tied for third in the balance beam (9.65).

"Colleen came in with some strong, consistent years at the club level," Klages said. "But I didn't expect the scores she would get on each event. She's not dazzling, but a very solid performer, which the judges like."

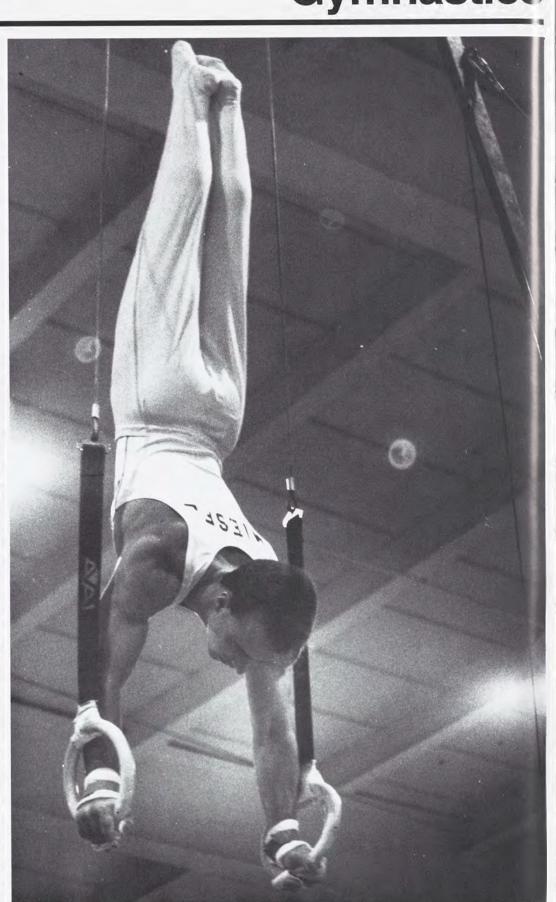
The other part of the freshmen tandem was Heather Cooper, who was third in the all-around category (37.80) with strong showings in vault (9.60), balance beam (9.60) and floor exercise (9.50).

"She has really improved her skills," Klages said.

Other leaders included sophomore Jennifer Dube, who was first in balance beam (9.70) and second in uneven bars (9.65), and junior Tracey Tatebe who was second in floor exercises (9.70) and tied for third in balance beam (9.65).

Klages said she is looking forward to next season, losing only two seniors, Laura Makowski and Susie Kretekos.

"We are going to miss two strong gymnasts," Klages said. "But we have a lot coming back and there is a lot of talk with the group coming in that we are a team to watch for next season."











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eft: Senior Mark Miesel prepares to dismount from the still rings. bove left: Sophomore Jennifer Dube gets congratulated by her coach Kathie lages after a successful routine.

bove right: Junior Tracey Tatebe looks to her teammates after her floor ercise.

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bove: Front row: Tiffany Stennet, Kelly Dyer. Second row: Ruth Aguayo, olleen Toohey, Heather Cooper, Tracey Tatebe, Kim Christensen, Angela loward. Third row: Jennifer Teft, Nicole Kranz, Jennifer Dube, Susan retekos, Tricia Mazzetti. Fourth row: Laura Makowski, Carla Rhodes.

By Steve Hogan

When the MSU men's gymnastics team started its season ranked third in the nation, it might have looked as if the Spartans were on their way to a shot at the national title.

But at the Big Ten championships, things looked considerably different. MSU finished seventh out of seven teams to close its season.

"I think it was the worst meet of our lives," coach Rick Atkinson said in a State News article. "I don't know what happened. Physically, we were totally prepared, but we weren't mentally prepared enough."

MSU finished with 277.75 points, well behind first-place Minnesota. Sophomore Chip Downton tied for third in the horizontal bar and junior Chris Spinosa was eighth in the floor exercise.

The Spartans third-place ranking was due to their team performance of 279.10 in the first meet of the season, picking up wins over Minnesota, Illinois and Illinois-Chicago. The only loss in this meet was suffered to Ohio State,

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whose score of 280.55 earned them a second-place ranking in the nation.

MSU finished 12-2 overall on the season and 9-1 in the Big Ten, picking up crucial wins over Iowa and Penn State and beating cross-state rival Michigan three times during the regular season. The third time the Spartans triumphed over the Wolverines, they broke a team scoring record of 284.35.

Despite the downfall at the Big Ten meet, the Spartans did take five gymnasts to the NCAA Championships, with junior Paul Dackermann placing 33rd in the all-around. Downton placed 23rd and junior Dave Adams took 40th in the horizontal bar. Sophomore Heath Trial finished 45th in the floor exercise and junior Chris Miller went home 53rd in the parallel bar event.

"I think our strength has always been our team and our team concept," Atkinson said. "We've stated all along that next year is our big year."



Men's Best start in history leads to the Big Dance

By Steve Hogan

After losing a National Basketball Association first-round draft choice which was also the MSU all-time career scoring leader, how does a coach recover that much scoring in one season?

That was the big question facing MSU head coach Jud Heathcote after guard Steve Smith left the Spartans. And Heathcote answered the critics quickly.

At the Maui Invitational in Hawaii, Heathcote introduced freshman guard Shawn Respert, and the nation's number-two-ranked Arkansas took notice quickly. Respert scored 22 points in the 86-71 championship upset of the Razorbacks.

That tournament propelled the Spartans to the best start in school history at 10-0. Included in that record start was a heart-stopping 90-89 victory over Cincinnati when Kris Weshinskey's three-pointer with six seconds left finished a rally that had MSU trailing by 18.

The streak was finished when the Spartans downed previously unbeaten Stanford 72-62 in the championship game of the Oldsmobile Classic. Matt Steigenga won Most Valuable Player honors for the third straight year.

"We always talk about going 10-0 but it never seems to happen," Heathcote said. "It's a surprise to us and I hope it prepares us for a grueling Big Ten schedule."

"I don't think I am deserving of this," Steigenga said of his MVP honors. "I don't feel deserving of the award. I think Jud and the rest of the team should get one also."

Ohio State became the first team to hand the Spartans a loss but MSU quickly rebounded. Again coming from behind, Weshinskey punctuated the next win with a layup as time expired to beat Illinois 77-75.

A win over Northwestern followed, but in a road loss to Minnesota, Steigenga injured his left foot. It was one of many medical problems that the senior forward played through in his final season.

After a win over Purdue, MSU faced the highly touted Fab Five of Michigan. With the Spartans leading by 10 with over six minutes left, the Wolverines came back to win in overtime 89-79, leaving MSU players and Heathcote asking, why did they lose?

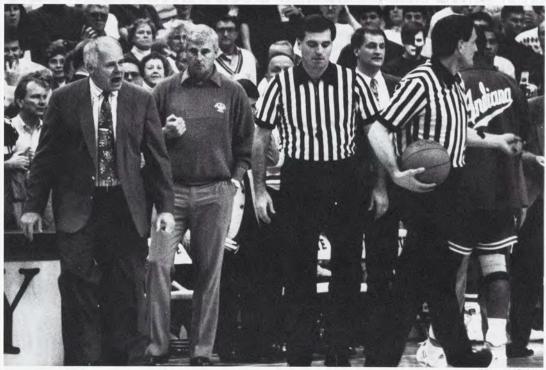
"We couldn't generate anything in the overtime," Heathcote said. "Give Michigan credit, they kept plugging away at us."

"It was a game we should have won," junior Dwayne Stephens said. "Then we started missing shots and we started hanging our heads and it was over."

But the Spartans did not dwell on that game as Indiana rolled into Breslin. MSU fans quickly forgot Michigan as MSU neutralized the Hoosiers offensive attack and cruised to a 76-60 victory over the then third-ranked team in the nation.

MSU used an effective outside game coupled with a powerful inside game led by Mike Peplowski's 16 points and 11 rebounds.

"I was very pleased we were able to play with that kind of intensity and determination," Heathcote



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said. "We told the kids, 'Don't even think ab at Michigan.' "

"They just drilled us," Indiana's Eric And son said. "They outplayed us in every phase of the game."

MSU won two over Wisconsin and aven E d their loss to Michigan with a 70-59 win in A in Arbor, which brought about a key showdown with Ohio State with a shot at second place in the works.

MSU knew they would have their hands [10] with All-American guard Jimmy Jackson. The Buckeye standout wreaked havoc with the Spartans, who had to play without Steigenga, whose injured foot was flaring up once again. Jackson's 20 points and seven rebounds keyed a 78-65 win for OSU.

"Being a man short hurt us," Heathcote said. "We needed everyone playing better games bull think Ohio State's defense had something to say about that."

MSU took the loss to heart by winning three of their last four regular season games, including a 64-53 victory over Iowa to end on Selection Sunday. A few hours later, the Spartans learned that their fifth seed in the Midwest Region would have them playing Southwest Missouri State in the first round of the NCAA tournament.

MSU struggled to get past SW Missouri State 61-54 in the first round before meeting up with Cincinnati. The Bearcats held the Spartans offense in check except for Respert, who scored 27 points. But Cincinnati got their revenge in a 77-65 win to move on to the Sweet Sixteen and eventually the Final Four.

MSU finished their season 22-8 and 11-7 in the Big Ten, good for a third place tie with Michigan, a showing that took a lot of onlookers by surprise. Stephens was named MVP by his teammates and also received Most Improved Player honors. The junior was second in assists and third in scoring, rebounding and steals.

Peplowski was voted MVP by the media and led the team in rebounds, and was a surprising second in scoring. He also led the Big Ten in field goal accuracy.

One of two seniors, Mark Montgomery will be missed at the point guard as he led the Spartans in steals and assists. He was named Best Defensive Player. Steigenga will also be missed at forward position as he led the team in blocked shots and was given the Top Sportsmanship award.

Respert will have three more years to light up the baskets in Breslin. Reserves who played key roles included Anthony Miller, who was second in rebounding, Weshinskey and Jon Zulauf.

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Opposite page: Michigan State Head Coach Jud Heathcote and Indiana Coach Bobby Knight discuss a call made by Sam Lickliter and Sid Rodeheffer. Below left: Anthony Miller pulls down a rebound between Ohio State's Mark Baker and Jim Jackson while Mark Montgomery (far right) lends a hand. Below right: Mike Peplowski puts up a lavup while Indiana's Eric Anderson (32) and Calbert Cheanev defend.

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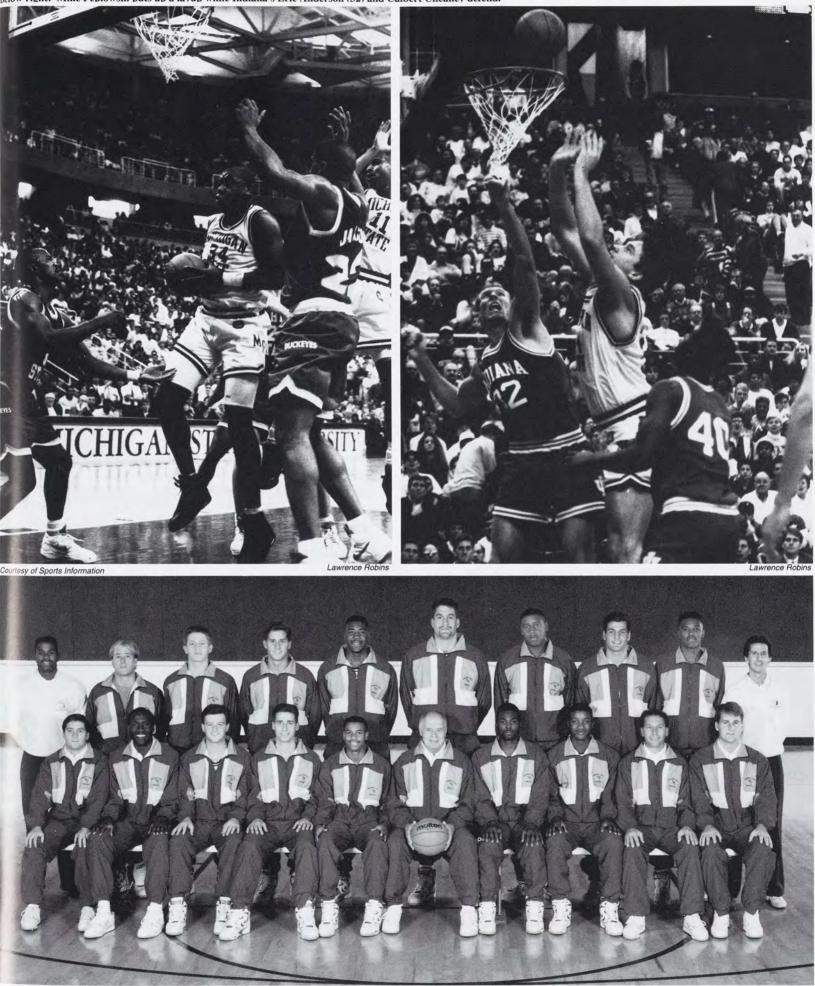
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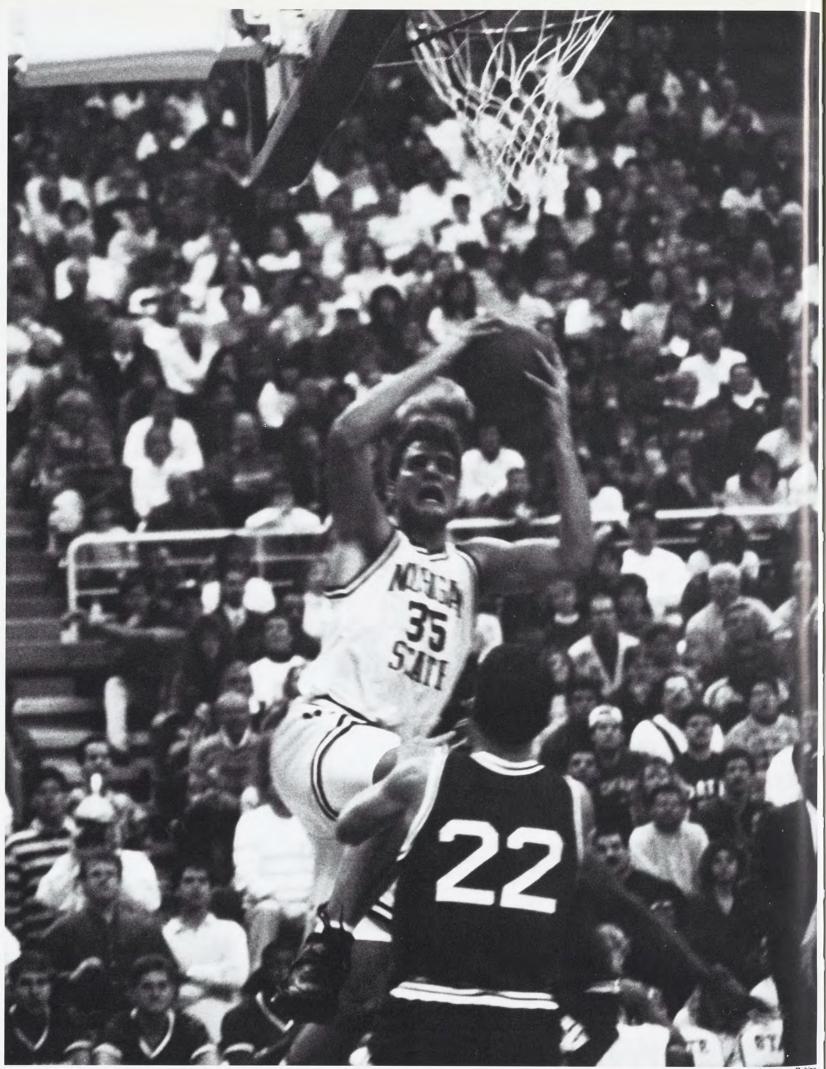
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Pront row: Graduate Assistant Coach Brian Gregory, Assistant Coach Stan Joplin, Andy Penick, Kris Weshinskey, Mark Montgomery, Head Coach Jud Heathcote, Shawn Respert, Eric Snow, Associate Head Coach Tom Izzo, Assistant Coach Jim Boylen. Back row: Manager Erik Qualman, Manager Scott Bernecker, Steve Nicodemus, Jon Zulauf, Iwayne Stephens, Mike Pwplowski, Anthony Miller, Matt Steigenga, Daimon Beathea, Trainer Tom Mackowiak.







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Left: Matt Steigenga stares at the basket while Indiana's Daimon Bailey provides a roadblock. Below left: Anthony Miller looks to put back a rebound with Ohio State's Lawrence Funderburke (front) and Jim Jackson (back) looking for a block. Below right: Jud Heathcote begs for a call from officials while Kris Weshinskey and Anthony Miller watch the play.



By Steve Hogan

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Basketball wasn't the only reason Kris Weshinskey came to MSU. His buddies had a lot to do with that.

"It was one of the big reasons I came to State," Weshinskey said. "I had a lot of friends and I was always a MSU fan."

Despite being a graduate of Purcellville ligh School in Virginia, Weshinskey spent his irst two years at Okemos High School, next oor to East Lansing. So when it came down to electing a school, the choice was easy.

"I really wanted to be around my friends," Veshinskey said. "Basketball was the main ason—plus with the new facility here, I feel ke I belong here."

Based on the results Weshinskey produced, seems as though he was happy with his decion. The sophomore guard averaged 6.4 points game and was third in three-point shooting, iving coach Jud Heathcote an easy decision hen it came time to look for the first guard off the bench.

But the numbers hardly show the real sea-

son Weshinskey had. His three-pointer with six seconds left gave the Spartans a come-from-behind 90-89 victory over Cincinnati in December.

"It seems like ever since I made that shot, my shots have been going in during practice," Weshinskey said.

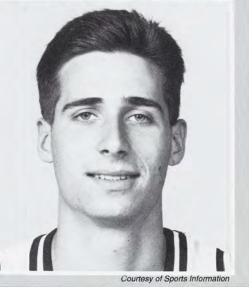
His deadly threes continued when he nailed three three-pointers in the first half to help propel the Spartans to a 72-62 Oldsmobile Classic finals win over Stanford. Stanford coach Mike Montgomery said his team had the Spartans offense solved until Weshinskey came in.

"We had our zone in, but that kid Weshinskey hurt us with his threes," Montgomery said. "They were struggling with our zone, but he hurt us."

Two games later, Weshinskey made a lay-up with less than a second remaining to lift MSU over Illinois 77-75. Later in the season, he came off the bench early in the game to replace leading scorer Shawn Respert and scored 14 points in 32 minutes work in a 76-61 triumph over Wisconsin.

"We didn't even notice Respert wasn't in there the way Weshinskey was playing," Wisconsin coach Steve Yoder said. "What difference would Respert have made?" Weshinskey said the team's summer trip to Australia gave him confidence in his shots. He averaged 14.9 points a game with three games over the 20-point mark.

"I got to shoot as much as I wanted," Weshinskey said. "We only had three guards out there and it just gave me more experience."





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Men have surprising season; women are disappointed

By Steve Hogan

The MSU men's golf coach Ken Horvath didn't think that making the NCAA Tournament was a possible goal until next season. But the Spartans took their coach by surprise.

"I thought it was a rebuilding year for us," Horvath said. "I thought we were a still a year away."

But MSU took the Big Ten and the midwest region by surprise by qualifying for the NCAA Regionals in McKinney, Texas. The Spartans finished 18th in the field of 21. MSU was seeded fifth in District IV.

It was the first time MSU qualified for NCAA post-season play since 1971, when the Spartans

placed 16th.

Sophomore Heath Fell took the Big Ten by storm by placing second in the conference meet and grabbing All-Big Ten honors. He was also named to the All-District IV Team.

"He had a very good summer," Horvath said. "Sometimes the summer doesn't carry through into the college season, but for Heath it did."

Fell led the team in lowest stroke average with 75.1 and had a team low individual score of 68 at the Spartan Invitational, where he placed fourth overall in the three-round tournament.

Horvath will lose only one senior, Ian Peakes, who was third on the team with a 77.5 stroke average and had season lows of 72 at the Northern Intercollegiate, Indiana Invitational and Spartan

Invitational.

"Ian anchored the third position for us wh ch is a pivotal position," Horvath said. "It will be tough to replace him next year."

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Other golfers in the Spartan lineup included junior Mike Spencer (76 average), sophomore Frie Spencer (79.1) and freshman Brian Bartolec (79.4).

Horvath said with the experience gained from going to the NCAA tournament this year, next year's team will know what to expect.

"It was a great opportunity for us," Horvath said. "Maybe it was a little early for us but we learned so much from the experience, and that will help us next year."



Above: Sophomore Heath Fell looks over his putt during the Spartan Invitational.



Above: After his tee shot, senior Ian Peakes looks up and hopes for the fairway. Opposite page top: Sophomore Eric Spencer lets fly with his tee shot at Forest Akers.



By Steve Hogan

The season that made MSU women's golf coach Mary Fossum quite happy didn't have a happy ending.

The Spartans finished their season at the Big Ten meet in Champaign, Ill. in eighth place.

"I thought going in after South Alabama (Lady Jaguar Invitational) we would be in the right frame of mind," Fossum said. "But the wind didn't help us at all. I felt so bad for our seniors."

MSU will be losing two seniors off the team, including Jennifer Mieras, who qualified as an amateur for the Ladies Professional Golf Association (LPGA) event held at Walnut Hills at East Lansing in May 1992.

"Jennifer was dependable and loyal to the team and me," Fossum said. "That's a quality that will be missed."

Mieras was second on the team, with an 81.2 stroke average. Her lowest rounds were at the Spartan Invitational and the Illinois State Invitational, with identical rounds of 75.

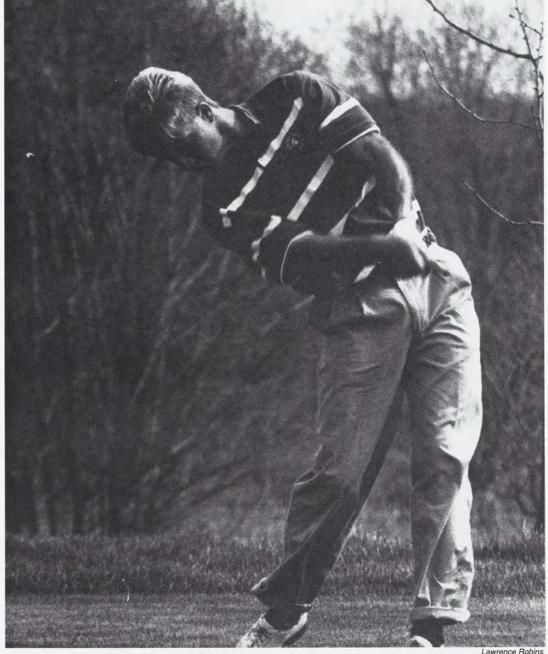
Also gone will be Sandy Sosnowski and Kelly Ovington. Sosnowski was fourth on the team, with a scoring average of 85.1 Her low round was 77 at the Lady Jaguar Invitational.

Junior Carolyn Nodus led the Spartans with a team-low 80.1 average and a team low score of 71 at the Lady Jaguar. Another junior, Gina Yoder, was third in team scoring with an 82.7 average.

"I am expecting great years from them," Fossum said. "I think next year we'll have better balance because we'll have more depth."

Adding to that depth will be sophomores Stacy Slobodnik and Stacie Harringer and freshman Jill Boring. Fossum also has four incoming freshman recruits, led by Lori Schlissberg from East Lansing, that she said has her smiling.

"The jump from high school to college is great," Fossum said. "I think they can do it."



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Front row: Jim Mleczko, Dave Donaldson, Chris Lemmon, Steve Slazinski, Jon Barton. Back row: Chris Lane, Eric Spencer, Earl Eckenrode, Heath Fell, Brian Bartolec, Head Coach Ken Horvath.



Spartan

Both teams gain experience, seek new direction

Tennis

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By Matias Saari

Five.

That's the number of Big Ten wins the MSU men's tennis team posted the past nine years.

Five is also the number of Big Ten wins they notched in 1992 alone, their best year since 1973. The Spartans, under new coach Gene Orlando, appeared to be headed in a new direction, finishing with a 12-12 record (5-8 Big Ten) and a seventh place at the Big Ten championships.

Orlando, 26, is a former Ball State star who coached at Bowling Green before coming to MSU.

"The Spartan crusade doesn't end there (with this improvement)," Orlando said. "We've opened the door. Now we're here to knock it down."

Orlando said he is not yet satisfied and feels his team can get better.

"I didn't come here to finish seventh," he said. "Our dream every year is to earn a Big Ten championship. But you have to pay your dues. It's a slow process."

The Spartans began the season with four losses

but rebounded to win nine straight matches. Orlando said he would have loved to finish a little higher in the Big Ten.

The Spartans were first blanked 6-0 by powerhouse Indiana before losing a tough 5-3 decision to Wisconsin. They closed the season by spanking arch-rival Michigan 5-0, a match Orlando said was a highlight of the season.

Three seniors closed out their careers at MSU. They were Grant Asher at No. 1 singles, Brad Rosenbaum (No. 2) and Jim Westfall (No. 6).

"The seniors will be tough to replace," Orlando said. "They left us knowledge and experience."

Asher, an All-Big Ten selection who finished with 64 total wins (23-14 in 1992), said he'll miss being a part of the team.

"It's been a thrill. The players are like my family," said Asher, voted most valuable player by his teammates. "It's taught me discipline."

Rosenbaum said he felt his senior season went extremely well, in part because of Orlando's arrival. He said Orlando kept the team motivated and mentally and physically prepared. It was easier to relate to a younger coach, he said.

"It's given me a lot of pride to represent the school and the Big Ten. It was kind of emotional when we finished," Rosenbaum said.

Returning players with winning records ncluded junior Brad Dancer, (19-13 at No. 3 single s), junior Wade Martin (18-17 at No. 5 and voted most improved), and sophomore Kevin Seckel (26-8 at No. 4).

But the team has a lot to look forward o, according to Orlando, and is optimistic for the future. One reason is the recruiting Orlando has done. He landed one top transfer along with Mashiska Washington of Swartz Creek, the brother of pro Malivai, who is ranked No. 14 nationally.

"Washington is a franchise player who brings instant respect to the program," Orlando said.

In 1992, the Spartan netters opened up some eyes and showed the Big Ten they should be watched closely in the future. Maybe under Orlando, the 1993 team will bring home their first Big Ten title since 1967.



Front row: Molly Poffenberger. Middle row: Alicia Leone, Kim Andersen, Kelly McDonough. Back row: Molly West, Margaret Wilson, Coach Heather Mactaggart, Gina Leo, Dana Applegate.





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After winning its first four matches, the 1991-'92 MSU women's tennis team dipped slightly, finishing with a 10-12 record (4-8 Big Ten) and a ninth-place finish (out of 11) at the Big Ten championships.

Seventh-year coach Heather Mactaggart didn't complain, though, pointing to a young, hard-working team that competed well, lost some close matches, but gained experience and has an optimistic future.

"It was an okay season," said Mactaggart, whose team had jumped from tenth to sixth in 1991. "We had an opportunity to finish a little higher."

At the Big Ten, the Spartans lost a 5-2 decision to Ohio State (a team they once defeated 5-4 in a highlight of the season) before blanking newcomer Penn State 5-0.

Mactaggart praised her top three singles players, who all finished with winning records. Senior Molly Poffenberger had mixed feelings upon seeing her career end.

Poffenberger, voted most valuable player by her teammates, also won the Big Ten sportsmanship award, voted on by all her competitors.

"I was very surprised," Poffenberger said. "It was a nice way to close out my career."

Poffenberger said that she is happy she can now do other things, but will miss being a part of the team, which she called a "group of girls that are like my family."

Poffenberger, a four-year player from Cincinnati, finished her career at 63-46 (27-27 Big Ten). She said playing a varsity sport opened up amazing doors for her, such as having the opportunity to visit all the Big Ten campuses and getting to play tennis with MSU President John DiBiaggio.

Dana Applegate, the only other senior on the team, echoed that it would be difficult to leave.

"It's been the best four years of my life," she said.

Applegate posted winning records at both No. 6 singles and No. 3 doubles and overcame recondiructive knee surgery that sidelined her two years ago.

Other highlights included Kelly McDonough at No. 2 singles (14-10 overall) and junior Alicia Leone, who posted a 15-9 record at No. 1 singles. Sophomore Meg Wilson was voted winner of the Spirit Award.

Leone posted a 27-1 record in 1991 and sacficed a few losses to make the jump from No. 5 to the top spot. She and Applegate were the only mayers to win both matches at the Big Ten.

"Number one means a lot to me," Leone said. felt mentally ready and up there competing with very girl."

Mactaggart said she is "always optimistic" for ext year and looks forward to two top recruits, one "om Birmingham and another from Cincinnati.

Poffenberger said the Spartans are still young it now are more experienced. Key top players aduating from other schools help their outlook or next season.

"They'll do really well next season," offenberger said.

Opposite page: Senior Grant Asher returns a shot from his Iowa opponent. Below: Senior Brad Rosenbaum begins his motion to serve.





Front row: Brad Rosenbaum, Gus Giltner, Kevin Seckel, Manager Ohm Youngmisuk. Back row: Head Coach Gene Orlando, Grant Asher, Jayson Bedford, Brad Dancer, James Westfall, Wade Martin.



Spartan Women place third twice while men host Big Tens Track & Field

By Steve Hogan

Jenison Field House may not house anymore basketball games but it still does house great sporting events.

The Big Ten Indoor Track and Field Championships were held at Jenison, and MSU made their mark with a fifth place finish.

"We have moved up each year with a seventh and sixth the last two years," MSU coach Jim Bibbs said. "This should help us get going in the outdoor season. We're moving in the right direction."

Indiana took its third straight indoor season with a first place finish (106 points), with Ohio State taking second (83). Wisconsin (61) and Minnesota (59) were able to beat out MSU (49), who rounded out the top five.

Chris Brown may have brought down the house for MSU as he broke a Big Ten meet record in the 600-meters with a time of 1:18.85.

"I've got to say this wasn't necessarily the best race I have ever run, but it's the most satisfying," Brown said. "It's a big load off my chest with all the media attention."

The Spartans also took first in the 4 x 800 meter relay with Sam Blumke, Todd Koning, Chris Rugh and Rick Gledhill taking home top honors in the race. Gledhill said he hoped that the time would give them some momentum when they tried to qualify for the NCAA indoor champion-ships.

"At the Big Ten meet, everything is on the line," Gledhill said. "The Big Ten title is everything. It's a bigger honor than everything. It's like winning the state title plus we have our home town behind us."

The team went on later to place fifth in the NCAA meet giving them All-American honors with a time of 7:21.10. Their qualifying time of 7:20.41 set new Big Ten and school records. Koning and Gledhill also took fourth and sixth places finishes in the 800-meter run.

The main attraction was the 55-meter dash which featured MSU's Tico Duckett and Fred Kyles and other sprinters like Ohio State's Butler By'Not'e and Michigan's Desmond Howard, who was the Heisman Trophy winner for 1991 for the Michigan football team.

But it was underdog Martin Hill of Indiana who took the event, with Kyles taking fourth. Duckett was disqualified in his semifinal heat for jumping the starting gun.

Adam Norman was seventh in the 5,000-meter and the 4 x 400 meter relay team placed fifth. \mathbf{S}



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By Steve Hogan

A pair of third place finishes highlighted a very successful season for the MSU women's indoor and outdoor seasons.

Coach Karen Dennis' team will be missing three seniors for next year who were pivotal in giving the Spartans their maximum effort. A highlight of the indoor season was a first place finish in the Minnesota Invitational, where the Spartans found themselves racing against Olympian sprinter Jackie Joyner-Kersee.

"It was a good and fun weekend for us," Dennis said in an article in the State News. "I was very pleased with some of the individual performances."

Leading the Spartans was Tracy Ames, whose high jump of 5' 8 1/2" tied both a house and meet records.

"She doesn't care how high it is to jump," Dennis said. "She just goes into the meet looking for a win."

At the Big Ten indoor meet, MSU finished in third with 70 points behind Illinois and Wisconsin. The Spartans were led by sophomore Susan Francis and senior Shirley Evans, with Francis taking a first and second place and Evans a first and a pair of second places.

Francis and Evans teamed with Christine Duverge and Michelle Brown to win the 400-relay in a time of 3:46.72. Evans also took second places in the 55-meter dash (7.05) and the 200-meter dash (24.77).

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Chanda Williams took second in the triple jump with a 38' 8 3/4" attempt and Ames was second in the high jump with a leap of 5' 8 1/2".

At the Big Ten outdoor meet, MSU also took third, with Evans taking her second straight title in the 200-meter dash with a personal-best time of 23.78, which earned her a spot in the NCAA finals. Junior Sara Reichert placed third in the 1500-meters at the Big Ten meet and earned a spot in the NCAA finals with a time of 4:21.34 at the Len Paddock Invitational.

The outdoor season was highlighted by a second place finish and respectable showings at the Penn Relays at Philadelphia and the Len Paddock Invitational at Ann Arbor.





Opposite page top: MSU's Adam Norman (176) and Ken Wolters (187) give chase to Ohio State's Karl Kuoll (255) and Indiana's Bob Kennedy (54) in the 5,000-meter run.

Opposite page bottom: An MSU women's track participant practices in the hurdles. Far above: MSU's Tim Hughes jumps over a hurdle while Larry Harden gets ready to jump in the 55-meter hurdles.

Left: Two women runners practice at Ralph Young Field.

Above: A Spartan men's sprinter leans toward the finish line at the Spartan Relays.



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Spartans fall short for post-season

Lacrosse

By Steve Hogan

For yet another year, the MSU lacrosse team was on the brink of going to the NCAA tournament. But it was one loss that made the difference between having the season go on or packing it up and going home.

It was a three-team race to pick the last spot for the NCAA Tournament. The last spot was going to either MSU, Notre Dame or Ohio State, and Notre Dame won the spot.

"I'm certainly disappointed, but you can't look at the committee and blame them," MSU coach Rich Kimball said in the Lansing State Journal. "If we had beaten Ohio State and Notre Dame, we would have been in."

The committee's decision was based on common opponents between MSU and Notre Dame. The Fighting Irish beat Ohio State and Ohio Wesleyan, while MSU lost to both.

The Spartans finished their season 9-6, hoping to repeat their trip to the NCAA tournament from last season. MSU still lost the spot despite beating Notre Dame in the game of the season, 14-13.

The top five in scoring were led by junior Robby Robertson, a transfer from Johns Hopkins, who led the team in goals (32) and in total scoring (42). Two other juniors finished the top three w th Andy Hilgartner (11-23-34) and Rob Damer on (28-5-33).

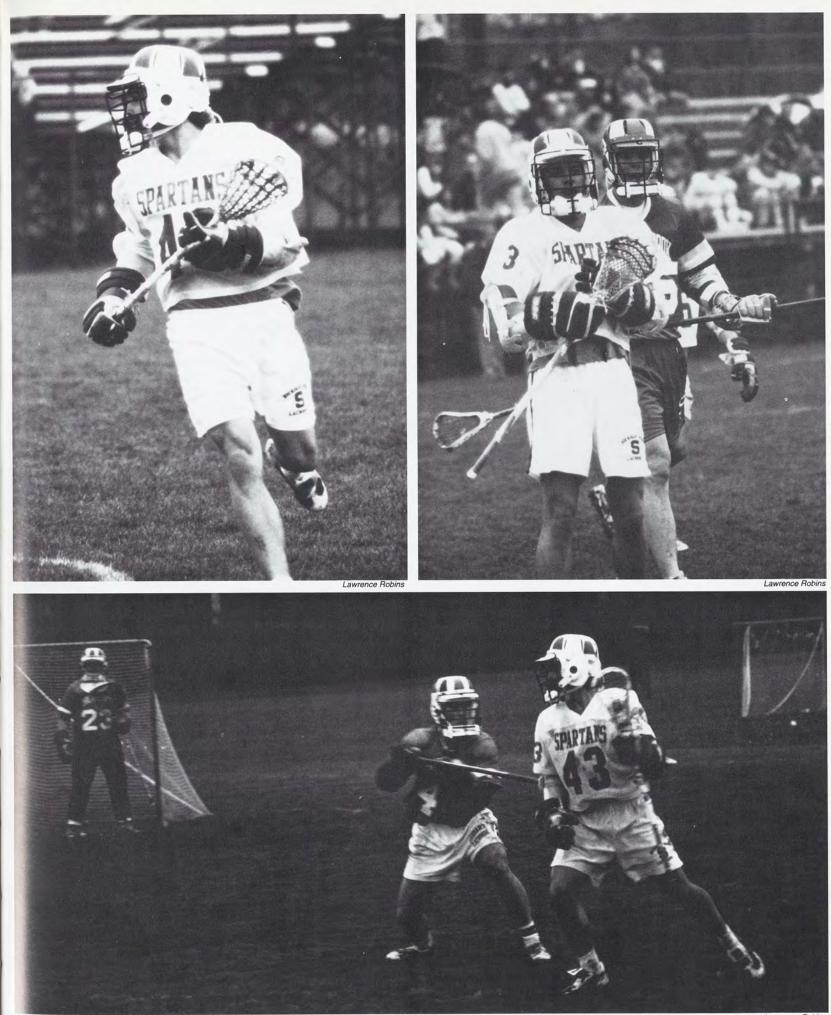
Freshman Tim Kaiser was third in goals scored and fourth in total points (19-9-28). Senior Joe Edell rounded out the top five with 13 goals and 21 total points.

"We're not an explosive offensive tear," Kimball said after his team 11-5 loss to Hobert. "When we get behind it takes us a long time to et back in the game and it's real hard for us."

Senior John Pace and Robertson were selected to the first team all-league. Jeff Horowitz, Dameron and Kaiser were named second-team.







Left: Senior Joe Edell is pursued by Hobart's Mike O'Connor during an 11-5 Spartan loss. Above left: Senior Stan Zajdel looks upfield to start an MSU attack. Above right: Sophomore Jay Ledinski relaxes after a stoppage in play. Above: Junior Andy Hilgarten looks to pass while being checked by Hobart's Robert Higgins.

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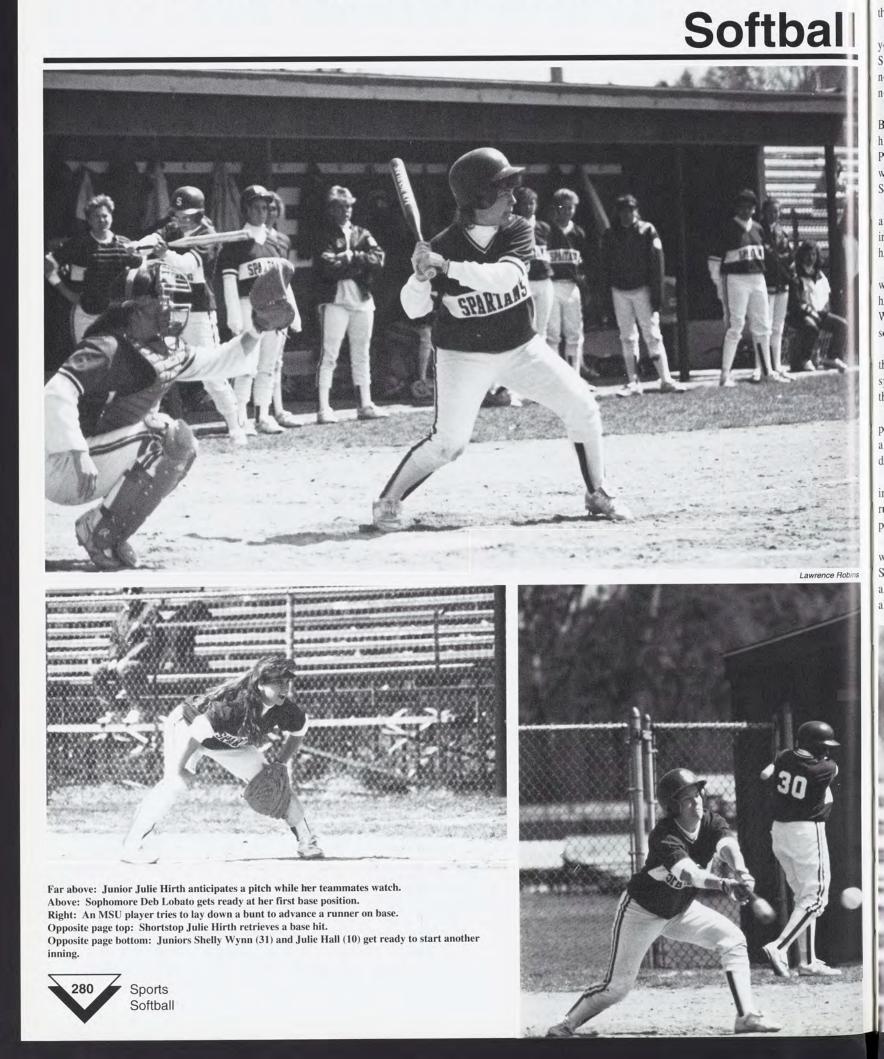
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A season to forget about, but a few bright spots



By Steve Hogan

There were not too many bright spots for MSU softball as the Spartans struggled through the 1991 season—their worst in MSU's history.

The final numbers read 6-38 overall, 4-22 in the Big Ten. The Spartans were outscored 254-67.

"I felt bad for our seniors. It's been a tough year on them," coach Gloria Becksford said in a State News article. "Now, we're looking ahead to next year, which is our only consolation right now."

One bright spot for MSU was senior Denise Berrios, who won Big Ten Player of the Week honors for hitting .571 in a two-game sweep against Penn State. Berrios led the team with her average, which broke an 18-game losing streak for the Spartans.

Berrios also led MSU in hitting with a .318 average, a .409 slugging percentage and runs batted in (13). She also hit two home runs, which places her third on the career record list.

One injury that may have hurt the Spartans was to senior pitcher Martha Wendt, who hurt her hand in the middle of the season. Becksford said Wendt may have thrown her best game in the season finale against Northwestern.

"I would say Martha threw her best game of the year except for our games in California (for spring trip)," Becksford said. "It's too bad she had the arm problems."

Despite the arm troubles, Wendt led MSU pitchers with most wins (four) best E.R.A. (3.23) and strikeouts (51). She also led the team in doubles with eight.

Alina Baron had the other two wins, led in innings pitched (103.2) and was second in earned run average (4.55). Shelly Wynn was the third pitcher in the Spartan rotation.

Freshman Tammy Evans was second in hitting with a .270 average and was second in runs scored. Sophomore Debbie Lobato was third in batting average with a .240 average and was second in hits and total bases.

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No championship, but still a good season

Baseball

By Jeff Plum

MSU stood poised to accept the 1992 Big Ten baseball championship from Ohio State during the final weekend of the regular season. Unfortunately, MSU suffered two days of losses as Ohio State

claimed the regular season title from the Spartans.

However, the Spartans responded in the Big Ten playoffs by eliminating the Buckeyes 10-7 and Illinois 4-2 to meet Minnesota in the championship game.

The Golden Gophers blitzed the green and white in the final game 11-5, ending the Spartans' season.

While the end was not what MSU coach Tom Smith had hoped for, the Spartans enjoyed a memorable season. Smith, who has been MSU head coach since 1983, earned his second Big Ten Coach of the Year Award. His first award came after the squad's 1988 season.

Senior captain Craig Mayes was named to the Big Ten's first team all-conference as catcher. Mayes batted .322 in the conference, with four home runs and 20 runs batted in.

Senior shortstop Alex Gagin, junior outfielder Steve Johnson and junior pitchers Tim Crabtree and Stuart Hirschman were named to the second team while sophomore outfielder Steve Money earned third-team honors.

The Spartans as a team compiled the second best record in Smith's 10 years as coach, 36-19, and second highest winning percentage in his tenure, .655.

"There was good team chemistry," Smith said. "Everybody pulled for each other, which I feel was the key to our success.'

Although the squad, which posted a 17-11 record in the Big Ten behind Ohio State and Minnesota, did not make the NCAA tournament, Smith said the Spartans played hard and had a strong work ethic.

Several factors contributed to the Spartans' strong season, including the play of the seniors. But the recovery of senior Alex Gagin from an Achilles tendon injury was the biggest surprise for the Spartans, Smith said.

Gagin, who suffered his injury in December, told Smith and his staff, "I'll be back." He returned in March and promptly cranked a triple in his first at-bat.

Gagin led the Spartans with nine home runs while Johnson batted .398 to lead the green and white. Mayes led MSU with 44 RBIs while Johnson paced the team with 70 hits.

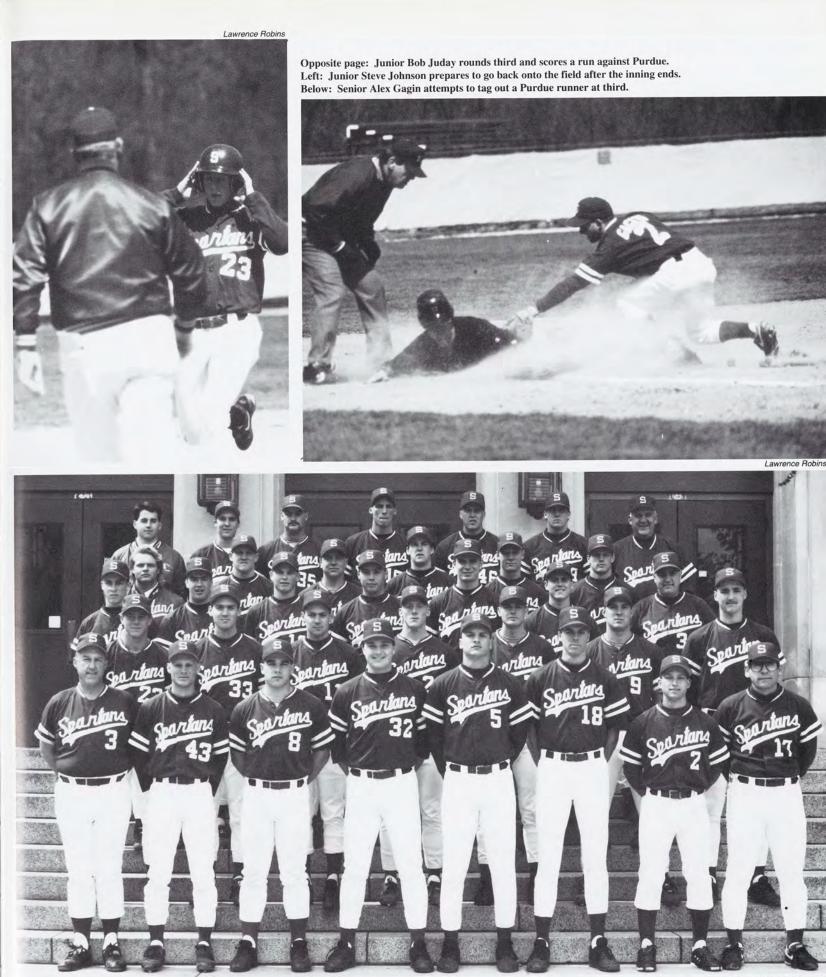
In the pitching department, Crabtree led the Spartans with seven saves while Hirschman recorded 10 wins to lead the team. Crabtree also led MSU with a 2.48 earned run average and 65 strikeouts.

Smith credited the players and his coaching staff, Doug Cossey and Ted Mahan, for having a good year which was also key to the season.

"After the Team Casa Collegiate Classic (in El Paso, Texas) in February, we had an idea we would have a pretty good team," Smith said. "We had some memorable games where we battled back and won in the late innings."







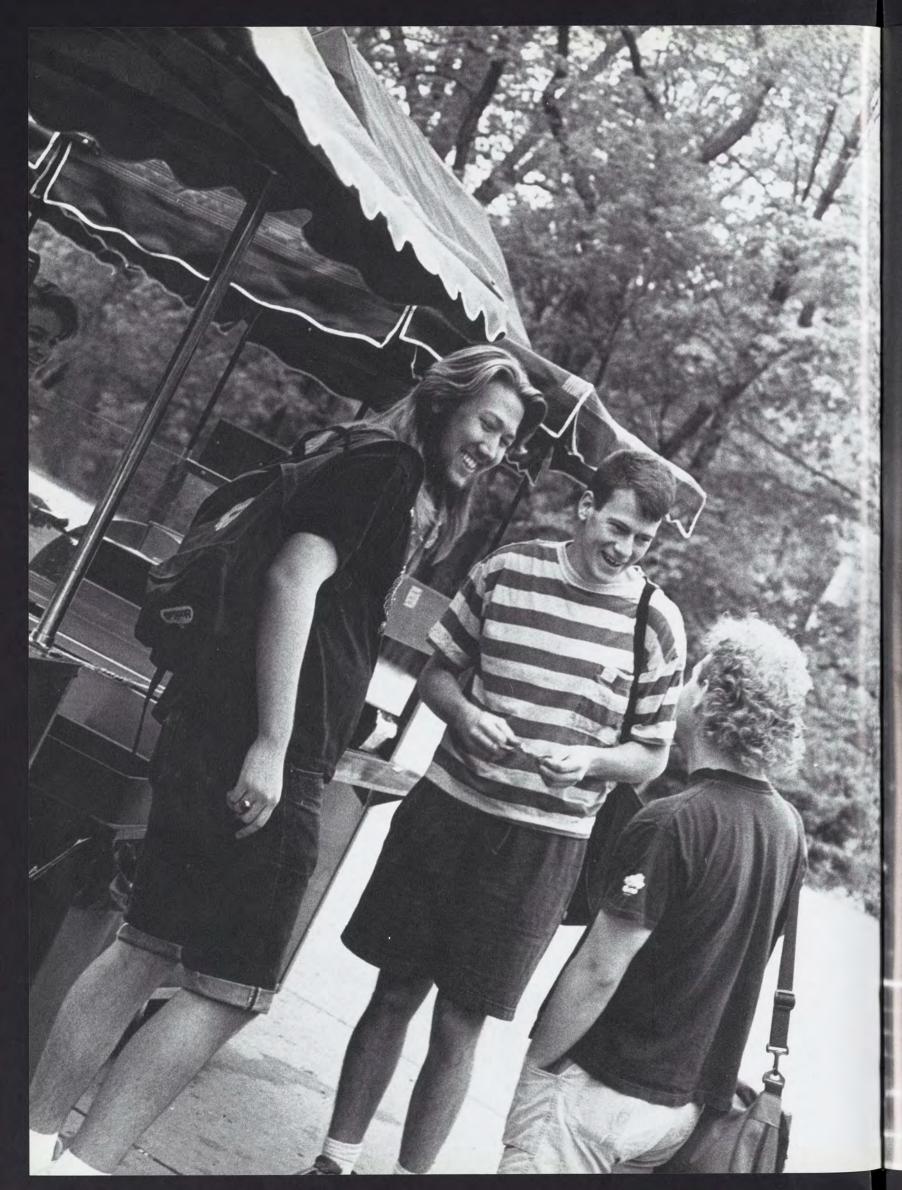
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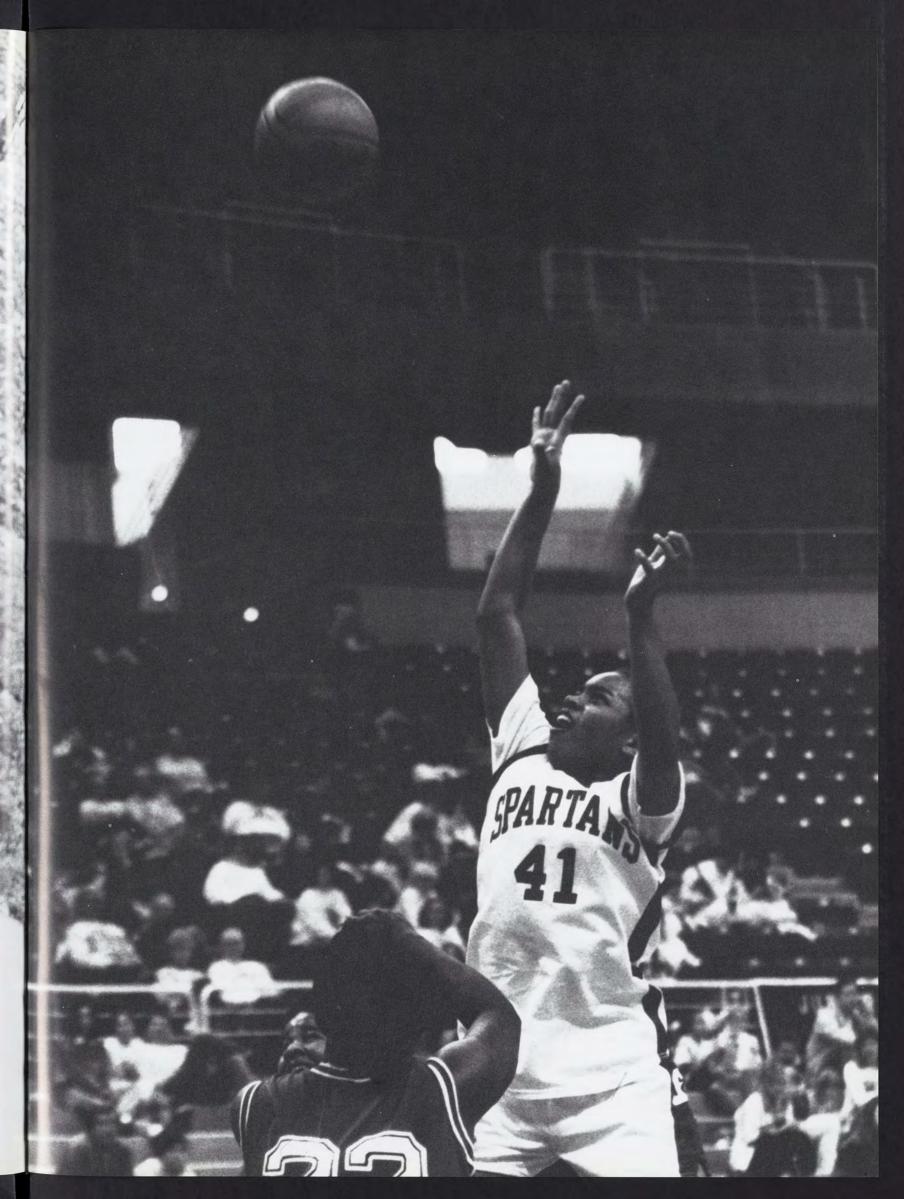
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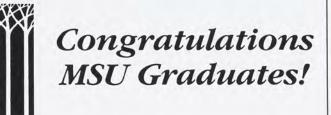
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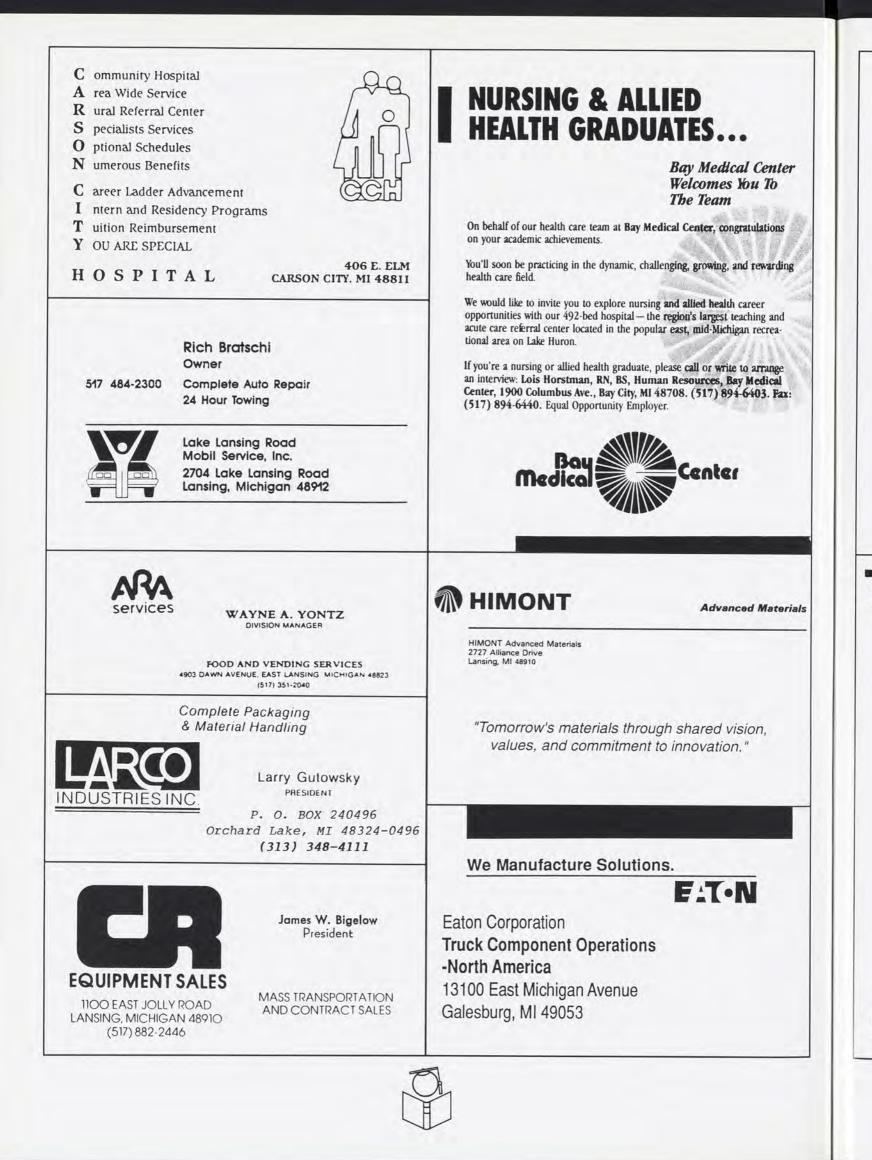




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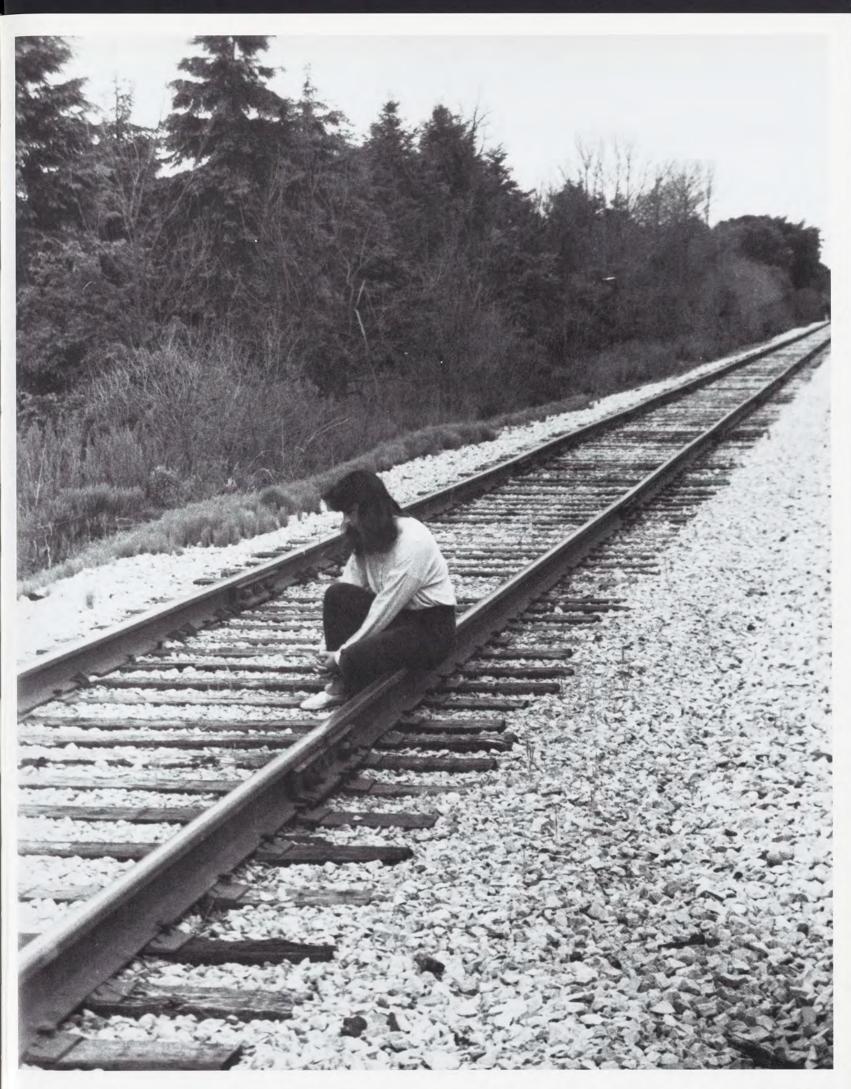
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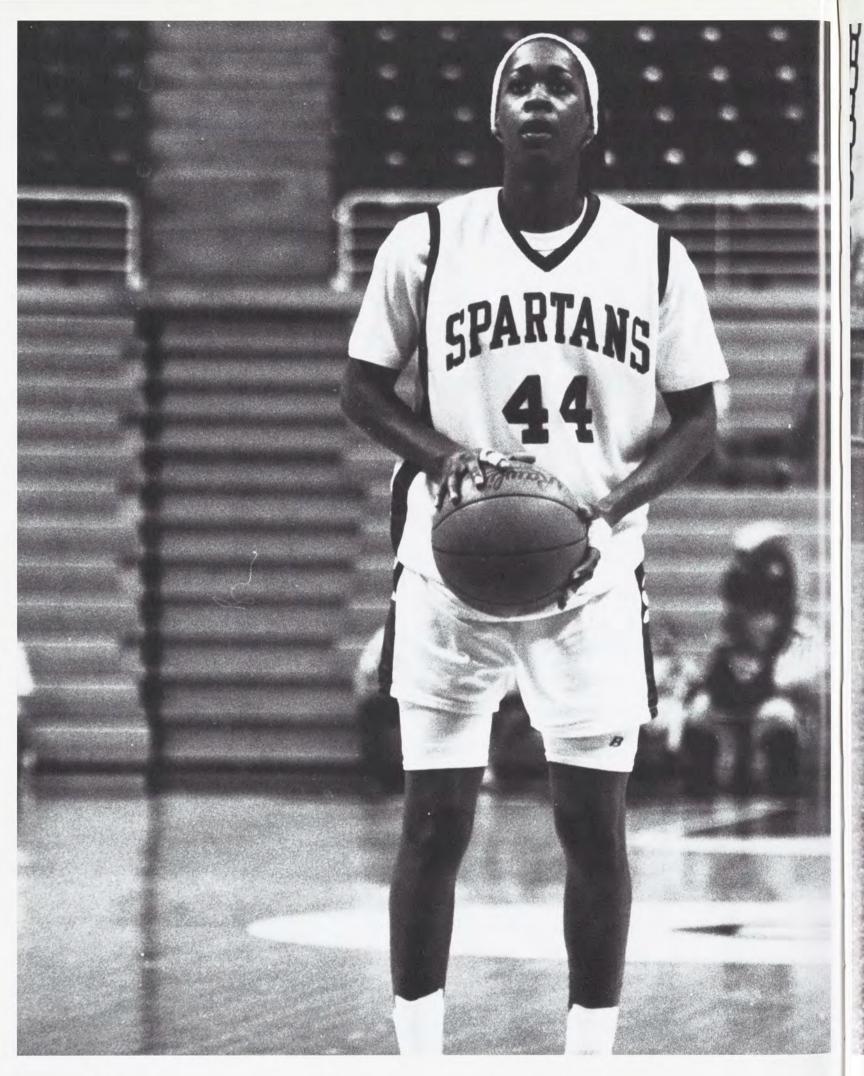








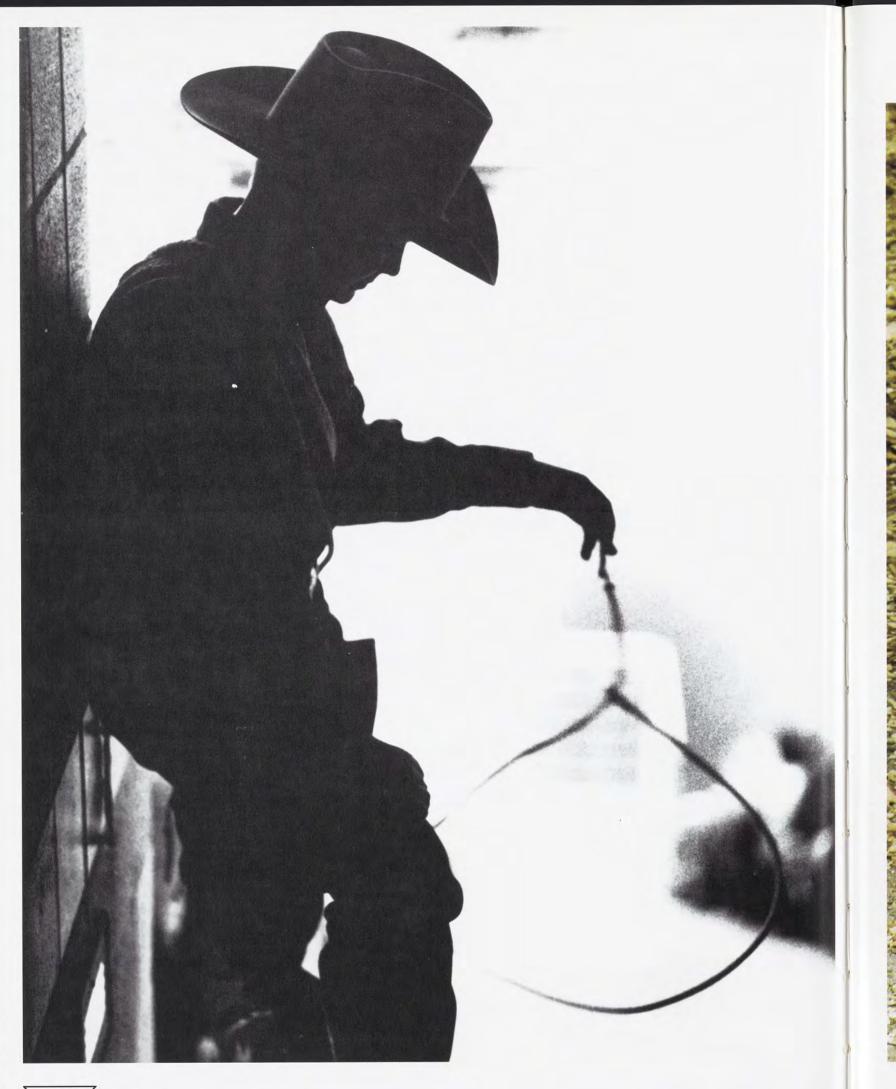




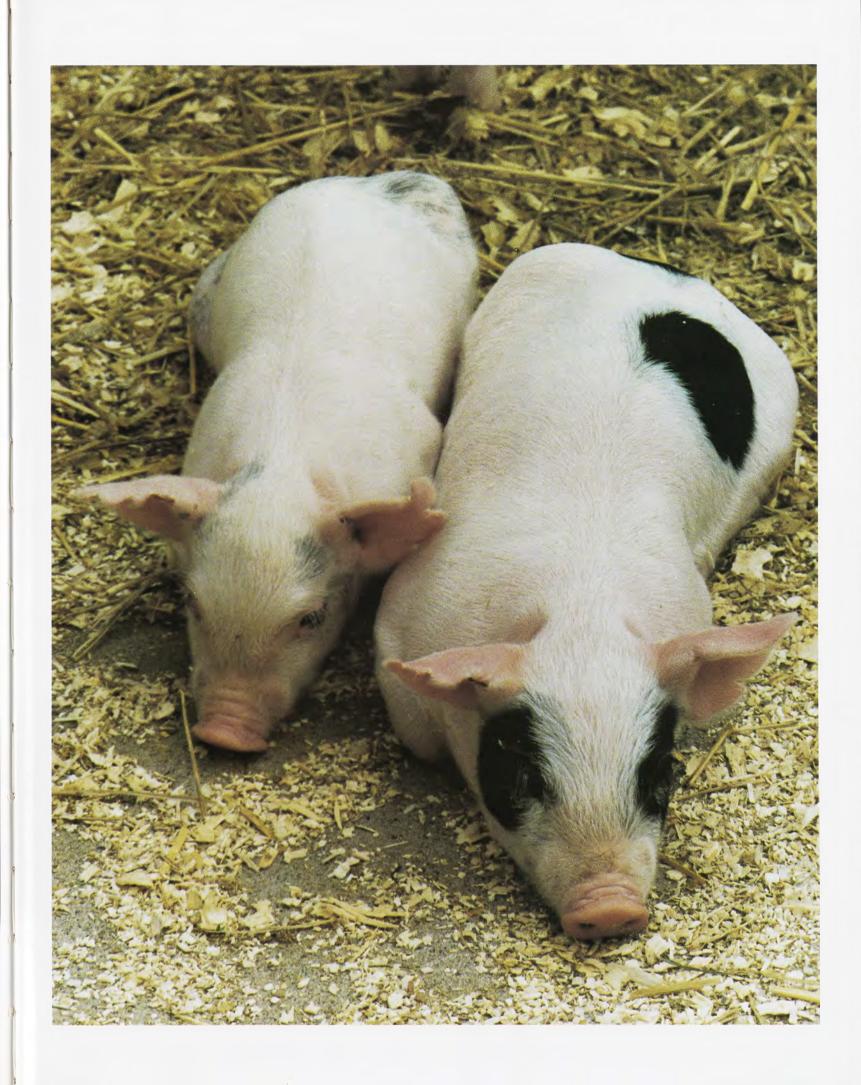




















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