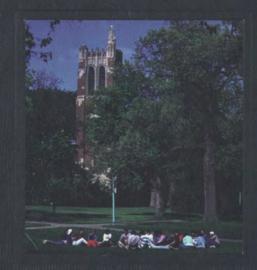
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The beauty of campus is something that cannot be ignored by anybody. A staple landmark on campus is Beaumont Tower, centered in a quiet part of campus where students can gather to relax or study.



Sparty, the beloved mascot, stands next to the great Spartan statue on campus. Spartans have extreme pride in their mascot and guard him with care during the week of the U of M football game.



Having a large, beautiful campus has its drawbacks such as a lack of parking and large distances between buildings. Many students walk while others choose the bus or bike to make campus trips quicker.

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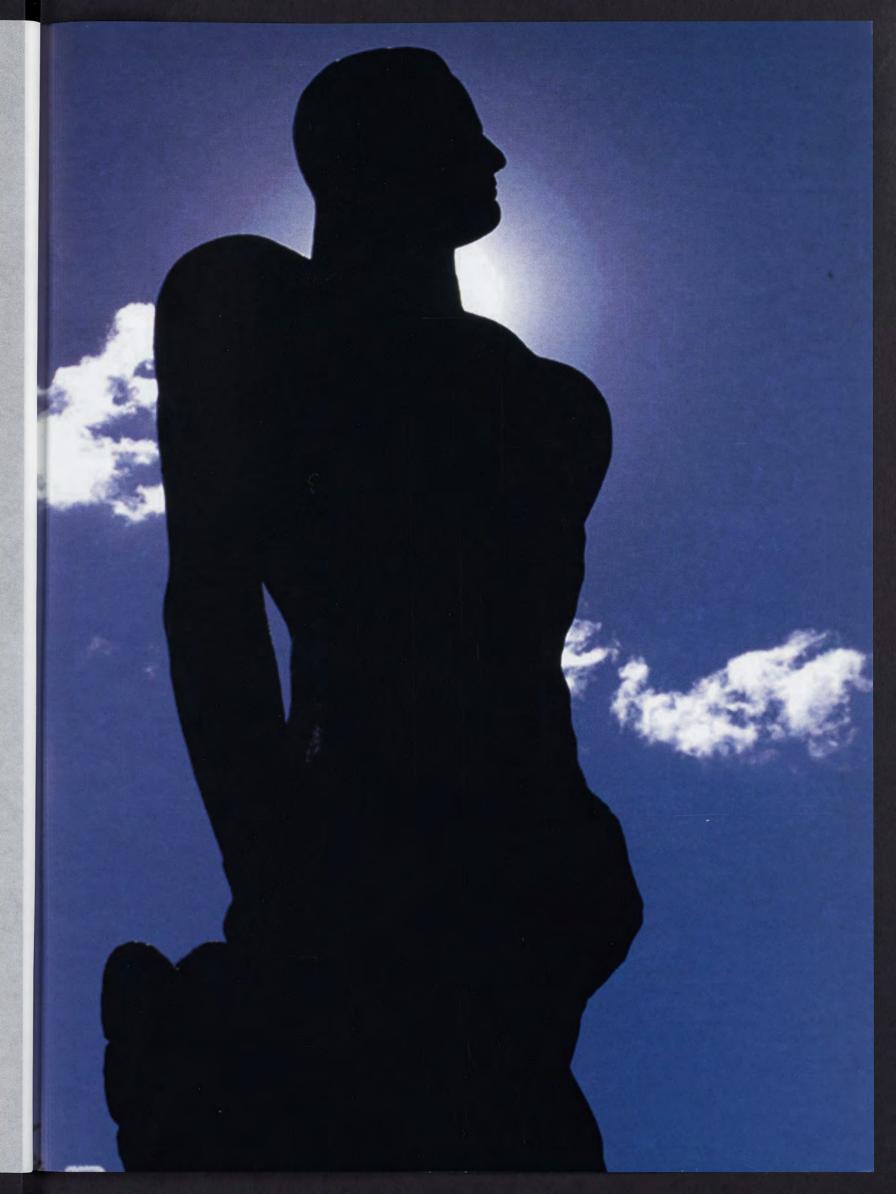
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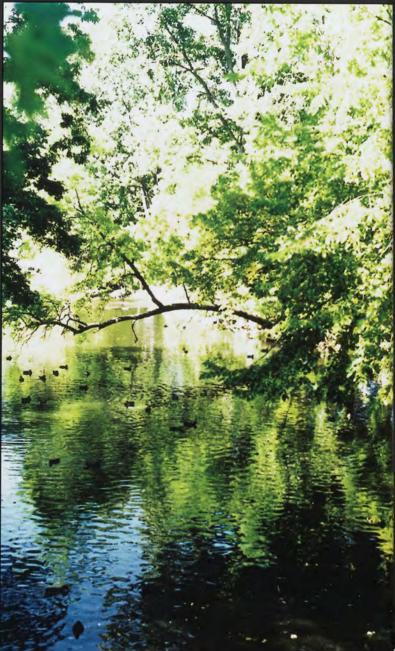




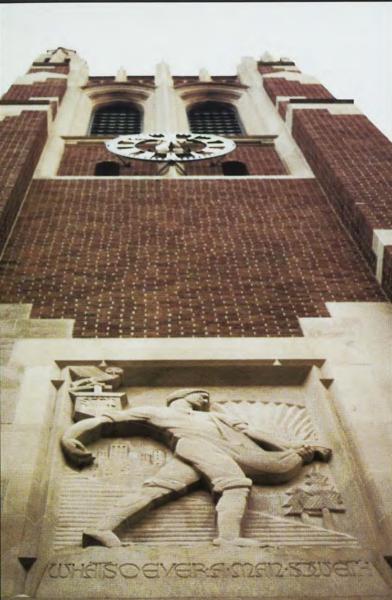












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iversity, buzzword of the millennium; Michigan State University draws students from all over the globe. Students come here to elevate themselves to a new

level, the level of Spartans. With 33,259 different personalities, students are introduced to 267 opportunities within the one community we call Spartan Country. With such a diverse, cosmopolitan campus, it seems that it would be easy to get lost in the crowd. However, there is something special about this place that lies in the heart of Mid-Michigan, it is the strong bond among students that creates such a unique community.

Whether it is participating in one of the 360 registered student organizations, 52 Greek chapters, 39 club sports, or 24 varsity sports, Spartans are always making a difference.

Academic programs that define communication, technology and education have taught us to become leaders; leaders not only of our individual futures, but leaders that will place us on the cutting edge of tomorrow's society.

Students are approaching the new millennium with a new attitude, one that will reflect on MSU far into the future. The University has not only provided a superior education, but it has also given the first taste of what the world has in store for us.

We have set new stancreated change, dards, interacted with society, developed loyalty and achieved success. No person could have done it alone. It has taken the entire community, one community, united by one interest -making a difference.

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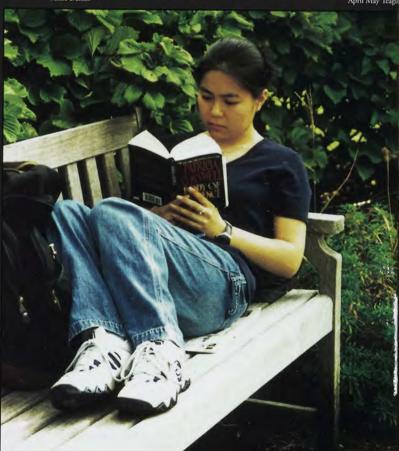








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# Campus Life

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-Ella Fitzgerald



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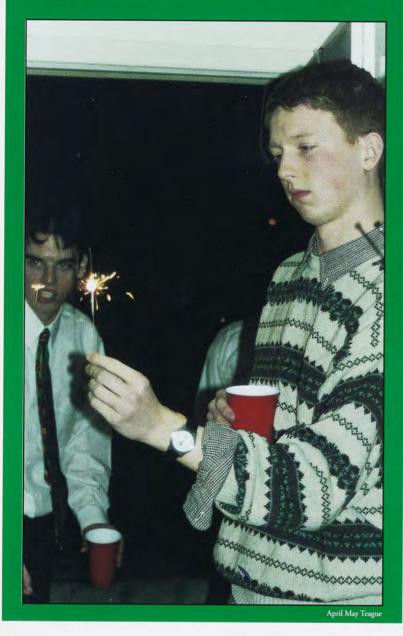
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Boogie down! Party goers dance away the end of 1999. The music was loud and parties were rockin' as everyone forgot Y2K worries and just had fun.

Come on baby, light my fire! JB Hunt is mesmerized by the magic of the sparkler. Is it a Y2k repercussion?



Got one! A Spartan is attacked by party streamers in the early hours of 1-1-00. There were large messes of streamers and confetti to be picked up everywhere that day.



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#### Millennium Madness

hat's going to happen at 12:00 on January 1, 2000? That was the question everyone was asking throughout 1999 and earlier. The Y2K bug scare started when information got out to the media that computer engineers had realized that computers would not be able to tell the difference between the years 1900 and 2000, which could cause major problems just about everywhere. The actual problem was that computers' system clocks were set up with two characters, so they register 1999 as "99." This was done because of the storage limitations of older computers, though the practice was carried forward into many more modern systems after the need had passed. On 01-01-00, system clocks would read "00." 1900.

In a matter of months, this technical concern exploded into a veritable media frenzy. Millennium support groups, discussion forums and doomsday cults popped up on and off-line, businesses and companies began looking for ways to make their technology "Y2K compatible," and those who didn't think it was a big deal cracked jokes and made spoof web sites about the end of the world. One site even advertised Y2K toasters and bread-slicers, just for the fun of it.

The year 2000 was the biggest thing to hit the world since the nuclear bomb. Here's a look at our thoughts and concerns before the "big day" occurred.

In general, a month and a half before 01-01-00, a majority of the myths and speculations about the millennium had been overturned and most students were not too worried. One of the most harrowing ideas brought up by media coverage, however, was that the end of the world was at hand. The approach of the millennium triggered predictions of Armageddon, spawning a host of doomsday cults such as the Branch Davidians, Heaven's Gate and Concerned Christians. People contemplated the coming of Christ and referred suspiciously back to the book of Revelation. Some claimed to be prophets, and religious miracles appeared

everywhere predicting when the world would end.

"I don't think it will be the end of the world," said communications freshman Latonya Garth, in response to these predictions.

"I'm not worried. I think it's pretty much under control and it won't cause many problems," said engineering sophomore Levi Luebke. Both Garth and Luebke agreed, along with many other students, that people were getting scared over nothing.

But some people did not want to take the risk. Although many students weren't concerned, many of their parents were.

"I'm not really worried," said elementary education freshman Lynn Patterson. "But my mom is stocking up canned goods and heaters and blankets in the basement. Half of our basement is canned food. I guess if something does happen, we'll be set."

People preparing this way were most likely influenced by the overstock of Y2K survival kits - things from computer software to bottled water and blankets - being sold on-line, as well as survival guides and tips being sold and distributed. It seemed like people were using the coming of the millennium to make some extra money.

That's why Kevin Wilkes, an accounting junior, sat back and put it all into perspective. "Well, I currently have in my room a stockpile of canned food. That way, when the nuclear reactors explode I'll be fried, but at least my food will be okay," he joked. "Seriously, I'm not worried about things that I can't do anything about."

He did go on to express concern, however, not about Y2K itself, but about peoples' reactions. "One concern of mine is that people will be stupid and panic," he said. "After all, to quote Franklin D. Roosevelt, 'The only thing we have to fear is fear itself."

The other big marketing ploy that came with the millennium was the appeal to fun. Suddenly everyone had what they "needed" for the perfect millennium kickoff. Women's magazines ran articles on subjects from what to wear to where to spend the final moments of '99. Tourist attractions all around the world planned events to lure people for the event. The ball dropped in New York, 2000 fish floated down the Seine in Paris, Disneyland and Disney World sold out months in advance, and festivals, parties, programs, jubilees and even pilgrimages attracted people from all over the world.

Story By: Amanda Hensley Design By: Robert Madsen



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Hehehe, fire! Beth Duiser, a journalism junior, just loves sparklers, especially when it means celebrating the arrival of the year 2000. Duiser partied the night away at a friends' apartment on Durand Street.

### Victory Achieved Bragging Rights Earned

John Spirit rides his Michigan State cycle for fans during the Homecoming Parade. As the pinnacle of Spartan spirit, he appeared at every football game this season. His spirit and enthusiasm will be a legend for MSU students past, present, and



Jessica Williams-Carson

Very fall there comes a football game like no other. It pits brother against brother, wife against husband – dividing the state of Michigan. Fans cheer for either the green and white Spartans or the maize and blue Wolverines. This deep-seeded rivalry began many years ago, before Michigan State was even a university.

Michigan State College first applied for admittance into the Big Ten conference in 1924. The University of Michigan played a major role in preventing its acceptance until 25 years later. Thus began the in-state rivalry that became even more intense after 1955, when Michigan State was officially recognized as a university.

The rivalry between Michigan State and U of M has carried over into today's academic and athletic arenas – and even overall school spirit.

Michigan State's football team, who had not beaten the University of Michigan since

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- Christian Davis

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dense fog still looming Spartan students palong lines to enter the ing spot. Fans sporting

maize and blue were repeatedly harassed for entering Spartan Country.

"I've been waiting for this game the whole year," said communications junior Chris Hammond, who paid \$135 for his ticket to the MSU versus U of M game. "To see State beat the Wolverines is worth any amount of money."

Leaving not one empty seat in Spartan Stadium, the crowd was on their feet from the moment the Spartan football team entered the stadium. Scoring the first touchdown of the game combined with the thunderous roar of the Spartan fans, Michigan State University went on to defeat the Wolverines 34-31.

"The rivalry is more than just who wins a single game," said journalism freshman Christian Davis. "It is the difference between a successful and unsuccessful season. The game only lasts three hours, but its effects last for 365 days."

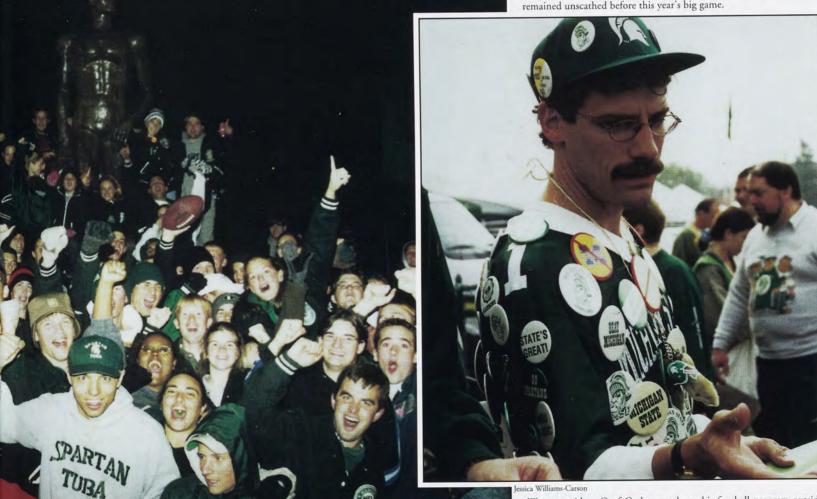
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In order to keep warm, MSU band members participate in an exciting game of Twister. The students are guarding the Sparty statue prior to the MSU vs. U of M football game. Despite the cold weather, the students had fun displaying their school spirit.

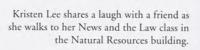
Spartan Marching Band members sing Michigan State's fight song. The students guarded the Sparty statue for the week prior to the MSU versus U of M football game. Sparty, who has been vandalized in the past by students attending the University of Michigan, remained unscathed before this year's big game.



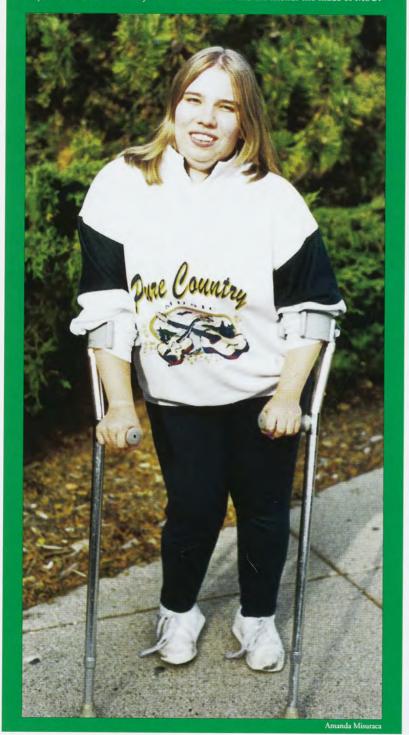
Warren resident Geof Graber purchases his football program outside Spartan Stadium. His extensive button collection and other MSU apparel displayed his long standing alumni support. He graduated with the Spartan class of '86.

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Glowing with pride, Kristen Lee remembers all of her accomplishments at MSU. Despite her crutches, Lee said she truly enjoyed her college experience. In addition to a degree in journalism, Lee will always have the memories and the friends she made of MSU.



Matthew "Mo" Gerhardt opens the door to his dorm room in Case Hall. At MSU, Gerhardt has unlocked many doors to his future in business administration. Gerhardt said although he uses a wheelchair, there is no limit to what he can achieve as long as he has the support of family and friends.



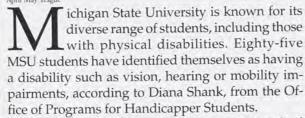
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Matthew "Mo" Gerhardt plugs away diligently on the computer at his part-time job in Olds Hall. Gerhardt works as a student contract or for Sports Information. Putting in about ten hours of work a week in the office, and ten hours outside of the office, Mo works closely with men's wrestling, men's cross country, and men's tennis, doing things such as getting stats from away games, and setting up athlete interviews with the media.





Kristen Lee, a journalism senior with cerebral palsy, uses forearm crutches to get around campus; Matthew Gerhardt, a business administration senior with Duchenne's muscular dystrophy, uses a wheelchair. But besides having physical disabilities, Lee and Gerhardt are just ordinary college students.

For most, college is an opportunity to have freedom and prove independence. For students with disabilities, it is just as important to be independent and self-reliant.

"I like to think of myself as independent as I can be," said Gerhardt, who only requires assistance in the morning and evening to get dressed and to get in and out of bed. "That is really the only assistance I receive throughout the day, other than asking people to hold doors and other things like that," said Gerhardt.

Lee's sense of independence is also very strong. Though she does ask for assistance in the cafeteria, she can do everything else on her own. Sometimes, Lee said, people are not too sure how to approach situations that might infringe on a person's independence, such as whether or not to open a door.

"Despite that, though, most people are nice, friendly, helpful, and in general a positive experience to interact with, from a handicapper standpoint," said

Lee reinforced that she is, for the most part, treated very well by the people at MSU--including students, faculty and staff. "I expect nothing less than to be treated like an equal member of the MSU community, and I'm very rarely disappointed," said Lee.

Keeping such a high level of self-confidence is one of Lee's biggest accomplishments while attending

When I first came here and was all alone, away from my comfort zone and in a huge place, I was very afraid of regressing back into myself again," said Lee. "I'm proud that not only have I not lost any confidence in myself, I've gained more along the way."

Lee's experience at college has been very positive. She has been very fortunate to have many excellent professors--plus she has made some lifelong friendships at MSU. Most of all, Lee wants others to know that she is a positive person who loves getting all she can out of life. She added, "Happiness is the key to success in life, whether I'm handicapped or not."

Gerhardt also has a positive outlook on life. He travels around campus in a wheelchair but said that he is no different from anyone else, although reactions have a lot to do with first impressions.

"If I can get across that the only basic difference about me is the fact that I use a wheelchair to get around, then all seems to be great. It's those cases where you aren't able to interact with others and they get some preconceived thoughts in their heads that the problems arise," said Gerhardt.

In fact, Gerhardt said that his wheelchair is about the only thing that truly sets him apart from the 33,239 other students on campus.

"I still have all the same feelings and thoughts as everybody else, whether that be from anything dealing with sports or classes to relationships and parties," said Gerhardt.

Like Lee and many other students at MSU, Gerhardt faces some obstacles, but for different reasons. His biggest accomplishment at MSU has been proving that, like so many others, he could live on his own.

When you have a physical disability there are many extra considerations as far as daily living goes. It's a very scary feeling to be leaving the comforts of home -- for any person. When you add not having family members present to help with transfers or other physical activities that I need assistance with, it makes the normal college fears seem pretty minimal. It was always a dream of mine to go away for college and be able to live away from home, and it's something I'm very proud of doing."

Although he will be graduating this year, Gerhardt is not ready to leave MSU just yet. He is applying and planning on attending graduate school at

MSU.

Like most seniors, Lee and Gerhardt have had the time of their lives at MSU. Although they might need a little more assistance on campus, they are a part of the unique student population. Lee, Gerhardt and other students with disabilities just add more diversity to the MSU community.

Story By: Michelle Clark Design By: Robert Madsen

What is the Difference?



### Cheap Thrills

There can you find good, clean fun that's absolutely free and lasts all weekend long?

Sure, you could reorganize that pile of laundry in the corner to create a more aesthetic composition reflecting your newly acquired knowledge of feng shui. But you've been sequestered in your zen den for so long that you can't remember the last time you exchanged words with another human being, and you're hungering for some real social stimulation. Where can you go?

Michigan State University has come up with a remarkable answer that's already changed the way many students view East Lansing

'night life.'

The MSU Campus Center, a university-sponsored collection of multi-media entertainment options around campus, has given students an inexpensive alternative to sports bars and dance clubs. Combining live music, virtual reality, the silver screen and an assortment of staged events ranging from stand-up comedy to mass hypnotism, the Campus Center hosts unbelievably 'cool' parties — at no cost to students.

"We created this concept because we wanted to create a positive, inclusive campus environment," said Sherry Early, Campus Center Student Supervisor. "So far we've had great response from the students."

The "center" is divided into several different locations on campus. The Crossroads food court is the premier site for dancing, dj's, live bands and 'variety' attractions, as the lighting and sound systems transform the eatery into 'retro' fever or techno-metal mania.

Erickson Hall Kiva and the Engineering building have hosted such events as the "Black Comedy Tour" and the reknowned jazz quintet, "Straight Ahead." Behind the International Center serve as the headquarters for a 'virtual reality' game.

Coming up with such a wide variety of activities — and keeping everything organized — is the responsibility of Campus Center Manager Tami Kuhn, several student supervisors and a staff of student volunteers.

"We're so appreciative of our volunteers," exclaimed Early. "Without them the center wouldn't be able to function."

While Kuhn arranges the contracts for guest musicians and performers, she relies on the advice of her student supervisors and surveys they submit to on and off-campus students.

"We like to know what students want — what they're looking for," said Early. "This is for students, so the success or failure of the Center depends on the popularity of the activities."

Amy Anderson, a Spanish senior, remarked that of all the activities the center offered, her favorite was most certainly "the movies."

"It's awesome... to be able to walk a block and see movies for two dollars that are still playing in theatres for seven," she said. "Even on Friday and Saturday nights."

Will the Campus Center remain a staple of students' weekend entertainment diets? Early believes that it will.

"This concept is so amazingly huge that I think it's going to be around for a long time," she said. "We're beginning to see a lot more interest in co-sponsored events, which will really expand our horizons. I think it's going to get even bigger and better as time goes by."

Story by: Julie Stein Layout by: Rebecca McMath The Campus Center bragged a lot of new and interesting modes o fentertainment.

These students passed their time by playing this virtual reality game.

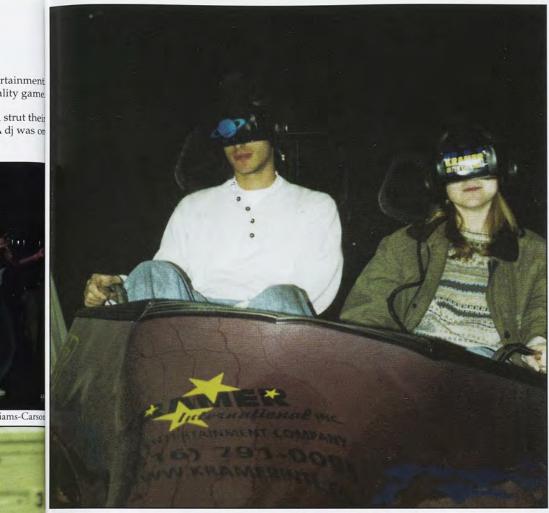
These ladies are enjoying the opportunity to get out on the dance floor and strut their stuff. Dancing to music is a great way to meet new people and let loose. A dj was on staff to get toes taping and fingers snaping.



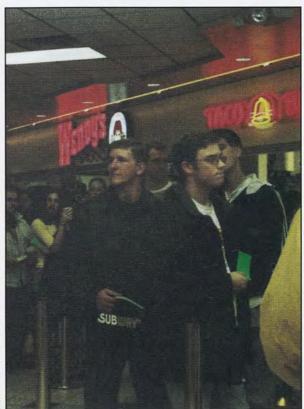
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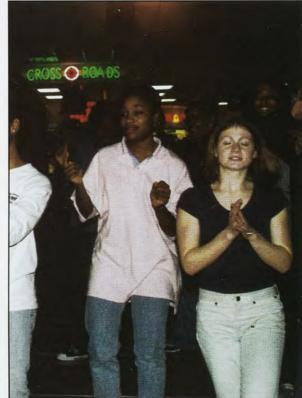
Lines of people gather in the Crossroads Food Court for "Saturday Midnight Munchies." Students who came between midnight and 2 a.m. were give \$6 worth of coupons to spend on food. For two weeks, students were able to enjoy free food at Crossroads.



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This student pulls out his gaming skills at Wells Hall as he escapes college life by trying to conquer the universe in this space game.



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Practicing the "Tootsie Roll" in the Campus Center, these students are really having fun. The "Tootsie Roll" was a popular dance during the 1980's. Spartans love to re-live their childhood by breaking out the retro dance moves.

Besides music and food, students can also play games in the computer lab of Wells Hall. This student is playing a game called the Fighter, which is one of several that are available to play every weekend in Wells Hall.

Campus Center 17

Katie VanGoethem, sophomore general business administrative prelaw major, dresses up as the Scarecrow from the Wizard of OZ for the Homecoming parade. Other theme floats included Giligan's Island, Hawaiian Luau and a Circus. Students used their creativity to celebrate during Friday's parade.

The Spartan Warrior rides his horse-drawn chariot during the Homecoming parade. This classic symbol of the beloved mascot not only aroused Spartans during the parade, but also at the start of every home game.



Katie Cirann

Sparty, MSU's beloved mascot, celebrates his 10th birthday by riding a birthday cake float along the parade route. Students walked alongside Sparty's float and serenaded him during the parade. Fans also sang "Happy Birthday" to Sparty during halftime of the football game.



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#### A Time to Come Home

'We never lock our doors once

you're a Spartan. You're always a

omecoming can be defined as "the return of a group of people — especially on a special occasion — to a place formerly frequented or regarded as home."

Harry Carswell, associate director of student life, said that's exactly what's been happening since 1915 for Spartans. "This becomes your home," he said. "We never lock our doors once you're a Spartan. You're always a Spartan."

Besides being a chance to come "home," Home-

Spartan."

coming is also a chance for many students to relive experiences they haven't had since college — like a Spartan football game.

"Homecoming is many things to many people," said Larry Bielat, assistant director of student activities. "It gives the students a

chance to have a celebration."

Leslie Train, a pre-med freshman, said that not only was it her first Spartan Homecoming, but it was her first Spartan football game. "I thought it was really exciting since it was my first year. We didn't know all the cheers, but we caught on."

Brett Schapman, animal science senior, was a member of the Homecoming Court. He participated in the parade, Sparty's Party, the Green and White brunch and the halftime celebration. He enjoyed seeing all the people from different eras come

back to campus.

- Harry Carswell

Schapman added that besides all the events he participated in, Homecoming gave him something else: "the friendships I've gained through being a part of the court."

The idea of "coming home" was emphasized with the theme "Family and Friends Forever."

Spartan family and friends of all ages joined in the celebration of Sparty's 10<sup>th</sup> birthday. To celebrate the anniversary of MSU's mascot, Sparty

> rode through the homecoming parade in a giant birthday cake with an entourage of students, streamers and noisemakers. After the parade, "Sparty's Party" was held in the university auditorium.

During the game, Sparty was given his birthday gift – his very

own golf cart. As he rode around the stadium in his new present, all his fans serenaded him.

"Sparty told me that he was very overjoyed that all his fans could sing 'Happy Birthday' to him," said Jason Zicchino, who helped coordinate the mascot program.

No-preference freshman Ryan O'Conner said he attended both the game and the parade. "It was a just typical but it was great to see all the alumni."

The Green-And-White brunch featured the Spartan Marching Band, Sparty, MSU Cheerleaders, the Homecoming Court, President Peter McPherson, head football coach Nick Saban and Grand Marshals Art Brandstatter Sr., Lynn Chandnois, Don Coleman, Sonny Grandelius, Earl Morrall, Bubba Smith, Gene Washington and George Webster.

Interdisciplinary studies and environmental policy sophomore Stacey Renfrow said that having the alumni and the grand marshals come back is the core of Homecoming weekend. "It brings students and alumni together to celebrate MSU spirit."

Story By: Kirsten Fredrickson Design By: Robert Madsen

MSU Cheerleaders, Motion, and Basketball players ride uptop an East Lansing firetruck during the Homecoming parade. They were one of the many groups who came out and showed their spirit during the Homecoming parade.



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Taking a study break between classes is a common occurence for MSU students. Here, Amanda Reed enjoys a late breakfast at a popular Grand River business, Bagel Fragel Deli. Bagel Fragel offers a variety of toppings for deli sandwiches, but people keep on coming back for their specialty fragels, which just happen to be FRIED BAGELS!



B ast Lansing is a college town filled with a variety of personalities and faces. Tens of thousands of students flock to the campus each fall with hopes of learning something new, meeting a few more people and spending some extra money at one of the many businesses aligning the strip called Grand River. These businesses offer services that vary in purpose just as much as 'U' students vary in preferences. Their economic presence in downtown East Lansing is of great importance to the future development of the city.

These economic impacts can be left by all kinds of businesses, like restaurants, bookstores, coffee shops and retail clothing stores. During the fall, four new businesses opened up in the heart of downtown East Lansing: Original Parthenon Express Coney Island, New York Pizza Depot, Starbucks Coffee and Urban Outfitters. Each one of these stores offered students another alternative to the already abundant selection of commodities found on and around campus.

Original Parthenon Express opened in early August just as students slowly started to filter into the city. This restaurant served the needs of hungry students by supplying them with traditional Greek food at all hours of the night (Open 'til 4 a.m.)!

New York Pizza Depot catered to the pizza desires of East Lansing residents. Its motto of "quality pizza by the slice" held true all year long. Its 13 specialty pizzas, sandwiches, pasta and salads all helped exemplify the quality of East Lansing gourmet.

Starbucks Coffee, a nationally operated chain, held a special grand opening celebration on Sept. 3. The world-renowned coffee shop opened its first store in East Lansing with the help of MSU basketball legend Earvin "Magic" Johnson. Johnson, CEO of the Magic Johnson Foundation, helped Starbucks locate new sites for prospective stores. Johnson donated his basketball jerseys from Lansing Everett High, MSU and the Los Angeles Lakers. The store's decoration marks the first time all three jerseys have been on display at the same place.

Urban Outfitters was another nationally operated chain that



recently moved into downtown East Lansing. Its innovative and fresh fashions appealed to college-aged students. Located on Grand River right across from campus, it has had tremendous success.

New businesses are not the only stores that have had a significant impact on downtown economic development. Classic bookstores like the Student Book Store (SBS) and Ned's have been in East Lansing for years. Each semester, students try to beat the rush to sell old textbooks and buy new ones for upcoming classes. The store's school spirit and emphasis on academics is a pride and joy of all MSU students.

Jacobson's was another traditional store that has been in East Lansing for almost 30 years. On Monday, Sept. 27, it announced that it would close the downtown store and relocate to a new location at the Meridian Mall in Okemos. This move created an opportunity for new trendy businesses to open up in downtown East Lansing. Some prospective plans included a movie theatre, retail clothing stores and a national chain bookstore.

The new and old businesses that surround Grand River have had a major impact on economic prosperity. Grand River has always been a popular venue for establishments of all sizes to flourish, and the recent developments of future financial progress can only lead to success for East Lansing and MSU.

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Just Browsing



Lunchtime! Kevin Hardy, Jason Rosenbaum and Kathy Dalby catch a quick bite at Flats Grill-one of East Lansing's famous restaurants. Soaking up the sun at Espresso Royale Cafe! Karolyn Schweitzer and Michael Okokowski are enjoying this beautiful day outside one of MSU's finest coffee houses.



Karie Cirann



Katie Ciranna

Starbuck's Coffee has finally found its way into East Lansing. Located right in the heart of Grand River, MSU is starting to show some of the glitz and glamour of a metropolitan city.

Steve & Barry's University Sportswear has been a campus icon in regards to school spirit for many years. Chase Winsman shows his pride for the Green and White as he folds T-shirts.

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# A Sense of Peace

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here do you go to be alone? With nearly 35,000 people roaming around campus each day, where can you find some peace, quiet and personal time? Some of us may find a little niche in a courtyard or an empty study lounge. Sometimes we might curl up in our beds or take a long, hot shower.

But there are several public places on-campus that provide beauty and the opportunity for a few minutes or hours of separation from our busy lives.

The W.J. Beal Botanical Garden covers five

acres of land and contains over 5,000 different varieties of plants, separated into four main plant collections: plant families; useful plants; forest communities and landscape plants. It was created for the purpose of plant research but has become a popular place for students to go relax or study. Almost every day (weather permitting), students can be found studying, wandering and even napping on the lawn of the Botanical Garden.

"I love the Botanical Gardens, I love to study there," said general business administration sophomore Melissa Davis. "It's a great place to sit and meditate or just take a break from school life. It's like its own little natural world on campus, and I just love it."

The Sanford Natural Area is located behind Holmes, McDonel, Owen and Van Hoosen halls in the northeast part of campus. It is a part of the original Michigan Agricultural College campus. The 34 acres of woodland has been fenced off to protect the

area from bicycle traffic. A network of foot-trails allows people from the MSU community as well as the East Lansing community to walk or jog through the beautiful scenery.

Mark Bontomasi, a biochemistry sophomore, said, "I happen to live in Holmes Hall which is in front of Sanford. I have gone out there for biology observations and I have ran and walked through it because it is peaceful and beautiful."

The Butterfly House, located in the greenhouses behind the Plant and Soil Sciences building,

houses three different species of butterflies. The butterfly house is a cooperative effort between the departments of Entomology, Botany, and Plant Pathology. They are now raising money in hopes of building a new facility for the butterflies as they collect more species. The temperature inside is kept very warm, almost tropical, and a wealth of beautiful plants and hanging baskets decorate the whole room. A bridged pond

adds to the beauty of the butterfly home.

"It was kind of peaceful in there," commented Lymon Briggs freshman Jacqui Weller. "I liked being around all the butterflies and seeing them so up close. You could get a lot closer to them in the house because they're probably used to visitors."

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The rose garden is a beautiful spot on-campus where students can take a break to enjoy the beauty. The garden was a popular place for visitors to bring their cameras and children. It is located behind Plant and Soil Sciences.



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A monarch butterfly gently lands on some bright purple flowers. People come from all over to see, learn about and photograph the butterflies. Monarchs are one of the few species of butterflies native to the United States.

Two butterflies are enjoying a snack on a clump of yellow flowers. The butterfly house provides an array of flowers and plants for the butterflies to graze on. It was used as an educational facility, allowing students to observe butterflies' natural life cycles.



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A toy lamb is a beautiful and fun accessory to the Children's Garden. Students and their families visit the garden each year when the flowers are in bloom. The garden teaches kids how to identify various plants and flowers.

### Campus Critters

ichigan State University's population consists of much more than students and faculty.

The animals living on campus add much to the unique atmosphere of the university. Squirrels, chipmunks, raccoons, ducks and other various birds can be found all over the university.

Sitting on the bank of the Red Cedar River to feed the ducks who stick around all winter long, no-preference freshman Erin Wilson said, "I love the wildlife on campus. The array of animals here is definitely greater than on most campuses I've seen."

Spartan Country is not only abundant in wildlife, we also have our share of domestic animals. The Small Animal Teaching Hospital, part of the College of Veterinary Medicine, provides hands-on training for students majoring in veterinary medicine.

The hospital houses dogs and cats as blood donors for the furry patients being treated at the clinic. The animals are kept for up to two years, then put up for adoption.

A dog-walking program through the clinic allows students to walk dogs around campus during daylight hours for half-hour intervals.

"I love dogs," said secondary education freshman Christy Hendricks, who has taken advantage of the program. "It makes me feel good to know I'm helping the dogs here on campus get exercise. I miss my dog, and this helps me feel a little less homesick."

Not all students have to miss their pets. Even though the dorms have very strict rules about having a pet in your room, certain creatures are allowed.

The university states that a student can have creatures that live in aquariums with water; but there are always people who bend the rules.

It is not that unordinary to find a neighbor with a pet hamster, snake, rabbit, or even pyrhanna in his or her room.

"I think it's nice to be able to have pets in the dorm," said journalism junior Yolanda Teague. "But a goldfish in a bowl just isn't as fun as having a fat furry little puppy. I can't wait to live in a house so I can have my own."

Although small animals abound on campus, Michigan State University is known for its larger animals. "Moo U," the university's affectionate nickname, is based on MSU's cattle population. The university keeps over 1,750 beef and dairy cattle as part of the College of Agriculture and the College of Veterinary Medicine. The Department of Large Animal Clinical Sciences on campus also accommodates horses, swine, goats, and other farm animals, which not only add to Michigan State's campus, but assist in the learning process.

The many animals on MSU's campus are as diverse as the people. These animals, both large and small, are a part of everyday life here at Michigan State.

Story by: Kristen Dykema Layout by: Rebecca McMath



"I think we should be able to have animals in

the dorms to a certain extent. Like no big dogs that drool all over the place, maybe some cats or chinchillas. As long as they are all potty trained and well behaved."

> Dena Piecuch Hospitality Business Freshman

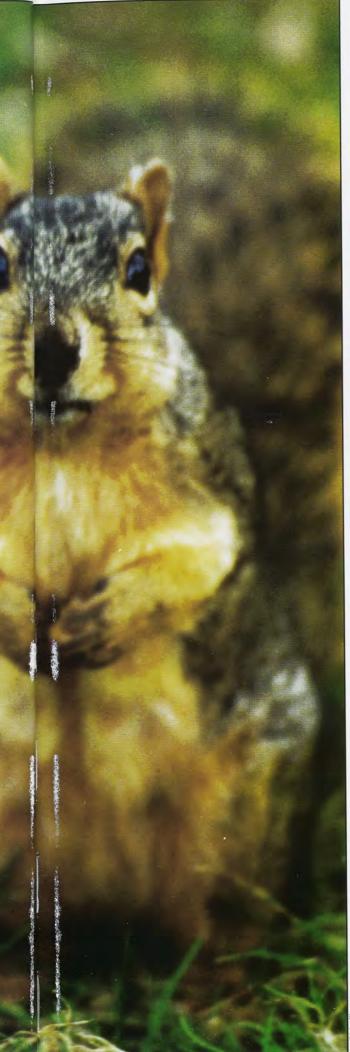


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"One of the ducks is my friend. We really get along. He played with me for like 40 minutes. He tried to eat my elbow actually. We met by the river behind the Adminstration Building. I am for real. He would come and waddle up next to me. I think it's a boy duck because it has green feathers-it is a Spartan duck.

> Eric Fazioli Ancient Studies Sophomore





The hundreds of squirrels seen bounding across campus and scampering up trees are generally very friendly. If you have the right treats, you could have one eating right out of your hands!



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A lively pyrhana swims in its aquarium in Shaw Hall. It was owned by a criminal justice sophomore, John Marchard. Fish were the only pets allowed in the dormitories on campus, although some people did break the rules.



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Ducks are often found swimming down the Red Cedar River. They congregate near the cement area because people will feed them bread. This duck waddled into the water near Wells Hall. Ducks were found to live on campus all year.

A Hereford steer licks his lips after feeding on grass outside the beef and cattle barn.
Michigan State University housed over 1,750 cattle this year as part of the College of Agriculture and the College of Veterinary Medicine programs.

Jenny Tanney finds research materials in a new spot-the first floor. The library holds just about 4 million books in its 5 floors. In addition to books the library offers computers for students so they can surf the net or use Magic. Magic is a computer formatted card catalog.



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Sandy Luc brews joe at the new Cyber Café. They Café offers coffee, juices, muffins, and pop for students to fuel up on between study breaks. There are also comfortable couches and outlets for access to the internet.

Effective this year, Bryan Wilson and Chris Gee can both study and eat in the MSU Library. This was made possible by the implementing of the cyber Café.



Katie Ciranna







imes weren't the only things a-changin' this year; the Main Library did, too. MSU Li braries director Cliff Haka said that a variety of changes were made in order to "foster the idea of the library as a place. A place for both academic and intellectual endeavors. A place to learn, relax and socialize."

One of the most noticeable alterations to the Main Library was the introduction of the Cyber Café to the west end of the library's first floor. Amid the swirling and hissing of cappuccino machines and a case displaying a plethora of baked goods, students could browse the Internet on provided computers, or plug a laptop into one of the provided outlets. The library also offered students the option of signing out a laptop for temporary use.

Haka said that the café was meant to be an enjoyable social and study spot. Mechanical engineering student Rachel Tuttle

"The café is an awesome place to study. I like that I can get lost in my books for a while and recharge right then with a cup of caffeine."

A change in library hours marked another significant change. Doors opened earlier on Sunday mornings, and remained open 24 hours through Thursdays. In addition to extended hours, reference ma-

able to use them to check their email as well as access the library's card catalog. terials from both the basement and second floor

Ashley Ludman uses one of the new computers in the library. Students were

were moved to the first floor. Studio art major Emily Schroer said, "It was easier for me to find my books this year than last. I'm glad for more materials on the first floor. I used

to always get lost in the basement." Changes didn't stop there; staff offices on the sec-

> ond and third floors of the library were made into group study rooms. Haka said that students could make appointments with advanced referencing staff for help in conducting more specific research.

> "We wanted students to take advantage of our knowledgeable staff," he said.

> Hospitality business major Dana Hall did just that. "It was easier for me to find what I was looking for after I spoke with a specialist."

> The 'new' library combined learning and entertainment with an alternating schedule of nighttime events, including a Friday

Night Film Series and the Michigan Writers Series. Open discussion was facilitated during both series by professionals in fields related to film and literature topics.

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#### Future Looks, Same Old Books

The marching band displays its school spirit by presenting the traditional MSU Shield formation in Spartan Stadium. The Shield is one of the many formations that the band creates during its pregame show. With its fancy footwork, the band is known for presenting the MSU Shield to both sides of the stadium.

s you sit in class listening to the professor, you begin to wonder what time it is. Then faintly, in the distance, you hear strains of the MSU Fight Song. "It's 4:30," you think to yourself. You can almost set your watch to the sound of the Spartan Marching Band kicking off its daily rehearsal with the school's fight song.

John T. Madden, director of the Spartan Marching Band, said that the band's daily hour and a half rehearsals make it what it is. "The band is overachieving, they're hard working, and they have great attitudes."

Its hard work paid off not only at the seven home games, but also during the other performances it gave throughout the season. The band participated in the Homecoming parade and in Spartan Spectacular, an event put on by several performance groups on campus. It also performed at the Grand Ledge Invitational and the Spartan Invitational and held a clinic for high school bands at Alma College. To end the season it followed the Spartan Football Team all the way to Orlando, Fla., to perform at the Citrus Bowl.

While in Florida, the band not only performed at the bowl, but also in the Magic Kingdom, MGM Studios and Universal Studios.

"It gave us a chance to show people who had never seen us before how good we are," said junior trumpet player Aaron Orkisz.

It was Orkisz's first time on a bowl trip and although he found the theme parks exciting, the best part for him was the game on New Year's Day. "The biggest highlight was going to the game. It was exciting, but there were moments when it was scary."

Besides traveling to perform in Florida, the band traveled with the football team to Notre Dame. On the way to Notre Dame, it performed at Marshall High School, then continued its trip to support the team in South Bend, Ind.

The band could be heard playing such tunes as Star Wars, the Austin Powers theme song, God Bless America, Al's Ragtime Band, Love Potion Number Nine, Bridge Over Troubled Waters, If you Leave Me Now and End of the World As We Know It.

Although the band put on many performances, the one that seems to stick out is its performance for the Michigan game.

"You didn't stop screaming the whole time and you didn't care," said sophomore education major Crystal Mackenzie-Zipp, a trumpet player.

Madden said that it was the all-around atmosphere that made the Michigan game the highlight of the season, "the way the people responded to the band, the game and the postgame. It was electric," he said.

Another aspect that made the Michigan game



memorable was the visiting Michigan band, said Keith Rouse, a freshman psychology major. "We had to really pull it together. We had to be better than we normally are just to prove it to them."

Pulling together seems to be something that the band had to do a lot of this year. Penny Lewis, a hospitality business senior, said she remembers the way the band supported each other the night they heard that a member of the band had been hospitalized.

"The feeling of 300 people all putting their hands on each other's shoulders and thinking about what it means to be a member of the group was completely overpowering," said Lewis.

All this camaraderie and hard work is what gives the band its great reputation — and why many students, like Rouse, joined the band in the first place.

Mackenzie-Zipp said that it's the thrill of the experience that keeps her coming back for more.

"It's really an exciting experience," she said. "There's nothing like it. It's a real adrenaline rush."

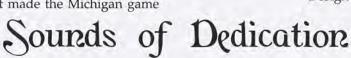
Arthur Ebert, a music education senior, got his adrenaline rush this year as president of the band. Part of his presidential duties was to help coach the incoming freshman during the band's pre-season rehearsals, which led to a freshman dress rehersal.

"The dress rehearsal is a mentally and physically grueling trek, which is intended to train the new members of the band for the rigors of a game day," he explained.

At the end of the dress rehearsal, they are brought to the steps of the Auditorium where the new members then get to sing *Shadows* and *Fight Song* with the veterans.

"As I led them in the singing of MSU Shadows, I felt so proud of this group of people," Ebert said with a smile.

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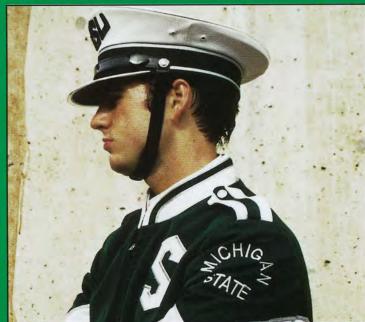
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Spartan Marching Band Color Guard show their game faces as they march to Spartan Stadium. The series is the march to and from the Stadium that the marching band does for every home game. The march is to prepare the band and Spartan fans for victory.

Andrew Buckholz inspects his alto sax before band practice begins. The band practiced daily for an hour and a half on Demonstration field to prepare for their performances at Spartan home games.



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Chad Mead, freshman no preference major, takes a breather before his pregame performance for the Michigan game. The tuba player said the game against Michigan would be good for MSU and good for us.

Spartan tubas line up to warm-up for another performance at Spartan Stadium. The band warms-up every game day at Adams field next to the music building before it began its traditional march to the stadium.



Basketball fans set up tents outside the MSU Student Union. The students waited in line for two days for a chance to attain tickets in the Izzone. The Izzone is a section of seats in the Breslin Center reserved for fans during home basketball games.

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April May Teague Students huddle underneath a tarp to escape the rain as they wait for Izzone tickets to go on sale. Devoted basketball fans waited in line for over two days outside the MSU Student Union for a chance to buy tickets. The Izzone contained reserved seats for students during home basketball games.

A crowd waits to exchange vouchers for tickets before the Penn State versus MSU home football game. Students were forced to wait in line with friends for hours in order to trade in the vouchers for tickets. The voucher system was put in place this year despite the objections of some students.



Doug Haney

People crowd the student only ticket section as they wait to exchange vouchers for tickets. The unpopular voucher system was new this year to Michigan State. Students had to wait in line for hours in order to receive preferred seats.







ichigan State's sports programs had an excellent year. MSU's football, men's basketball and men's ice hockey varsity teams were all ranked in the top ten during the same week for the first time in Spartan history. The football team was ranked as high as number five in the nation during the 1999-2000 season and the men's basketball team entered their season with a number one ranking. Michigan State's men's ice hockey also achieved a number four ranking in the national polls. The success of these sports contributed to the tremendous amount of student support they received.

As the teams gained national attention and students rushed to be in the first row to cheer on their fellow Spartans, tickets became extremely tough to find. With such a surge for tickets, the Athletic Ticket Office implemented new distribution systems for the 1999-2000 season, which were subject to some loud criticism.

The biggest complaint made by Michigan State students was the new football voucher system used for the 1999 season. The system was put in place to reduce seat confusion in Spartan Stadium during home football games. Yet, many students felt that the system caused more problems than it alleviated. Long lines, crowd congestion and stolen seats were among many of the student complaints. Adding to the controversy, many upperclassmen felt that their devotion to the university was not rewarded by ticket seniority as it had been in years passed.

"I didn't like the new voucher system," said accounting senior Jason Drake. "I thought there could have been a better way to handle the problem. I also didn't like the fact that seniors didn't get first priority when it came to seating."

Following problems during the Michigan State versus Oregon game, administrators opened additional

gates and adjusted the crowd control patterns for the remaining home games. The ticket system was used on a trial basis and was reviewed by the Athletic Council at the season's end.

MSU's men's basketball season was also highly anticipated. The best seat in the Breslin Student Events Center was in the section of student seats named the Izzone after current basketball head coach Tom Izzo. The Izzone is a section of 943 seats reserved for the student-run fan group. Many of last year's ticket holders renewed their tickets for this season. Due to the graduation of some of the previous ticket holders, 240 seats were made available.

The Student Alumni Foundation sponsored the Izzone ticket sale. The student line for seats in the special section numbered over 300 as the basketball fans camped out overnight in hopes of securing Izzone tick-

"The line was very successful," said SAF co-director Adam Raak. "The students handled themselves in line very well considering they had to wait outside for over 40 hours in freezing weather."

The line was run on a first come-first serve basis. "We wanted the most loyal fans in the Izzone, and felt this was a good way to determine who they were," said Raak.

Another method of basketball ticket distribution also came under scrutiny during the 1999-2000 sports season. Regular tickets were issued by a lottery system. About one third of the students who applied for regular season tickets were left empty handed. The lottery system similarly failed to provide Michigan State senior and graduate students with ticket seniority.

"I waited in line for Izzone tickets and didn't get those," said finance sophomore Adam Wilson. "I thought I'd settle for regular season tickets, but my name wasn't drawn in the lottery." Wilson only obtained season basketball tickets after students whose names were chosen in the lottery failed to retrieve them.

The Munn Ice Arena, home to MSU's men's ice hockey team, provided a student seating section along with a special section devoted to the student-run Slap Shot fan group. Previous ticket holders renewed tickets, leaving only a certain number of tickets in each section to be released for sale for the 1999-2000 season. However, unlike the conflict-ridden ticket sale systems used by other varsity sports, students were satisfied with the distribution and adequate supply of men's hockey tickets.

MSU's sports' programs are among the best in the nation and their level of play attracts many viewers. Support for the talented Spartans continues to be overwhelming. The problems created by lack of seating for Michigan State University sporting events is just a tribute to the wide spread fan support.

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Fighting For A Seat

#### Snowed-In

A lthough the snow was flying and covering the ground, we turned ourselves into snowbunnies and found ways to get to class through the cold and snow. The typical Michigan weather played tricks on us, and we were never quite sure what to expect. Those unfortunate newcomers who had never experienced a Michigan cold-weather season found it difficult to adapt. But if there was one thing we all knew, it was that we had to bundle up.

"Layers. Lots and lots of layers," advised Melissa Malone, an elementary education junior.

Malone's friend, speech pathology junior Rachel Lang, received a little help from home in layering-up. "My mom bought me a water fowl down coat," she said. "It's so warm that I sweat in it."

With this demand for warmth in mind, retailers stocked their stores and went crazy with advertisements. We all know to get our warm "performance fleece" from Old Navy, thanks to actresses Tia and Tamera Mowry, and we were all at least slightly mesmerized by the GAP's morphing dancers decked out in sweaters and wool hats. Layering-up certainly was not a problem

Once we had our layers, however, we still needed to solve the problem of getting to class. Those of us fortunate enough to have cars drove to class, or as close to class as we could park. Some of us gave in and bought bus passes, using the advantageous services provided for us by CATA. We could always find those faithful

walkers, wrapped up in scarves, hats, hoods, mittens and heavy coats, who just stuck it out as long as possible. Some were even courageous enough — or foolish enough — to hop onto their bicycles and pedal through the wind, cold, ice, snow and whatever other little joys nature threw down at us.

Education sophomore Justin Jamal was one of those brave souls. "I bike. Even in the winter," he said proudly. "It's faster, you're out in the cold for less time. The wind makes it about 20 degrees colder, but I just bundle up. You get used to it."

Class and warmth aside, we still needed to have our fun. Throngs of skiers and snowboarders took to the hills, literally, for the excitement of racing down the slopes with nothing but thin layers of wood and fiberglass between them and the ground. The university athletic program assisted those who enjoyed winter indoor athletics, such as basketball, volleyball and indoor soccer; and chillier sports like figure skating and ice hockey.

Rachael McKinney, a pre-vet freshman, took a slightly more reminiscent approach to winter fun. "I build snowmen and play in the snow," she said.

We had fun, we froze, we layered-up and still made it to class. But no matter what we did with the cold, we somehow made it through yet another crazy Michigan winter.

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A quiet winter evening begins to settle on the courtyard behind Student Services. The area was used as a walk-through for students trying to find a short cut through the cold.

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Trudging to class, students make their way through the frigid air and crunchy snow. They had to adjust to leaving early for class due to the ice and snow.

Snow tires, anyone? Bikes locked up outside a residence hall get snowed under by winter. Many students chose to keep their bikes inside, but some die-hard bikers did not bother.



Beth Perrine





I'm an angel, JB Hunt seems to be exclaiming. A history sophomore, Hunt, takes a nostalgic trip back to his childhood days of making angels in the snow. Snow angels, snow forts and snowmen appeared all over campus as students frolicked in the snow.

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With so many incoming freshman, university housing often has to put extra students into dorm rooms. English freshman Megan Keedy, music therapy freshman Jessica Behnke, and no-preference freshman Erin Martin were originally assigned to a triple in Landon Hall. But when the time came for one of these girls to move into a new room, they opted to stay together in the room designed for two people because they got along so well.

Rhonda Varney, English freshman, and Laura Hayward, no preference sophomore, did not have to go through the terror of "going in blind" when they came to school. The girls knew each other beforehand and asked to live together in Wilson Hall.



Two guys, a girl and a remote control dominated this dorm room in Akers West. Dairy management sophomores Matt Dillon and Dave Bennett relax in their room with agricultural science freshman Betty Meyer. Dillon and Bennett, who live with two other students, live together because "we share similar interests," said Dillon.



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#### More Than Bonding

It's time to go to school and move in with that person you've only spoken with on the phone. Or maybe it's time to move in with that good friend you haven't seen all summer.

No matter what type of roommate situation you find yourself in, you're bound to grow as a result.

Gretchen Kawchak, a pre-med freshman, said when she moved into Bailey Hall she had no idea what to expect, but things worked out for the best.

"We're exact opposites," she smiled, "but we get along really well."

As a pre-law sophomore living in Akers Hall, Andre Banyai knew exactly what he was getting into when he signed up to live with Seth Murry. The two had hit it off the previous year and decided to be roommates.

"He's my best friend, and we weren't even that close last year," he said.

Though it may seem like roomies are paired randomly, director of university housing Angela Brown said that there is some method to the madness. "We try to honor certain requests, but we can't honor them all," she said.

After special housing arrangements like James Madison and Honor College students are taken care of, other requests like non-smoking rooms and quiet floors are taken into consideration. "There is a method to it. It's not totally random," said Brown.

Although social work junior Kelly Butkowski

"went in blind" last year, she emerged with a great friend — and roommate for another year. "We were put in Bryan together last year and decided to live together again," she said.

She stressed that a key to having a good relationship with your roommate is to have consideration for him or her. "When someone has an exam, the other one leaves the room and doesn't invite people over," she said.

Kawchak admitted that some rules — like having overnight guests — have to be discussed, but thinks that other things are too trivial. "Stuff that's a given we didn't have to set verbal rules about," she said.

Sometimes the type of room helps roommates to keep a strong relationship. Banyai said that living in Akers Hall and having separate sections for the bedrooms gives him the kind of personal space he needs. "If I ever got annoyed with (my roommate), I would just go into my room. We have a lot of space. It works a lot better for us," he said

Other relationships just seem to work out, no matter what. Brittnei Geddert, a no-preference freshman, said she's known her roommate for a long time, and chose to live with her so she wouldn't have to live with anyone she didn't know. "We've known each other since we were nine, and we get along really well," she said.

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Billy Crawford, a telecommunications freshman, flashes a smile from his "Private Beach" in Wilson Hall. Crawford lives alone since his roommate moved away after the first semester. "I needed more 'Billy time," he said



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### A Bigger Back Yard

ichigan State is constantly on the move, growing and ex panding to better serve the MSU community. Expanding its building structures and parking facilities is a major part of this expansion. But the university isn't just expanding in terms of size. Our faculty is growing, along with the size of the international student population.

MSU boasted the highest number of incoming freshmen ever. At 33,259 students and counting, the residents of the East Lansing community have had to deal with the issue of potential overcrowding. Residence halls hosted more triples than ever before.

MSU already has one of the largest undergraduate student bodies

in the country, toward a larger population is change.

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ever, it has posed many problems for frequenters of the building. Many people who lived off-campus found creative places to park on the south side of campus.

"I'm really excited about the new parking structure behind the Communications building," said sophomore Adam Fosdick. "After it's completed, it's really going to make parking a lot easier."

Another change that has some of the MSU public concerned is possible road expansion near the Natural Resources building. The Natural Resources building sits on the corner of Wilson Road and Farm Lane. This expansion would affect the natural area behind the building, which is the habitat for many of East Lansing's most prevalent wildlife and vegetation. With the expansion and construction that will take up a portion of the road, much of this natural beauty will be at risk.

Jamie McKinley, junior, had a very strong take on the road expansion. "The expansion of Service Road is not absolutely imperative to Michigan State at this time. When you think of all the wildlife that is in jeopardy out there, you have to stop and think what is really important."

The question still remains whether the expansion will actually take place this year.

Michigan State is continually on a path to the future. Its stand as a reputable university counts upon its role in moving toward the competitive future. Having the university expand as a whole is simply the next step in Michigan State University's strive toward excellence.

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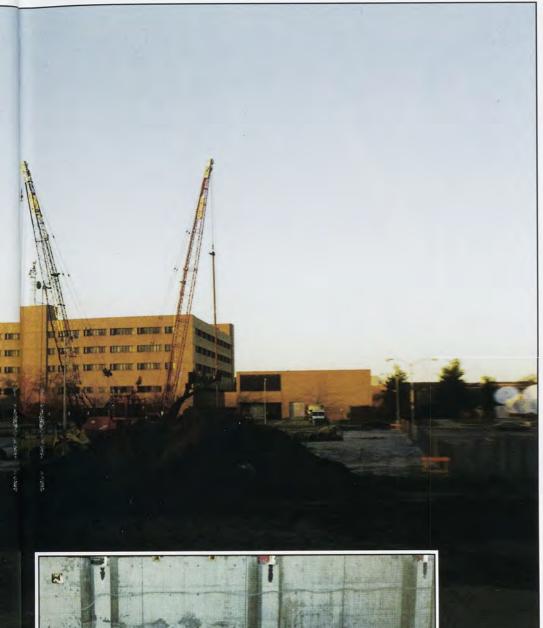
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A hard working MSU construction worker helps build the community. He is one of many dedicated workers fighting the cold and rain to expand the campus. Construction is planned to make parking on campus easier for students, staff and visitors.

Construction equipment helps to clear the path for expansion. For most of the school year students can always find some sign of construction on campus. In time, the equipment will lead the way for new buildings. This worker is guiding the crane so the proper area of dirt will be dug.





Amanda Misuraca

One of the many downfalls in campus expansion is the closing of popular roadways. Many students have had to reroute their usual paths due to road closings. This sign is just one of the few inconviences of construction.

By the Communication Arts and Sciences building, a new parking structure is being constructed. Anyone that has a car on campus knows the hardship that a lack of parking can create. Both students and staff will see an increase in convience due to the six story structure.



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Construction hinders the lives of many students. It can prove to be an eyesore for the beautifully landscaped campus. The cranes are taking action by the Communication Arts and Sciences building to add a new parking garage.

#### Count Your Pennies

"When you work, go

to class, and study,

you realize how and

where you need to

-Jennifer Dudek

spend your time."

t's every college student's nightmare: running out of money. Fortunately, Michigan State holds a world of opportunity for students both in and out of the classroom. While students gain knowledge in class, they also have unlim-

the workplace. In fact, most students held jobs while at school; 43 percent of all students were employed on campus, while numerous others worked off campus.

Most on-campus jobs involved working in the residence halls: in the cafeterias, on the maintenance crew, as daytime or nighttime receptionists, or at Sparty's convenience stores. These jobs were common among

freshman, who found it close to home and convenient.

The flexible hours gave students a chance to work around busy schedules - students could chose to work as few as four hours a week. Many returning students were employed as Resident Assistants (R.A.s), living in undergraduate dorms. They acted as guides for residents and planned activities for the floor or hall.

Other on-campus jobs could be found within individual colleges. Students gained valuable experience as teaching assistants (T.A.s), while others helped in labs or worked for student organizations like the State News.

Employment opportunities were not limited to residence halls and labs. From the array of businesses lining Grand River Avenue to phonemarketing bureaus in Lansing, students could spend their time making money in just about any occupational setting. Endless outgoing and creative ways exist every year to fill up Spartans' wallets, and a handful students chose to earn money in these less traditional ways.

Centron Bio-Services, located on the corner of Albert and Abbott, offered students money for donating plasma. Those who donated could bring in between \$25 and \$40 every two to three weeks - and help save lives. Others had fun "bringing home some dough" by dancing at clubs in the Lansing area or interning at the capitol building, just a few short miles from campus. Some students earned quick cash by helping others learn - particularly by tutoring, modeling for studio art classes or becoming "practice subjects" for medical students. Many times, these "jobs" didn't even feel like work, which is what attracted students to them in the first place.

Some worked in order to pay for school while others worked just to get some extra spending money and meet new people. Working with customers and co-workers every day was a great way for students to meet new friends, interact with a ited opportunities to gain valuable experience in variety of personalities, and enhance their social

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In general, students believed that having a job forced them to set priorities and develop better time management skills, giving them an increased sense of responsibility and organization.

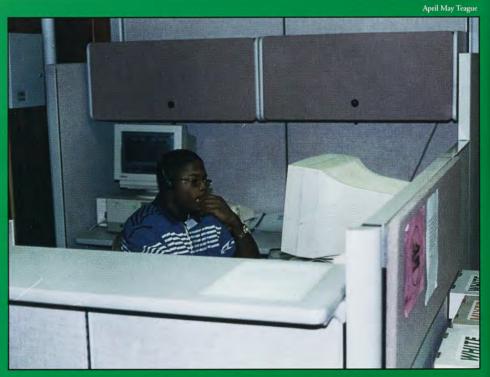
"When you work, go to class, and study, you realize how and where you need to spend your time," explained advertising junior Jennifer Dudek. A common reason for not working,

however, was that it could become too much to handle. Freshmen, who were adjusting to their first year away from home, decided that having a job would hinder their studies.

"I do feel that working and attending school helps students organize time," said no-preference freshman Matt Dickerman. "But I also think that many students get caught up within their jobs and forget that it is also important to concentrate on their schoolwork."

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Business administration/pre-law sophomore, Dean Robertson, keeps watch over the Landon Hall computer lab in exchange from some income. Robertson, who works on campus, says he works to pay for school.



Elementary education freshman Karyn Rabourn rings up a customer on the cash register in Case Hall's Sparty's Convenience Store. Students who work on campus are employed in the dorms. Jobs range from front desk receptionists to maintenance crew to resident assistants.



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Melba Serrano, exchange student from Mexico works at Blimpies in the Union. Serrano is one of many students who has taken advantage of jobs available on campus. She works mainly so she can just have spare money.



Not all students attempt to juggle a busy college-life schedule plus a job. Mathematics sophomore Tony Hoffman(left) and general business sophomore Nate Herweyer(right) catch up on homework and current events in their room in Campbell Hall. "Work and school is too stressful together," Hoffman said. Herweyer agreed, he said "I wouldn't have the free time that I do."

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Squeeeeze! This freshmen could not avoid the "curse" as she struggles to button up an old pair of jeans. Many sufferers found themselves squeezing into old clothes or just buying new ones.

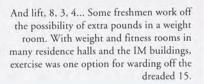
Get that ball! Opting out of the weight room, these freshmen turned to basketball to keep fit and have fun. An abundance of sports teams and opportunities gave freshmen even more options to help keep their weight in control.

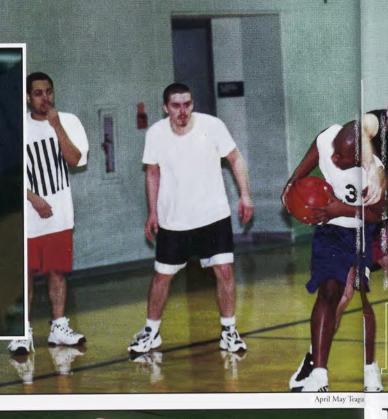


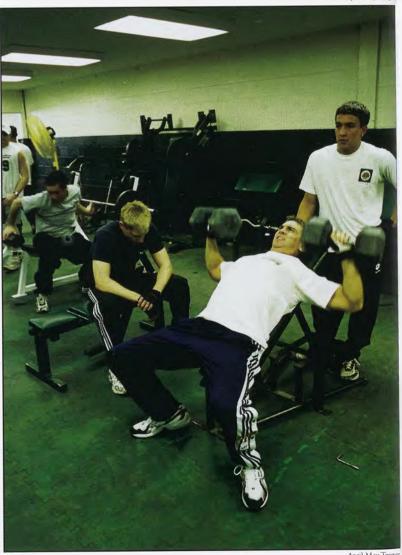
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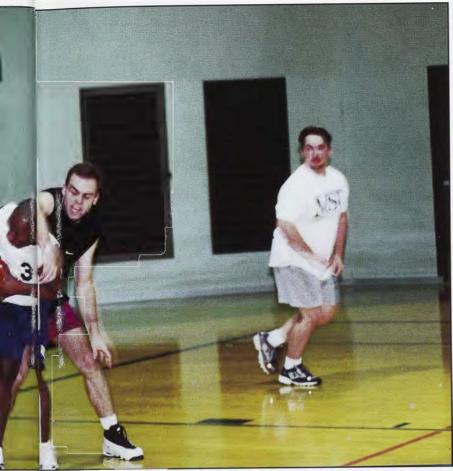
Yum, yum. A hungry freshman stocks up his tray in a residence hall cafeteria. The cafes offered a wide variety - and unlimited portions - of food to students with meal plans.







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ave you always been that fat or is that only since you got here? When I explained the nature of this story to my father and how I wasn't sure how to go about talking to people, that was his suggestion for an interview question. Nice. Nevertheless, in its own impudent way, it reflects the nature of the phenomenon that we've dubbed the "Freshman 15."

Apart from those two often-dreaded words, there is no true definition for the concept. Is it real or just another trick the upperclassmen play on the unsuspecting freshmen? How does this happen? Why only freshmen? So with my father's question in my mind (but thankfully not on my lips), I set off in search of the whos, whats, wheres, whys and whens of those sneaky extra pounds.

Being a girl, I understand perfectly that when the scale reads high, weight is not all that's gained. You also gain trouble. Having to go out and buy new jeans because you've grown out of your favorite "formfitting" pair can be a traumatizing event. Uneasiness turns to all-out anxiety as you stand in the checkout line at the Gap. You desperately try to keep the large, bold font of the size tag hidden from the irritatingly slender girl who's trying to scan your tag, when you suddenly overhear someone by the dressing rooms complain that she's a size three. You just want to scream, "Why me!?!" All of this trauma piled on top of the already great stresses of being a freshman at a big university.

Jocelyn Poletis, a no-preference freshman, told me that she finds the concept of weight gain "depressing," and because of rumors of the Freshman 15, she avoided it altogether.

"I really haven't (gained weight)," she said proudly. "I found that during my first two weeks here, I lost weight. I lost about seven pounds.... I watched more what I ate and I was out and about a lot more."

It can be very difficult to keep an eye on your diet while you're trying to keep up with so many other things in your life. That may be why junk

food is a college student's favorite gourmet; many people I talked to even the ones I caught up with in the cafeteria - agreed that they tend to snack on whatever they can scrounge up rather than sit down to a healthy meal.

"It's gotta be the food," mused no-preference freshman Tanah Zednik. "People are snacking all the time, staying up late... it's just basically unhealthy living."

I have to agree; it's easier to pop a bag of popcom, sip at a can of Diet Coke and keep reading or writing or studying than it is to stop working to make a run to the cafeteria. But there are consequences to this laziness, as Zednik pointed out: "I have gained a little weight, and my friends have too."

Not everyone agrees that this freshman 15 "thing" is a real tragedy. Yes, we snack a lot and college students are infamous for their living habits, but so far I haven't addressed the topic of exercise. Since freshmen are denied the luxury of owning a car on campus, most of us have had to walk, bike, jog, rollerblade or skateboard great distances across campus on a daily basis.

"I don't think (the Freshman 15) is real," said Danielle Sullivan, a skeptical math class companion of mine. Sullivan, an elementary education freshman, walks miles each day from her dorm to class and back. "People can't help getting exercise, they either have to walk or bike everywhere. How can you eat enough to gain 15 pounds if you're still exercising?" she queried.

Ashton McMillan, an apparel and textile design freshman, agreed that it would take a lot of chow to gain 15 pounds. "I don't see how anyone could eat that much," she told me. "I eat enough to survive."

In addition to the movers and shakers, there are those freshmen who don't gain weight simply because they have unusually high metabolisms, giving them complete dietary freedom. I spoke with Mike Ziethlow, a telecommunications freshman, at dinner in the cafeteria, after noticing that he seemed to possess this license to binge.

"I just can't get full," he laughed. "I'm eating and eating like a pig - I don't know if there's not enough carbohydrates or what." When I questioned him about not gaining weight, he admitted, "I think I'm just one of those people."

There is just one more factor that can either enrich or subtract from the quality of the freshman diet: the cafeteria. Almost every freshman carries a meal plan on their I.D. card. I caught up with a survivor of the Freshman 15 during lunch one afternoon.

Doug Copeland, an interdisciplinary studies junior, told me, "Honestly, I think that it's the cafe food. There's tons of carbohydrates, every meal has fries - people just load up on them. And there's all kinds of pastas."

Of course, campus food service doesn't ignore what people like Copeland have to say. I learned that the food service does provide health education for students who want to knowledgeably avoid an unhealthy diet. They also have several dieticians on hand to help students incorporate their needs and tastes with what the cafeterias have to offer.

So at the end of my search, as I sit at my computer surrounded by empty pop cans with a bag of popcorn overflowing onto my desk and Metallica seeping out of my speakers, I ponder once again my question about the freshman 15. I now know that it is not a plague that every freshman encounters, nor is it a rumor made up to scare me. It is simply the result of a drastic change in a person's life and lifestyle. But then again, that's just my explanation.

What's your theory?

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#### The Freshman Curse

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#### I Want My Mommy

hat's the difference between dorm life and off-campus living? If you ask resource development senior Casey Braybrook, the answer is simple: "the front porch."

Braybrook is one of 17 friends who live in the old Sigma Pi fraternity house at 532 Ann Street. While dorm kids spend their time relaxing in the hallways, Braybrook enjoys his front porch, the horseshoe pit in the front yard, the sand volleyball court and simply having a house to call home.

"The greatest part of my day is actually going 'home' after a long day of classes instead of back to 'the dorm,'" said Braybrook

While the dorms offer convenient meals, regularly cleaned showers and an all-inclusive bill, one thing they do not grant is absolute freedom. Off-campus living is freedom, and about 29,000 of MSU's 43,000 students find it a better fit for their lifestyles.

"It gives friends an opportunity to live and have fun at MSU, along with keeping the homely feel of your own place," said Ann Street resident and engineering arts senior, Paul Maly. "The trick is to find roommates who live similar to your life style. Some people are comfortable living under a pile of dirty dishes, and others try to kill the dust before it has a chance to hit the floor; it's all up to you."

Journalism senior, Amy Lahaie, is one of the six girls who reside at 532 Ann Street. "As girls, we definitely do the most cleaning, but we are all pretty tidy so it never gets that bad," said Lahaie. Off-campus living also offers a Co-ed environment for those who wish to take advantage of it.

"It's a great balance of people," said Lahaie. "I think we're one of the only houses that have both Cosmopolitan and Playboy next to the toilet. I just wish that I didn't have to fall asleep and wake up to Sportcenter every single day."

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Every student's dream: the pull of the door followed by the rush of cold air and the glow of a large refrigerator stuffed with food. A full sized fridge may be the only place where you find grocery items sporting nametags. Common off-campus tradition requires that students label their food in order to save it from hungry roommates, yet that still may not save it from the mold-monster or the fungus-fiend.

However, living in a house is not the only option that students have when it comes to living off campus. There are numerous apartment complexes that host almost exclusively students, which can be less expensive than living in a house.

Child development junior Lea Hahn lives in Abbot Point apartments. "I can't imagine living in a house," said Hahn. "I only have one roommate and our place isn't that big, so it's very easy to keep everything clean. Also, I don't have a lawn to mow, trash removal is included in the rent along with heat, water and electricity — it's just more convenient for me."

Although smaller than a house, apartments offer all the freedoms of living in a house. Hahn doesn't know what she would do if she couldn't cook meals at her own leisure. "I love having my kitchen and a large refrigerator that I can stare into. Even if I don't take anything out of it, I just like knowing that it's there."

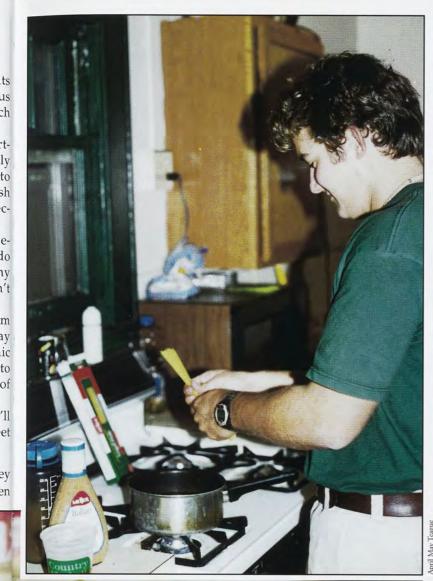
College is a period for gaining independence, living away from home and experiencing new things. Living off campus is one way for a student to integrate independent living into their academic life. Whether it's a kitchen or the front porch that attracts you to living off campus, both houses and apartments offer a degree of freedom that cannot be found in the dorms.

"I wouldn't want to live any other way," said Braybrook. "I'll always remember these people as my family at MSU and Ann Street as my home."

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Eat Pasta, Study Fasta! Environmental engineering senior Paul Maly cooks up a little dinner at his home on Ann Street. "I consider myself a bit of a chef," said Maly. "Plus, it's nice to have the freedom to choose what's on the menu." The problem is getting enough energy to clean up the kitchen and do the dishes after eating the meal. The policy of "You cook in it, you clean it," seems to work the best for the residents of Ann street.

How far off campus do you live? No preference sophomore, Dave Erwin drops a few coins in the meter outside Student Services. Parking often poses a problem for those that choose to reside a few miles away from campus. However, students can usually hitch a ride from a friend or use leg power to make it to class on time.



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Do I have a coupon for this? Hospitality and business sophomore, Dana Trzcinkski, searches the pasta shelves at Meijer for the elusive 99-cent boxes of Rice-A-Roni. Trycinski is a resident of the newly opened Capstone Commons apartment complex near the Lansing Meijer. Throughout the school semesters, the isles of local grocery stores become a bit more crowded with students searching to fill their cupboards while attempting not to empty their bank accounts. Many students find themselves resorting to mom's patented trade of coupon clipping to save a few dollars.



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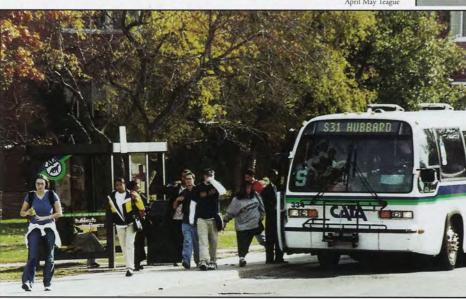
Even the stairs at Berkey Hall are no obstacle for rollerbladers. Students who rollerblade across campus find it fast, convenient, and of course, fun. A student pays for parking before leaving I.M. Circle's parking lot. One complaint commuters have regarding on-campus parking is the high cost.







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A CATA bus picks up and drops off students outside Shaw Hall. Students can ride the CATA bus all over campus and into the Lansing and East Lansing areas for a quarter per ride or purchase a semester or yearly bus pass.

A student makes use of the new bike langes installed alongside Farm Lane. Many bikers still use the sidewalks rather than ride next to traffic. Most people are happy that the university is taking steps to separate bikers and walkers in an effort to make transportation safer.



#### We Get Around

ow did over 40,000 students manage to get around a four square mile campus every day? It may sound like a recipe for madness, but students found ways to get where they needed to go that fit their budgets and schedules. The traditional "heel-toe express" remained the most popular way for students to move about campus.

"Walking is the easiest way to get around and is good exercise," said kinesiology junior Laurie Elve. Walkers found most places on campus easily accessible by foot. The most common drawbacks to walking were the time it took and the battle for sidewalk space between walkers and bikers.

Students who found that walking took too much time opted to bike or rollerblade through campus. Special bike paths existed along most sidewalks on campus to safely separate the bikers from the walkers, although problems still endured. People walked on the bike lanes and bikers rode on the sidewalks.

"(They need to) separate the bikers from the walkers - it's madness!" explained Lori Stuit, a social relations sophomore. A common saying on campus was "when you're walking, you hate bikers. When you're biking, you hate walkers!"

Before the school year started, a \$726,000 bike lane alongside Farm Lane was installed and is to be expanded throughout more of campus. While most students found this to be a step in the right direc-

ow did over 40,000 students manage to get around a four tion for controlling pedestrian traffic, others saw it as dangerous. square mile campus every day? It may sound like a Some did not even know it existed.

"It seems like a good idea," said biology major Rebecca Oas, "as long as cars are a safe distance away."

Rollerbladers, who are growing in number each year, will be pleased after a five year project to repair and rebuild sidewalks improves the condition of the cracked and uneven pavement. Those who rollerbladed to class found it faster than walking, and they did not have to deal with the hassle of trying to find a place to lock up a bike.

Buses were also a convenient way to get around. The MSU bus system of years past had been replaced with a new system. Students used to purchase bus passes in order to ride the universityrun bus system, while the 25 cent CATA buses handled off-campus routes. Starting this year, CATA took over bus transportation for all of the university.

Students, although initially afraid of rising prices and lost jobs, were very pleased with this change after CATA proved to be easy, cheap and convenient. Mechanical engineering senior Sara Sleight was happy that she could just "drop in a quarter and go!" The buses were clean, fast, and took students and East Lansing residents almost anywhere in the East Lansing and Lansing area.

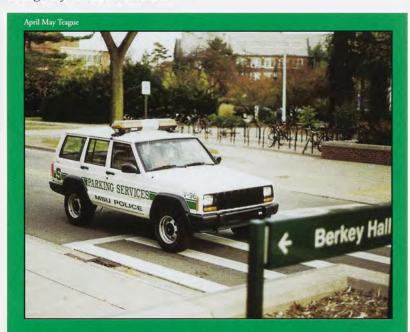
Some students drove cars to campus and were allowed to park in specified parking lots after purchasing a permit. However, many students claimed that parking was too expensive and too scarce. They'd like to see more parking at a cheaper price. To remedy this problem, MSU began a 15-month construction project in October behind the Communication Arts and Sciences building. The \$14.1 million parking ramp, when completed in 2001, will expand parking in this area from 400 to 1,000 spaces, allowing an easier commute for many people.

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A parking service vehicle patrols outside of Berkey Hall. Since parking is very limited on campus, close attention is paid to who parks where. Illegally parked vehicles are usually ticketed within minutes.

#### Buddy System At Its Best

In keeping with the university's already strong focus on diversity and communication, the MSU branch of the worldwide Best Buddies programs links students with the 'big picture,' giving them enriching relationships, new perspectives, and a great way to spend their free time.

Founded in 1987 by Anthony K. Shriver, Best Buddies operates under the idea that there is "a large amount of talent available on college campuses that, if focused, could make a real impact on

the community."

The original group consisted of 52 members venturing out into the community to aid the physically and mentally challenged. Today, the group boasts over 10,000 members from 37 states, as well as Canada and Greece. The MSU chapter includes 20 students who pair up with 20 disabled "buddies" from the community, fostering a relationship where the two of them learn from each other, have fun, and develop lasting friendships along the way.

"Through weekly one-to-one interactions and monthly group events, Best Buddies enhance the social and recreational lives of all those involved,"

said club director Nate Brady.

Buddies get to participate in a wide array of activities with their student, including trips to Chuck E. Cheese, Potter Park Zoo, bowling, basketball, and cultural events. Apart from the one-on-one activities, Best Buddies also holds group events that provide another facet of interaction between the Buddies and the outside world.

"We have a book blow-out every November in which we collect books from the community and donate them to literacy programs," Brady said. "We also have started a tradition of an IHOP (International House of Pancakes) breakfast the weekend of the MSU vs. Penn State football game. We have a Cider Mill Trip, Holiday Bowling Party, Animal Petting Therapy and circus outings as well. In addition, each member meets individually with his or her buddy, doing things as diverse as the zoo, McDonalds, or ice skating."

To raise money for their ventures, the club has a raffle every year to gather financial support. "We have a wonderful executive board who keep things running smoothly," said Brady. "They help make this club bigger and better every year."

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Courtesy of Best Buddy Progra



Amidst the beautiful fall foliage, zoology junior Sarah Stella and buddy Denise Danials enjoy a hike in the woods during one of the group's events.



Best Buddies and friends move their feet and twirl around the dance floor at a dance that the Best Buddies coordinated at the Moore Living Center in Lansing. The group meets weekly on a one-to-one basis and does other activities such as trips to the zoo, bowling, basketball and cultural events.

This buddy shows his sweet smile in the Moore Living Center in Lansing. The Best Buddies are happy when they get together with the MSU chapter. Today, the group boasts over 10,000 members from 37 states.



Courtesy of Best Buddy Program



On big trips as to the bowling alley, some MSU students meet two buddies to bond and have fun with. Best Buddies is a worthwhile organization because MSU students have a chance to learn about the diverse community, said Nate Brady, club director.

Courtesy of Best Buddy Program

Relaxing in Crossroads Cafe and doing some group research, these doctoral students: counseling psychology Paula Mitchell, education psychology Suphia Tan, education psychology Jan Burnett and higher adult life education Tina Riley meet to work on a project. With a diverse group of people, many different viewpoints and opinions can be expressed.

Theatre junior Patricia Bullock and history sophomore Jedediah Blackwell Hunt enjoy each others' differences while relaxing in a friend's dormroom in Campbell Hall. The two met through a friend this year and have been friends since, always sharing big laughs. "She brightens up my life," Hunt said.



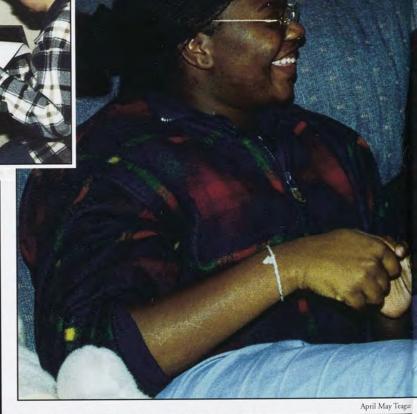
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Discussing class work assignments and having some food at the MSU Union is one of the many places marketing sophomore Surbhi Murqui and finance junior Roger Tsai can gather to do work. Doing schoolwork with others helps students to meet new friends and also learn about each other's heritage.

Sometimes it's nice to have a conversation with people from your own culture. Masters economy Jungliv Beck, graduate economy Hynkjae Rhee and P.h.D. economy Jeungsevk Song are enjoying the nice weather outside the library while discussing various topics in their native language. Students find that knowing more than one language can help build friendships with other students.



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he idea of the United States as a "melting pot" of cultures and ideas has given way to a more eclectic image of the country as a tossed salad — a heterogeneous medley of people, places and things. A place where a tomato can be a tomato, a carrot can be a carrot and a crouton can be a crouton. A place where seemingly incompatible ingredients can complement each other to create a deliciously titillating, satisfying — and undeniably healthy — feast.

Michigan State University reflects this image through a prismic assortment of diversity-driven programs and international educational opportunities. Sponsoring over 500 courses featuring a range of world regions and over 42 languages, MSU's message to students is clear: there is no such thing as "the rest of the world."

"The United States — the whole world — is headed toward a more unified global culture," said David Horner, director of the Office for International Students and Scholars. "We've got all these different opportunities to prepare students for the future. It's about moving from being afraid of difference to embracing it."

Accounting sophomore Joby Thaz and telecommunications sophomore Leslie Broughton are having a discussion and exploring cultural differences in the lobby of the International Center. The International Center can be a great place to meet people and become friends with other students of diverse cultures and backgrounds.



What is difference? What is diversity? How is it measured? By degrees of skin color? Vocal variation? Clothing, IQ scores, religion, homeland or sexuality? All of the above?

"I guess it's all those things, but there has to be interaction between the groups, too," said computer science junior Luscious N. Delicious.

Steve Fowler, computer engineering senior, agreed. "It's people with different backgrounds coming together, interacting with each other, working together."

"Experiencing each other?" Delicious proposed.

"Yeah," Fowler said.

To facilitate this "coming together" of students, Michigan State offers a plethora of provocative programs designed to engender awareness and appreciation of the microcosmic world on campus, where students from 118 different countries have converged for the common purpose of preparing for life on a steadily shrinking globe. Many of these programs are student-run communities centralized in residence halls or colleges, where international students struggling with adapting to United States culture find support and friendship close to home.

"Any group living in a second culture tends to gravitate toward each other. They have something in common, in learning how to acclimate toward the host culture," explained Dr. Horner. But, he admits, American students have been a "mixed bag" when it comes to welcoming or embracing foreign students.

"Internationalizing Student Life, a group here on campus, tries to address this problem," he said. "Some students have been overwhelmingly hospitable, but a great majority seem to be indifferent. We want to help students take advantage of each other and the wealth of positive experiences that can be gained through cross-cultural friendships."

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#### Crossing Cultures

Gerronimo! An MSU student lets it all hang out at Adventure World in Interlaken, Switzerland. Interlaken is a small town, which lies between two lakes and is surrounded by the regal Swiss Alps. It also boasts the world's tallest bungee jump at 590 feet. World travel will certainly provide hundreds of opportunities that students may not be able to comprehend even after they have experienced them. Do you want to fly? Study Abroad will give you the push you need.

A postcard never represents the real beauty. This view depicts the rolling county side of rural Ireland. An ancient monastic tower asserts itself in a valley of the grass-covered Wicklow Mountains. Most of Ireland is rural and offers brilliant scenes for those who are more accustomed to the city scene. You'd be surprised how much better than a postcard your photos will look. Study Abroad is one big worldly hike; your feet may get tired, but you eyes and mind never will.



Douglas M. Hanes



Stone-Age Playground? Stonehenge literally stands for "hanging stones," yet numerous legends surround the famous landmark, which sits on the Salisbury Plain of England. One legend states that the stones were made when dancing giants were transformed into stones. Another claims UFO's were involved! A more realistic theory is that it was used as an "observatory" to view the various stages of the moon and sun. However, it will be impossible for you to come up with your own theory if you don't go there. Study Abroad can make it happen.

> The Houses of parliament is one of the most recognized buildings in London's cityscape. This illuminated view from across the River Thames is a perfect representation of the brilliance of European architecture. London, England, is a popular destination for students and provides an ideal learning environment for any major from Studio Art to Urban Planning.



Douglas M. Hane





#### The World is Your Campus

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ake sure you take full advantage of your college years." We've all heard that same phrase while packing our bags for our freshman year of college. But how do you define taking "full advantage?" Many students have opted to pack their bags once again. Yet this time, they've caught a flight to Study Abroad.

"Life and learning is unquestionably much larger than four years of study in East Lansing can show

you," said communications senior Patrick Mahon. After spending his summer semester studying in London, there is only one thing that Mahon regrets: "not travelling earlier in school. Once is not enough."

As students of the millennium, we must begin thinking of the world from a global perspective. It's true, MSU offers opportunities that cannot be found anywhere else. However, some of these experiences can only be discovered within 50 different academic programs throughout 120 countries across the world.

Whether it be studying for two weeks in Costa Rica or spending one year in Zimbabwe, MSU has a program for you.

"I honestly lost focus of being a regular MSU student," said English senior Michael Karpus. "During the semester that I lived in Dublin, Ireland, I felt like a member of the Irish society. I honestly achieved a grasp on the Irish philosophy of thinking. There is no doubt in my mind that I've learned more in that one semester abroad than I ever have in East Lansing."

There is an atmosphere to Study Abroad that allows students to grow in ways that they otherwise

could not on campus. Living and learning in the United States caters to the American students. Living abroad allows a student to begin living again, not only independently, but also actively and creatively.

"I had no idea how to use the damn phone; you can't imagine learning over again the things that you've taken for granted as common knowledge," said English and Spanish sophomore Colin Hoag.

"It's an experience that I will never forget; you have opportunities that you may never get a chance to do again. I can't wait to go again – the sooner the better."

"Every undergraduate has the opportunity to Study Abroad," said MSU President Peter McPherson. Not only are the programs available, but overseas tuition is exactly the same as tuition at MSU, and all credits are MSU credits, so there isn't any hassle with transfer credits or outlandish out-of-state tuition.

How many of us can actually say that we have a worldly view of life? MSU has one of the largest and most prestigious Study Abroad programs in the nation, which gives students the opportunity to find their own views.

"Study Abroad puts people in a position to get better jobs and a broader view of the world. It is, in fact, a central component of a sophisticated 21<sup>st</sup> century education," said McPherson.

Where in the world do you want to go? The only way to truly understand United States culture is to look at it from the perspective of another country. You're only a college student once; make sure that you "take full advantage of it."

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Imagine this family at your next reunion. These street performers portray a family from outer space during the 1999 St. Patrick's Festival in Dublin, Ireland. Traveling abroad gives students the opportunity to experience a different culture by fully intergrating themselves into a foreign society. Sometimes the best way to learn about another culture is to join them in celebration. St. Patrick's Day in Dublin is a five-day jubilee that begins with a fireworks display and ends with one of the largest street parties in the world.



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#### City Relations

he memory of 10,000 people crowding the streets of East Lansing and campus to light fires and destroy property last March is finally beginning to fade. A new challenge involves repairing not only the reputation of the students, but mending the university's relationship with East Lansing.

Jean Golden, assistant city manager, said that's exactly what's been happening through a series of cooperative efforts. "Sometimes it takes an event like last year to shake people up. Residents want these issues to be worked out. The goal is to build relationships."

Steps taken to improve the relationship began during freshman orientation. East Lansing police and city officials organized a variety of activities to encourage students to become active in the community, including internships in a city government office, ASMSU, the undergraduate student government, or the University Student Commission.

Another big step taken this year was the creation of the Student Alliance Officer position, filled by Larry Sparkes. "It's a full-time position for communication," Sparkes said.

Handling several calls a day from students with concerns, his job includes forming the East Lansing Student Alliance where students and residents can get together to discuss important issues.

"We're going to meet and form a constitution. I didn't want to form a constitution without the student's input," Sparkes said.

Residents also took an active part in repairing the relationship. Communication Professor Bill Donohue, a member of the Community Relations Coalition, said that everyone has been very enthusiastic about discussing problems. "I've seen an eagerness on the part of (both) groups. There is no shortage of motivation. There doesn't seem to be any major barriers that keep people from talking."

The Resident Housing Association (RHA) played a role in shaping future campus and city relationships as well. "RHA exercised many forms of communication with the citizens, but the most effective and frequently used form is the representation that RHA sends to the University Student Commission," said Eric Stoddard, a student representative at RHA.

The student government also took great steps to improve problems. Mike Webber, president of ASMSU, said that everyone he has talked with has had a positive approach to improving the situation. "I've heard of residents who invite their student neighbors over for dinner," he said.

However, John Jacobson, a representative from the Resident Housing Association, said that although people have been communicating, establishing positive relationships is still a daily battle. "It's all a matter of taking things one step at a time. It's a one day at a time process."

Story By: Kirsten Anne Fredrickson Design By: Robert Madsen





From left to right, Stacie Patten, Matthew Herek, Beth Hubbard, Patrick Maguire and Hattie Tacklebury present a check for \$5,500 to Mayor Mark Meadows to help pay for riot damages in the city. Members of SPARTY, a group that worked to mend relations between the city of East Lansing and MSU, raised the money along with ASMSU. The Spartan Marching Band also raised \$1,005 for the city.

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Student Alliance Officer Larry Sparks talks with Philanthropy Chair Trevor Watson of Tau Kappa Epsilon in his office. Instead of working against students, the police department has been working with them to make East Lansing safer and more comfortable for all residents. This cooperation has been a major factor in mending relations after the riots of 1999.

Law enforcement officials and students are no longer enemies. They have been working together to rebuild East Lansing as well as the relationship between the university and residents of the city. By raising money, fixing damage and reaching out to each other, residents and students began to appreciate and respect each other once again.



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55,500 to ween the city. April May Teague

Students and residents band together in the September 26 Walk Against AIDS along Grand River Avenue. Many students have worked with residents to improve the relationship between the university and the city. The walk was just one of many joint activities in East Lansing that narrowed the gap between MSU and the city.

#### Attack of the LPB's

#### Students' Favorite Web Pages

hat would you do if someone called you an LPB? Would you... a) get mad? b) run away? c) laugh and say, "damn right!" If you said "c," you've had a taste of the sweetness of the Ethernet. An LPB, in Internet gaming terms (at least in Quake), is a Low Ping Bastard. Your "ping" time is the speed at which information is transferred between your computer and the computer of the server you are logged on to. The lower your ping time, the more of an LPB you are. And with the superfast 'net connections available to us all over campus, we definitely qualify.

Bobbi Thorndycraft, a Lyman Briggs freshman, raves about her Ethernet connection, "I love it! I think it's great! But I found it upsetting when my computer started slowing down the Internet instead of a modem - my computer just wouldn't load stuff up as

fast as the Internet was sending it!"

The Ethernet had lots of us downloading, uploading, surfing, chatting and eating up web-content as quickly as webmasters could put it up. Many of us took advantage of our incredibly fast speeds - many Kilobytes per second faster than normal modem connections - in a wide variety of ways. While we did use it for research, the majority of Ethernet users found themselves using it mainly for recreation, with chatting and e-mail at the top of the list. Free programs such as Mirabilis' ICQ and America Online's Instant Messenger helped many students keep in touch with friends and family members. These programs, unlike e-mail and "snail-mail," allow instantaneous communication over the computer.

However, Hannah Rutherford, a no-preference sophomore, had

different priorities.

"I use it more for research -- I'm just not a big Internet girl. My roommate is always online for recreation, though. She finds all kinds of cool stuff," she said.

Although it seems that everyone is diving excitedly into the technology pool, there are some students who don't feel the need to participate. Mike Wildbur, a journalism freshman, is one. Neither he nor his roommate felt they needed to have a computer in their dorm room. They spent their free time in front of the good old television.

"When I need to use a computer, I just go to the computer lab in the basement of my hall," Wildbur explained. "I rarely ever use (the Internet), unless I'm so bored that I can't think of anything

more productive to do.'

Many students chose to bring computers from home or buy one to bring to school. Advantages of owning a computer are clear in situations such as this: You wake up at 4:00 in the morning from a nightmare that you forgot to write your English paper, only to realize that it's true. You know that not doing the paper is not an option. If you own a computer, you can just shuffle on over to your desk and type away. That's a whole lot easier than waking up neighbors to use their computer, or finding an open computer lab in the middle of the night.

During her first year, Rutherford suffered similar computer

wasn't enough. Sometimes I had to wait until late at night to get anything done, even just check my e-mail. It was craziness." She learned from her experience and brought her own computer this In addition to the homework advantage, communication with distant friends becomes easier

pains. "Last year there were two labs and lots of

computers in Brody," she said. "But it simply

if you have a computer on which you can down-

load free messenger programs.

"I brought my computer so that I wouldn't have to use other peoples'," said statistics freshman James Warmels. "I can do homework on it and interact, like go on the Internet and chat with friends back home." In the Hokey-Pokey style, Warmels added, singing, "That's what it's all about!"

> Story By: Amanda Hensley Design By: Robert Madsen





Jessica Williams-Carso

Audiology and speech sciences freshman Kimberly Tarasento works at her computer in her room while an AllAdvantage.com ad flashes at the bottom of her screen. AllAdvantage offers to pay students per hour that they surf the web, as long as you keep the ad up on

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David Linsey

"I love it! I think it's great! But I found it upsetting when my computer started slowing down the Internet instead of a modem - my computer just wouldn't load stuff up as fast as the Internet was sending it!"

#### - Bobbi Thorndycraft

Students work in the lab at 3340 Engineering Building. CSE 452 and 498 - intense computer science courses - meet in this lab to work on subjects such as programming, hardware and software implementation.



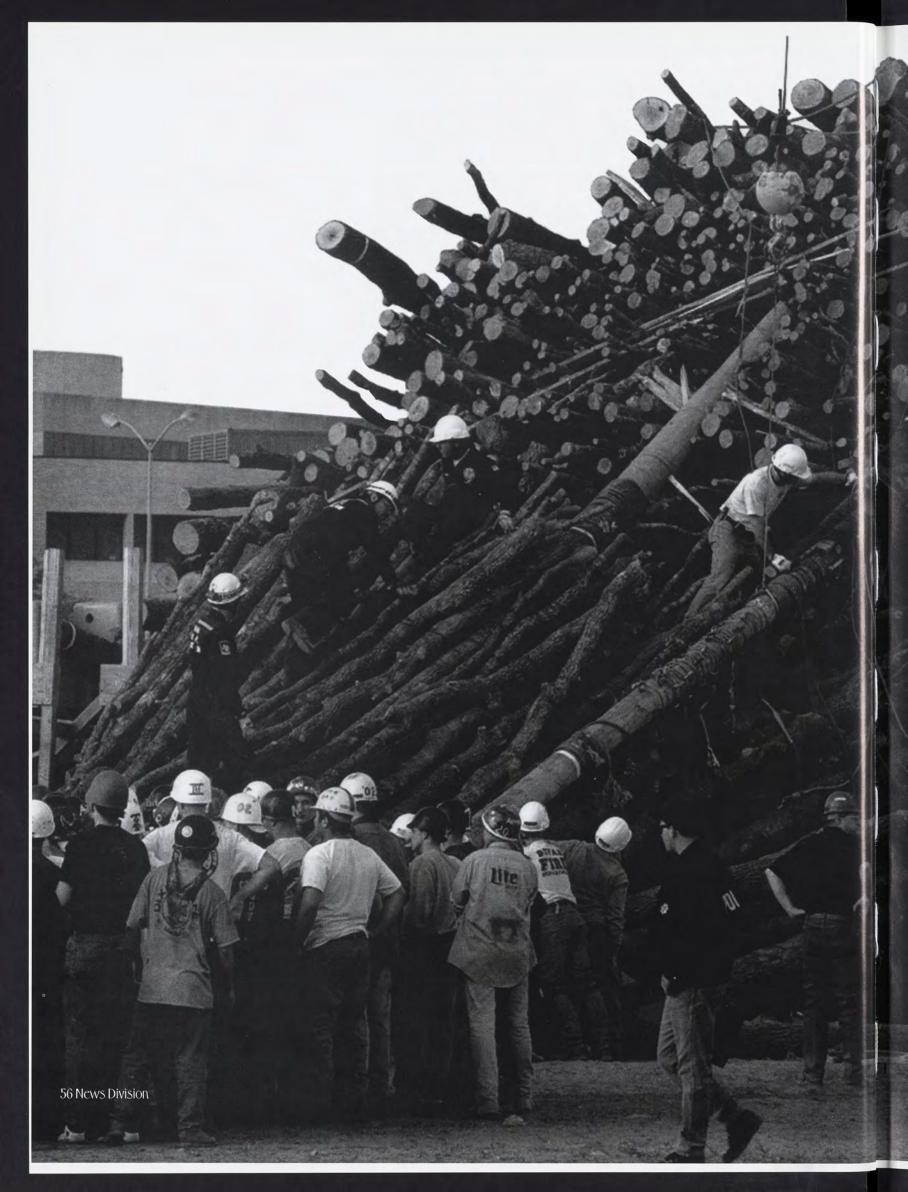
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Students work hard on computers in the lab at the Union which contains both IBM and Macintosh computers. This large lab has enough computers that there is rarely a line to use them.

One of campus' many labs waits for students to come in and use the computers. The labs are used year-round, especially nearer to the end of the semester, during "term paper season"



# Breaking News

"All I know is just what I read in the papers."
-Will Rogers



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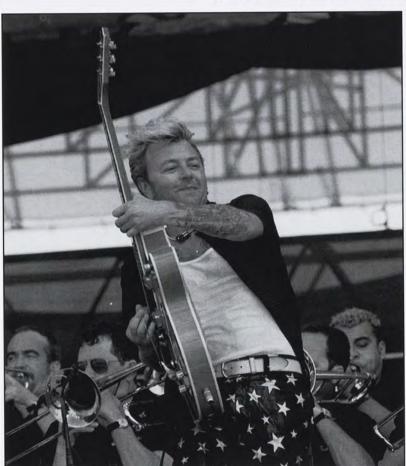
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The new "Woodstock" stamp is unveiled by Woodstock founder John Roberts, Grateful Dead drummer Mickey Hart, Vice President of Area Operations of the New York Metro Area US Post Office David Solomon, and District Manager for the New York District USPS Vinnie Malloy, uly 8, 1999, in New York. The stamp is a part of the USPS's "Celebrate the Century Program," marking the 30th anniversary of Woodstock.



Brian Setzer leads his orchestra as they play on the final day of Woodstock '99. At its peak, the three-day festival drew 225,000 fans, but by afternoon a steady flow of traffic was heading out. 58 News



Alaska's Jewel performs on the final day of Woodstock '99, Sunday, July 25, 1999. The concert was held at a former air base in Rome, New York.

## Everything's Changed



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Trash fills the field in front of the east stage and the Peter Max facade at Woodstock '99, Monday morning, July 26, 1999. What began with scattered bonfires near the close of Woodstock '99 Sunday night ended in a destructive melee that was finally quieted early in the morning.

Story By: Sarah Bazetta Design By: Kathryn Harper

Rome - Some called it a mockery of what the original stood for. Some called it the breeding grounds for sexual misconduct against women. Some loved the music, some said the music was a loke. But whatever the outcome was, Woodstock '99 definitely had a completely different vibe than the previous two festivals.

Woodstock '99 was held at Griffis Air Force Base in Rome, New York, on July 23, 24, and 25, 1999, and it soon became clear that his Woodstock would not invoke he images of peace and love that he first concert so beautifully depicted (30 years ago). Many conert-goers said the concert of 1999 was really just a big party and that lew cared about the music.

Early on, there was a feeling of mimosity towards the organization of Woodstock. Patrons were upset that bottled water cost a whopping \$5 a bottle, and that Griffis Air Force Base was a depressing Cold War relic. The stages

were set miles apart from one another, and security was everywhere, banishing the idea of "free love."

Seen as even more corporate than Woodstock '94, Woodstock '99 caused much buzz earlier in the year that this might be the host of the reunion concert for Guns 'n Roses. However, with Axle Rose and the boys backing out faster than you can say "Where's Jimi when you need him," today's topselling bands became the biggest draw. A far cry from Jefferson Airplane and Janis Joplin, Woodstock '99 became the host to edgy, aggressive, rap-metal bands such as Korn, Limp Bizkit and Michigan native Kid Rock. Woodstock 69's anthem of "Give Peace a Chance" became Limp Bizkit's anthem of "Take off your shirt."

"It probably would have been kind of cool to go, just to say I went to Woodstock. But the bands weren't that great and it seemed too corporate. If Guns 'n Roses would've played, I definitely would have been there," said Ryan Pettengill, history sophomore.

The aging, though still kickin', rockers Metallica closed out Friday's set. The audience seemed ambivalent to the earlier performances of such mellower acts as Dave Matthews and Jewel, and only longed to hear music from the likes of the Chemical Brothers or Creed: music that would inspire the young women to strip. Soon all eyes were focused on the many naked women wandering the base, and the men trying to grope and grab them.

"I'm not saying it wasn't cool about the naked girls wandering around, but sometimes some people were better left covered up," said freshman Robert Wong.

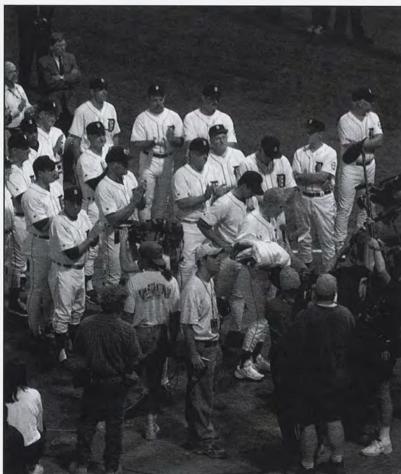
After the initial shock of Woodstock '99 was over, reports surfaced of alleged rapes against women in the mosh pits during the Rage Against the Machine and Limp Bizkit sets. Although the bands vehemently deny their music sparked such behavior, many women had been reported as saying they heard Fred Durst of Limp Bizkit egging the raucous men on. The final event that ended the sur-

real Woodstock'99 occurred on Sunday, during the Red Hot Chili Peppers cover of Jimi Hendrix's "Fire." Whether it was sparked from the hacked-up prices on necessary items for patrons, the rampant nudity, or the alleged egging on from the Peppers' frontman Anthony Keidis, soon Rome, New York, was ablaze. What started as innocent bonfires quickly erupted into burning personal belongings and various items on the base, for the sheer fun of it. Thousands of concertgoers sat back and watched the destruction occur.

"When the fires started, I knew it had reached this unstoppable point. But I really don't think the Chili Peppers had anything to do with it," said Mary Smith, freshman.

Woodstock '99 ended July 25 amidst a swarm of testosterone, toppling speaker towers and the violation of women. Many asked, "What happened to the original message of Woodstock?" It was lost long ago, unfortunately, with the deaths of all the peacemakers.

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Former Detroit Tigers players meet at home plate during the closing ceremony at Tiger Stadium September 27, 1999. The Tigers brought back former players to help close out Tiger Stadium for the final game.

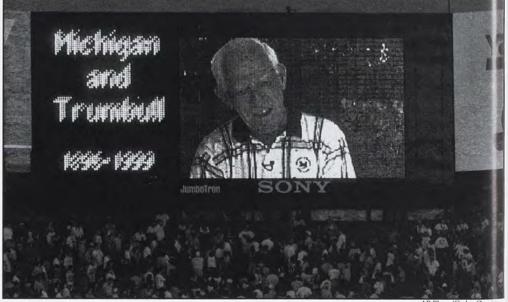


Fans rest their feet on the Detroit Tigers dugout painted for the final year of play at Tiger Stadium which opened as Bennett Park, April 28, 1896. Bennett Park was torn down and the Stadium in its present configuration opened as Navin Field in 1912, five days after the Titanic sank. The name was changed to Briggs Stadium and finally, in 1961, to Tiger Stadium.



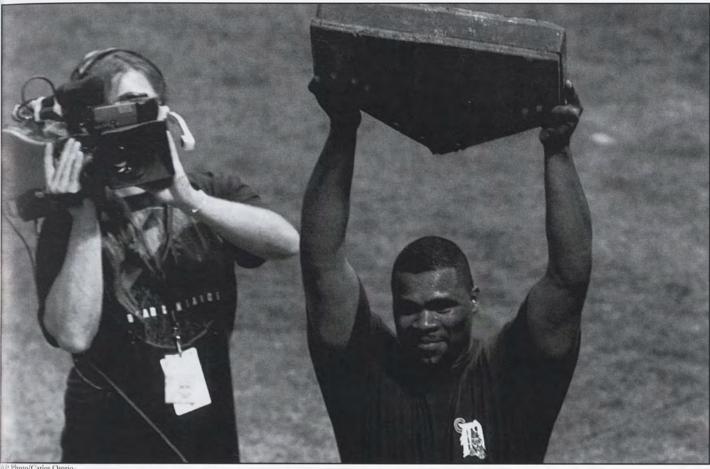
AP Photo/Carlos Osorio

Marvin Wellsted of Taylor, Michigan, walks through Tiger Stadium in Detroit on September 2, 1999. After 103 years at the site on Michigan and Trumbull streets, the Detroit Tigers will move to Comerica Park in downtown Detroit for the 2000 season.



Former Tigers manager Sparky Anderson addresses the crowd from the centerfield screen during the closing ceremony. Anderson was unable to attend the ceremony.

# Going, Going, Gone



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A Detroit Tigers groundskeeper lifts homeplate after it was excavated during the closing ceremony at Tiger Stadium. The Tigers played their last home game at Tiger Stadium, after which the homeplate was transferred to the new Comerica Park stadium.

tory By: Sarah Carpenter Design By: Kathryn Harper

Detroit - An eight-year-old blonde once sat behind Tiger Stadium's home plate waiting for former MSU Spartan Kirk Gibson to send fastball to the moon. He struck ut instead. Regardless, the little irl struggled post-game to get his utograph; evidence of her fray displayed today in the form of a light car on her left knee. A few years ater, her kid brother's hunger for stadium frank kept her from nagging a shot knocked into her eat in the ballpark's upper deck by California Angel. Lucky she was hat her grandmother plucked the oall from both the empty seat and ountless eager hands. She gave me he ball and I'll always remember ny fun at Tiger Stadium.

But this year, bittersweet baseball fans ate their last boxes of peanuts and cracker jacks in the stadium. Because of its poor condition, the Tigers millennium season begins on new dirt at Comerica Park. In the State News, Bruce Markusen, a senior researcher at the National Baseball Hall of Fame in Cooperstown, N.Y., said teams today need new ballparks in order to compete. He said the structure, (built in 1901), was one of the granddaddies of major league ballparks.

MSU baseball coach Ted Mahan said, "In 1976, I remember watching Tiger pitcher Mark 'The Bird' Fidrych talk to the ball and fix the mound by himself. And I'm definitely going to miss the old place. But teams generally do better in a newer place."

Money created by the new park should attract free agents, therefore attracting better players and enhancing the fan experience, Mahan said. Comerica Park's lower seating capacity is supposed to decrease the number of seats with an obstructed view. Whereas Tiger Stadium could hold about 110% of those currently enrolled at MSU, Comerica Park capacity is 40,000. The old facility catered to smaller athletes, while the new facility will cater to growth, Mahan said.

However, the roar of the old stadium reverberates in the hearts and minds of many.

"The great part about the stadium was its neighborhood location. Places nowadays are surrounded by parking lots," history professor David Bailey said.

Douglas Noverr, sports history

specialist and Department of American Thought and Language chairperson said, "With the stadium switch, the American League has ended a significant era of old ballpark history. Its closing ends the millennium."

MSU graduate Barbara Sorenson also reminisced about her days at Tiger Stadium: "My dad used to talk about Ty Cobb rounding the bases and he'd take me to games when I was little. The whole thing makes me feel nostalgic."

On September 27, 1999, more than a century after its conception, the final game was played at Tiger Stadium. Engineering senior Tiffany Moran was there. "It was an emotional experience," she said. "There was sadness in the air."

Tiger Stadium 61

# Y2 What?



Microsoft Chairman Bill Gates sits on stage during a video portion of the Windows 95 Launch Event Aug. 24, 1995, on the company's campus in Redmond, Wash. The word "start" is spelled out behind Gates. A Harvard University dropout, Gates co-founded Microsoft with Paul Allen in 1975. By 1980, he had licensed his MS-DOS operating system to IBM for its inaugural personal computer. Microsoft's Windows 95 computer operating system and Internet Explorer browser debuted in 1995 at the dawn of the Internet age. Gates is considered to be the world's richest private citizen with an estimated worth of 90 billion dollars.

Story By: Sarah Carpenter Design By: Antoinette Koritnik

New York - \$%^%&^)\*&(+) Oops, that must've been a Y2K glitch.

Just kidding. The computer systems at MSU are A-OK. Rochele Cotter, coordinator of MSU's Progress 2000 Team, said MSU's computers are in good shape despite an error in the way computers and their programs understand dates.

Originally, computer pro-

grams were written to read dates in the two-digit form to save money. But some folks feared that with the millennium approaching, computers would not know the difference between 1900 and 2000 because it would read both dates as "00."

The State News reported that as of February 1999, MSU had spent 55,000 hours and roughly \$2 million to make the university Y2K compliant. Probably because MSU's Y2K Team consisted of 20 full-time and more

than 100 part-time technicians, whose work resulted in MSU making an honor roll of compliance.

We were deemed ready for Y2K according to a list released by the Department of Education.

Cotter said, "We've fixed the payroll systems ourselves. We've replaced it. A system that we worked with the original company to fix is the financial aid piece of the student information system."

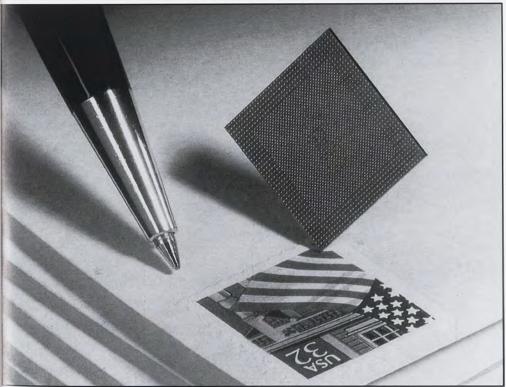
In extreme cases, it was thought that colleges and universities might have problems with heating systems breaking down, student records mangling or building and security systems failing.

But what happened instead was better. We won the Citrus Bowl, we ate, drank and were merry. And we heard that Prince song for the last time.



AP Photo/Mark Lennihan

John Bailey of New York City walks through Times Square wearing festive Year 2000 eyewear Thursday, Dec. 30, 1999, in New York. Times Square hosted 24 hours of New Year's Eve celebration.



AP Photo/IBM, Tom Way

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A computer chip from International Business Machines Corp. --IBM-- is shown next to a postage stamp when it was innounced June 9, 1997. The silicon chip, called a microprocessor, is the brain of IBM's S/390 G server. IBM launched its Personal Computer --PC-- in 1981 with the first microprocessors, running computers and most electronic devices in our computer-driven society. IBM is the world's largest technology group.

### Who Wants To Be A Millionaire?



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Nick Saban coaches the Spartans on the sideline during a home game. The team won every home game of the 1999-2000 season under coach Nick Saban and lost only two on the road.

Story By: Sarah Carpenter Design By: Antoinette Koritnik

East Lansing - The men of the gridiron gained a new leader this year. Bobby Williams, who had served the last ten seasons as the running back coach and acted as the associate head coach for the 1999 season, was appointed to be the university's 21st head football coach on Dec. 5, 1999.

Williams' appointment to the top was a result of Nick Saban's goodbye. A goodbye to go to LSU for \$1.2 million and a chance to gain more support from both the President and the student body.

Some wondered how Saban could do such a thing, especially a month before the Spartans big debut at the Florida Citrus Bowl. But it all happened for the best. Under Williams wing, the Spartans beat the Gators in Orlando, 37 34. The No. 9 Spartans earned their first 10-win season since 1965 with their victory over No. 10 Florida. The Citrus Bowl was MSU's first bowl victory since 1990.

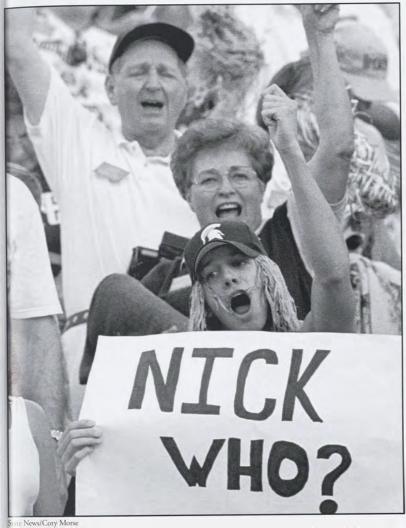
Around press time for the win, team members were quoted as saying they came together to win the bowl for Williams. Unappreciated abandonment aside, linebacker Julian Peterson said, "Williams is go-

ing to have a great recruiting class, and the tradition will go on. We'll go out and try to win the national championship next year with him. This is a good step. He can prepare the younger guys for greater goals."

Even Saban himself said in an interview that Williams has a proven track record and he's been successful in the development of some outstanding running backs, like Sedrick Irvin. "He's an aggressive, dedicated coach who has a great rapport with his players," Saban said.

Before becoming head coach of MSU, Williams coached at Ball State, Eastern Michigan, Kansas and for his alma mater, Purdue, where he was a fouryear letterman and was ranked as the team's second leading rusher as a freshman. Such experience was undoubtedly p votal in his coaching of Irvin, the first Spartan in school history to reach the 1,000-yard milestone in each of his first three seasons.

In an era of lackluster leaders who seem to instill nothing but confusion, Williams seems to inspire new hope. Hope for the team and hope for the fans who fill the bleachers at Spartan Stadium each season. I heard one thing and one thing only when talking with Spartans about Williams' appointment as head coach: "Good choice!"



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is fan cheers on the Spartans, and new head coach Bobby Williams, during the January 1st trus Bowl. Many fans were bitter about head coach Nick Saban's departure before the Spartans owl appearance.



Saban spent five years in East Lansing turning Michigan State's football team into a winning team. Bobby Williams spent a decade with the Spartans before becoming the new head coach late in 1999.



bby Williams and his family stand up during a press conference where he was announced the new football head coach. Williams has been a part Spartan football history for ten years prior to taking over after Nick Saban's departure. William's first game as head coach was against Florida in e Citrus Bowl, where he led the Spartans to a 37-34 victory.

### Nature Shocks



AP Photo/Murad Scra

Fatma Tanogan, 51-year-old earthquake survivor, weeps as she looks for her belongings in her collapsed house in Golcuk, Turkey, on August 27, 1999. Turkish offici ds acknowledges for the first time Friday that the number of those left homeless by the massive earthquake could top half a million.

Story By: Theodore Roumanis Design By: Kathryn Harper

During the fall of 1999, the world encountered the destruction of three deadly earthquakes.

"Earthquakes hit as bits of the earth's crust-fractured into plates move as they float into different directions on an underlying sea of magma. Most strike harmlessly at sea or in remote, unpopulated areas. But as the world becomes more populated, casualties are bound to increase," CNN reported.

The three tremors killed over 16,000 people in Turkey, Greece and Taiwan. The number of high-magnitude earthquakes is not surprising since the earth experiences 18 tremors measuring 7.0 or greater and four or five above the dangerous 7.6 Richter scale level per year.

The first of the catastrophic earthquakes hit Turkey's northwest region on Aug. 17, 1999. The powerful quake measured 7.4 on the Rich-66 News ter scale and claimed the lives of 15,000 people. The Turkish cities of Goluck and Yalova were hit the hardest. Emergency teams consisting of Malaysians, Turks and Turkish Cypriots used large cranes, jackhammers and other tools to tear away at the collapsed buildings in hopes of finding any survivors. About 85 to 95 percent of rescues occurred within the first 48 hours, but that didn't stop rescue teams and loved ones from continuing the search for missing persons.

The Turkish quake lasted 45 seconds and was actually two quakes occurring 20 seconds apart. The quake left behind an estimated 200,000 homeless and a foul stench hanging over the city due to a lack of running water, toilets and electricity. Aftershocks were common after the earthquake, and Turkish citizens were left with a wandering notion of how their government would improve living conditions.

Only a few weeks later, on Sept.

7, 1999, another deadly quake hit Athens, Greece. It registered a 5.9 on the Richter scale, injuring over 1,500 people and killing 112 others.

CNN reported that: "Officials in Athens declared a one-day state of emergency Wednesday, Sept. 8, 1999, and urged residents to stay out of damaged homes until the buildings could be inspected. Hundreds of aftershocks-including a midnight jolt that registered a magnitude of 4.7-have kept nerves on edge in the Greek capital. Many residents, fearing their homes could collapse, slept overnight in parks."

Buildings, apartment complexes and factories were hit the hardest in Athens' northern suburbs, but no damage was found on Athens' ancient historical sites. Greece's last deadly quake occurred in 1981 near the city of Loutraki. It registered a 6.6 on the Richter scale.

On Sept. 28, 1999, Taiwan received a great blow when an earthquake measuring 7.3 on the Richter scale demolished the island. The epicenter was located near the city of Puli, where 8,500 people were injured, 2,000 were found dead, 100,000 people were left temporarily homeless and 6,000 buildings were wrecked. This was the island's worst natural disaster in 64 years.

Taiwan suffered many aftershocks and experienced inefficient rescue efforts. Worried residents expressed concerns about the possibilities of future earthquakes as well as any political and economical aftershocks that may occur.

With three deadly quakes occurring in a little over a month, people around the world were overwhelmed with the prospect that the 20th century may go down in rubble. Their concerns were immediately discredited when experts announced that the three quakes were not connected. As people around the globe picked up the pieces of their lives, they continue to hope for a better millennium.

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Taiwanese Army soldiers carry furniture from damaged buildings to clear the way for rescuers in Hsinchuang near Taipei, September 21, 1999, after a powerful earthquake struck Taiwan, killing more than 1,500 people and destroying hundreds of homes. The quake had a preliminary magnitude of 7.6 and was centered 145 kilometers (90 miles) southwest of Taipei.



AP Photo/Jose Luis Magan

Bricks and other debris lie on top of a row of parked cars in Mexico City following an earthquake in Mexico City September 30, 1999. A strong earthquake hit southern Mexico, over 200 miles southest of Mexico City, causing buildings to sway in the capital for several minutes.



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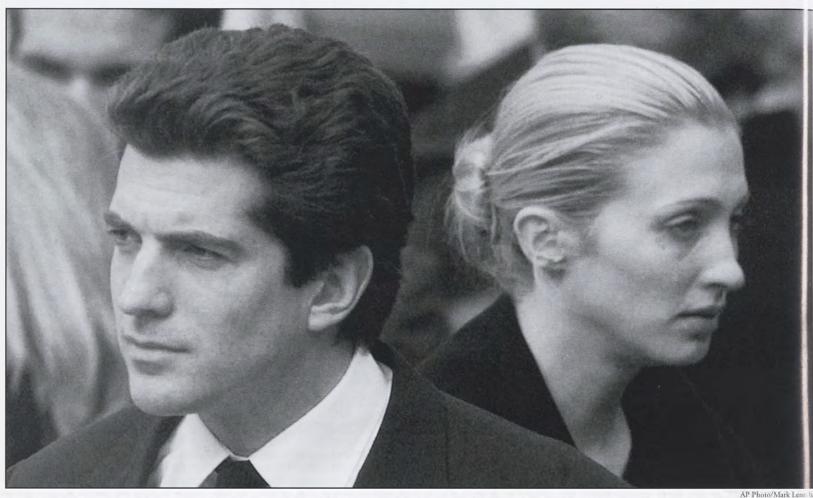
A rescuer gestures towards the crowd as he stands behind a pile of furniture and debris from an apartment building destroyed by the earthquake in Hsinchuang, near Taipei, Taiwan, September 21, 1999. High-rise apartment buildings were knocked off foundations and roads buckled into waves of asphalt when a powerful earthquake struck Taiwan. More than 1,500 people were killed and hundreds of homes were detroyed.



AP Photo/Burhan Ozbilic

A photo album of an unidentified couple lies amidst the rubble of a collapsed building after police inspected it for important documents as intensive rescue work continued in Yalova on August 23, 1999. As rains threatened to make aid and rescue efforts more difficult, the official casualty count crept to over 12,100 dead and 33,300 injured.

# Broken Wings



John Kennedy Jr. and his wife, Carolyn Bessette-Kennedy, attend the funeral of his cousin Michael Kennedy at Our Lady of Victory Church in Centerville, Mass., Saturday, Jan. 3, 1998. Michael Kennedy was killed in a skiing accident Dec. 31, 1997. Kennedy Jr. and his wife were killed in a plane crash July 16, 1999.

Story By: Ted Roumanis Design By: Antoinette Koritnik

A series of nationally recognized plane crashes shocked the world in the summer and fall of 1999. These accidents brought untimely deaths to a national icon, a remarkable golf champion, a jumbo jet full of American citizens and passengers flying to the Azores Islands.

On July 16, 1999, America's "royal family," was affected by yet another tragedy. National icon John F. Kennedy, Jr., with wife Carolyn Bessette Kennedy and sister-in-law Lauren Bessette, died in a plane crash off the coast of Massachusetts. "John-John," as the media referred to him since childhood, crashed his Piper Saratoga II HP single-engine plane only a year after obtaining his pilot's license. The accident left the nation and the Kennedy family in awe of another catastrophic loss.

Another tragedy took place on Oct. 25, 1999, when Payne Stewart's Learjet crashed to the ground at an estimated 600 mph. The plane departed from Orlando, Fla., en route to Texas. It was placed on autopilot for most of the 1400 miles before it lost fuel and crashed into a South Dakota pasture.

"Stewart, 42, was one of the world's most recognizable golfers in his old-style knickerbocker trousers and trademark cap," CNN reported.

Stewart was a great golfer with many accolades. He was a PGA Championship winner and a twotime U.S. Open champion. His latest world ranking was 8th and he was on the verge of becoming even more successful. Stewart, along with five other passengers, was found dead in a hole 40 feet wide and 10 feet deep, caused by the disastrous crash.

Just four days later, on Oct. 31, 1999, EgyptAir Flight 990 plummeted 33,000 feet into the Atlantic Ocean, just 50 miles south of Nantucket Island. The 10 year-old Boeing 767-300ER was carrying 217 people when it plummeted into the water 33 minutes after leaving New York for Cairo. The disastrous

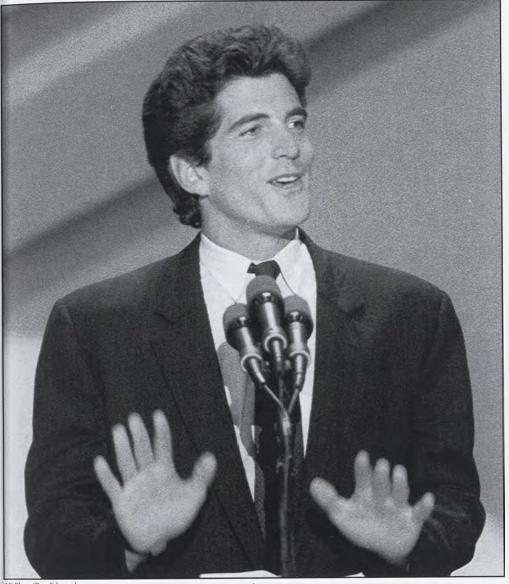
collision signaled no distress calls from any of the pilots and fell nearly 300 feet per second. Over half of the plane's passengers were American citizens on their way to a glorious tour of the Mid-East.

Another ocean plane crash took place in the Mid-Atlantic near Portugal. The SATA, a Portuguese passenger plane, was holding 35 people and crashed on the Sao Jorge Island located 1000 miles from mainland Portugal. The plane crashed due to horrifying weather conditions, killing all 35 people aboard.

The plane crashes that plagued the summer and fall of 1999 will long live in the minds of people around the world.

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John F. Kennedy, Jr. speaks to the Democratic National Convention in Atlanta in this June 30, 1988 photo as he introduces his uncle, Sen. Edward M. Kennedy.



John F. Kennedy, Jr. is seen in a flower arrangement at the front of the residence of Kennedy Jr., and his wife Carolyn Bessette Kennedy, in New York July 19, 1999. Divers plunged into the Atlantic and a hightech vessel scoured the ocean floor for the wreckage of the plane.



The U.S. Navy ship Grasp works a search and recovery area in Block Island Sound some seven miles west of Gary Head, Mass. July 21, 1999. The Grasp was part of the search and recovery effort looking for John F. Kennedy, Jr., and his missing plane. The wreckage of John F. Kennedy, Jr.'s airplane was located with Kennedy's body still aboard and the Navy readied a recovery mission off the Plane Crashes 69 coast of Martha's Vineyard, Mass., according to government and family sources.

# Heated Debate



April May Te gue

December 31, 1999, the Agriculture Hall was set on fire due to protest of cloning vegetables. Workers put in endless hours trying to put the oldest building back to its normal state.

Story By: Sarah Carpenter Design By: Kathryn Harper

East Lansing - At 8:30 p.m. on New Years Eve, one of the oldest buildings on campus went up in flames.

A fire in the northeast corner of Agriculture Hall, reported to the fire department by a man working in the building, caused an estimated \$400,000 in damages to faculty offices. Offices of the Institute for International Agriculture, the Department of Agricultural Economics and the Department of Agriculture Education and Communication withstood the most damage,

while an MSU extension computer facility also suffered.

Faculty offices were temporarily relocated in Olds Hall and Wills House, but classrooms were operational for the first day of spring semester classes. Faculty offices were reconstructed thereafter. Ironically, the hall had just received a two-year \$8 million face-lift, but none of the renovations were damaged.

Fire investigators suspected an arsonist sparked the blaze after MSU Police and the U.S. Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms found accelerates at the scene. A \$5,000 reward was offered for information leading to the arrest of the arsonist. There was speculation that the attack might have resulted from infuriation over the university's involvement in the genetic modification of food. Some said that it might have been closely related to a late November protest that turned downtown Seattle and Capitol Hill into riot zones during a World Trade Organization conference where more than 500 people were arrested.

Three weeks after the fire, the Earth Liberation Front, a radical environmentalist group, announced that they were responsible for the blaze. The group reportedly targeted a specific faculty member because of her biotechnology research on the genetic engineering of crops.

The State News reported that the last time arsonists struck on campus was in 1992 when animal rights activists torched an agricultural office in Anthony Hall and set many lab animals free.

MSU Trustee David Porteous said the incident "ripped his heart out."

"Senseless destruction disgusts me," he said. Luckily, nobody was injured by the blaze.



Lansing State Journal

The newly renovated Agriculture Hall goes up in flames in the early morning hours of the new year. Arson was suspected, however officials found no signs of who was at fault.



When the When the Agriculture Hall was set on fire, everything inside the affected area was completely destroyed. The wokers dug through every piece of debris to find any remnants of important documents. documents.





# Residence Halls

The old believe everything, the middle-aged suspect everything, and the young know everything.





Jason Huynh



April May Teague



April May Teague Design By: David Linsey



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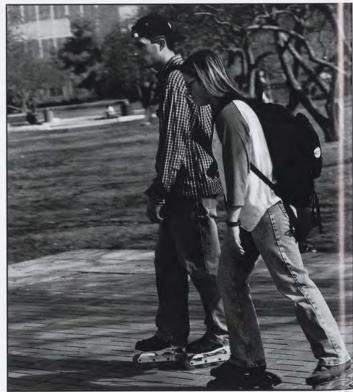


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## Life In Shaw

Amy Pasternak, Junior, Political Science

"I lived in an apartment the last two years, this is my first time living in a dorm. It's a hard adjustment. I don't think I'll live in a dorm next year."

Alex Keefe, Junior, Computer Engineering

"It's pretty sweet. I got hooked up with a corner room, in a single by myself. It's nice. I have a good time."



3 Snyder



3 Snyder



3 Snyder



Terrace Phillips



1 Phillips



2 Phillips



3 Phillips



1 Abbott

# Life In North Complex

Eva Grant, Sophomore, Pre-Med

"I'm not too keen on the community bathrooms, but oh well. It's pretty cool I guess. Decent."

Luke Goodrich, Freshman, History

"I like living here. There's some cool people around. I'm moving to the terrace next year, keeping the same roommate. My only complaint would be the loud neighbors."



2 Abbott

# North Complex/Brody Complex

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Mason



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Armstrong Girls



3a&b Armstrong



Armstrong



4a&b Armstrong





4a Butterfield



2b Butterfield



4b Butterfield



1a Bailey

# Life In West Circle

Quynn Johnson, Freshman, Pre-Med

"It's nice. It's convenient because it's close to Grand River, close to 7-11."

Noah Andrews, Junior, Political Science

"I like it here, my roommate's awesome. I met him here and we're best friends now. We're definitely living here next year."



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# **Brody Complex**

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3a Bailey



1b Bailey



b Bailey



Bryan



3 Bryan



4a Bailey



2b Bailey



4b Bailey



2a Bryan

# Life In Brody

Ruth Harris, Freshman, Marketing

"Brody is good because of the big rooms, but we don't have bathrooms. We have to go outside to eat, and it's really far from campus. But I guess it's a good freshman dorm."

Keith Fox, Freshman, Psychology

"It's alright, I guess, nothing too great. (The location) makes it harder to get up and go out. You don't want to go because it's farther away."



3b Bryan



2a Emmons



2b Emmons



1a Rather



Brian Hawley, Freshman, Mechanical Engineering

"I don't mind it. It's just a place to be right now. I'll be living here next year, too. I'll have a single."

Jessica Dadas, Sophomore, International Relations and Eastern Asian Studies

"I love living here. Initially I didn't, but I love the people I've met and always having people to hang out with."



4b Bryan



3a Emmons



4b Emmons



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# Brody Complex/South Complex





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# South Complex



2 South Case



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6 North Wonders



4 South Wonders



2 East Holden



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6 South Case



3 South Wonders



5 South Wonders

## Life In Wonders

James Ellis, Freshman, Undecided

"I like it alright. I don't really get that involved but I get along with everyone okay."

Tiffany Hedrich, Sophomore, Landscape Architecture

"This is my first year in wonders. Last year I was in Holden. I think Wonders is better. There are more activites and the people here are friendlier."



3 East Holden



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# South Complex

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6 West Holden Guys



1 East Wilson



3 East Wilson



6 East Wilson



5 West Holden



6 West Holden Girls



2 East Wilson



5 East Wilson

## Life In Wilson

Aaron Krueger, Freshman, BioMedical Engineering

"I like the hall a lot. I like the majority of the people in my hall; the second half are all baseball players, so they're kind of secluded from everyone. But everyone else is cool."

Holly Prys, Sophomore, English

"I like it. I have a couple people I'm close to on my floor. It's nice to have the cafe here, easy to get food. I'm a sophomore, so I'll be living in a house next year."

### Life In Akers

Trent Coleman, Freshman, Marketing

"Akers is a nice place to live. It's hard to stay with so many people in the room, but overall it's a decent dorm. There's a lot of different people."

Michelle Kaminski, Sophomore, Animal Science

"Well, I live in one of the apartments. We don't really have much to do with the dorms. It's pretty much like any apartment. We're by ourselves."







3 West Wilson



2 East Holmes



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# South Complex

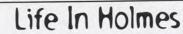
### 2 West Holmes



3 West Holmes



5 West Holmes



David Nielubowicz, Junior, Mechanical Engineering

"It's okay, I like it. I'll be living here next year, mostly for the conve-

Jacqueline Weller, Freshman, Nursing

"I like the fact that we have classes downstairs and that we live with the same people that we have in our classes. It's really nice to be able to walk around campus and see people you know. Plus, if you need to work with your lab partner, they're only a floor or two away instead of a few miles."



4 West Holmes



6 West Holmes



# 2 East Akers



3 East Akers



5 West Akers



6 West Akers



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3 East McDonel



# East Complex



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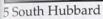
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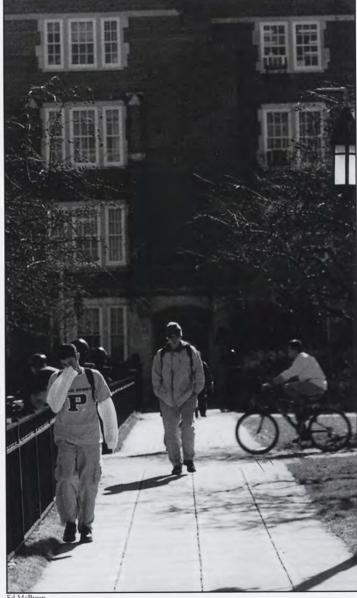
# Life In Hubbard

Joe Malis, Freshman, Mechanical Engineering
"I like it. I'm coming back next year. I've got a lot of friends on my floor."

Melissa Fregonara, Freshman, Business
"It's alright. The elevators are faster here because we have 12 floors. I like it because you meet more people, but I'd rather have more privacy. I get sort of distracted because I want to talk to people."



7 South Hubbard





# Greek Life

"Each friend represents a world in us, a world possibly not born until they arrive, and it is only by this meeting that a new world is born."

-Anais Nin



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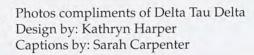
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Panhellenic Council

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Delta Tau Delta was founded nationally in 1858 at Bethany College after it was discovered that a talent show had consistently been rigged. The group exposed the injustice of the fix and has been striving for fair play ever since. President Ted Wilson said the chapter places high value on both accountability and integrity.





# Δ T Δ Delta Tau Delta

35 members

President: Ted Wilson

Vice President: John VanOveran

Treasurer: Mike Petraske

Secretary: John Jacobsen



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These guys look happy to be back! After a two-year hiatus because of financial troubles, Delta Tau Delta is working on its reestablishment at MSU. House president Ted Wilson said the fraternity is looking to increase its social network. "We are getting to know others and look forward to meeting more," he said. Thirty-five members strong, strengthening community is key to Delta Tau Delta vitality.



Charitable house members welcome a snapshot. Delta Tau Delta matches other Greek organizations in its efforts to achieve excellence in academics and community service. The chapter has taken part in Safe Halloween, an event sponsored by the Greek community for trick-or-treating area children.

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# ПКА Рі Карра Alpha

103 Members

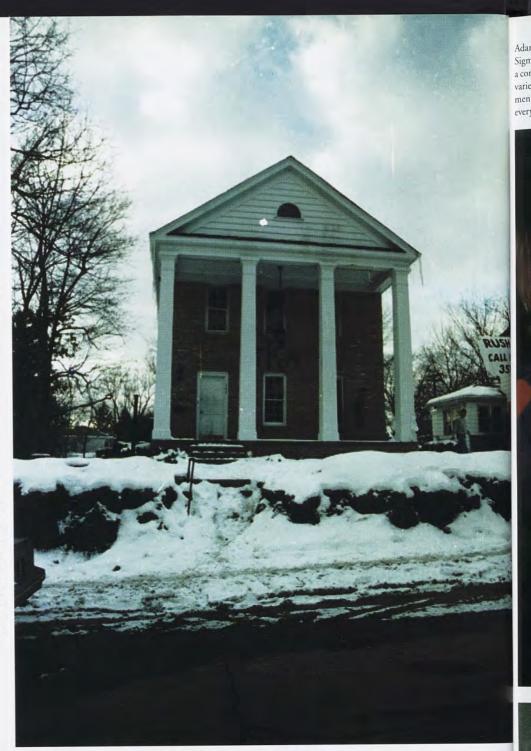
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Vice President: Chad Scott

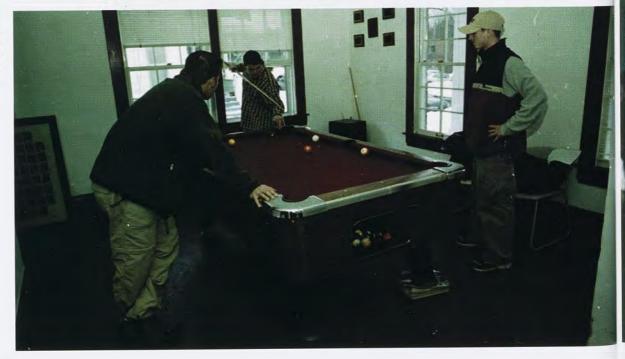
Secretary: Andy Losiniecki

Treasurer: Adam Forenest

"To Promote leadership and scholarship in a gentlemenly manner" is the motto that Pi Kappa Alpha brothers live by. Having one of the largest memberships on campus, these men pride on being nice to everyone. To show how helpful they are, they put on events such as Retro Rodeo and a philanthropy event that benefits local soup kitchens. In the spring, they also have Oakwood Neighborhood Kid's Day. All of these events take place at the Pike House, shown here.



Pike brothers are all extemely close. These active members of Pi Kappa Alpha enjoy a friendly game of pool at the house.



Adam and Aron enjoy fraternity life to the fullest at one of the Kappa Sigma gatherings. The gatherings bring out the best in brothers and build a companionship unlike any other, said Scott Slade, president. Through a variety of social events, community service activities and campus involvement, the brothers of Kappa Sigma sustain a motivation to see each and every member succeed in both school and life.



38 members

President: Scott Slade

Vice President: Steve Gorning

Treasurer: Mike Testa

Secretary: Dave Testa

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> K Σ Kappa Sigma





The men of Kappa Sigma believe the ideals they pursue will determine who they are and what they will become. For this reason, the Kappa Sigma brothers organized the first leadership conference along with other Kappa Sigma chapters around the nation. The conference took place at the Kellogg Center in February.

Kappa Sigma members and friends gather at the chapter house during Homecoming weekend to celebrate in style. The Annual Kappa Sigma Formal Homecoming Celebration provides an opportunity for members to reinforce their strong alumni backing while engaging in a social atmosphere. Almost half of the Beta Theta Pi brothers live in the fraternity house. Established nationally in 1839, the Beta Theta Pi house was designed by a student of Frank Lloyd Wright. The house can hold up to 2,500 people, making it the largest off-campus venue in East Lansing.

85 members

President:Andrew Romanosky

Vice President: Adam Musilli

Treasurer: Shaw Locke

Secretary: Sean O'Donnell







The fraternity encourages members to be well-rounded during their college years and beyond. Such well-roundedness is no doubt due to the fraternity's hosting of local music acts like Knee Deep Shag, Botfly and Daddy Long Legs. The house also is home to parties to celebrate Beta Day and Beta Halloween.

Photos compliments of Beta Theta Pi Design by: Kathryn Harper Captions by: Sarah Carpenter Beta Theta Pi is the first fraternity to establish higher academic standards than those required by MSU. The fraternity offers more than 90 scholarships nationally each year. Along with grades, Betas also pride themselves on their philanthropic involvement. They've held a helium balloon project with a local elementary school. "Wherever the balloon lands is where the grade schoolers get pen pals from," house President Andrew Romanosky said.

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Beta Theta Pi



The true team spirit of the chapter is best captured here: Alpha Chi Omega finished second at an annual powderpuff tournament. The sorority's team spirit is also shown through its philanthropic endeavors. The night before the U of M/MSU football game, Alpha Chi Omega teams up with Sigma Nu and runs all night with the game ball in order to raise funds for the Capitol Area United Way.

109 Members

President: Andrea McCrory

Vice President: Jennifer Frank

Treasurer: Megan Butler

Secretary: Stephanie Breese





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Alpha Chi Omega

The sisters of Alpha Chi Omega stand proudly in their sorority house. With "together let us seek new heights" as its motto, Alpha Chi Omega prides itself on its membership standards of academics, character, responsibility, leadership and personal development. Their purpose is to encourage sisterhood, morals and the appreciation of fine arts among its members.

Photos compliments of Alpha Chi Omega Design by: Kathryn Harper Captions by: Sarah Carpenter Symbolized by the lyre and the colors scarlet red and olive green, Alpha Chi Omega is defined by integrity, dignity, loyalty and interest. "Our participation in campus and community activities help contribute to our chapter's character," President Andrea McCrory said. These sisters show off their project of collecting school supplies to donate to underprivileged children. Alpha Phi is committed to many volunteer projects to benefit the community. Alpha Phi expectations include upholding ideals of womanhood, scholarship and service to perpetuate the spirit of sisterly love and kindness, according to historian Julie Hutt.

100 members

President: Kristy Vanitvelt

Philanthropy Chair: Elizabeth Montague

Treasurer: Emily Tompkins

Secretary: Heather Sparks



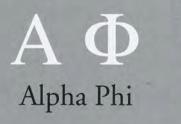


It is just another day of fun, laughter and smiles for the 52 women that live in the Alpha Phi house. The women are committed to a life of sister-hood during and after their time at MSU. In addition to the sisterhood that Alpha Phi provides, the members also pride themselves on acts of philanthropy. In December, Alpha Phi held a benefit for cardiac arrest.



On bid day, all 100 women that make up the 1999-2000 Alpha Phi sorority join together and say "cheese." The ladies of Alpha Phi are always bonded together through their pride in the sorority and commitment to the friendships that they have made through Alpha Phi.

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Chapter off gather at the At the convissues affect Chapter officers, Barb Telck, Marney Van Opynen and Michele Motichka, gather at the National Alpha Xi Delta Convention in Palm Springs, Calif. At the convention, members across the country united to discuss current issues affecting Alpha Xi Delta as a whole.



40 members

President: Marney Van Opynen

Vice President: Michelle Motichka

Treasurer: Barb Telck

Secretary: Ellie Jalovec

# AΞΔ Alpha Xi Delta

During their philanthropy mission, "Choose Children," Alpha Xi Delta women are all smiles. The philanthropy process of recruitment entails reaching out to the East Lansing and MSU communities. The chapter also sponsored a euchre tournament to benefit the Ronald McDonald House for children and a holiday party for the East Lansing community.





Alpha Xi Delta sorority women are dressed for the last stage of formal recruitment for the fall. The chapter is committed to their role in the MSU community and they consider themselves to be a very diverse group of women, according President Marney Van Opynen. Their vision is to motivate women to enrich lives through dedication, perseverance and love.

Photos compliments of Alpha Xi Delta Design by: Kathryn Harper Captions By: Sarah Bazzetta The Sigma Nu men and their friends have fun in the sun during Spring Break in Acapulco. Besides for fun and friendship, Sigma Nu is also built upon strong traditions of academics, as well as athletics. The chapter has one of the highest grade point averages and their annual MSU/U of M United Way Football Run is the largest philanthropy in the Big Ten.

90 members

President: Mike Nowak

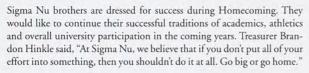
Social Chair: Brandon Yono

Philanthropy Chair: Justin Muller

Treasurer: Brandon Hinkle







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Fraternity members "ham for the cam" at one of their date parties. Date parties are one of the traditions in the Sigma Nu chapter. The brothers of Sigma Nu also pride themselves on a tradition of non-hazing. The first chapter of Sigma Nu was founded secretly by three cadets at the Virginia Military Institute as a protest to the hazing practices that were occurring at the university. The 90-member fraternity is now in its 68th year at the university.

Σ N Sigma Nu



Members of Lambda Chi Alpha proudly display the mounds of food collected for the 1999 annual "Brothers Feeding Others." Lambda Chi Alpha brothers contributed positively to their philanthropies, including the food drive, the largest fraternity philanthropy in the country. Each year the fraternity raises money to donate to the MSU Food Bank.

77 Members

President: Gabe Johnson

Vice President: Scott Gregor Mike Zeak

Treasurer: Brock Barcyzk

Secretary: Jeff Derowski

Rush Chairs: Todd Masters Andy Prysby





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Lambda Chi Alpha

Lamba Chi Alpha members pose at their annual formal in Canada. Established at MSU in 1922, the fraternity's vision is to prepare and encourage collegiate men of good character, high ethics and noble ideals to contribute positively to the world.

Photos compliments of Lambda Chi Alpha Design by: Kathryn Harper Captions By: Sarah Carpenter Fraternity members pal around at their house nicknamed "the hut." According to member Todd Masters, the house is growing very quickly. Lambda Chi Alpha focuses on personal character development through leadership, scholarship, community service and positive social experiences.

#### YY Psi Upsilon

Dressed up for one of many social events at the Psi Upsilon house, these two members are happy to be a part of the Greek system. This past year Psi Upsilon engaged in many social and philanthropic events. These events included Safe Halloween, the Delta Gamma Anchor Splash and the Kappa Delta Golf Classic.

48 members

President: Kevin J. Brandon

Vice President: Brandon Whitbread

Treasurer: Jason Mahoney

Secretary: Patrick
Armstrong

Psi Upsilon can be visited at: www.msu.edu/~psiu

Two Psi Upsilon brothers take a moment to pose for the camera inside one of the rooms at the chapter house. "The Lodge," as many of the brothers refer to it, is a place where almost half of the active members live. In addition to the friendships and brotherhood formed in the Psi Upsilon house, the members focus on academics and philanthropy.





Active Psi Upsilon members pose with two alumni who were responsible for restoring the grandfather clock in the chapter house. By maintaining a close relationship with past and present members, Psi Upsilon is able to uphold the traditions that have made the chapter successful throughout the years.

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During the "candy phase" of rush, Lauren Griggs, Jeanna Fogel, Jill Zechmeister and Terra Morrison stop in front of Kappa Delta's choo-choo train. The Kappa Delta sisters engaged in building a large train out of candy for decorative, festive and unifying purposes. When the train was built and all of the pictures were snapped, the candy was removed and placed in gift bags for children in local hospitals.

110 members

President: Emily Stout

Panhellenic Delegate: Jill Zechmeister

Vice President of Finance: Brandie Bisig

Secretary: Jessica Molter





K Δ Kappa Delta Laura Sirotti, Emily Stout and Michelle Rama are dressed for success with Kappa Delta's national officers. These three members attended the Kappa Delta National Convention in Kansas City, Missouri. The sisters abide by principles of beauty, honor and excellence. Panhellenic delegate Jill Zechmeister said, "Kappa Delta is a place for women to be themselves, make lifelong friends and blossom as an individual with the values, support and sisterhood of their sorrority."

Kappa Delta sisters Niki Skogerboa and Kristen Richter smile for the camera with local girl scouts. The girl scouts earned their etiquette badges with the help of the Kappa Deltas, by learning proper telephone manners at the Kappa Delta house. The sorority prides itself on philanthropic events that involve children.

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## $\sum \Delta T$ Sigma Delta Tau

Greenberg, Melissa Fischer, Stacey Levine, Tracy Weiss and Lindsay Glickstein dress up for a song and skit performance of "Time of our Lives." The sorority provides an exciting time of their lives through the feeling of well being. In essence, Sigma Delta Tau is a home away from home.



Greek Week offers fraternities and sororities an opportunity to display their various talents. Sigma Delta Tau sisters Jenni



51 Members

President: Tracy Weiss

Vice President: Dana Weiner

Treasurer: Nicole Cilli

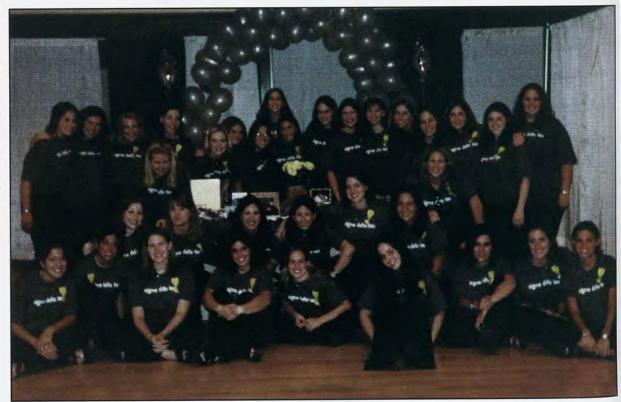
Secretary: Stacey Levine

Panhellenic Delegate: Joy Allen

Sigma Delta Tau seniors Amanda Adler and Erica Tracy stand proudly in front of their Dance-a-Thon poster. The sorority's annual philanthropy is held at the Silver Dollar each fall. This year's charity event took place on Oct. 17. Local businesses, fraternities and sororities donated money and prizes to benefit the Prevent Child Abuse America Foundation. Together, the sisters partake in activities like community service projects, school spirit events and social functions.

The Sigma Delta Tau women take a moment to pose for the camera during phase A of fall rush 1999. Their motto of "One hope of many people," is exemplified by this group shot taken at the chapter house. The Sigma Delta Tau sorority prides itself on the ideals of unity and sisterhood. The house was founded on a non-discriminatory basis and a place where women of all colors and backgrounds could work and live.

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The Delta Sigma Phi house was built in 1923. Considered the top Delta Sigma Phi chapter in the nation, the fraternity at MSU also has the largest alumni body of any chapter in the nation. The fraternity is made up of 90 members. In December 1999, Delta Sigma Phi celebrated 100 years of excellence.







90 members

President: Richard Apkarian

Vice President: David Vorce

Treasurer: Charles Megan

Secretary: Bryan Barnard

Drew Parker, Ed Rudell, Ryan Perniciaro, Jim Ruhana and Rahsaan Stone pose before a semi-formal date party. MSU's chapter is involved in many philanthropies, including a holiday charity dinner, working with the Boys and Girls Club and adopting a section of Michigan highway. On the national level, Delta Sigma Phi raises over \$100,000 per year for the March of Dimes foundation.



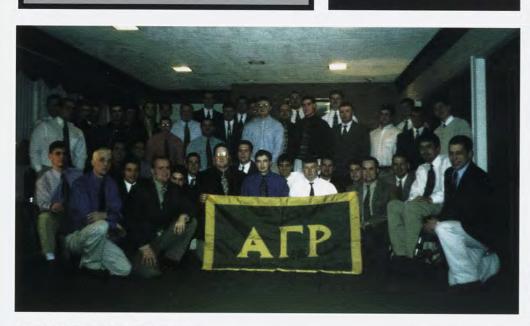
(From left to right) Ryan Perniciaro, John May, Matt Dijo, Rich Apkarian and Charlie Megan pose during a road trip to Notre Dame. According to Megan, Delta Sigma Phi's excellent reputation has much to do with the fraternity's atmosphere of closeness. Despite being one of the largest fraternities on campus, a sense of brotherhood and friendship persevere in the Delta Sigma Phi house.

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InterFraternity Council Executive Vice President Bret Schapman was elected to the 1999 Homecoming Court. Alpha Gamma Rho boasts some of the most successful young men on campus. Alpha Gamma Rho alumni include the former CEO of the W.K. Kellogg Foundation, Lieutenant Governor Richard Posthumus, and former director of the Michigan Department of Agriculture.

## A T P Alpha Gamma Rho

50 members
President: Brian Devine
Vice President: Jeff
Bristol
Secretary: Josh Bristol
Treasurer: Josh Norton





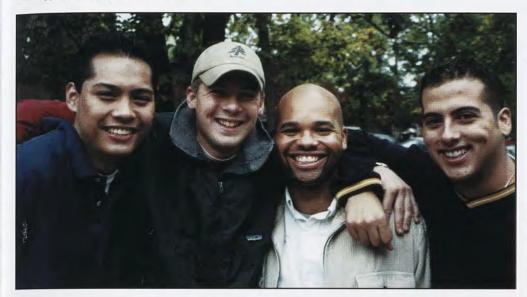
Active Alpha Gamma Rho members pose together for a group shot before a formal meeting. Currently, 30 of these men live in the chapter house. Alpha Gamma Rho's objective is to build better men with an emphasis agriculture.

Alpha Gamma Rho members dig their heels in the ground to claim a second place victory in the tug-of-war. Alpha Gamma Rho is the only social and professional fraternity in the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources. Members of Alpha Gamma Rho are involved in studies related to the agriculture, food and fiber industries. However, an agricultural background is not necessary to join.

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Active members, as well as alumni, enjoy MSU's Homecoming, but take a break from the festivities to smile for a picture. Tau Kappa Epsilon enjoyed great success in this past year's Greek Week. They placed in the top five. Tau Kappa Epsilon's football team placed second in the fraternity league. Tekes also won the rigorous CATA Bus Pull. All of these accomplishments contributed to the MSU chapter winning the Top Tau Kappa Epsilon chapter in the nation.





## TKE Tau Kappa Epsilon

89 members

President: Jason Curis

Social Chairs: Sam Bailor and Matt Randall

Philanthropy Activity Chair: Ahmed Hassouna

Treasurer: Brandin Lachinski

Tau Kappa Epsilon sponsored a variety of social events this year. They held a closed rush at Fishbones in Detroit, as well as on a riverboat on the Grand River. The chapter also participated in a ski weekend at Boyne Highlands. The Tekes carried on the tradition of tailgating at their house, as well as on campus, for the MSU football games. To top off an exciting year, the Tau Kappa Epsilon brothers celebrate at their formal held at Niagara Falls.



A group of Tau Kappa Epsilon pledges serenade sororities in their 70's duds. Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity has quickly grown into one of the largest and most highly recognized Greek organizations on campus. Tekes, as they are known, have participated in a number of philanthropic activities including Safe Halloween, Zeta Tau Alpha Crown Classic and Alpha Xi Delta Dance-a-Thon.

Photos compliments of Tau Kappa Epsilon Design by: Kathryn Harper Captions By: Sarah Bazzetta Camp Gamma Phi Beta gathers for a group shot. The national philanthropy for the sorority is Camp Sechelt, a place for underprivileged girls. Gamma Phi Betas hold a bachelor auction each year to raise money for the charity. They've been known to raise over \$3,000 in two hours.

#### ГΦВ

Gamma Phi Beta



115 Members

President: Kristy Skiba

Vice President: Julie Warren

Treasurer: Lindsay Holmes

Sorority members are all decked out for rush activities. Gamma Phi Beta treasurer Lindsay Holmes said the sorority is like a home away from home, with each member bringing different ideals, values and goals to the house.

Dressed up for a formal and ready to dance the night away, Gamma Phi Betas get together to display their sisterhood with smiles. The sorority is on a mission to foster a nurturing environment that provides women with the opportunity to achieve their potential through lifelong commitment to intellectual growth, individual worth and service to humanity.

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These Alpha Sigma Phi brothers and their dates take a break from all the formal weekend activities to grab a meal at the Hard Rock Café Cleveland, Ohio. The 1999 Alpha Sigma Phi formal weekend was full of friends, fun, dancing and memories.

55 members

President: Scott Bishop

Vice President: John K. Nielsen

Treasurer: Brandon Welch

Secretaries: Marc

Lawrence and Jeremy

VanWagnen





 $A \sum \Phi$  Alpha Sigma Phi

The men of Alpha Sigma Phi are leaders across campus. They are involved in many activities and organizations including Resident Life, the Inter-fraternity Council, the Greek Week Steering Committee and ASMSU. Involved in such productive organizations and activities, the brothers of Alpha Sigma Phi continuously work together to better the man and help prepare him for his adult life, according to Secretary Jeremy Van Wagnen.

Alpha Sigma Phi brothers Pete Sabbagh, Jason Palmer and Riffel Sabbagh dress up in holiday gear for a Christmas play during one of the activities of Greek Week. Santa and his friends were just a few of the participants in the Greek Songfest. By engaging in such activities, the brothers of Alpha Sigma Phi are able achieve their goals of philanthropy, chivalry, brotherhood, academics and athletics.

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Delta Upsilon is big on sports, including roller-hockey. Founded in 1834, the fraternity was the first non-secret fraternity in college, and to this day remains one of the few social fraternities that does not hold secret rituals, passwords, codes, icons or handshakes.

## ΔY Delta Upsilon

30 Members

President: Brian LeRoy

Vice President: Dave

Kowalewski

Treasurer: Joe Jernigan

Secretary: Chad Holovach

Delta Upsilon members pose with the President's Trophy for achieving the highest grade point average within the Greek system. According to member Robert Basak, Delta Upsilon has always striven for academic excellence. The 30-member fraternity's social and charitable contribution is through its involvement with Big Brothers/Big Sisters. Delta Upsilon hosts holiday events, like pumpkin carving, for the organization. The fraternity also makes donations to Big Brothers/Big Sisters through various fundraising events, such as the Stupid Cupid dance.

The fraternity gets fired up for the U of M vs. MSU football game. Delta Upsilon has been the caretaker of the university's touchdown bell since 1954, when the chapter purchased an old church bell and painted it. In addition to the bell, a portion of the goalpost taken from MSU's first Big Ten Conference victory over the University of Michigan stands in front of the chapter's house in commemoration of the historic event.

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Rushing officially ends among the Greeks with "Bid Day," when all of the current members invite the new members to the house to celebrate the end of rush. A group of senior sisters wait to greet the new Sigma Kappa members on bid day.

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#### Σ K Sigma Kappa

115 members

President: Sara Main

Vice President: Caroline Liddil

Treasurer: Amy Pritchard

Secretary: Meeghan Shepherd





Sigma Kappas snap a group shot during the Alzheimer's Memory Walk, they are the single largest contributor to the Alzheimer's Association. Proceeds from various fundraisers help to raise money for Alzheimer's research. Each year, Sigma Kappa also hosts Senior Swirl, a dance for local community senior citizens.

During Songfest, Sigma Kappa sisters sing their hearts out with Phi Kappa Tau partners. Songfest, part of Greek Week, is a series of games and activities from which proceeds go to the Special Olympics. The sorority is a social organization of collegiate and alumnae women committed to promoting the ideals of life-long friendship, intellectual and spiritual fulfillment, and service for the greater good. Their vision is to be a premiere sorority forever achieving excellence in their chapters and among members.

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#### ∆X Delta Chi

80 members

President: Steve Kim

Vice President: Nick Freund

Treasurer: Kyle Campbell

Secretary: Brian Myers



Delta Chi brother Sean Lalley enjoys the scenery during the fraternity annual white water rafting trip in West Virginia. Activities like these encourage closeness among brothers while maintaining self-confidence and diversity. President Steve Kim added "Delta Chi has always prided itse on the diverseness of its members and hopes to continue its success in the millennium years."



Brothers participating in the Greek Games during Greek Week take a break for a picture Delta Chi took first place in all of the events during the Greek Week Games. During the year, the brothers have fun, but they also focus on much more than fun and games. President Steve Kim said that Delta Chi is a "close association among college men who strive to promote friendship, develop character and assist in the acquisition of a successful education."

Each year, Delta Chi holds a Safe Halloween
Party for East Lansing children to provide a
fun, safe environment for kids in the
community. The party is free and all 80 of the
Delta Chi brothers participate in the
Halloween festivities. Throughout the year,
the brothers participate in a variety of
volunteer activities to promote unity and
brotherhood among the fraternit and the
community.

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Staying close means staying warm. These Kappa Alpha Thetas bundle up for a group shot during the Greek Games on Munn Field. They continue their closeness off the field, as well. The president, Angela Rekuc, said that Kappa Alpha Thetas consist of "a diverse group of women with assorted personalities, career goals and histories."

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## KA θ Kappa Alpha Theta

107 members

President: Angela Rekuc

Vice President: Jessica Lavis

Treasurer: January Kuhr

Secretary: Chrissie Steele

Philanthropy Chair: Allison Andre

The women of Kappa Alpha Theta get dressed up before a wild night on the town. Regardless of their fun-spirited uniqueness, the Kappa Alpha Thetas work together to better the community through their active involvement in the Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA). CASA is a group of specially trained individuals that tend to the needs of abused and neglected children.

"It's a jungle out there!" is one of the many theme activities that Kappa Alpha Theta engages in during rush proceedings. The ladies performed a skit and song routine in "Tarzan" costumes. When the evening was over, they made banana bread out of the props. The Kappa Alpha Thetas are proud that they can express their individuality without the fear of criticism.

Photos compliments of Kappa Alpha Theta Design by: Kathryn Harper Captions By: Ted Roumanis Pi Beta Phi members proudly exhibit their letters. Founded in 1867 on the ideals of moral, social and scholastic advancement, Pi Beta Phi spirit is exemplified through its participation with Links to Literacy and Arrows in the Arctic. Through these organizations, Pi Beta Phi provides books to children that do not have access to literature. Pi Beta Phi is also involved with the Emma Harper Turner Fund.

90 members

President: Mindy Burke

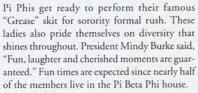
Vice President: Lindsay Treharne

Treasurer: Kate Donovan

Secretary: Beckie Shea









Pi Beta Phis are always ready for a night out on the town when they are not participating in academics and philanthropies. The Pi Beta Phi women participate in Safe Halloween, a philanthropic event sponsored by Greek Life to provide children in the community a safe but fun-filled Halloween.

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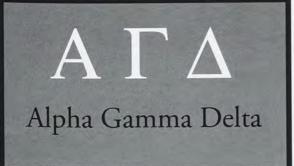




The women of Alpha Gamma Delta unite to reflect on the past year's events at the spring formal. Together they have been able to uphold values that have been established since the chapter's establishment. These values include kindness, truth and sincerity. Alpha Gamma Delta members believe that these qualities will stay with one another throughout their adult lives.

46 members
President: Betsy Hrtanek
Treasurer: Deanna Raab
Secretary: Liz Holmes





Alpha Gamma Delta members Deanna, Jessica, LeeAnn, Arianne, Lindsey, Tara, Amber, Angie, Candice, Laura and Becky smile during one of their closed rush parties at the Bavarian Inn in Frankenmuth. The girls express their unity within the house through their individualities. Each girl puts forth her own unique quality into making each day different from the day before.



Tammy, Arianne and Mande take a moment to pose for the camera during International Reunion Day events. This occasion brings forth all the Alpha Gamma Delta chapters in Michigan to a different location each year. The millennium gathering took place in East Lansing. The day consisted of guest speakers, pictures, food and friends.

Photos compliments of Alpha Gamma Delta Design by: Kathryn Harper Captions By: Ted Roumanis After a football game, Alpha Tau Omega brothers hang out at the house to reminisce about their victory. Alpha Tau Omega members enjoy a wide variety of activities including sports, social functions, philanthropy and brotherhood events.

64 members

President: Jon Tallinger

Social Chairs: Derek Sanders and Ryan Meltz

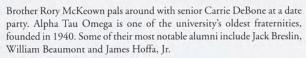
Rush Chair: James Hoppe

Philanthropy Chair: Rob Shelton

Treasurer: Ryan Conway









As a group, Alpha Tau Omega brothers spend a lot of time together in the Green Room of the house. The men of Alpha Tau Omega pride themselves on having one of the most diverse groups of fraternity members on campus.

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Alpha Tau Omega



At the Oregon vs. MSU football game, the Triangle members take a break from playing foosball in the sun. Triangle fraternity brothers enjoyed tailgating on campus for all home football games.

30 members

President:

Alexander Rucker

Vice President:

Thomas Bonucchi

Treasurer: Dan

Marasco

Secretary: Charbel Massoud







During Founder's Day, held at the Harrison Pub, Triangle members proudly display their brotherhood. The brothers of Triangle abide by their objective that "Triangle pays the price of success in honest effort," President Alexander Rucker said.

Photos compliments of Triangle Design by: Kathryn Harper Captions By: Sarah Bazzetta Triangle brothers pal around in the house while preparing for Halloween. In addition to the holiday festivities, Triangle focuses on community involvement and academic achievement. All of the fraternity members are studying engineering or other science majors.

Sorority sisters stand together. Chi Omega, based on helenic culture and Christian ideals, is one of the largest women's organizations in the country. Nationally, there are 215,000 initiated sisters and 170 active chapters.

90 members

President: Kristin Lukos

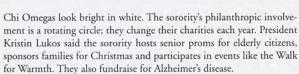
Vice President: Amanda Dennany

Treasurer: Lindsay Wild

Secretary: Libby Ryder







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Charismatic Chi Omegas smile big at a formal dance. Throughout its 75-year history on campus, Chi Omega has focused on the personal growth of its members academically, socially and emotionally. Six of the sorority's purposes are friendship, high standards of personnel, sincere learning and credible scholarship, community service, quality activities and career development.

XΩ Chi Omega A few of the Theta Chi brothers pose for a group shot in front of their house on Abbott. More than half of the brothers live in the house. Each member stresses the ideals of philanthropy, brotherhood, academics and athletics. Theta Chi members are also proud that they possess the second highest grade point average of all fraternities on campus and they were the winners of 18 out of 26 possible sports trophies last year.



80 members

President: Matt Myrand

Vice President: Jacob Tran

Treasurer: Jason Scholl

Secretary: Jeremy Klobucar



Theta Chi celebrated its  $60^{\text{th}}$  anniversary this past year and alumni from across the nation attended the commemoration. The past and present members came together to reinforce the chapter's ideals of promoting knowledge, advancing culture and building character. Through these ideals, Theta Chi members are able to inspire true friendship, teach truth, temperance, tolerance and extend a helping hand to all who seek it.





During Homecoming 1999, the Theta Chi brothers and friends gathered on Abbott Road to catch a perfect glimpse of parade festivities. Some other notable events that Theta Chi members partake in throughout the year include the annual powder puff football philanthropy on Munn Field and the summer internship program set up by the alumni board.

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These FarmHouse members are "gettin' jiggy with it!" Lead by Phil Stern, the group is ready to show off their dance moves. One of the many social events that FarmHouse participates in is their yearly Crescent Ball formal.

Du mer frat

Photos compliments of Farmhouse Design by: Kathryn Harper Captions By: Ted Roumanis

25 members

President: Jon Oakes

Vice President: Tim Hoffert

Secretary: Adam Herford

Treasurer: Jeff Schulz

FarmHouse



The active members of FarmHouse pose for a group picture inside the chapter house. FarmHouse members take pride in their chapter's objective: they encourage their members to be studious and seek the best-chosen lines in study as well as in life. "FarmHouse members are of good moral character, high in scholarship and hold the capacity to meet and make friends," said Jon Oakes, president. The brothers must be honest to themselves and their brothers in order to give promise of service to their fellow men and to the world.

FarmHouse brothers have a ball in the annual Greek Week kickoff competition of balloon launching. FarmHouse does not have a Greek name but is definitely a Greek fraternity. The brothers participate in many Greek events with fraternities and sororities including Greek Week.



Phil of the Cres-

During a rafting trip, Sigma Chi brothers form lifelong bonds and lasting memories. The bond of the Sigma Chi brotherhood is "superior" to other fraternities on campus, according to brother James LaFranca. This bond is exemplified and maintained by the different events that the members participate in.



## Σ X Sigma Chi

54 members

President: Blair Lincoln

Vice President: Brent Massucci

Treasurer: Jon Papponea

Secretary: Peter Dannecke

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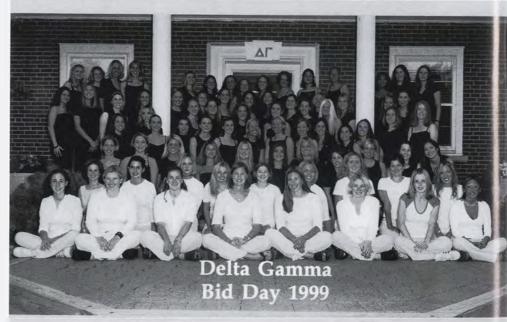
Sigma Chi brothers are the center of attention at this social event in the fall. The brothers of Sigma Chi have a lot in common. Their goals are to exceed the limits of friendship and strive towards brotherhood among members. These goals are easily accomplished by participating in social and philanthropic events.

The Sigma Chi chapter house is located on East Grand River. Its close location to campus provides fun and excitement for everyone. Derby Days is an annual fundraising event that takes place at the Sigma Chi chapter house. The event helps aid the Children's Miracle Network and includes the support of other Greeks on campus.

#### Alpha Omicron Pi **AOΠ**



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#### Phi Delta Theta ΦΔΘ



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#### Phi Kappa Tau **ΦKT**



#### Sigma Alpha Epsilon **SAE**



#### Sigma Pi ΣΠ

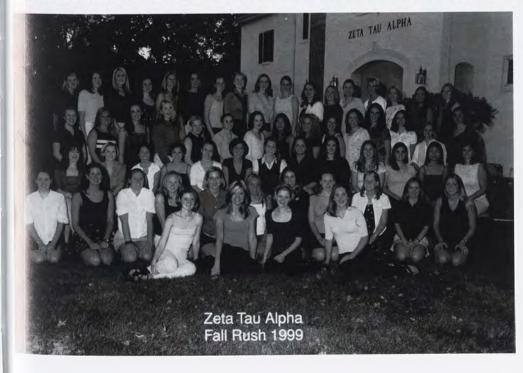




# Theta Delta Chi ΘΔΧ



#### Zeta Beta Tau **ZBT**

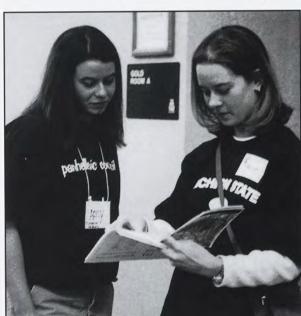


#### Zeta Tau Alpha ZTA

Eye-catching signs decorate Farm Lane to advertise the upcoming Greek Rush, the period during which Greek letter organizations open their doors to prospective members. The event is open to all students.



Rush offers more than just a good time and a shot at Greek membership. Participants can learn more about the Greek system and meet new people.



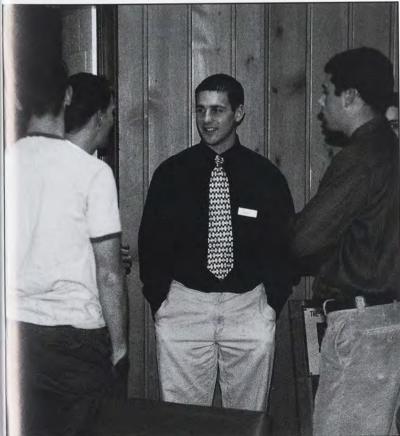
Those students interested in Lambda Chi attend a rush activity. Students pledge during the first few weeks of each semester. Greek letter organizations are very active in MSU life.





Students rushing the fraternity Phi Psi participate in a Greek activity. During rush, prospective members visit with active members. Interaction with fraternity and sorority members played a major role in Rush Week.





#### Rush, Rush

Rush, rush, rush. Everybody is always rushing, especially fraternity and sorority pledges during the first few weeks of each semester.

Greek Rush is the period in which Greek letter organizations invite prospective members to join their fraternity or sorority. Fraternities and sororities engage in a number of activities to try and increase student participation among rush proceedings. The rush process involves organization by the Interfraternity Council (IFC) and the individual chapter houses.

IFC, the Greek governing body, decides when rush will take place, regulates and monitors rush activities, and hosts a number of events to positively promote the Greek system.

"I really think I can make a difference for the betterment of the Greek system," said general business junior and IFC rush chair, Ted Barrett.

Throughout rush, fraternities and sororities are allowed to open their doors to prospective members. During delegated hours students can visit active members, alumni and the house in which they might reside after rush is complete. During this period of open rush, each chapter house is required to follow a number of rules and regulations. The IFC conducts numerous random checks to make sure rush rules are being upheld. Barrett strongly believes in maintaining these rules.

"Enforcing the rules of rush keeps everything fair for everyone involved," he said.

In order to increase rush involvement, chapter houses have learned to do some of their own advertising. These rush tools include posting fliers around campus, setting up A-frame posters in front of Bessey hall, advertising in *The State News*, printing T-shirts and-in some casesairing commercials. Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity produced a commercial that aired on ESPN and MTV during the 1999-2000 academic year.

Advertising Senior and Delta Sigma Phi rush chair, Jim Ruhana, tried a more strategic approach regarding increasing rush involvement. Ruhana tried to create a name recognition affiliation for Delta Sigma Phi through mass advertising. Ruhana believes that if people are more aware of the Greek system, they will become more involved.

"We desire to welcome in young men who share the morals and principles of our house through involvement in social and philanthropic activities," Ruhana said.

With all the different vehicles available to promote Greek rush, the best tool seems to be personal interaction. There are five steps to recruiting a pledge into membership including meeting the rush guest, making him or her a friend, introducing him or her to other friends, introducing him or her to the fraternity, and asking him or her to join. After that, the Greek men and women can stop rushing around-at least until the next semester.

Story by: Theodore Roumanis Design by: Kathryn Harper

An interested pledge learns more about sororities from an active member. During rush, Greek letter organizations open their doors to students. Sororities and fraternities advertise to increase participation.



All smiles! These fraternity brothers enjoy a paticularly funny perfomance during Songfest in the Auditorium.

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### It's All Fun and Games

It's all fun and games for the Greek fraternities and sororities. Well, at least for a week.

Greek Week is a series of events that the Greek system puts on during the spring of every year. Its overall goal is to raise money for the United Way and specifically the Special Olympics. All chapter houses participate in Greek Week by teaming up with other fraternities and sororities and events are evaluated on a competition level with a series of points being allocated to the participators and winners. At the end of Greek Week, the teams with the most points are declared Greek Week Champions.

The Greek Week committee consists of 16 members that are segmented into different categories including: publicity, communications, kick-off, Special Olympics, T-shirts, speaker, fundraising and Songfest. The committee members started working on Greek Week events at the beginning of spring semester 2000 and met once a week at the Zeta Tau Alpha chapter house.

"I think it is a great way for the Greek system to give back to the community and the community at large," said Kathy Dalby Fundraising co-chair senior.

Fraternities and sororities kicked off Greek Week on February 29. The MTV fundraising night brought teams together to perform dance video routines, and most importantly, contribute to charity by a three-dollar entrance fee or two-dollar equivalent in canned foods. Other fundraising events included T-shirt and raffle ticket sales.

"Not enough people know about the positive aspects of Greek Life. Greek Week is one of the many ways Greeks can help kids in our area," said Jenn Hendricks, Special Olympics co-chair.

Greeks also participated in Powder Puff Football on the Theta field, Sing-Off at the Beta house, Co-ed kickball at the Theta field, Gong Show at the Beta house, Step Show, Battle of the Bands and Songfest at the Auditorium.

The MSU Greek system has been working with United Way to make the Special Olympics fabulous for Mid-Michigan kids. Indoor events were held on March 30 and outdoor track events on April 14. MSU Greeks attended the function to help encourage the kids. The Greek system is the largest on-campus contributor to the United Way and with increased support, the Greek system set forth a \$100,000 contribution goal.

Supply Chain Management Senior and Greek Week co-chair Gabe Barcenas was enthusiastic about the support put forth by the Greek system. He said, "It's a time when the Greek community gets together to help out charities at a time of dire need."

Story By: Theodore Roumanis Design By: Kathryn Harper 130 Greeks



April May Teague



A bird's eye view. The sides lines were full of cheering fans at Theta Field during the Greek football game. Even a tree was pressed into duty for the "perfect" spot to see the action.

Everyone go deep! Touch football were popular during Greek Week. The competition was fierce as each chapter house vied to claim the honor of Greek Week Champion.



April May Teague

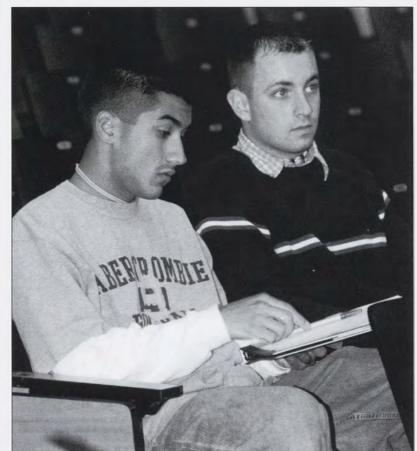


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Finding their place. Two brothers plan their itinerary for the week ahead. Greek Week started on February 29 and included the MTV fundraising night, which brought teams together to perform dance video routines. Twenty-nine fraternities make up Greek life and occasionally men need direction. That's where the Interfraternity Council steps in.

Composed of seven elected members, the self-governing educational group coordinates various leadership, awareness and informational activities, along with providing programs and services to the men's Greek letter organizations.

"The IFC has a big job, given the large number of fraternities. We try to do the best we can to keep up positive relationships with each one a d collectively as well. The council takes its job seriously, but we have a good time," said council member Jason Rosenbaum, a psychology senior.

The IFC acts as a liaison group whose enterprising outreach includes working with the Panhellenic Council; together they toil to plan and sponsor Greek Week and keep relations in the Greek community positive. The IFC also works to maintain strong relations between the Greek organizations and the university.

Humanities-pre law student and IFC member Salvatore Arcuri said, "The council works hard to break negative stereotypes and to improve how Greek life is perceived in the community. We also work to support the founding ideals of Greek organizations."

A father figure for the 29 fraternities, the council sets guidelines for Rush Week and is responsible for sustaining the high ethical standards it sets for itself and everyone involved in the Greek community.

IFC bides by a conscientious code of its own, which includes a dedication to remaining unbiased in its decision-making, and being fair and consistent in its fraternal relationships. IFC upholds rules against hazing and underage drinking.

"When you've got so many people and so many things going on in the system, there is a need for structure and organization. We work hard to make sure those needs are met," Rosenbaum said.

Engineering senior and IFC member Mike Monson said, "The council does a lot of good stuff, like fundraising to benefit Habitat for Humanity. It also provides a moral blueprint for fraternities to follow. It gives direction to each chapter here."

Story by: Sarah Carpentar Design By: Kathryn Harper Amy Shwartz, Jamie Nix, Ellen Hadd, Josh Tudor, Lindsey Treharne, Brandon Hinkle and Paul Mitchell complete a ropes course as a team-building excerise at the annual Executive Retreat at Camp Highfields.



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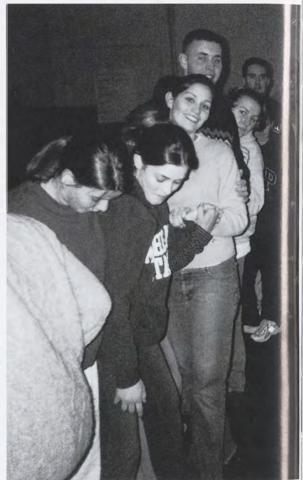


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Mike Bagdade, Jamie Nix, Joy Allen, Kelly Barker, Mike Jaworski and Ben Schomer wait for transportation in a Chicago train station. Council members attended a MGCA conference in Chicago to help them become better members. "The council works hard to break negative stereotypes and to improve how Greek life is perceived in the community. We also work to support the founding ideals of Greek organizations," said IFC member Salvatore Arcuri.

Council members share each other's company and knowledge during an executive retreat. "The IFC has a big job given the large number of fraternities. We try to do the best we can to keep up positive relationships with each one and collectively as well. The council takes its job seriously, but we have a good time," said council member Jason Rosenbaum, a psychology senior.





Working together for the cause of unity takes up plenty of the Panhellenic Council's time-probably because it's their job.

Consisting of 10 executive officers and one delegate from each of the 16 women's Greek letter organizations, the council is one busy body. It actively promotes Greek life and women's issues in the campus community, coordinates the activities and programs of members' organizations, and plans major events and activities for over 1,500 Greek women.

Former Panhellenic Council President Rebecca Gillespie, a marketing student, said, "One of the council's objectives is to foster relationships between sororities and think up new program ideas. 'Safe Halloween' is one of our newest ones. Children from East Lansing, Lansing and Okemos can trick-or-treat safely on M.A.C., and the entire Greek system is involved with that. It's important to have events like this that are fun for kids

and adults in neighboring communities. And I know that the Greek system has a blast doing it."

Planning for events like Safe Halloween requires a lot of effort. To make the process easier, the council breaks itself down into committees whose main objectives are those of recruitment, public relations and community relations.

"We divvy up responsibilities and take it from there," Gillespie said.

Panhellenic members also attend various meetings on campus and off, in order to form positive work relationships with both university and city officials.

"We want to keep the to keep the Greek community connected to all forms of life at MSU and beyond," said council president Tiffany Findlan, an earth science student.

Council member Kelley Callard, an economics major, agreed, "We really work to promote and uphold the ideals of philanthropy, academic excellence and sisterhood. Through teamwork the council strives to make all of that possible."



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Callard said the Panhellenic Council meets about 20 hours a week to blueprint social and charitable events like Greek Week. She said the meetings help improve communication between members of the Greek community.

PAN

Panhellenic Council

"The council is like one big mixer in that it creates rapport between sorority chapters. It brings us together. We're working hard toward common goals and that's important. We get stuff done and have a really good time. It's productive and a lot of fun," she said.

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Members of the Panhellenic Council gather together in the living room of their house. Delta Gamma works to create a sense of unity among the women's Greek organizations. "The council is like on big mixer in that it creates rapport between sorority chapters. It brings us together," said council member Kelly Callard.

The Delta Gamma house, on the corner of Harrison and Michigan Ave., is a place where council members can live together to further promote unity. "We want to keep the Greek community connected to all forms of life at MSU and beyond," said council president Tiffany Findland.



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Senior members Tyrone Jones, John Lewis, Ruben Fowlkes, Nyakea Cook, Marcus Jordan and Vinson Lewis are excited to be working together. They gave out information about the ΩΨφ fraternity to prospective members at the annual Greek Symposium.

#### National Panhellenic Council

Seventy years ago, blatant racism had prevented many African American students on historically white campuses from joining general fraternities and sororities. So in 1930, Howard University founded the National Panhellenic Council: the non-discriminating coordinating body for historically minority or multi-cultural fraternities and sororities on university campuses across the country.

The NPHC is made up of African American fraternities and sororities whose purpose is to secure the concept that where there is unity there is strength. The multi-cultural fraternities and sororities work within the college community to entertain cultural pursuits and further the projects the national council was originally founded on, including voter registration and education; aid to the needy and elderly; programs to eliminate illiteracy; career mentoring and training; fellowships and scholarships for study and research; and support of human rights.

NPHC President Raynard Dennis said, "The member organizations work together while maintaining their distinct individual identities. We're committed to providing community service and promoting general public welfare."

In addition to providing information and services to the community, biennial undergraduate and alumni NPHC General Conventions are held to assure the councils' operation and sections are running smoothly. This year, the central region convention was held in Cleveland, Ohio.

Kendrick Thomas, president of Iota Phi Theta, a black fraternity, and a food management student, told the *State News* that Greek organizations affect each other positively, "We're trying to work together with as much of the Greek community as possible. Each year the NPHC gradually becomes more involved with organizations like the Interfraternity Council and the Panhellenic Council."

NPHC recently began taking part in one of the biggest social events for the Greek community: Greek Week.

"We're working together to create a closer-knit social atmosphere. We'll keep co-hosting some events, like the annual step show. Each chapter member of the council has its own style, but we have the principles of leadership, accountability and focus in common," said Dennis.

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Valencia Jones, Rasheedah Muhammad, Juanika Benson and Elonda Elson stand behind the Sigma Gamma Rho sorority table during the annual Greek Symposium Panel Discussion. The sorority was founded in 1922 and continues to flourish with dedicated and friendly members. The NPHC members are always having fun, no matter what! The group is led by finance senior Marcus Jordan and is known for the positive qualities they possess and promote. They participated in many activities throughout the year and became close friends for life through the work.





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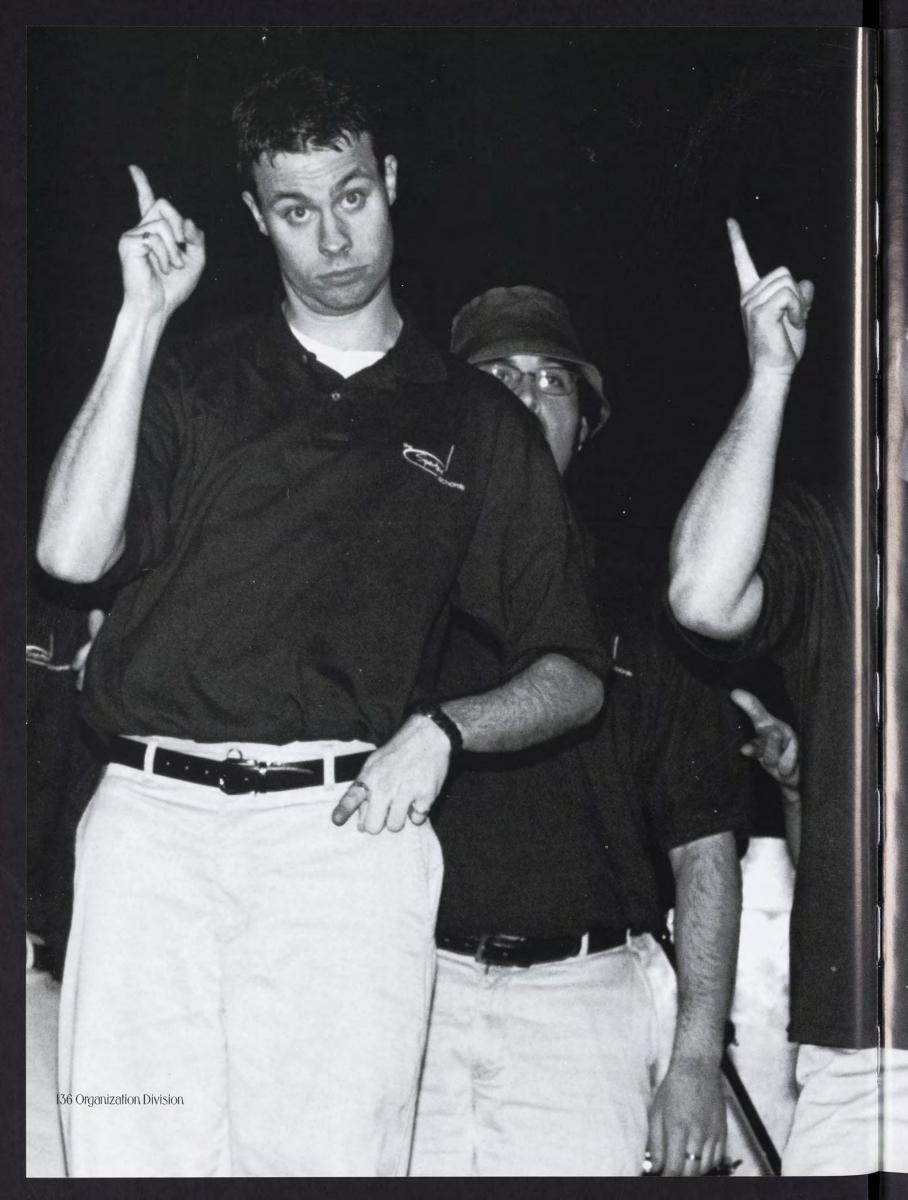
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Danielle Boles, Lakesha Rawls, Tiffany Newsome, Kenyatta Garner and Keana Wright are all members of the  $Z\phi B$  sorority. They gave out information to prospective members as well as other Greek organizations during the annual Greek Symposium Panel Discussion.



Members of NPHC step to the beat at the "Taste of Blackness" festival. Members of various organizations, including Greek organizations, gathered together to celebrate their heritage while having a great time





#### Organizations

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-Ethel Barry More



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#### Student Assembly

In a bright, clean room on the top floor of the Student Services building, Michael Webber's hands rest on a very organized desktop. Patiently, he explains the essence of Student Assembly.

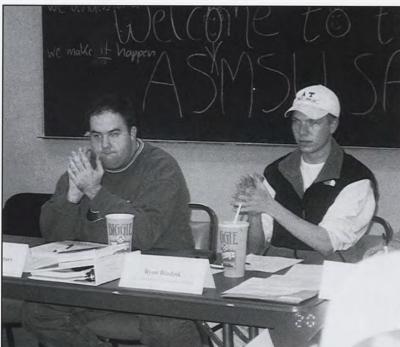
"We address nonacademic issues that affect students, such as student-tenant concerns, voter registration and university off-campus policies. We're made up of student representatives from each college, minority, progressive and major governing groups. In a nutshell, we work to make student life better," said Webber, SA chairperson.

SA specializes in improving social relations between students and the East Lansing community. Last year, SA worked to inform students about city council elections by putting together a candidate information guide and hosting a candidate forum in the Union.

SA is also responsible for "Crawl to the Crib," a program that helps students find good places to live off campus. In addition, they publish "Grading the Landlords," a handbook detailing the quality of off-campus rental properties and the landlords who own them.

"We try to inform students on issues they may not know about. We focus on improving relationships between students and the East Lansing community. It's important; working together is what it's all about," Webber said.

This past year, SA worked together in its opposition of East Lansing's rental buyback proposal. Had it passed, the city could have bought back rental properties from local landlords and re-licensed hundreds of student homes for exclusive single family use. In addition, the assembly opposed a city bond proposal to build a new high school, because they feared an increase in off-campus rental rates.



Enjoying another exciting Student Assembly meeting, Mike Webber, chairman, and Ryan Bladzik, internal vice chairman, clap for one of the many presentors that came to visit through the year.

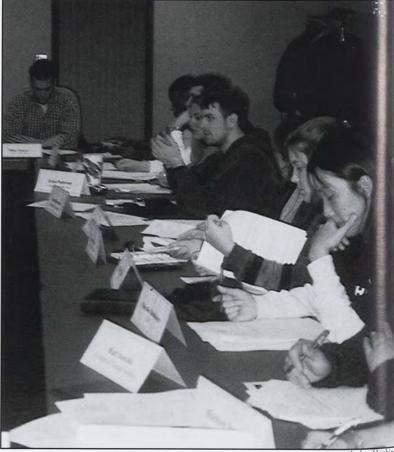
At each Student Assembly meeting, representatives from many different organizations discuss issues important to undergraduate students. A quarter campaign introduced was a hot topic. It proposed ASMSU leaders to spend money filling expired meters with quarters from student tax dollars.



Shouldering a vast responsibility, SA represents the student bod in financial matters and also budgets the money of Associated Stud nts of Michigan State University, including the funds for the Red Cedar og.

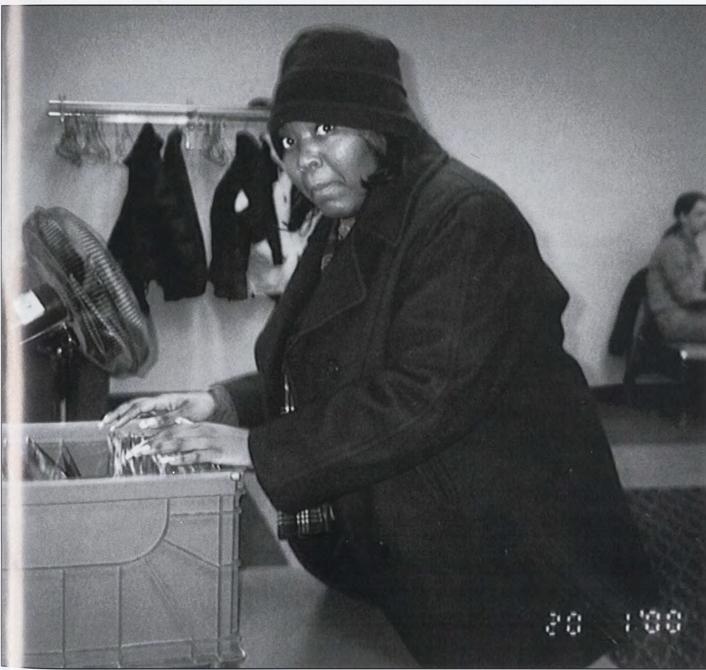
"We try to effect positive change for MSU and we do our be to achieve that. We want the student body to have a voice. We all have varying things going on in our lives, but we want the team to be informed," Webber said. "Sometimes we are criticized for the way we handle things; money. And criticism is okay, but we hope people ecognize that we are students too, and we do make mistakes. It's a learning process."

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The 36th session of Student Assembly



Each Assmebly member has an folder they have to check each thursday before their meeting. Shandria Holmes looks astonished at the length of another Thursday meeting.

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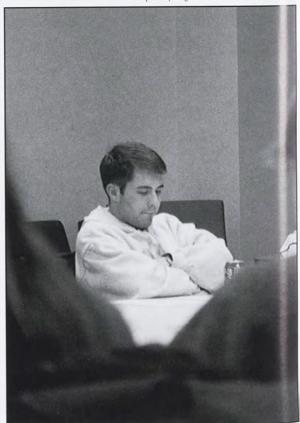
The Academic Assembly discusses all issues dealing with the student at Michigan State University. One example is how they are trying to solve campus parking for students.





The seventh session of Academic Assembly

April May Teague
Contemplating how to deal with all the issues
students face today, this assembly member
focus on his work.



April May Teag



Reviewing the agenda before their meeting, these four Academic Assembly members can't wait for the meeting to start.

#### Academic Assembly

It's hard to imagine being the voice for more than 33,000 students, but that's Academic Assembly. With two representatives from each college and one from each minority and progressive student group, AA deals with undergraduate academic issues including tuition, curriculum, student regulations and inter-collegiate athletics.

As an arm of the Associated Students of Michigan State University, AA deals directly with administrators to make sure that the ideas and felings of the students are heard.

Marisa Shultz, a representative on the assembly for the College of Communication Arts and Sciences, said the role of AA is to make sure that students know what decisions are being made in the administration that directly affect them either positively or negatively.

"A lot of times we're the watchful eye of the administration," Shultz sid.

Assembly Chairperson Charles McHugh said that although they are representatives for undergraduate students, being part of the assembly requires a different role. "More often, it's a leadership position representing the best interest of the students," he said.

The assembly also has a university advisor to enhance the connection between the student government and the administration. Harry Carswell, AA's advisor, said his role is not necessarily to tell the students what hey can or cannot do.

"My primary responsibility is to be a link between the student government and the university, and to tell them all the opportunities that are available to them," Carswell said.

Some of the opportunities that AA has discussed during the 1999-2000 year include tuition, riot policies and SIRS evaluation forms. The tuition increase that AA is looking into would be a \$50 increase per semester to be put into an Undergraduate Education Improvement Fund that, after 10 years, would be allocated to undergraduate programs across campus.

"We're trying to sell this to students. We're going to hit any group who will listen to us. If we can't end up representing the students on this one we won't pursue it," McHugh said.

Riot policies that were set up by the administration after the March riots of 1999 were addressed by the assembly to protect students from losing their student status due to off-campus issues.

The other big issue addressed by AA was improving the SIRS evaluation forms filled out every year by students concerning the performance of professors. The assembly is looking at providing information attained by SIRS to students as a source of information when signing up for courses.

McHugh said that with all of these issues and more, AA is ultimately trying to improve undergraduate education.

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#### **Executive Staff**

You may not know who they are, but you probably know what they do. The members of the Executive Staff within Associated Students of Michigan State University lobby for student legislation. They are the ones who helped pass the anti-riot bill and continue to do grassroots lobbying for the betterment of students, including pressing the issue of voter registration.

The executive staff includes Justin Winslow, director of legislative affairs, Tamiesha Woodson, assistant director of legislative affairs, and Jonathan Teasdale, director of student organizational affairs. These representatives are lobbying personnel for local, state and federal student concerns, and they provide aid and advisement to the assemblies within ASMSU.

"We are here to let students know of the legislation out there that effects them as students and members of the community," Woodson said.

Woodson, political science and pre-law junior, and Winslow, a political theory, constitutional and democracy sophomore, agree that one of their biggest accomplishments is the passing of the anti-riot bill.

"For legislative affairs, I feel that there was an accomplishment of staying up on the different legislation that affected them this school year, like the rioting bill and voter registration," Woodson said.

Winslow and Woodson were appointed to their positions. Winslow said he got involved with legislative affairs because he enjoys being "thoroughly involved in State politics."

"Legislative issues affect students and others and I feel the need to reach students," Woodson said. "So the best way is through the university student government."

#### **Executive Cabinet**

The members of the Executive Cabinet are dedicated to improving the social and academic environment for each and every undergraduate at MSU.

The Executive Cabinet is a group of 10 representatives and three secretaries who ensure that all Associated Students of Michigan State University divisions receive sufficient expertise in the areas of technology, market media, human resources, budgeting, public relations and outreach, as well as minority and progressive student affairs.

"We offer services such as free professional legal counseling, massive funding for student-run programs, events and meetings, free designing and creating of ads, flyers and brochures through market media," said advertising senior Sebastian Stache, the director of public relations and outreach. "ASMSU also fights for student rights and interests in school, city and federal issues."

George Chapp, Executive Cabinet chief of staff and an international relations senior, oversees the Executive Cabinet in addition to assisting the chairs of the Academic Assembly and Student Assembly.

Off-campus housing issues have been the most rewarding issues that Chapp and the other members of the Executive Cabinet have handled. "Student concerns ought to be represented by capable individu-

## ASMSU Staff



Executive Cabinet Chief of Staff senior George Chapp speaks to members of ASMSU. The cabinet was a group of 10 representatives and three secretaries. "Student concerns ought to be represented by capable individuals," said Chapp.

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The Director of Minority and Progressive Student Affairs, James Feeny, has a role on the Executive Cabinet to act as a liaison between minority groups, student government, the administration and other student groups.

"Most importantly, I work with these groups to help them make the kind of changes they wish to see here at MSU," Feeny, a humanities and pre-law senior, said.

Feeny also said, "I help them make this community more diverse and more under-

standing for the thousands of little Spartans who are learning to tie their shoes right now."

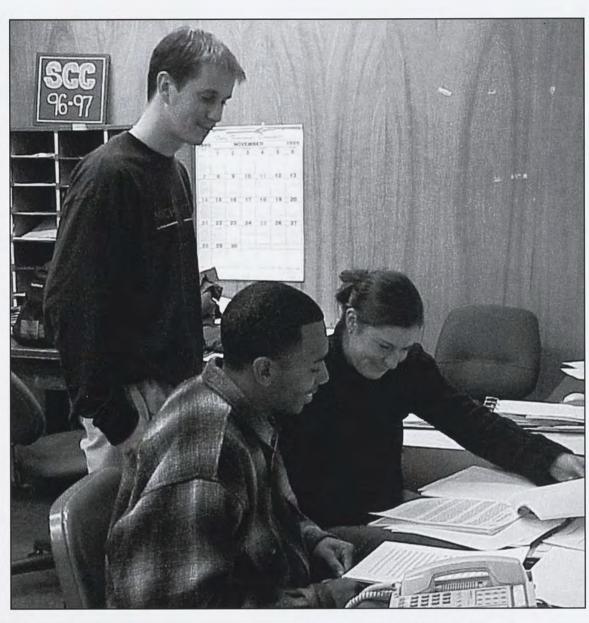
Feeny is organizing a group called Men Stopping Rape at MSU with the goal being to facilitate discussion on the topic of rape and sexual assault. Feeny is also working on an anti-hate crime banner drive for students to show their disapproval of hate crimes on campus. Feeny's goal is to have 20 banners with more than 30,000 signatures.

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Members of ASMSU's Senior Council review student concerns. The student representatives were dedicated to improving the social and academic environment for undergraduate students. ASMSU lobbied for student legislation to improve MSU for the better.

The Academic Assembly meets to discuss concerns. The assembly met every Tuesday evenings in room 328A and B. The group provided representation for MSU students.

#### Programming Board

Campus diversity is propelled by the Associated Students of Michigan State University Programming Board. The board helps to launch multi-cultural and education-oriented programs through funding and support

"As a group, we give funding to a variety of diversity and multicultural groups, whether it be for concerts; or other programs on campus," said telecommunications sophomore, Romeo Salvani, the Asian-Pacific American Student Organization representative of the Programming Board.

The Programming Board is made up of a wide array of student representatives from various organizations and campus groups who determine funding for multi-interest programs on campus.

"We did Pride Week, NAISO Pow Wow, homecoming ball, among other things," said Chairperson Kendall Sykes, an international relations senior.

The Programming Board is made up of many different groups that fund programs with a cultural interest. Twenty-four members make up the programming board, and representatives are from groups such as the Black Student Alliance, Pop Entertainment, North American

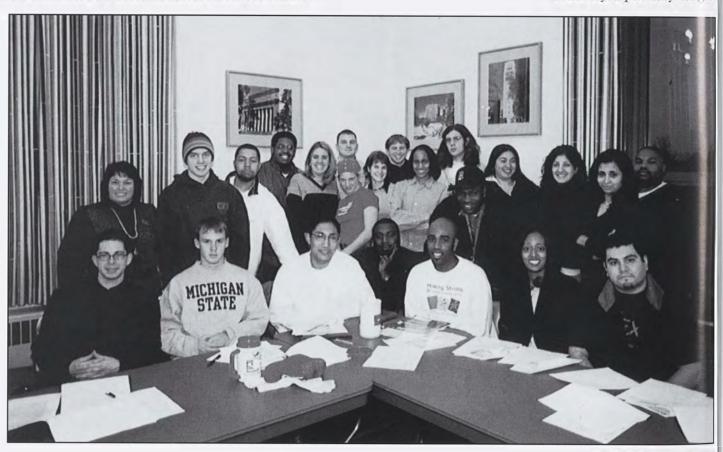
Indian Student Organization, Ebony Productions, MSU Telecas and many more.

"The Programming Board gives us funding so we can benefit m ore students and reach more students," said Ebony Productions Director Ruben Fowlkes, a finance junior. "It also helps us interact with other groups trying to do the same thing as us and other groups that we normally wouldn't interact with; we can do joint projects with the n."

Sykes said, "I used to be chair of Ebony Productions. I started Sa security guard. When the former chair of the Programming Bord left, I stepped up since I already knew the ropes. I felt I could CDa good job."

The Programming Board holds meetings every other Wednesday in the Union. "If you want to join, just come to a meeting, or reach the chairperson of any respective group," said Sykes. "We bring a lot of the programs that are the template for multi-cultural interest."

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The 2000 Programming Board



The 2000 Funding Board



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The students on the Funding Board staff enjoy their jobs and each others company. The Funding Board is in charge of allocating student rax dollars to over 400 organizations.

Student organizations all over campus are receiving money from the Associated Students of Michigan State University Funding Board.

The Funding Board allocates funds from student tax dollars to registered student organizations. "There are over 400 organizations that we fund," said Funding Board Chairperson Jennifer Heisler, an economics and supply chain management senior.

In order to receive funds, an organization must fill out an application and have an interview with the Funding Board. The board then votes whether or not to provide money to a particular organization. "Any organization can apply if they are a registered student organization and follow the application process," said Heisler.

More than 400 organizations, from the Archery Club to the Zoological Students Association, are registered with the university and the Funding Board gives money to a variety of them.

"We funded a group that was building machines to detect salmonella in fruits and vegetables, but sometimes we fund uniforms," said Martha Porter, a human resources management senior and the Funding Board comptroller.

The Funding Board is made up of 12 board members, one chairperson, one comptroller, and a secretary. The chairperson is an elected position, while the comptroller is appointed by the chair. Potential board members are interviewed by existing board members to earn their spot on the Funding Board.

"This position involves a lot of analytical thinking and involvement with a wide variety of organizations I would have never heard of before," said Heisler.

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### Funding Board

#### Freshman Class Council and Senior Class Council

Ever wonder who helps the freshmen get through their first year, or who organizes events for the senior class? The Freshman Class Council and the Senior Class Council are designed to make the important transitions to and from college much easier.

The Freshman Class Council is made up of 19 freshmen who help make life a little easier for incoming freshman.

"We act as the voice of the freshman," said FCC Chairperson Korin Cox, an interdisciplinary studies in social science and international studies freshman.

The FCC organizes events for the freshmen and tries to solve freshmen concerns. "We had an FCC tailgate and helped design a web page for incoming freshmen with frequently asked questions," said Cox.

The FCC also donated toys to "Toys for Tots" and volunteered at "Into the Streets," a community service on Martin Luther King day.

To become a member of the council, the previous FCC holds a "Party at the Aud" and provides applications in the Student Services building during the first week of classes. Then, there is an interview process and a panel from Associated Students of Michigan State University selects the council.

"It's a great way to meet new people and get involved in ASMSU," Cox said.

The Senior Class Council is made up of 25 seniors who organize events for the senior class.

"We serve the interest of senior class persons as they make their transition between college and career plans," said SCC President Jacob Lueder, a Lyman Briggs School Biology/Pre-dental senior.

The SCC organizes events such as commencement, senior reception, career fairs and Homecoming.

The SCC is made up of 10 subcommittees, an advisor and an executive board. Members are selected in the spring. Students must be seniors the following fall semester and applicants go through a series of applications and interviews before they are selected.

"Though selection may be competitive, council members are rewarded with a unique enthusiasm and pride during the following year as they develop close friendships, prove strong dedication and experience the feeling of leaving Michigan State University as a better place," Lueder said.

Story By: Shannon Murphy Design By: Robert Madsen Photos By: Beth Perrine The Freshman Class Council is in charge of organizing events and dealing with concerns that freshman have throug out the year. A few events they sponsored this year were Toys for Tots and Party at the Aud.



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The Senior Class Council is made up of 25 members who take charge of organizing events for the seniors. These Spartans thrive on pride they have for their school and the friendships they make in this organization.

The Senior Class Council sponsors many events for seniors, including a trip to Northwestern to watch the football team beat the Wildcats.



Photo compliments of Senior Class Council

#### Impact Radio

Hidden in the basement of Holden Hall is more than just washing machines and movie rentals. For over ten years, the hall has been the home of Impact Radio.

From tribal beats to heavy metal, Impact 89 FM offers the campus and the surrounding area a vast array of listening choices. However, Impact is much more than a basement college radio station.

"It's as good as a facility as you'll find north of Detroit," said station manager Sean Hanley.

Aside from offering entertainment to students and the residents of East Lansing, Impact is a great place for students to gain experience for potential careers. In addition to the 21 paid positions, the staff of 150 is comprised of student volunteers, who range from freshmen to doctorate students, primarily from the College of Communication Arts and Sciences. But all students, regardless of major, are welcome to disc jockey at Impact.

Students are responsible for the content of their shows and are free to air anything as long as it complies with the regulations of the Federal Communications Commission. However, groups are not allowed to promote themselves due to the non-commercial regulations of the station.

Being a non-commercial radio station allows Impact to broadcast unimpeded by advertising breaks. Primary programming runs from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. and features the best of modern alternative music.

After 7 p.m., the music dies down to be replaced by Exposure, the station's live talk show. Exposure hosts groups from around campus, allowing them to express their views via the airwaves to those tuned in. Attendees include representatives from The State News, Residence Halls Association, Associated Students of Michigan State University, Alliance of Lesbian-Bi-Gay-Transgendered Students, religious groups and much more.

At 8 p.m., Impact Prime Time follows the Exposure broadcast and features a different theme for each night of the week. Themes include jazz, Americana, blues, and heavy metal. Sunday programming is comprised of a number of different shows, too.

Impact has been one of the more resilient mediums available to Michigan State University and the surrounding community, Hanley said.

"In the ten year history of the station, we've never been off the air but for technical difficulties," said Hanley. The station always has a DJ, every hour of every day of the year.

This dedication is just one of the reasons why general manager Gary Reid calls Impact "the premier college radio station, by far."

Impact's mission statement is reflective of the school that hosts its broadcasts: "Professionalism in presentation, diversity in programming, and education." True to its mission are the words of Reid: "anyone who wants to be involved (in Impact Radio) can be involved."

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The volunteers of Impact get together in front of the Impact wall, full of signatures from volunteers throughout the years.





An Impact volunteer preps a few minutes before his show by reading over his lines. Impact is open to any student who wishes to throw his or her talents out on the radio waves.

### State News

The State News is the premier source of information for the Michigan State University community. Published by students, The State News has been running as a daily newspaper for more that half a decade, independent of the university since 1971. The State News employs 95 staff members and runs its operations out of the Student Services building.

Staff members are responsible for distributing a five-section paper with daily coverage of Campus, Local and State, Opinion, Sports and MS&U Entertainment. The majority of the staff meets around 2 p.m. every day to decide on stories for the next edition. By 5 p.m., the newsroom is in its most hectic condition: people are working together, phones are ringing off the hook and journalists are interviewing dozens of sources for stories. If everything follows according to plan, the paper is done by 11:30 p.m. and distributed to every building on campus by morning.

David Miller, a journalism and social relations senior, is *The State News* editor-in-chief. Involved since spring semester 1998, Miller has grown to love the paper. As editor-in-chief, his duties entail content decisions, planning long term projects, keeping a detailed budget, making sure everyone is informed of daily happenings as well as engaging in hiring decisions. Miller said his duties are numerous, but he enjoys the challenge.

"I thrive off of the responsibility," Miller said. "I could be doing five different things at one time but I love doing them."

The State News has been able to give students the opportunity to work in an environment comparable to a major national newspaper. Kevin Hardy, a journalism freshman didn't waste any time finding a job at *The State News*. Hardy covers the City of East Lansing

"The State News is an interesting place to work at. Everyone is excited about reporting and covering their assigned stories," Hardy said. "Working at The State News has been a positive experience."

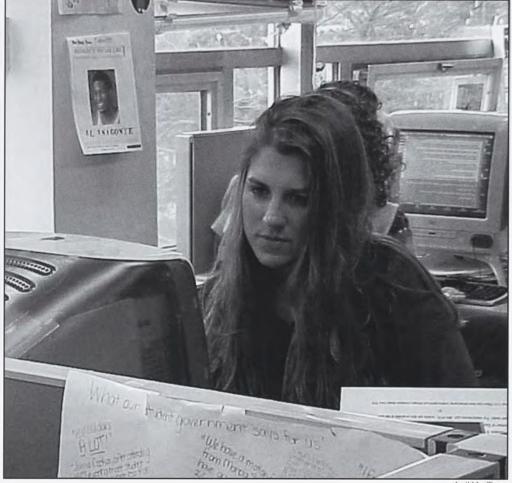
On top of its superb print coverage, *The State News* also runs an award-winning web site and a large advertising department. With a combination of all these qualities, *The State News* has become one of the most respected collegiate newspapers in the nation.

Miller put it best when he said, "This is one of the best college papers in the country. You can find an MSU alumni and former *State News* reporter at any major newspaper in the Mid-West. *The State News* is a great place to start and an even better place to work."

> Story By: Theodore Roumanis Design By: Robert Madsen



A State News writer works to finish her article before the deadline. State News employees work from 2 through 11:30pm daily to make sure the newspaper always goes out.



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The State News editors meet in the elevator lobby to discuss which stories to put in the next issue. The paper is a big source of information for the MSU community.



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Noah Ullmann looks for the perfect picture to put in the paper. *The State News* has been a daily newspaper for more than half a decade.



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The staff works diligently to cover all of the day's news. The State News staff distributes a five section paper all over campus.

# No Ice? No Problem!

Super skaters John Hunt, Mike Penner, Nick Lewaine and Mike Sepala skate at Apple Sportsplex in Lansing. The team practiced there throughout the year.



The changing chapter is growing from 16 IM feeder teams. A rich source of players was used to form two travel teams; this one is in Crystal Lake for a tournament.

The Spartan Roller Hockey team is a defending National Champion; they earned the title along with a huge trophy in Chicago. The team packs a punch; from October 17, 1997 until January 29, 2000, the team was unbeaten, winning 67 games in a row-one of the longest collegiate roller hockey winning streaks in history. Currently, the squal is sponsored by CCM and ranked as the top team in collegiate roller hockey. This has earned them he respect of the roller hockey community nation-wide.

"We're a fun club, but we perform seriously and competitively. We have a lot of fun taking the sport of roller hockey to new levels. All the guys on he team are really proud of our 1999 champions ip. We just love to win and want to keep on winning. It's an exciting sport," team chairman A an MacMillan said.

The Club consists of 25 rough-and-tumble gays who promote the sport by competing in the National Collegiate Roller Hockey League as well as other tournaments. They practice twice a week at the Apple Sports Plex in Lansing, and each year the Club hosts several weekends of league games for the Midwest region.

"Roller hockey is a great way to relieve stress and have a really good time."

"We're working on starting a new winning streak and beating our old one. We'd like to win another national championship, too. It's a challenge and we're ready to take it on. As long as we continue playing hard and playing to win, I don't see why it won't happen again," MacMillan said.

Story By: Sarah Carpenter
Design By: Robert Madsen
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Paintball can be a dangerous sport with competitors shooting pellets of paint as the ammunition at each other. A team's opponents are at twice the risk of being pelted.

Paintballing has become popular since the mid-90s. MSU's two-year club had quadrupled to 57 members.

Some people paint portraits. Others paint houses. But the members of the Paintball Club paint... well, each other.

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The sport of paintballing became popular during the mid-90's. In 1998, political theory sophomore Jason Van Dyke, computer science sophomore Brian Huang, building construction management junior Justin Vonhofe and microbiology sophomore Rudy Sloup decided to start an organization where students could find out more about the game. In its second year, the group's membership quadrupled to 57 members. Each person joined ready and waiting to battle other players on the field with tiny pellets of paint as ammunition.

"The club is a great group to play with because everybody is cool to each other and everybody has fun," said co-founder Van Dyke.

The team played at numerous locations such as Chaos Paintball and Hell Survivors where they team up against other paintball enthusiasts from the Michigan area. The members even get discounts on equipment.

Events included the Millennium Mission 2000, St. Valentine's Day Massacre, Michigan Monster Game, and the Midwestern Intercollegiate Tournament Series.

"Playing with the MSU Paintball Club proves fun for the newer player and at the same time proves challenging to the experienced tournament veteran," said Van Dyke. "The club is known and respected in Michigan and beyond for being a group of friendly, sportsmanship-minded players that is capable of being a competitive and dominating force on the field."

The members are not only teammates, but friends too. They often gather after big games to celebrate either a victory or a great time. The annual "MVP of the Year Roast" has also become a tradition for the guys and gals of one of MSU's newest and most original organizations.

Story By: Emily Irvine Designed By: Antoinette Koritnik Photos Compliments of: Jason Van Dyke



#### Paint Ammunition

Fishery and wildlife junior, Lance Irving shows his pride for the giant rainbow trout he caught. All people interested in fishing are welcome to the club. "You don't need to be a good fisher, we have a couple people that hadn't fished much before. I am more than happy to teach people to fish," said Irving.

Amy Morgan, a fishery and wildlife senior, holds up the Salmon that she caught. Members of the Sport Fishing Club enjoy fishing on a recreational and competitive level. The Big-Ten Invitational, a bass-fishing tournament, is the biggest competition attended by Big-Ten schools.





#### It was THAT Big!

Fishing is not something you think would be a competitive sport, but the Sport Fishing Club is happy to compete with other colleges in the country.

The Club is made up of a group of 20 students who like to fish recreationally as well as competitively. The team travels all over the state and country to compete with other schools.

"We are a club that does a sport thing," said Lance Irving, a Fisheries and Wildlife junior, and President of the Sport Fishing Club.

The sports fishing clubs biggest event is the Big-Ten Invitational, a bass-fishing tournament. Big-Ten schools from all over come to compete in the invitational. The team also goes on fishing trips as a group, hosts guest speakers and took a trip to Mississippi to view indoor aquariums at the largest fishing store in the country.

To join the Sports Fishing Club students just need to talk to Irving. "You don't need to be a good fisher, we have a couple people that hadn't fished much before. I am more than happy to teach people to fish," said Irving.

The Sport Fishing Club has a lot of fun, whether fishing competitively or taking fishing trip with each other. "We have a laid back atmosphere and always have a good time," said Irving.

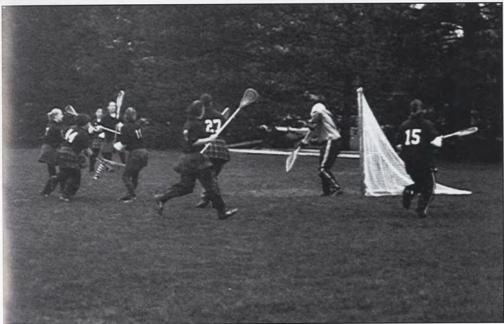
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Jodi Anderson, a fishery and wildlife senior, shows off the small mouth bass she caught on a fishing trip. The sport-fishing club took several group trips, including one trip to Mississippi to see the largest fishing store in the country. The club also hosted guest speakers.



The women's lacrosse club works very hard and still has a lot of fun. These girls practice and compete against other schools. They are all very close and look forward to each year they spend together.



Playing lacrosse on a warm fall day is what the girls love the most. They play seven games under the direction of three coaches: Ian Broughton, Jason Chapman, and Chris Vogeo.

In its eighth year at MSU, the Women's Lacrosse Club has become one of the premier club teams in the Midwest. The team of 35 was in the process of merging with United States Lacrosse Intercollegiate Athletics during the 1999-2000 school year. However, they belonged to the Women's Collegiate Lacrosse League along with 33 other teams throughout the region.

The team hosted seven games at MSU and an annual tournament in March on the fields near the Veterinary Medical Clinic. In

addition to practices three to four times a week, the team volunteers at a local soup kitchen and gathers for various social activities.

Ian Broughton, Jason Chapman, and Chris Vogel are the three volunteer coaches who generously devote their time to working with the girls. Their dedication has paid off, as the team grows stronger and more competitive each year.

"Our membership is at its peak right now, and we have become one of the strongest club teams in the Midwest," said senior Carrie Eade.

Members find that the team is a great way to stay physically fit, develop cooperation and teamwork, and agree that it is a wonderful opportunity to participate in a great sport. As the team grows in numbers and in strength, it gains more recognition and prestige.

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## Constructing Hope

Habitat for Humanity is building a future for people of the Lansing area and abroad. The main goal of MSU's Habitat in 1999 was to help construct quality housing for people in need.

Natalie Kent, Habitat's historian, said the mission of HFH was "to capture the imagination, energy, and hope of MSU students in order to productively and responsibly involve their efforts to eliminate poverty, inadequate housing and homelessness from the greater Lansing area."

In addition to sending weekly work crews into the Lansing area, HFH sponsored numerous activities for the community. Some of these included a Halloween party for over 500 children, and Book Buddies, an after-school program where members gathered with children three days a week to read, play games, and do other positive activities. The group also participated in neighborhood cleanups, campus visits for chil-

dren interested in seeing MSU, hayrides with local children, and helping with vehicle parking for large events held on campus.

HFH reached beyond local boundaries and showed that distance is not a factor when there's work to be done. Members used spring break as an opportunity to help people across the nation and traveled to Florida to assist the Miami chapter in its construction projects.

Funding for the activities is provided through a variety of fundraising events. In the Drive-a-Nail fundraiser, students donated money to drive a nail or two into a board. They also participated in can drives and other fundraisers in order to help finance the group's events.

Building a better community starts with people who care. Habitat for Humanity members showed that they cared throughout the 1999-2000 school year by the endless time and energy they donated to helping the community. They changed countless lives and built homes for many people. It's easy to build a house, but it takes something more to build a home.

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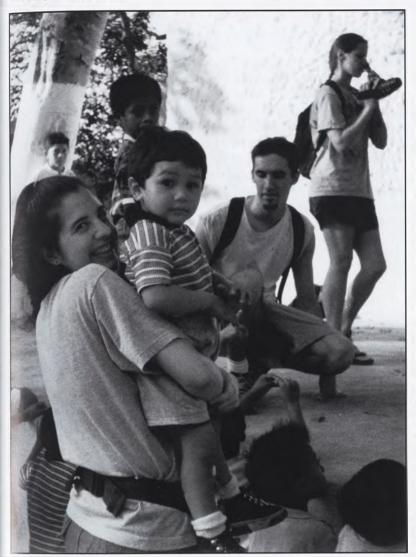


Habitat for Humanity is involved in many activities other than building houses in the area. Also in the Lansing area, MSU's chapter has put on a Halloween party for children and been their Book Buddies.

Members of MSU's
Habitat for
Humanity have
spent weekends,
summers, and even
spring breaks giving
their time to build
quality houses for
the less fortunate.
MSU has 1,352
members in its
chapter.



Holding a boy who loved getting some attention, Christina Golden was happy to go to the Salvarion Army in Merida Mexico.



#### Spring Into Action

Instead of spending a week on the beach in Cancun or Colorado, many students are using their spring break to help others.

Alternative Spring Break allows students to travel around the country and work to improve the lives of others.

"Alternative Spring Break shows the students hunger, homelessness, poverty and more, and shows them how to deal with it," said Carrie May, a horticulture senior and chairperson for the Alternative Spring Break.

Nine different sites are offered around the globe including Tennessee, New York, Washington D.C., and Mexico. In most trips, students work directly with the elderly, impoverished children, domestically abused women, or HIV patients.

Two of the spring breaks work with the environment.

"Alternative Spring Break gives students a broader view of communities out there, not just East Lansing," May said.

Nearly 200 students rented vans and drove to their sites in March. Depending on the location, students stayed in places like church basements, youth hostels and camp sites.

"This drastically shaped the direction of my academic career and what I want to do with the rest of my life," said May.

Alternative Spring Break helps students to think of others, learn what happens in other communities and how to help. May said it is an experience that develops relationships, understanding and compassion, and builds lasting memories.

"It's a rewarding experience," said May, "that gives students the opportunity to have a meaningful spring break."

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Photos Compliments of: Alternative Spring Break



vin Wright, Di Onna Kinlaw, Greg Wright, and Chastity Vanpelt chose to spend their Spring Break helping to clean up asa de Cuna in Queretavo, Mexico. These devoted Spartans hopped in a van just so they could do community service.



Painting a fence in Merida, Mexico at the Salvation Army, Jennifer Geib and Vicky Anderson enjoyed every moment of their Spring Break. For many of the students Alternative Spring Break experience helped them to appreciate life more.

#### Caddie Shack

Keep your head up when you're walking past the Evans Scholar house on 831 E. Grand River. In the spring and summer you may see any number of the 65 men and women who live there kicking back in an inflatable pool, playing a game of round ball or hanging out around the barbecue.

"There's always something going on," said Evans Scholar and human biology sophomore Josh Faley. "That's the great thing about this place, no one is ever left out of an activity. This is the strongest family in terms of fraternal living that I've ever been a part of."

Welcome to the Caddie Shack.

The Evans Scholarship began in 1930 with the dream of former caddie and golfer, Chick Evans, who initiated the scholarship fund by donating his winnings in order to retain his amateur status. Now funded through the Western Golf Association and by the generous donations of over 100,000 golfers nation wide, the Evans Scholarship grants the gift of over 850 four-year, full-tuition scholarships to students enrolled in 20 different universities across the country.

However, these are not your average college students. The only common thread between these individuals is that they were all caddies (ya know "pro-jocks, loopers") from various golf courses from across the state. They were chosen through a rigorous interview process and because of their outstanding scholastic record, leadership

abilities and overall character.

Separating themselves from the fraternities and sororities, members are chosen by the WGA and not by those already in the house. They are also required to maintain a cumulative grade point average of 2.5 in order to retain their scholarship privileges.

"This is a great place to live," said Evans Scholar and electrical engineering senior Steve Cichy. "Who knows, without this scholarship I may have not been able to go to college. It just makes you appreci-

ate things that much more. "

Yet, if there is anyone that holds this amazing group together, it's Thomas Dutch, who has been the faculty advisor for the Evans Scholar for the past 46 years and will be celebrating 50 years with MSU on the first of September, 2000.

"The diversity of this group is what makes them so strong," said



"Gambling is illegal at Bushwood Sir." That's why this group of scholars headed north for a road-trip to Belvedere Country Club in Charlevoix, Michigan. The weekend marked the first annual Evans Scholars "Equalizer" tournament, which consisted of a four-man scramble with teams divided up equally in terms of abilities both on and off the course.

Eighty degrees in the end of October, only at Virginia Beach. With the football team away at Purdue for the weekend, the scholars traded in their coats for swimning suits and decided to visit the hometown of former MSU wide receiver Plaxico Burress. While down at the beach, they caught a tan during the day and took in a "The Bash at the Beach," a monster truck rally right on the surf at night.

Dutch. "The WGA picks people of totally different races, gencers and religious background and places them in the house to live together and they do. There is no better way to prepare students for what they are going to experience in real life."

Even though they are given such a great gift, it is not unlike he scholars to give back. Last year they raised over \$30,000 for the L msing Area Aids Network through the fifth annual Aids Walk, which was created by the Scholars. They also donate time and hundred of dollars each semester to the St. Vincent's Home for Children and have adopted two miles of a Michigan highway.

"I've met friends in this house that I know I'll always have," ad ed Faley. "This is a place where I feel like I belong, we all look out for each other here and that's because we all care about each other. There is by far, no other group like this on campus."

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#### Student Alumni Foundation

The Student Alumni Foundation is the biggest student organization on campus. One-thousand three hundred members carry out the group mission of supporting the MSU Alumni Association and University Development, who aid students through educational and social programming and promote personal growth for SAF members.

Big events and activities that SAF sponsored this year include basketball's 943-member Izzone and the 114-member hockey spirit block, Slapshots. Outfitted in identical t-shirts or jerseys, these animated groups support the Spartans at home and partake in organized road trips to away games.

SAF also puts together the annual Family Weekend, where students' families visit campus and attend a variety of activities at the pinnacle of Fall athletic affairs including a football game, a pep rally, and a Sunday brunch.

"This is a time for rekindling the spirit and sharing in the realization of what student, sibling and parent contribute to the family relationship. It's bonding time," said SAF Vice President Christopher

Hildebrand.

The Student Alumni Foundation also sponsors Students for State, which is made up of volunteers who act as MSU ambassadors, sharing their educational experiences with campus visitors, alumni, friends and other students at various events on campus.

SAF also operates MSU's official mascot, Sparty, and gives walking and bus tours of campus to prospective students. This year the group extended itself philanthropically by holding reading programs at a local elementary school.

They also raised over \$2,000 for MSU Safe Place, a charity founded by our university's First Lady.

SAF President Jeff Lemons said, "We help to represent the best at MSU. We network with thousands of people annually and it's just a great thing to get involved with."

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Student Alumni Foundation board members Michael Beasley, Jason Zicchino, Adam Raak, Advisor Bev VanderBert, Eric Lacy, Jeff Lemons and Kevin Udy enjoy the warm Florida sun at the New Year's Day Florida Citrus Bowl. MSU beat Florida 37 to 34.





Definitely having green blood run through his veins, Sparty gives the crowd a positive thumbs up at a home football game. Sparty is our leader in school sprit, an icon to students and alumni, and a well-recognized mascot around the nation.

Sparty and his loyal hockey followers work hard to keep Munn Ice Arena energized. Their unbelievably loud voices and bright jerseys help keep opponents distracted.

### Common Sounds

Cheddar! The Common Grounds staff poses on their stage in the basement of Akers hall. On some nights the only attendance would be the staff, which was fun and "interesting." according to staff members.

Everybody dance. Jeremy Sawdy, Stacy Lukasauitz and Kibibi Blount groove to the music at Common Grounds. Sometimes the crowds could reach numbers of up to 200 dancing people.





What else does campus need? When this question was asked during the spring semester of 1998, the answer was clear: more consistent, weekend, late-night activities. With this in mind, Akers Hall Complex Director Simon Kho and Resident Assistant Mark Miazga came up with the idea of the Common Grounds Coffeehouse.

Plus, Common Grounds Coffeehouse offered more than just coffee. A wide variety of musical guests and bands performed at the coffeehouse, including Lori Amey, Wally Pleasant, Brenda Kahn, 19 Wheels, Figurehead and Undecided.

"The shows that do best for us tend to be either ska/punk shows, or singer/songwriter shows," said Mark Miazga, program coordinator for Common Grounds. "An odd mix, to be sure!"

The main purpose of the Common Grounds is to provide a venue in the East Lansing area that is open to all ages and a variety of talents. Its location, in the basement of Akers Hall, was chosen specifically because it is easily accessible to more than 3,500 students living near it, namely, freshmen and other students in Holmes, Akers and Hubbard halls.

"We try to have all sorts of different kinds of music but it doesn't always work out," said Miazga. "We'll sometimes have crowds of 10, and other times have crowds of 500."

Common Grounds has won two awards so far, both at the annual Student Organization Awards Banquet: Student Organization of the Year and Best Alternative Programming.

"The best way to understand... is to come and see a show," said Miazga, adding, "Oh - and we usually have free cookies."

Story By: Amanda Hensley Design By: Kathryn Harper Photos Compliments of: Common Grounds



Singin' away. Performer Brenda Kahn shows off her musical talent at the Common Grounds Coffeehouse. Many performers like herself get the chance to perform at the Coffeehouse and make their start in the music world.



#### Business Overseas

AIESEC members have a party to celebrate their success. "AIESEC is the world's largest student organization and is catching on like wildfire all across America," said President Mark Holbert, a human resources senior.

Student leaders take a break from their conference at the University of Wisconsin to hang with a frozen fish. AIESEC, a student run, non-profit group, helps students interested in business find jobs internationally. The group matches 5,000 companies with international interns every year.



Interning for international companies is an attainable goal or members of AIESEC.

In 1948 after World War II, a group of students in France and Germany started AIESEC, which is French for the Intrnational Association of Students in Economics and Busiless Management, to foster international exchange and coperation. These students wanted to make sure there was lever another world war by promoting international unterstanding.

"So far we have been successful," said President Mark olbert, a human resources senior.

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MSU does not have a local chapter of AIESEC, so interested students go through the University of Michigan.

"Much of this past year has been spent garnering support to re-apply for local chapter status," said Holbert.

AIESEC offers educational and entertaining weekly activities with the Teambuilding System. AIESEC gives students a chance to work in their field of study, and to meet people from all over the world.

David Tamm, an international relations senior and international vice president for AIESEC, said, "AIESEC puts international experience at our students' fingertips."

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RUBI members get ready to pass out thousands of Twix bars on Wednesday Without Worry, a day during Eating Disorders Awareness Week. Each bar contained a message about how all foods can be enjoyed as a part of a healthy diet.

RUBI, Respecting and Understanding Body Image, is an organization committed to educating others about the dangers of poor eating habits due to a low self-image.

"I started this organization in October and already we have over 80 members," said Kendrin Sonneville, a nutrition science senior and founder of RUBI. "A lot of our members are very enthusiastic about what this organization stands for."

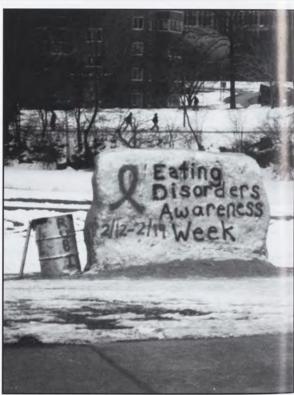
Since eating disorders are relatively common on college campuses, and therefore often ignored or dismissed, RUBI worked hard to raise awareness and knowledge of these dangerous illnesses in order to help those currently struggling. They also worked to prevent others from potentially damaging their bodies.

In December, the group started to get the word out by creating and distributing "stall stories." Stall stories were one-page fact sheets that were hung on bathroom stall doors. They gave information about eating disorders and negative body image, as well as how these things related to the holiday season. Included on the stall stories were bits of information about resources for anyone who happened to be battling against an eating disorder.

One of the biggest events the club got involved with was Eating Disorders Awareness Week, in the third week of February. They put up stall stories again and on Wednesday the 16<sup>th</sup> passed out Twix bars containing the message: Wednesday Without Worry. Do you worry about fat and calories? Ask yourself why. Enjoy food and celebrate yourself

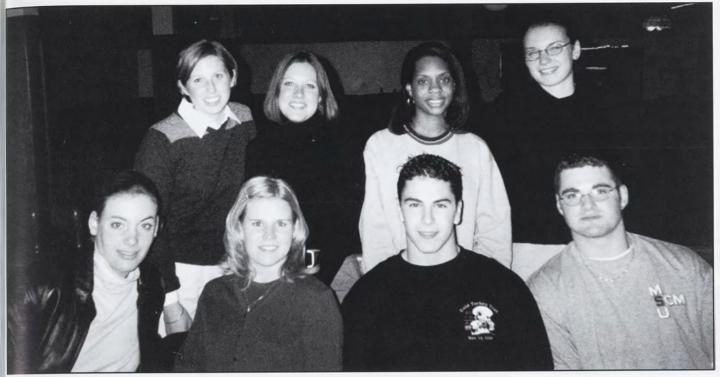
"By passing out these candy bars, we are trying to get people thinking about their eating habits. We want people to know that all food, even candy bars, can be part of a healthy, balanced diet," said Sonneville. In just its first year, RUBI had influenced hundreds of people through its promotion of positive body image and healthy eating habits. After all, you are NOT what you eat!

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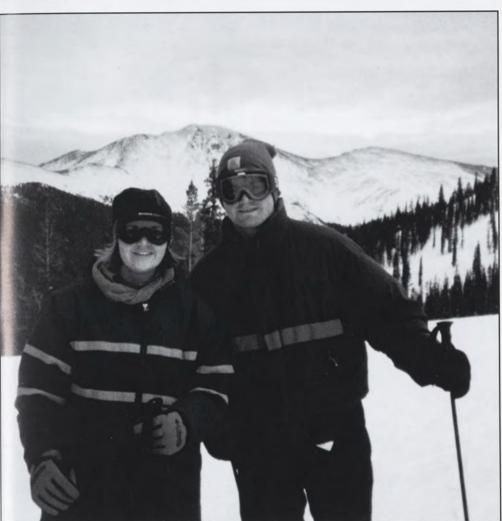


"The Rock" on Farm Lane was painted by RUBI to promote awareness about eating disorders. The group passed out purple ribbons, pencils and information about eating disorders to students across the campus throughout the week.





The executive board of Supply Chain Management Association is made up of, from left to right, Amanda Stone, Kim Buck, Dee Clark and Kim Jurczak; Kelly Chisholm, Ann Austin, Mart DiPonio, and Ben



mmy Dzikowicz and Ben Boyce relaxed in Denver while on a ski trip. The group traveled to many places and networked h many companies to get exposure to industry opportunities, practices and people.

Gettin' Down To Business

Complementing formal classroom education through student exposure along with leading industry opportunities, practices, and people, as well as providing a forum for student-faculty interaction is only a bit about the actions of the Supply Chain Management Association.

The group met on the first Wednesday of every month in the Eppley Center this year. The association prides itself on several things, including its outreach to over 100 companies and its exclusive supply chain management Annual Career Fair. They also hold an Annual Leadership Retreat held in Battle Creek at the Kellogg Biological Center and Quiz Bowl competition, where members traveled to Pittsburgh for scholastic competition with other Big Ten universities.

MA President Beth Watson said, "This is a great way to network with companies, students, and develop a relationship with recruiters. We have a lot of fun, too."

At their biggest event, the Leadership Retreat, the association received professional advice along with massages. They even had bonfires with choice beverages. This is definitely an unconventional, yet effective approach to working. It's even rumored that one morning, association members had no running water and the innovative group used blow dryers to melt ice cubes so they could brush their teeth while on retreat.

"When I was a freshman, my advisor told me it would be a fun group to be a part of. It is!" Watson said.

Story by: Sarah Carpenter Designed by: Antoinette Koritnik Photos Compliments of: Supply Chain Management Association The Food and Nutrition Association has been active on campus for approximately 20 years with the purpose to provide "a professional and social opportunity" for its members.

The organization numbered over 70 members for the 1999-2000 school year. Led by president and nutrition science senior Kendrin Sonneville, vice president and dietetics senior Sarah Petrovich, treasurer and dietetics senior Becky Bourlier, and secretary and dietetics senior Kim Adams, the group

ciation play a game at a Wednesday ever ng meeting. The organization boasted over 70 members. The group helped make important connections in the food industry.

The members of the Food and Nutrition A o-

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met every other Wednesday evening in Anthony Hall. The association hosted educational speakers and organized community service and social events.

"I have met numerous people and advisors in our department throughout the past three years," said Adams, "I have also gained knowledge listening to the speakers."

The FNA participated in various volunteer activities which include serving food at the Lansing Rescue Mission, donating food to the Lansing Food Bank along with making and distributing Christmas cookies to local charities.

"We are very involved in the community," said Adams, "I have thoroughly enjoyed my time spent with the members of FNA."

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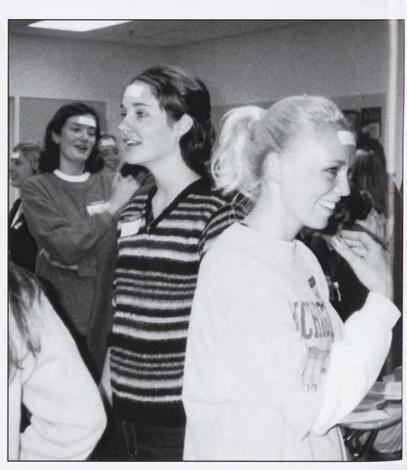




Some of the Food and Nutrition Association members attend a meeting in Anthony Hall. The FNA met every other Wednesday and hosted educational speakers. The organization was involved in many community and social events.

The Food and Nutrition Association attends one of its numerous social events. The FNA also participated in local volunteer activities. "We are very involved in the community," said the group's secretary Kim Adams.





When zoology senior Louise Allen and English senior Adrian Doerr decided during the summer of 1999 that our campus needed a more active voice for environmental concerns, the first ideas for their group, "Eco," were born. Throughout the summer they worked on turning Eco into the registered organization that it is today. Eco became a group that places an emphasis on being active in local environmental concerns, and is dedicated to expanding the knowledge of ecological issues in the area.

As the new school year started, Eco fired up as well and made its debut on campus with its first big event in October.

"Our first event was a riverbank cleanup... that followed the day after the football game against U of M," said Allen. "... There was lots of trash around, so between the Library bridge and the Wells Hall bridge we picked up trash in and around the riverbank. It was

a glorious fall day and we had an enthusiastic turnout."

As the semester progressed, Eco took part in two more large and memorable activities. From October 15-17, 14 group members took part in ECOnference 2000, a national student environmentalist conference, in Philadelphia. A month later, on November 15 and 16, Eco's America Recycles Day activities had an impact on campus. America Recycles Day encourages recycling and the purchase of recycled materials, and in celebration, Eco members collected recyclable items from Yakeley-Gilchrist Hall. With all the items, they created a display in between Wells Hall and the International Center.

"We strung plastic bottles from tree to tree and erected 7 foot tall newspaper towers," said Allen. "We wanted to show how many recyclable products a residence hall could produce and why we feel

the university should have a better recycling program to handle all of these materials."

After a successful first year, Eco's creators Louise Allen and Adrian Doerr look forward to many more to come.

"Hopefully," said Allen, "Eco will continue to grow after a successful first year and be able to have a significant and influential voice on our campus about local environmental issues."

Story By: Amanda Hensley Design By: Kathryn Harper Photos Compliments of: ECO

A bite of life. Eco members take a break for apples from the Riverbank Cleanup in October. The cleanup, Eco's first big event, had a large turnout and helped keep the riverbank between the Library and Wells hall looking beautiful.

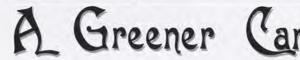






Eco coordinators Louise Allen and Adrian Doerr stand with some of the materials used for America Recycles Day, On ARD, Eco members strung bottles in the trees and made large stacks of newspapers as a demonstration of how many recyclable products are used on campus.

Look what we found. Two Eco members show some of the trash that they found during the Riverbank cleanup. The cleanup took place the day after the football game against U of M, so the cleaning was well needed.





# Shaping Tomorrow Today

MSU teaching interns answer questions from TEACH members about their experiences. TEACH's main objective is to recruit prospective education students to MSU. The group participates in many programs that help give people an idea of what MSU's College of Education is all about.



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BOO! Two members of TEACH make friends with one of the Haunted Hayride "scary guys."

Michigan State is home to one of the top education schools in the country. TEACH is an organization of student ambassadors from the College of Education who work to promote the school and the profession of teaching. In the 1999-2000 school year, TEACH acted as a large recruiter for the college. However, the group was relatively new, having become a registered student organization in 1998.

"For recruitment, we participate in the Administration Office's phone-a-thon in which we called prospective students, specifically high school seniors who have expressed an interest in MSU and the field of education. We would answer any questions they might have about MSU or the College of Education," said education senior Erin Weinrich, lead ambassador of TEACH.

Along with speaking at high schools and giving campus tours, members presented information about the college to freshman during orientation and also to The Young Educators Society (High School students interested in becoming teachers) when they visited MSU.

Aside from working inside of the university, the group assisted others by doing various community service projects, providing information and networking to future educators. They also helped with the College of Education Technology Conference by assisting in the set up, sign-in desk assistance, and with the presenters.

TEACH has provided a way for prospective students to learn more about the opportunities offered within the field of education. To open doors for the teachers of tomorrow is to someday open doors for the children of tomorrow, for the future.

Story By: Emily Irvine Design By: Robert Madsen Photos Compliments of: Teach





Some members of TEACH gather together at a haunted hayride. In addition to the many things the group does to improve education and recruit students to the College of Education, the group participates in numerous social activities.

For those students who are tired of spending breaks in the warm weather, the MSU Snowboard Club gives them the chance to spend their time snowboarding all over the country.

The MSU Snowboard Club is made up of about 40 members. They began by handing flyers out on campus, and e-mailing people. The Snowboard Club holds a meeting at the beginning of the year, where they talk about the club and tell potential members what they do.

"We provide an extracurricular activity to relieve the stresses of students classes," said Daniel Radley, a finance senior, and President of the Snowboard Club.

The Snowboard Club organizes big group trips, as well as helping members organizes their own smaller trips through an e-mail system. "This gives new riders a chance to experience snowboarding, and they fall in love with it," said Radley.

The club took trips to Sault Saint Marie, Canada and Nubs Knob in Harbor Springs. The club also took a trip to Big Sky, Montana for Spring Break. The Snowboard Club receives group discount rates at ski resorts, and 10 percent off at Modern Skate and surf.

"I love the club, I love spending time working on things for it, and all the members love being in it," said Radley.

Story By: Shannon Murphy Design By: Robert Madsen

Photos Compliments of: Snowboarding Club

Snow Angels





It isn't the mystery machine, but it'll do. These members of the club pitched in and rented a van for a cheap spring break at Blue Mountain in Collingwood, Canada. For about half the price of a week out west, the Snowboarding Club picked up five days of riding and waist-deep snow in March. However, it's not about the place or even the quality of the snow as much as the friends you meet and ride with along the way.

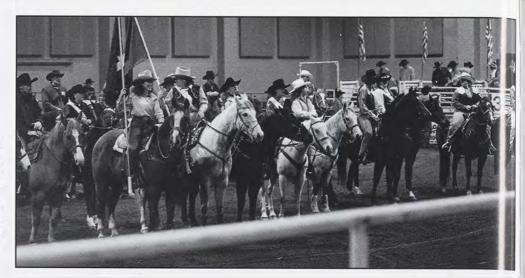
It's hard to keep this group on the ground. Whether they are heading up north for a weekend trip or busting out west for a week, they are always on the move. These three riders are just pumped to be out for the first runs of the season and Searchmont, Canada is the best place to catch first tracks. As many of the club members will tell you, Searchmont is definitely worth the seven hour drive to drop cliffs and enjoy the friendly Canadian hospitality.

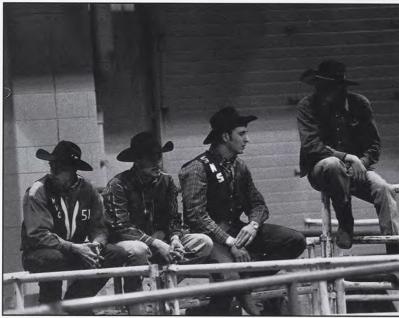
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#### Brones & the Blood

A cowboy participates in the bull riding competition in the Spartan Stampede Rodeo. The rodeo was the largest regular season collegiate rodeo east of the Mississippi River. The rodeo, which was sponsored by the MSU Rodeo Club, took place February 18-20.

Cowboys watch a Spartan Stampede Rodeo event. The MSU Rodeo Club sponsored the rodeo along with activities that helped the community. The group volunteered for local youth organizations and made generous donations to non-profit organizations.





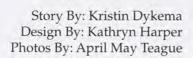
The Michigan State University Rodeo Club held various activities that promoted helping others as well as supporting the sport of rodeo. The 1999-2000 club boasted approximately 54 members and met every Thursday evening in Anthony Hall. The club was led by elected officials, president and animal science senior Jennifer McGuire, vice president and pre-med sophomore Cory Karslen, secretary and animal science junior Abby Warren, and treasurer and accounting sophomore Rebecca Struble.

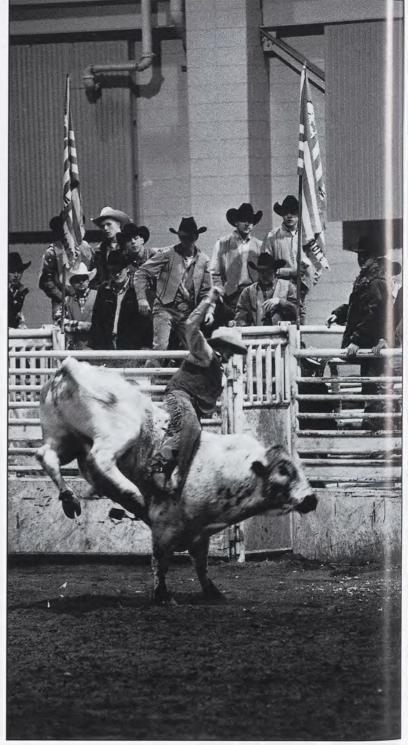
"In all the organizations I have been involved in, I have never seen such an ambitious bunch of people that are so into helping the community both hands on and with money donations," said McGuire.

The Rodeo Club volunteered for local youth organizations, made donations to the American Cancer Society, and organized a blood drive with the Red Cross. Local events the group participated in included the MSU Homecoming Parade, Autumn Fest, and Small Animals' Day. The club also sponsored the Animal Barrel Show in the fall and the Spartan Stampede Rodeo from February 18-20. The Spartan Stampede Rodeo is the largest regular season collegiate rodeo east of the Mississippi River.

The Rodeo Club also supported events that helped the community. Members put on demonstrations for various youth groups and were active in an array of community volunteer work.

"We are more than willing to help people learn about rodeo and teach them the events," said Karsten.





Cowboys and cowgirls gather before a Spartan Stampede Rodeo activity. The MSU Rodeo Club sponsored the Spartan Stampede. The organization promoted helping others along with supporting the sport of rodeo.

The Figure Skating team has one of the longest seasons of any of the teams on campus; tryouts start the weekend after Labor Day and the season ends with Nationals in the middle of spring semester. Throughout the season they strive to provide competitive figure and synchronized skating opportunities for all interested students.

"Since our season is long and our practices are at such awkward times, each member of the team must be very dedicated," said French and international studies sophomore Kerry Monaco.

Each student has the option of skating on the synchronized skating team, skating individually, or both. There are 20 students on the Synchronized Skating team, in addition to a manager and a head coach, but

individual skaters practice on their own time, according to Monaco. They practice on and off the ice - at Munn Ice Arena and at IM East.

Each year they hold an annual collegiate figure skating competition at Munn Ice Arena.

"Different collegiate individual skaters and collegiate synchronized skating teams come to compete against each other while trying to get prepared for Nationals in March," said Monaco.

Along with holding fundraising activities throughout the year to help with team costs and publicity, they also hold one open skate every year at Munn Ice Arena where they are able to keep the money made from admission and skate rental. However, most get a first glimpse of

> the team between periods of a few hockey games and at other frozen events.

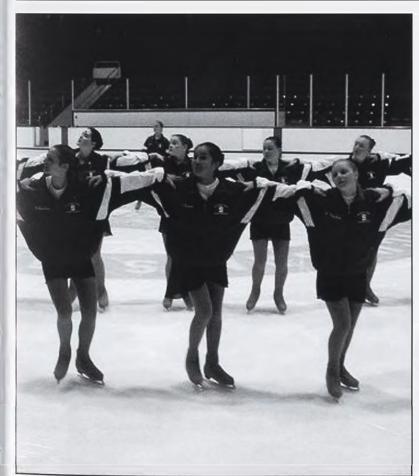
> Every competition that they participate in are inter-collegiate and are held at universities across the Midwest area. Three collegiate competitions were held this year, with one at MSU and the others at Bowling Green and Western.

All of their hard work has paid off in the past, earning the synchronized skating team a silver medal at the 1998 Nationals in San Diego and 6th place in 1999. Yet, they look forward to better finishes in the future.

Story By: Amanda Hensley Design By: Kathryn Harper Photos Compliments of: Figure Skating

The Synchronized Skating team poses on the ice at Munn Ice Arena. The team's season, one of the longest seasons of any teams on campus, lasts from early September to the middle of Spring semester.







In Synch. The Synchronized Skating team practices one of their routines on the ice. There were 20 skaters on the Synchronized team who put in many hours of practices every week to perfect their performances

Round and round. The synchronized skaters form a pinwheel shaped pattern on the ice. The team competed in three collegiate competitions, one at MSU, one at Bowling Green and one at Western.

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#### Nurturing Communications

The Society of Professional Journalists dedicated themselves to improving all areas of journalism. The increased number of members for the 1999-2000 society indicated the organization's success at attracting skillful young people to the journalism field.

The main goal and mission statement of SPJ is to nurture the interest of those in the journalistic fields, until they become practi-

With twenty-five members strong, SPJ met a few evenings each month in the Communication Arts and Science building. Meetings consisted of guest speakers, dinners with the local professional chapter and career searching and resume building sessions.

The executive board and programming committee for SPJ consisted of president journalism senior Michelle Clark, vice president journalism junior Kirsten Fredrickson, and secretary and treasurer journalism junior Jason Karayanes. Assisting the organization was faculty advisor Stephen Lacy, who also serves as the department chair for the School of Journalism.

"Our members have already proven to be successful professional journalists, as many work for local newspapers and magazines," said Clark.

Last year the club journeyed to Kentucky to attend the regional journalism conference. The society also sent members to the 2000 regional conference held in Detroit.

"The regional conference is the most important event to the students of SPJ each year," said Fredrickson. "It allows students to mingle with other students and professional journalist in a relaxed atmosphere."

The many activities enjoyed by the club are meant to further the knowledge of the members as they learn the skills needed to become professional journalists.

"SPJ has been a great experience for me," said Fredrickson. "It has allowed me to meet other journalism majors and make some contacts in the professional field."

> Story By: Kristin Dykema Design By: Antoinette Koritnik

Members of Society of Professional Journalists are more than writers, reporters and editors - tl. syte friends. The chapter, although small in membership, is a close-knit group of students aspiri g to the highest ideals of the profession.





Overlooking a spacious view, SPJ members Anne Danko, Andrew Blight, Leslie Reinhold, Jason Karayanes, Kirsten Fredrickson and Michelle Clark enjoy brunch at a regional conference. The convention, held in Covington, Kentucky, allowed the students to mingle with professionals in the field of journalism, exchange ideas and explore opportunities.





#### Kappa Delta Pi

Kappa Delta Pi members gather together at the intern information panel. The panel was sponsored by KDP and TEACH, another education-based organization. Education interns answered questions from KDP and TEACH members about their experienced in the world of education.

The children of today are the future of tomorrow. Teachers are people who give the world its future by educating, guiding, and growing with the individuals who will be faced with the challenges of the world.

In the 1999-2000 school year, Kappa Delta Pi was a group of 258 members who were either education majors or practicing and retired members of the education field. The organization promoted the development of worthy educational principles and practices, as well as diversification in education.

Kappa Delta Pi members worked to improve growth and leadership by recognizing scholarship and excellence in the educational field. They met once a month in Erickson Hall to discuss and reflect on important issues in the educational world.

Throughout the year, they organized numerous activities and events. These included the "Reading Is Fundamental" program, which helped promote reading throughout the community. On Martin Luther King Jr. Day, the group held a literary forum and poster contest. Dr. Patricia Cianciolo, the guest speaker, spoke to over 50 faculty and students who attended about multicultural children's literature.

"The goal of the event was to promote the respect of diversity, especially in relation to children's literature and the classroom," said Erin Weinrich, Vice President of programs of  $K\Delta\Pi$ .

Working to make the future brighter, the members of Kappa Delta Pi strive to make an impact in the educational field and in the lives of today's youth.

Story By: Emily Irvine Design By: Kathryn Harper Photos Compliments of: Kappa Delta Pi

Kappa Delta Pi officers Melissa Thrush, Chanda Lilly and Lauren Graves represented Michigan State's chapter at the National Conference in Baltimore, MD. The group is dedicated to improving the field of education through leadership and diversification.



Phi Chi Theta reaches towards giving its members crucial contacts in the professional bussiness world. Numerous guest speakers are brought in during the year, in addition to resume critiques, just to help the brothers and sisters get a step ahead in their careers.

Phi Chi Theta gets involved with children of the Lansing area including the Junior Achievement Program and the Boys and Girls Club. MSU's chapter is 71 members strong and growing.

# Back to Business



The Phi Chi Theta Co-Ed Professional Business Fraternity provided numerous benefits for its members. The group's purpose was to "promote the cause of higher business education and training for all individuals." The fraternity offered crucial contacts and the needed material to succeed in the professional business field.

"The business world is pretty fierce and you need something to give you that competitive edge," said president and human resource management senior Jeff Spaude. "We offer resumé critiquing and help to develop a resumé. We also have speakers from large corporations come in and talk to us. Our success can be seen through the many internship and job offers that our members get each semester."

The business fraternity consisted of 71 members who met Tuesday evenings in the Business College Complex. The group was led by president Jeff Spaude, vice president and finance senior Marta Blichar, secretary and finance junior Kim Feiock and treasurer and human resource management junior Jamie Brockhahn.

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Members were very involved in community events. The service activities sponsored by Phi Chi Theta were Give a Kid a Coat, Junior Achievement, Boys and Girls Club and Toys for Tots. They also donated Easter baskets and Thanksgiving dinners to families in need, along with various social events.

The business fraternity helps its members socially and professionally throughout their college and business careers.

"Joining Phi Chi has been the best decision I've made since I've been at MSU. It's great to get to know people that share common goals and who are taking the same classes you are. Many of these people have grown to be my closest friends," said first year member and finance sophomore Nicole DeVault. "All the professional support is wonderful too. I've gained so much experience through the older members of the fraternity."

Story By: Kristin Dykema Designed By: Antoinette Koritnik Photos Compliments of: Niki DeVault Finding jobs after graduation can be a nerve-wracking experience, but students can start guaranteeing jobs now with help from the College of Business Student Senate.

The Eli Broad College of Business Student Senate has members from every year, major and organization that is part of the Business College. The Student Senate is made up of 35 members who work with undergraduates and 15 organization in the Business College.

When there is a new program or recruiter coming to campus the Student Senate tells representatives from the organizations who then fill in their members.

"We try to get in touch with as many undergraduates as we can, and keep them informed," said Trisha Thompson, an accounting senior, and Chairperson of the Student Senate.

The Student Senate serves as liaisons between the students and the administration. It also had a student concerns survey, where they polled stu-

dents in the college of business and reported their findings to the dean and other administrators.

"We polled the major consensus in the college of business even on things like improving the bathroom facilities," said Thompson.

The Student Senate has programs to help make the students better business people. They host the business success workshop,

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nate has protested the students which teaches students everything from dining etiquette to how to interview. They also partner with the LEAR career service center to bring recruiters in to make sure all students have an opportunity to get a job. There is also the Graduating Senior Peer Recognition Award, where students pick an outstand-

ing senior to receive the honor.

"It's the only award that we know of on campus that is given to the students by the students," said Thompson.

Student Senate also finds student input very helpful, so they formed the undergraduate program committee. Through this get program undergraduates can bring their problems and concerns to the senate and receive answers.

The Student Senate has two membership drives a year, one at the beginning and one at the end. Students pick up and application and then go through an interview process. The Student Senate meets every Wednesday.

"I guess what we do is best summed up by our motto: To Become Better Business Professionals," said Thompson.

Story By: Sarah Carpenter Design By: Kathryn Harper Photos Compliments of: Eli Broad

Business professionals enjoy lunch together at an Eli Broad College function this year.







Fairs and other social events help the club to fundraise and promote the club. These two kid with kootie catchers at a function on campus this year. Business College members flash monopoly money at this year's Homecoming Day parade.

# Pleasure For Your Ears

One-hundred twenty voices strong, the Women's Glee Club performed a wide repertoire of music, classical to modern. They were also heard performing in Arabic, French and various other languages.

During their season they performed at the Wharton Center with the Men's Glee Club and could be heard several times off-campus at such places as Oldsmobile Park during a Lansing Lugnuts game.

Both undergraduate and graduate students can participate in this non-audition choir. It is open to all women regardless of major or musical experience. They meet twice a week for rehearsals in the music building.

Megan McClure, an English junior and president of the club, said the atmosphere is the one of the best aspects. They spend time together in outside weekly rehearsals, at parties and hang around the local karaoke bars.

McClure said. "It's really a positive social aspect. We do a lot of things together."

Though currently conducted by a doctoral student in the School of Music, the Women's Glee Club hopes to one day have a professor conducting them so that they may be eligible for competition at the national level and for concert tours.

"Their talent rivals that of other groups with these opportunities and their enthusiasm has the potential to take them far," said McClure.

Story By: Kirsten Anne Fredrickson Design By: Antoinette Koritnik Photos Compliments of: Women's Glee Club The Women's Glee Club executive board manages over 120 members. They provide leadershi and direction for the group and plan the events throughout the year.





The women line up before going on stage to perform. They have put on shows at the Wharton Center, Oldsmobile Park and even at a Lansing Lugnuts baseball game.



Phi Sigma Pi members pack up food they collected for one of the many local charities. The chapter prides itself in its heavy involvement in aiding those in need. Throughout the year they give their support to such places like the Hamilton House and the local Red Cross.

The national honor fraternity members pose with the various awards they have achieved through their services. The Joeseph Torchi Award was given to them for their outstanding qualities of scholarship, leadership and fellowship. Members spend the year striving to succeed academically and socially.

"Best Chapter in the Country" comes as no light honor, and the Phi Sigma Pi Chapter readily takes on the honor and responsibilities for being awarded the Joseph Torchi Award for scholarship, leadership and fellowship. These three things are what the members of the National Honor Fraternity Phi Sigma Pi strive to personify and encourage in others.

To achieve such high standards they give their services throughout the year to the Hamilton House and the local Red Cross. They also hold an annual 5K run called the Pi mile to benefit local charities. Scholastic and leadership events throughout the year also keep the members on top of their ideals.

The Chapter has been going strong for the last five years, and is currently 85 members strong. They meet every Sunday at 7:30 p.m. in the Union.

"Our brothers are very active in the fraternity and in the community," said Phi Sigma Pi President Justin Arbes. "We encourage any student who wants to succeed academically and have fun at the same time to learn more about our organization."

The brothers also like to help others by getting back to their childhood and holding a Teeter-Totter-a-Thon to raise money for a local marity. A teeter-totter is placed on Demonstration Field and it is kept to tive for 24 hours straight. While the brothers take turns they also recourage those passing by to come and join. Last year somewhere between \$700 and \$800 were raised for the local YMCA. Not only be it support those in need, but it also truly shows their "family throsphere."

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## Helping Hands

#### Literally Speaking

Thumbs up. Sparty expresses his approval of Oats Literary magazi lear the Party at the Aud in August. Oats prints poetry and prose by undergrads four times a year and sells at 50 cents a copy.

When computer management junior Dan Bouk mentioned to his friends that he needed a way to "sow his intellectual oats," little did he expect that a few weeks later he would find himself at a planning meeting for what was to become the Oats Literary Magazine. Oats was established to fill what Bouk called "a void in the MSU literary market."

"The Red Cedar Review publishes some student work, but mostly deals with graduate students, often from other universities," explained Bouk, now an editor of Oats. "It was our belief that undergrads at MSU had works that could, and should be published."

After only a year of existence, Oats editors receive piles of undergraduate submissions for each of the four issues printed during the year: written poetry, fiction and creative essay. Bouk said that Oats has never received a non-fiction piece that wasn't good enough to print. Oats was first offered for sale at the Honors College Coffeehouse held at Eustace-Cole Hall. It is now sold for 50 cents a copy at the MSU Bookstore, the Student Book Store and by the Oats staff.

They call themselves an 'anti-profit organization.'

"Oats has never turned a profit. The magazine loses money with each issue," explained Bouk.

Making an appearance at the 'Party at the Aud' last August, the Oats staff made an impression by handing out complementary bags of oatmeal to anyone who stopped by their booth. The night before the Party, the Oats staff painted "All's Fair in Love and OATS" in white and bright orange on the rock outside the Auditorium.

Although undergraduates write for Oats, the magazine is read not only here, but also in New York, Tennessee and Massachusetts.

"Our New York and Tennessee readerships can be accounted for by noting that two of our editors are originally from those states," said Bouk. "In Massachusetts the only reader we know of is the famous historian David McCullough who has a complimentary life-time subscription to Oats, due to the inspiration he has been to its editors."

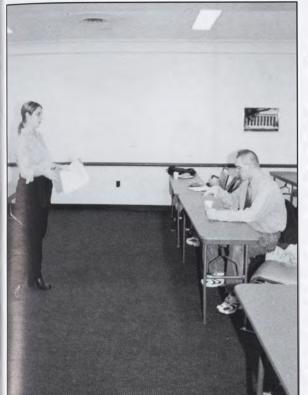
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Goofin' off. Editor Dan Bouk goofs off at the Party at the Aud while contributor Doug Dinero looks on. Dan and Doug handed out complementary bags of oatmeal to anyone who visited their table that night.



#### Analyze This

Professional members of the psychology field come to discuss 'real world' problems with students in the Psychology Scholars Association. This connection provides students with "valuable experience and direction for their cateer goals," said club president Todd Berens.



The Psychology Scholars' Association, formerly known as "Psych Club," helps to form a coherent bond among members of the Psychology Program by providing them with a forum for discussing psychological issues, gaining career experience and developing friendships with like-minded students.

Focusing on smaller-scale volunteering opportunities, the group attempts to foster a connection between students and the 'real world,' providing them with "valuable experience and direction for their career goals," says club president Todd Berens. However, they're looking ahead to plan a larger-scale event in conjunction with a group from the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor.

Though psychology clubs have faltered in the past, Berens believes that this year's group will help to provide a strong base for future growth and longevity. "We are the first psych club to function all year in a few years," he says. "Last Spring we met for a few meetings, but this year we have a different leadership and are trying to keep it going for the next few years at least." The meetings often feature successful psychologists offering advice on things from applying to grad school to handling difficult patients. Informal and small — 25 to 30 people — the meetings are a great way for prospective practitioners to catch a glimpse of what psychology and social work are all about.

One of the bigger challenges faced by the group has been recruiting younger psychology students to grow along with the group.

"[We're] made up primarily of undergrads, mostly juniors and seniors planning on grad school. We are trying to find ways to reach out to freshmen and sophomores, but have been largely unsuccessful," says Berens.

"We changed [the name] to Psychology Scholars' Association to lend a feel of dignity to the membership," he said. "It has been popular so far."

Story By: Julie Stein Design By: Robert Madsen Photos By: April May Teague



Members attentatively listen to a speaker about issues concerning the professional world of psychology. The "Psych Club", as it was formerly known, helps to bond students interested in psychology and those in the professional world. "We're made up primarily of undergrads, mostly juniors and seniors planning on grad school. We are trying to find ways to reach out to freshmen and sophomores, but have been largely unsuccessful," said Berens.

Students are constantly pushed to challenge their skills in everyday life. Member of Teambuilding Sytems participate in many activities including a sisterhood rally, and re weekend in Madison. Wisc

#### Creating Cooperation

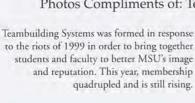
Founded in response to the riots of 1999, a group of campus leaders set out to, "bring people together for a common goal," said international relations senior Mark Holbert. Through fast-paced, fun activities, student facilitators run teambuilding sessions with registered student organizations, residence hall groups and community groups. Teambuilding involves bringing a group of people together to accomplish a common goal, learning trust and communication along the way. Teambuilding worked wonders for groups such as the Bryan Hall student government, Martin Luther King Into the Streets Volunteer Project, Phi Beta Delta and Six West Holmes Hall. Teambuilding Systems also helped to run conferences such as: Kellogg Leadership Conference; Amnesty International Regional Conference; Associated Big Ten Students Conference and the National COOL Conference in New Hampshire.

Highlights of the year were the 1999 Regional Sisterhood Rally GROW retreat weekend to Madison, Wisc. and the "2000 Kickoff Extravaganza" in Old Botany Building. TS is constantly challenged to come up with new ways to motivate students and community members towards accomplishing their goals. In essence, TS pumps energy into students' lives by encouraging group interaction and extracurricular involvement. However, it does not stop with energizing already-existing initiatives on campus. The group also collaborates with "The Great Ideas Club" in order to create new initiatives. This is a place where any student can come with an idea and comrades can help him/her hone the idea and accomplish it.

With MSU's student government, Associated Students of Michigan State University, TS keeps an ear open to community and administration developments in order to better accomplish its mission. Membership has quadrupled in the 1999-2000 school year. With teamwork and more great ideas from members, Spartan pride is on the rise!

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Advertising Association poses for a quick picture after an informative Monday night meeting. They look, feel, and live the advertising life. "Hey girls, Wanna ride?" Chicago is full of fun things to do and that's why MSUAA went there for St. Patrick's Day. Here three members pose in the lobby of an ad agency they visited.



More than 100 students met weekly in the Communication Arts and Sciences Building, not for a class, but to be part of a networking student organization to further careers in advertising. The Advertising Association's purpose was three fold: to provide accurate, applicable information concerning the advertising industry, to provide valuable contact with advertising professionals, and to provide a positive social arena for discussion of advertising issues.

Advertising senior Andy Juett, AA president, expressed the group's fundamental ideals, "By speaking with top professionals in our field, AA members become better equipped to handle the demands of the fast paced advertising environment."

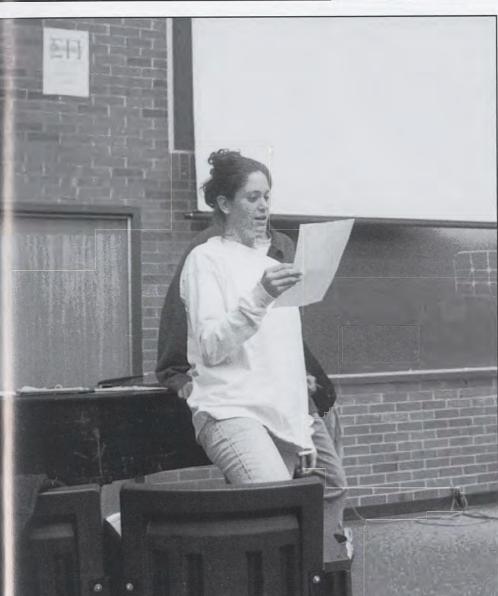
In two years, AA has increased its membership from a mere 20 advertising students to over 100 energetic group members. This increase in membership has allowed the student organization to sponsor a number of advertising related events, including portfolio workshops, resume critique workshops, business trips to Detroit and Chicago, and the annual career fair.

Juett was excited about the annual AA sponsored event, "Our career fair attracted over 200 eager students and 10 of Michigan's finest agencies. We were thrilled with the turnout."

AA provides students with the opportunity to meet and network with leaders in the advertising field, tour agency environments, and socialize with fellow students that share a common interest.

AA vice president, advertising Junior Kara Kurzym, enjoys giving students the opportunity to learn more about local and regional agencies on a weekly basis, "We (the board members) have been really pleased regarding the groups progress and involvement. AA has been getting a great deal of positive feedback from top agencies in the field. It has been exciting to help students reach their advertising needs, by keeping meetings fun and professional at the same time."

Story By: Theodore Roumanis Design By: Kathryn Harper Photos Compliments of: AA



Preparing Careers

Vice President Kara Kerzynn recites the itinerary for the group's big trip to Chicago. The group went over St. Patrick's Day and visited two big advertising agencies.

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Combine women, music and a bit of humor and what do you get? No, not a really good episode of The View...it's Ladies First, the only all-female accapella group of its kind.

From ethnic to eighties music; from humorous to serious pieces of music, the ten women of Ladies First have been known to "sing anywhere." Their wide variety of music can be heard from the stage of Kresge to dorms, local coffee shops and private parties.

Their voices can also be heard annually at the Spring Fling Concert and the MSU Accapalooza, which showcases all the accapella groups on campus as well as groups from other colleges.

The group, which is a subset of the Women's Glee Club, has auditions at the beginning of the fall and spring semesters. They practice on a weekly basis to keep their singing and "wowing" abilities sharp.

Gail Duquette, a senior and member of the group said since they spend so much time together it's hard not to become friends. "It's always a lot of fun and there's always been closeness."

Ladies First continues to grow in sound and in size, as the years progress, they are getting more and more exposure and hope to continue this trend.

Story By: Kirsten Anne Fredrickson Design By: Robert Madsen Photos Compliments of: Ladies First

#### Ladies First

The women of Ladies First sway to the music as they entertain a crowd on campus. Their voices can not only be hear on campus but in local businesses in East Lansing and at private parties. They also show off their talents at the Spring Fing Concert and Accapalooza.



Ladies First shows off their "dangerous" side prior to their performance in the first annual Accapalooza at the Wharton Center. The group, which is a subset of the Women's Glee Club, is the first accapella group of its kind. They mix music and a bit of humor while performing everything from ethnic to eighties.



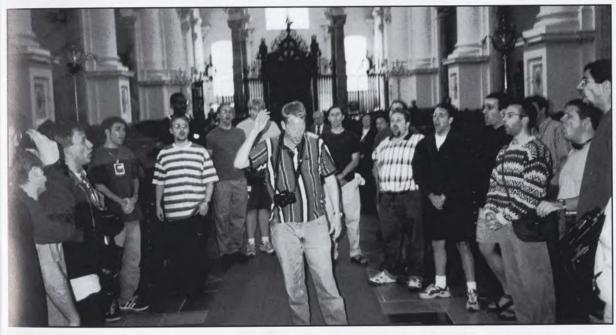
#### Sounds of Glee

Let's party!!! The men gather together to take a break from singing to just have a great time. The group is made of over 100 men who know how to let loose, either vocally or socially.

Some club members gather for a group shot on the field of Spartan Stadium. The men have fun together and grow closer as friends through many social activities.







Harmonious sounds fill the air as the men entertain the public. The club performed at places such as the Wharton Center and at tailgates.

No more singing in the shower - the 1999-2000 Men's Glee Club was comprised of a group of men ready and willing to show off their vocal talents for all to hear.

"We're a non-audition male singing group consisting of men from a diverse blend of majors and backgrounds," said Glee Club president and social relations senior Aaron Bales. "We perform world class music, and rank among the best Glee Clubs in the ation."

The group is formed through a class offered arough the School of Music. Some of the main goals the club are to personally develop each member in the area of vocal music and to strengthen the bond between men and music performance.

The men perform two concerts at the Wharton

Center, one in the fall and another in the spring. Members also sang the national anthem before athletic events and at tailgates, traveled to high schools to showcase their talents and even performed concerts in other countries.

"Our conductor, Dr. Jonathan Reed, is an internationally known conductor and clinician," said Bales.

The club is also socially active through date auctions and flag football games with other schools' glee clubs. The 1999-2000 Men's Glee Club was a great way for all 110 members to meet new people and become involved in an impressive music program.

Story By: Emily Irvine Design By: Robert Madsen

Photos Compliments of: Mens Glee

Officials of the Golden Key National Honor Society gather at one of their many activities.

The organization contained over 500 members. It consisted of juniors and seniors in the top, academically, 15 percent of their

#### Making the Grade

The 1999-2000 Golden Key National Honor Society was made up of only the best and brightest Michigan State University students. The organization consisted of students at the junior and senior status and membership was by invitation only. Those involved in the society were academically among the top 15 percent of their class.

The groups 500 members were led by president and international social science senior Rachel Shaw, publicity vice president and marketing senior Heather Ignash, social events vice president and international relations senior Joanne Pray, along with technology and membership vice president and botany senior Kelly Heuss.

They held six to eight chapter meetings on campus during the year and also attended the Great Lakes Regional Conference and the International Convention. Members sponsored the 'Party at the Aud,' a New Member Information Night, "Lansing Fright Night," a Halloween party for local hospitals, and other various social events.



"I've met so many people through the society," said Shaw," The whole experience has been very beneficial."

Story By: Kristen Dykema Design By: Kathryn Harper Photos Complimets of: Golden Key de



The Golden Key National Honor Society serves food at a soup kitchen. The organization participated in many community and social events. "The whole experience has been very beneficial," said the group's president Rachel Shaw.

Members of the Golden Key National Honor Society attend one of their numerous conventions. The group contains the academic elite of MSU juniors and seniors. Part of the organization was attending various conventions and conferences.



The Hillel Jewish Student Center is on a mission.

Located at 402 Linden Street, the center's purpose is to meet the needs and wants of the Jewish student population at MSU, and they do this through an array of educational, religious, cultural and social programs. Fifteen different groups associate themselves with Hillel and represent the various aspects of Judaism, ranging from TEVA,

the environment group, to Chaverot, the women's roundtable group. Hillel is made up of about 1,500 undergraduate members and 300 graduate and young professionals.

"Hillel gives Jewish students a chance to meet and have fun with each other. The common ground that is shared makes college a little easier and more comfortable. We represent all areas of Jewish life available at MSU. Everyone seems to enjoy it," said program director Bryan Abramson.

Hillel member and political theory student Ari Sussman agreed, "We work to create an environment that is welcoming and philanthropic. We want to serve the community and have a good time doing it. And we do," he said.

Every Friday, Hillel hosts a Shabbat dinner with candle light-

ing and services, and every holiday Jewish services are held as well.

There are Hanukkah celebrations, torah classes and Sedars during Passover. Lectures are given by guest speakers: this year, Faye Moskowitz, acclaimed short story writer and Director of Creative Writing at George Washington University, spoke at Hillel.

Each year the center organizes Birthright 2000, an opportunity for Hillel members to work, study and travel in Israel. The trip is organized through the World Union of Jewish Students. In addition, Hillel's social action group volunteers at the Lansing City Rescue Mission and with Habitat for Humanity.

"We do some exciting stuff. We have Hanukkah parties at Harpers and Shabbat dinners in the dorms. We volunteer around the community, host the East Lansing Scavenger Hunt, and have bar nights and parties for our Graduate and Young Professionals," Abramson said.

Story By: Sarah Carpenter Design By: Kathryn Harper Photos Compliments of Hillel

These members of Hillel are excited to be together. Every Friday, Hillel hosts a Shabbat dinner with candle lighting and services. Special services are held on holidays as well.







Members of Hillel gather together to have fun with each other on common grounds.

Members love the group because it gives them a chance to grow together and participate in similar activities.

#### Togetherness

Members enjoy one of the many activities made available to them through the group. They participate in Hanukkah celebrations, torah classes, Seders during Passover, and also listen to lectures given by guest speakers such as acclaimed short story writer and Director of Creative Writing at George Washington University Faye Moskowitz.

#### Class Menagerie

The members of the Block and Bridle Club gather together at a Tuesday evening meeting. The group participated in various events related to animal agriculture. Members also gained knowledge in the animal science industry.



Students in the Block and Bridle Club participate in an informal initiation. The 1999-2000 members adopted the motto "Making yourself marketable in the new millennium." The club hosted numerous guest speakers and held resume-building sessions.

The Block and Bridle Club provided Michigan State University students an opportunity to participate in various activities related to animal agriculture. The 1999-2000 members adopted the motto "Making yourself marketable in the new millennium." With that goal in mind, the club hosted numerous guest speakers knowledgeable in animal agriculture and held resume-building sessions to give its members a head start in the industry.

The organization met Tuesday evenings in Anthony Hall and was led by president and animal science senior Tracy Hoffman, vice president and agribusiness management junior Megan Wheaton, second vice president and livestock production freshman Luke Rahe, secretary and agribusiness management junior Emily Dargus, treasurer and agricultural science senior Carrie Dingerson and treasurer elect and animal science sophomore Jeannine Grobbel.

The members sponsored the Block and Bridle Horse Show, the Michigan Beef Expo, the Northern Exposure Club Lamb Classic, the Youth Livestock Judging Contest and the Little International Show.

"As a service to the industry, we help educate future Spartans with an interest in the club," said Hoffman. "The Little International Show is looked forward to by the whole club. It is a very fun event and draws a big crowd and you meet a lot of people."

The group gave interested students a chance to learn about poultry and animal science and provided vital knowledge in the animal agriculture field. MSU's Block and Bridle club raised, processed and sold broiler chickens as a fund-raiser for their annual Regional Convention at Purdue and the National Convention held in Atlanta, Georgia. The conventions offered an opportunity for MSU students to make important interviews and contacts with dozens of companies in the animal agriculture industry.

The poultry science club was open to all MSU students, undergraduates and graduates. The group's goals included promotion of leadership, friendship and participation in poultry and animal science events.

"In the four years I have been involved in the club, I've learned about a lot of different animals and met a lot of people. It is a very recognized and prestigious club for the field of animal science," added Hoffman.

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Block and Bridle Club members attend a ski-trip at Cannonsburg. The group sponsored social and community events. The club gave interested students a chance to learn about poultry and animal science.

Story By: Kristin Dykema Design By: Robert Madsen Photos Compliments of: Block and Bridal Ah, Paris! The city of romance, the home of the Eiffel Tower... and just one of many places that has a very interesting but different language and culture than the United States.

The 20 members of La Société Française are a group of students dedicated to teaching other people about the wonders of the French language and culture. One of the biggest tasks taken on by the group was the instruction of seventh grade students at Bath Middle School.

"We are trying to get out into the community with teaching, and introducing kids to the language that might otherwise not be available to them," said senior and French major April Waker.

La Société Française, along with the Department of Romance Languages, co-sponsored an evening of information about various majors, study abroad programs, and the club itself. They have also worked on getting a better selection of classes in French available, as well as more study abroad opportunities. The group held fundraisers to help finance trips to French speaking areas of the world as well.

Meetings were held at the Espresso Royale Café and were open to all those interested, regardless of the level at which they spoke the language.

Understanding French is more than just speaking the language. By learning about the French culture and society, participants developed a greater appreciation for the French and their way of life.

After all, it's better to know what is acceptable and right in another country than to accidentally fumble in bad French with a terrible accent:

"May I grab your thigh?"

Story By: Emily Irvine Design By: Robert Madsen Photos By: April May Teague

#### The Romance Language

The members of the French Society gather at the Espresso Royale Café for a meeting. The group worked to promote the French language and culture to people within the community, especially children who normally wouldn't have the opportunity to learn about France.





The French Society discusses the upcoming schedule. The group sponsored numerous events including the instruction of seventh graders at Bath Middle School. They also worked to promote study abroad opportunities and a better selection of French classes as well as trips to French peaking areas of the world.



Meetings of the French Society are always fun and full of laughter. The group lets anyone who is interested come to meetings, regardless of the level of experience they have with the language and culture.

#### Spartan Market

It has been said that these are the most 're-marketable' students on campus.

The Marketing Association is a professional team made up of more than 300 members. They promote leadership, preparation and a competitive edge on the post-college job field by bridging the gap between academic and professional careers. The MSUMA provides the opportunity for the development peronal skills.

They meet every three weeks in the Business College Complex at General Membership Meetings, but the group is broken into eight different committees that meet biweekly. These include financial relations, membership recruitment, market research,

company relations, advertising, publicity and special projects.

Publicity and advertising officer Kelly Kershner, an international relations senior said, "We're made up of so many students with a variety of majors. We provide insight into the corporate world in a really relaxed and fun environment and we always look forward to working with a variety of companies in hopes of giving students a chance to become involved iwth them."

This year the MSUMA involved themselves with several large corporations including Dow Chemical, Phillip Morris, Sports Illustrated, General Electric, Motorola and IBM.

In October, a representative from Dow Chemical spoke on the topics of job interview preparation, career paths within the company and personal experience in the 'real world.' Later, in November, a representative of Phillip Morris answered questions about and offered advice on negotiations in the corporate world, including the hottest topic: sal-

Hosted by the MSUMA, the October Sports Illustrated Campus Fest was a huge success. Hundreds of MSU students had the chance to find out about different companies and have fun at the same time.

"It's probably one of our biggest events because it is for everyone on campus. It's a chance for students to find out about different companies and get free samples of their products. You can even talk with company reps about jobs. It's beneficial to everyone," said president and marketing senior Jonathan Walker.

In March, the association took a trip to Chicago to visit Motorola and in April the First Annual MSUMA Awards Banquet was held.

Kershner said, "It was a great year for the association and it'll only get better. Come check us out!"

Story By: Sarah Carpenter Design By: Antoinette Koritnik Photos Compliments of: Marketing Association Marketing Association members promote fresh breath, leadership, p. eparation, and a competitive edge at on-campus functions like thi one throughout the school year.





Happy MSUMA members work together to familiarize themselves with the marketing field. The group met with a variety of companies and their professional representatives this year.



# Street St

# We've got Soul

Spartan Soul is made up of many smiling faces. In the back row from left to right, Joyce Okoath, Rita McMorris, Dinita Mack, Advisor Murray Edwards, Veronica Cribbs, Danielle Chaney, and Denesha Powell. In the front, Kionta Turrentine, Denesha Price, Jamilia Simon, and Sherrise Moore.

The women perform to the music of the band on the sidelines during a brief respite in the basketball action. The group, along with MSU motion and the cheerleaders, has routines for the music played throughout the games. Even though the group is only three years old, they have become an integrated part of events at MSU.

We Spartans have always had spirit, but now we've got "Soul."

Spartan Soul is an invigorating ten-member dance troupe whose main focus is to provide a diverse representation of cultures at MSU. Brought to life only three years ago, Spartan Soul has been able to express their various talents of hip hop and modern dancing at a variety of campus events including, Fake the Funk, A Taste of Blackness, the homecoming pep rally and parade, along with men's basketball games and more.

This year the team was comprised of men and women of different ethnicity's and backgrounds.

Team president Dinita Mack said, "We represent diverse cul-

our sat MSU. We accomplish our goal of unity by expressing school spirit through cultural dance performances at sporting events, alumning the sat MSU. We have a lot of fun celebrating with dance and music. We want to promote multi-culturalism."

For those interested in becoming an element of Spartan Soul, auditions are held every April. The team practices four hours a week at the M Circle. Their executive board meetings are held on a bi-weekly basis.

"We encourage people to come out and dance. It's a good release and a great time," Mack said.

lory By: Sarah Carpenter Design By: Antoinette Koritnik Photos Compliments of: Spartan Soul Lack the energy to get yourself out of bed and off to class? Need an extra push to get yourself to accomplish your daily projects? DCI Motivational Services can help to motivate you to be successful academically, personally and professionally.

Less than 60 days after their first motivational seminar, DCI received an award for "Best Academic Program" by the Black Student Alliance.

Their seminars called "Personal Success Seminars" are held on campus to assist students in getting motivated about all aspects of life. Topics include academic success, time management, leadership and goal setting.

"Responses have been very good," said DeAndre Carter, president of DCI. "Many students have said they wished there were more programs like this on campus."

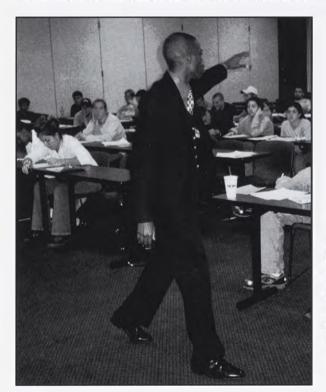
To further encourage students, DCI sends thousands of motivational emails daily called "Food 4 Thought: Two minutes that will change your day!"

When not encouraging others, the students involved help themselves by attending leadership training to enhance their skills. They also meet twice a month to organize seminars and emails. Carter feels it is important for those in the group to be successful and to be able to help others be successful.

"Most every person that is successful is a leader in some way. I believe leadership is an important part of life that often gets ignored," said Carter.

Story By: Kirsten Anne Fredrickson Design By: Antoinette Koritnik Photos Compliments of: DCI Motivational Services

Motivated students gather around a DCI speaker after a seminar at Brody complex. DCI members attend seminars of their own for leadership training to enhance their skills. "Most every person that is successful is a leader in some way," said President DeAndre Carter. "I believe leadership is an important part of life that often gets ignored."



#### Motivating Success





A DCI member addresses attentive students in Brody Complex on some keys to success. DCI held seminars on campus to help students cope with stress and teach them how to become successful in all areas of life. "Many students have said they wished there were more programs like this on campus," said President of DCI DeAndre Carter.

A student works an information table outside a success seminar for students interested in purchasing motivational books. The group uses seminars and mass emails called "Food 4 Thought: Two minutes that will change your day" to help students improve their educational and social lives.

A student tests the Spartan car around a track near the clinical center on campus. Students built their own formula style racing car to take to worldwide racing and design competitions. "It allows us hands on experience and gives us exposure to the industry to allow us to get good jobs," said project manager Jason Lambert.



#### Racing To the Future

Many college students get overwhelmed and feel like they are racing toward their futures, but the 24 members of the Society of Automotive Engineers Racing Team are literally racing toward their futures in their own custom made cars.

"It allows us hands on experience and gives us exposure to the industry to allow us to get good jobs," said project manager Jason Lambert, a mechanical engineering senior.

The goal of the team is to build formula style racing cars to compete in worldwide racing and design competitions. One competition is held at the Pontiac Silverdome in May and the other is held in England in July. The team spends the year preparing for their chance to show off and mingle with others in the racing industry.

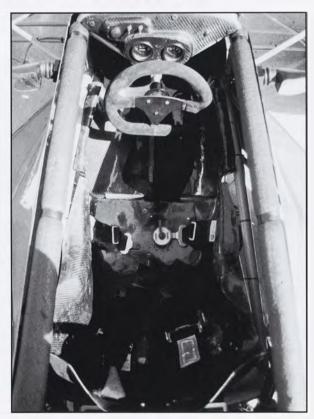
The students hold weekly design meetings and work on their cars throughout the week. "We work all weekend and four out of five week nights," Lambert said.

Although this may seem like a lot of time to devote, Lambert said it's well worth it professionally and socially. He said, "Everyone on the team becomes good friends because we spend so much time together."

Story By: Kirsten Anne Fredrickson Design By: Antoinette Koritnik Photos Compliments of: Forumal SAE Racing Team



using team members take time to pose with their finished project. The team spent all year working on making their car effect for the competitions. "We work all weekend and four out of five weeks nights," said mechanical engineering senior on Lambert.



The ultimate hot seat: buckle up and get ready to ride. The team worked to create a car that could handle the speeds of a formula racing car and was safe for the students to drive. The car was judged at two competitions during the year by professionals in the racing field.

#### Siskel and Lubert go on outings," said

Lights, camera, action and the Cinema Club is up and rolling. The organization, comprised of film enthusiasts, whether they be filmmakers or just students interested in film, gathered together to learn more about the resources and events in the filmmaking industry as well as information about the filmmaking process.

One major project was on the calendar for the 1999-2000 school year. English senior John Versical wrote and directed a thirtyminute film called a "short." The film was titled "The Little In Between" and was shot in late Feb-

"It follows a group of students through the mistakes and mishaps of their freshman year," said president and journalism/English senior Amanda Lubert.

The club also worked on smaller projects during the weekends or whenever they had the time during the week.

The camera is focused for the shoot. The group's major project for the year was a thirtyminute film called a short titled "The Little In

Between," written by senior John Versical. The majority of the film was shot in February.

Lubert, "dis-

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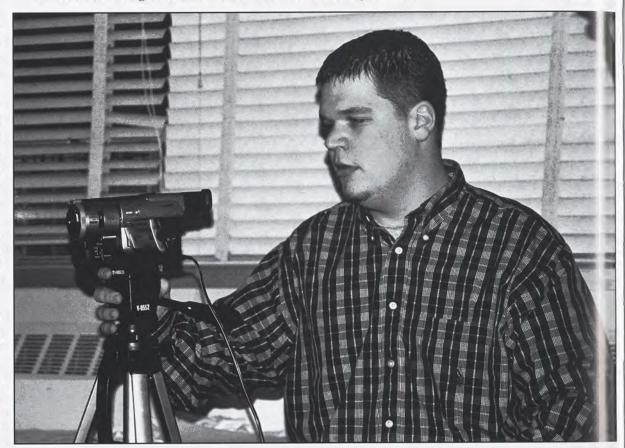
cuss current films at the box office, and have film-related guest speakers."

One of the outings the club

participated in was a visit to the Wharton Center to see director Oliver Stone. Guest speakers included East Lansing Film Festival director Susan Woods and programmer Jennifer White.

Members of the organization also received a weekly e-mail newsletter that outlined film related events in the MSU and Last Lansing areas.

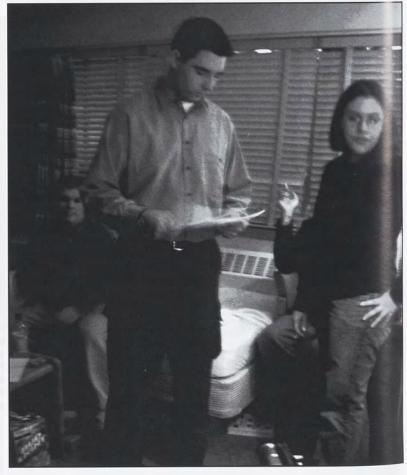
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The group is comprised of dedicated individuals who love to be involved in all aspects of film making and production. They meet as often as necessary and receive weekly e-mails outlining upcoming film-related events in the MSU and East Lansing areas.

Actors prepare for filming by going over details of the scene. In addition to the main film, members worked on small side projects whenever there was time. They also hosted guest speakers, such as director Oliver Stone and East Lansing Film Festival director Susan



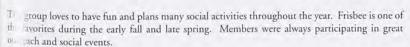


#### Spreading the Word

Red Cedar Christian Fellowship members are friends that love to get together and have a great time. The group is always open to anyone who wants to join. The 1999-2000 school year had a turnout of over 50 people.

Members gather together after a meeting. Red Cedar Christian Fellowship meets to share Christian views with each other and to spread the word to other students as well.







Unlike what most people think of when they hear the words "Christian Organization," the members of the Red Cedar Christian Fellowship are not Tele-Evangelist wannabes or people who never have fun. In fact, the group is composed of about 50 students who are friendly, accepting, open-minded and extremely social.

The Red Cedar Christian Fellowship is a chapter of the Inter Varsity Christian Fellowship and is an interdenominational organization "devoted to the advancement of God's kingdom on our campus and His purposes in our lives," according to finance junior Amanda Wright.

They devote themselves to using the Bible and Christian principles to spread God's word, serve people of every ethnicity and culture, and pray for His guidance for all of His people.

"As a group, it is our goal to share the gospel with as many people as possible and to show Christ's love to everyone that we meet," said Wright.

The group sponsored numerous outreach programs throughout the year, including coffee houses and tailgates as well as capture the flag and ultimate Frisbee games. They held Bible studies across campus on different days of the week, formed prayer groups, did numerous service projects and traveled on retreats.

"Most of all," said Wright, "we are not judgmental and our doors are open to all who wish to come."

That is the true spirit of Christian fellowship.

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#### Aiming For Fun

The Michigan State University 1999-2000 Archery Club provided a place to learn and practice archery at the intramural and intercollegiate levels. The group, with 24 members, ranged in experience from beginners to well skilled archers. The students competed at the state and national level in target archery.

They practiced for two hours Monday through Thursday in the IM West Turf Arena and at the Basement Archery Range. Among its numerous activities, the Archery Club sponsored the MSU Fall Classic, the North Regional site tournament and the National Indoor Championship.

The organization was led by president and spanish senior Jenni Slauter, vice president and mechanical engineering sophomore Robert Christoff, secretary and mathematical science and engineering junior Jonathan Gensley, along with

treasurer and Detroit College of Law student Georgi Banna.

The Archery Club boasts of a three-time All-American archer in international relations senior Jessica Carlson. At the US Intercollegiate Archery Championships hosted by Penn State, Carlson won her third national women's outdoor title. She also held three indoor national collegiate titles and was the first alternate on the US Olympic Team which competed in the 2000 Olympics in Sydney, Australia.

The archery club's goal was to educate students in the sport of archery and encouraged even the most inexperienced archers to participate in the sport.

"The group is wonderful," said Slauter, "We're a solid group of friends. It's the whole reason I've continued to stay at MSU for the last four years."

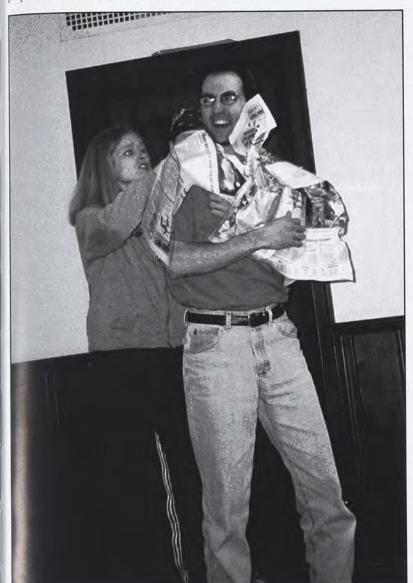
Story By: Kristin Dykema Design By: Antoinette Koritnik Photos Compliments of: Archery Club Students practice on their aim in a near-by field. The group practiced two hours for four days a week in the IM West Euf Arena. The Fall Classic, the North Regional site tournament and the National Indoor Championship give the group a chance to show off.





Human resource management student Mindy McConnell, international relations senior Jessica Carlson and political theory student Gwyn Atkinson received first place at the 1999 North Regional Championship Archery contest. The archery club educates students in the sport and encourages students to participate in the sport professionally.

Are they suffocating him with newspapers or taking away his cape of information? Either way, the actors as well as the audience enjoyed this performance. The club was introduced in 1998 and new people come to each meeting, or should we say performance?



#### On the Spot

On a typical night you could find them portraying themselves as monsters on the moon, creatures from purgatory, aliens stuck inside a cat's hairball, or perhaps sperm bank robbers.

This comedic barrel had more than 35 monkeys in it this year, and their purpose is infectious: to spread the disease of laughter via the art of improvisational fun.

The club was founded last year by English professor Bill Vincent and MSU alum Joe Lassard.

Vincent said, "Joe's an actor in Hollywood now, but when he was here, he and I would act out impromptu comedy sessions. We thought it was amusing and just decided one day that it would make a great club. So we started asking students in my classes and all over campus if they wanted to join."

The MSU Improv Club, whose membership increased greatly this year, met Wednesday nights in the basement of Williams Hall.

"We give members a scenario to work with and then they have to act it out.

One time there was a crime scene at a sperm bank. You've gotta be clever and quick. I've laughed my head off watching people work. It's great fun," Vincent said.

The Improv Club has hopes to go public and perform on campus in coming years.

"Laughing is a great release and we do a lot of it. This year the club was scheduled to meet from 7:00-9:00 p.m., and we would often stay after for two hours or more because we'd be having so much fun we'd forget about the time," Vincent said.

Club President Brandon Bautista said, "This year new people came every week, and that was awesome. Anybody can come. Everybody is welcome."

Story By: Sarah Carpenter
Design By: Antoinette Koritnik
Photos Compliments of: Improv Club



Please say yes! If the question is "are they funny?" then the answer IS yes! The members of the Improv Club always get a good laugh at every meeting and event; sometimes the meetings last hours longer than expected, but everyone's having so much fun that no one wants to leave!

#### A Family Away From Home

Studying abroad is an important decision in a student's life. The Brazilian Community Association helps Brazilian students with the effects of that decision by helping them cope with their new surroundings here on campus.

"We try to really help each other when we're feeling homesick or when someone first arrives," said association member and doctoral student Ricardo Freire.

The group, which has approximately 80 members is not only a support group for foreign students but also works at promoting Brazilian culture. They meet twice a month at varied locations to check up on each other and to plan their yearly events.

Each year the group sponsors "Brazil Week," which is a celebration of Brazilian culture, to educate and bring together the community. They also hold movie selections, sporting events and a carnival throughout the year.

These events bond those together who are far from home and also bring together an even larger community. This helps many of the students feel a little closer to home.

Freire said many students get very close. Some students even choose to spend the holidays together when they can not travel home.

Story By: Kirsten Anne Fredrickson Design By: Robert Madsen Photos Compliments of: Brazilian Community

Students take time to introduce themselves and learn about other new members. The group emphasized the importance of becoming a support group for each other. Many students became so close that they spent holidays together when they couldn't fly

Students take time out to enjoy each other's company over good food. The group did many activities together through ut the year including going to movies and playing sports. Brazilian week is held every year to celebrate and educate about he Brazilian culture.





Brazilian students and their families gather for their first meeting of the new millennium.

The Brazilian Community Association became a family away home for many students learning to cope with studying over seas. "We try to really help each other when we're feeling homesick or when someone first arrives," said doctoral student Ricardo Freire.





#### Food For Thought

Officials of the Food Marketing Association gather together before a Wednesday night meeting. The group contained over 30 members and met in the Agricultural Building. The group participated in various events dealing with the food industry.





Terror Marketing Association attends the Food Marketing Institute Convention in Chicago.
Terror convention was the largest trade-show in the United States. The group made many in portant contacts in the food industry during their three-day field trip.

Members or the Food Marketing Association take part in one of their various social events. The group helped its members make crucial contacts in the food industry. The organization met Wednesday evenings in the Agricultural Building.

The 1999-2000 Food Marketing Association promoted interaction between food industry management students and professionals in the food industry. The organization's 30 members met Wednesday evenings in the Agricultural building.

"The Food Marketing Association has allowed me to meet my peers in the food industry management program in a more relaxed atmosphere," said president and food management senior Jessica Finch.

The group was active in the College of Agriculture as well as the College of Natural Resources. The FMA students took a three-day field trip to Chicago for the Food Marketing Institute Convention-the largest trade-show in the United States.

"In Chicago we spent three days at the convention and learned first hand about the companies we discuss in our classes," said Finch.

The group also toured D&W food stores in March, which was affiliated with Michigan State because it took part in Spartan stores.

The group was led by Finch, along with communications vice president and food industry management junior Kenneth Brock II, industry relations co-vice presidents food industry management senior Maggie Morrissey and food industry management junior David Collie. It also included internships vice president and food industry management junior Terrence D. Reese II, finance vice president and food industry management senior Robin Weathers, technology vice president and agricultural business management sophomore Gregory J. Pell, and special projects vice president and food industry management junior Amy Ott.

The organization provided its members a chance to make contacts in the food industry. Many of the students active in FMA were offered full-time jobs working for companies such as Sara Lee, CocaCola, Kraft, Kellogg's, and Nestle at the Food Marketing Institute.

Story By: Kristen Dykema Design By: Robert Madsen

Photos Compliments of: Food Marketing

#### Giddy Up

The Horseman's Association set up a Polo Team at MSU during the 1999-2000 school year. The Detroit and Grand Rapids Polo Clubs came to MSU and demonstrated a match at the MSU Pavilion in January and also helped the Horseman's Association with setting up the MSU team.





The MSU Dressage Team, comprised of Lauren Best, Susy Turcott, Melissa Munger and Tracy Hasslit accept their awards after a stellar performance. Members of the club often participated in competitions and shows to showcase their talents.

Will horses become man's new best friend? With horse lovers colling out of the woodwork, the Horseman's Association was form diduct to the amount of students interested in horses and the horse loustry.

"A lot of people just wanted to be around horses," said anin al science senior Katherine Johnson, an avid horse lover. "The whole goal is to educate our members of the industry."

The Horseman's Association held meetings every other Wedness-day and educated their members by having professionals and companies come talk to the students about the industry and possible atternships.

The students also see an active side of the industry every year when they sponsor a performance clinic that brings professionals from all the over the state to hold sessions on horse training, English and Western riding and various other topics. They also sponsor a three-day class A Arabian riding competition to showcase talent from the students and other riders around Michigan.

Through social interaction, learning and competitions these sub-dents are ready to charge off into the sunset on their faithful steed state.

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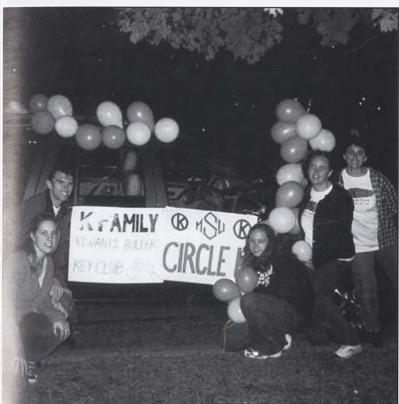
Photos Compliments of: Horsemen's Association



Carmen Johnson, junior Katie Swartz, sophomore Stacey Walker, junior Christine Drabek and senior Chris Wilkinson relax together during an equestrian show at Otterbein College. Members also sponsored performance clinics, rider's training and a talent showcase for riders in and around Michigan.



Members of Circle K participate in a number of service activities. Their leadership and service to others has earned them international recognition.



lany of the activities that the group participates in are fun and rewarding. The group is a studentin division of the Kiwanis Foundation.

Service With a Smile

The most important values for Circle K International organization are service, leadership, and fellowship, three of the most important characteristics for one to carry throughout life. As a chapter of the largest student-run organization of its kind, 30 MSU students work together with over 11,000 other Circle K members in over 500 clubs across nine countries to serve the surrounding community through community service projects.

The group participated in many annual events such as volunteering at the Red Cross Food Distribution Center, Lansing City Rescue Mission soup kitchen, the Boys and Girls Club of Lansing, Council Against Domestic Assault, and many more.

"We are always available to offer our help to local activities and charity sponsored walks or runs and food and clothing drives, as well as any other event where manpower is needed," said communications junior and president Amy Poxon.

They also sponsored for the first time a "Walk Around the Clock" walk-a-thon at Jenison Fieldhouse. The 24-hour walk raised funds for the Kiwanis Foundation, the sponsor organization for Circle K International as well as Key Club International, a high school service program. Proceeds from the walk were used to help make children's visits to hospitals more comfortable.

Each year the group travels to the Michigan District Convention. In 1998 and 1999 it was held in Jamaica and Houston, and for the 1999-2000 school year the group traveled to San Diego.

"We strive to offer the best opportunities to our members including scholarships, quality service, and leadership development conferences, both district wide and internationally," said Poxon.

Story By: Emily Irvine Design By: Kathryn Harper Photos Compliments of: Circle K Making a difference in the life of a child can be the biggest reward of all, said Robyn Stern, president of the Council for Exceptional Children.

The student chapter of the Council for Exceptional Children promotes awareness and provides hands-on experience to anyone interested in children with special learning needs. The council also specializes in regular education, child development and special education.

Stern, a special education/learning disabilities senior, said the council is a national organization that "works to better things for children with special needs."

Three years ago, students and faculty reestablished the local chapter, immediately taking action by working with children in the community, volunteering at the Special Olympics and the Lansing Rescue Mission, and providing education to members of the council. Each February, the council also sponsors a Valentine's Day dance at a Lansing high school for special needs students in the community.

Stephanie Bradford, the secretary and volunteer coordinator for

The Valentine's Day dance is a hit! In addition to the dance, members helped at the Special Olympics, the Lansing Rescue Mission, and many other events for local children.

the council, said the volunteer experiences have been a valuable addition to her training in special education.

"I feel much more comfortable with special education students now," said Bradford. "I didn't have as much hands-on experience with children with various disabilities."

However, membership is not limited to education majors, and the volunteer services and activities can provide all college students exposure to education and experience

working with children.

"It's great if you're going into education, but even if you're not, the Council for Exceptional Children offers lots of opportunities to get involved with special needs children," said Stern.

In addition to the hands-on experience, the council invites professionals and guest speakers to meetings to discuss the field of education, current issues and teaching techniques. Throughout the year, the council also works together to design curriculums and learn tea hing methods that are not discused in regular education courses.

Although the Council for Exc ptional Children serves as a learning experience for the members, St m said, "the biggest reward is getting to work with the children, and seeing them smile."

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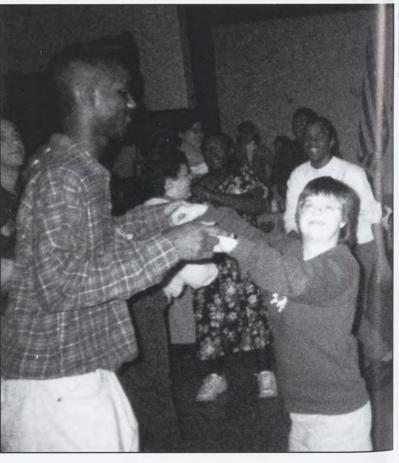




SCEC Vice President Krystal Sheppard dances with an Everett High School student at the annual Valentine's Day dance. Members volunteered at numerous activities and events put on for children in the area.

Two Everett High School students dance at the Valentine's Day dance. Members are mostly education members, but the group is open to anyone looking to lean more about and gain experience with children with special





#### May I Cut In?

p-1g m MSUBDO members take a second to smile at a dance benefit in Detroit. People of all experience levels and ages are welcome to come out and dance to fast tunes on many a night. Here is proof that ballroom dancers have the opportunity to get up close and personal with each other. Karl Shaddox dips Cherilyn Lundell at the Campus Center.







UBDO President Janice Miller is twirled by her swing partner Matt Schuster. All year long students had the chance to take in similar events at ballroom functions across campus.

The Ballroom Dance Organization has built up a strong following since its inception a few years ago. A dramatic increase in membership happened in the fall; enrollment skyrocketed from 30 affiliate members to over 300 as a result of a promotion campaign designed to increase awareness of the group's existence.

"We spread our love of dance among people and emphasize the social benefits of our group," president Janice Miller said. "We hope to soon affiliate with the United States Amateur Ballroom Dance Association, and to form a team in the future."

The organization teaches everything from Swing to Hustle, Tango to Waltz, Salsa to Meringue, and everything in between, she said. Dancers of all experience levels can learn from professional instructors. They also host lessons and dances on Sundays at the IM Circle. On Monday nights, dance practice is held at The Dollar Nightclub and if that's not enough, the group hosts dances with several diverse student organizations like the Union Activities Board, the Campus Center, the Puerto Rican Student Association, fraternities, sororities and other clubs.

"We've co-sponsored a bunch of cool things," said Miller, a telecommunications student. "We taught hundreds of people how to shake their hips at the Celebracion de Ritmos at the Union and we hosted the swing dancing Tuxedo Junction Function, too. We also have a disco night at the Campus Center and every New Years Eve our dancers do dinner with elderly residents in East Lansing. They ask us back each season. Dancing is an awesome social event. It's so great for the soul and spirit."

Freshman club member Hayden Carpenter agreed, "I dig all the dancing I've done with the club. I've learned a ton of sweet moves from the pros. Now I can really shake my bon bon."

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## Joining Together

The Caribbean Students Association helped others maintain a sense of Caribbean society and culture during their time here at Michigan State University. The Organization provided a place for Caribbean students to interact with one another, along with a way to keep up with Caribbean current events. More than 20 club members networked with Caribbean students in various colleges and universities around the world.

The organization met in the Multicultural Center in the Student Union and was led by president and medical technology sophomore Andrea Merchant, a native of the U.S. Virgin Islands. Other offi-

cials of the 1999-2000 Caribbean association included vice president and mechanical engineering senior Anthony Christie of the Bahamas, secretary and advertising senior Juanita Mcgrew of the United States, and treasurer and telecommunications junior Darren Foy of the U.S. Virgin Islands.

"This is my first year as president," said Merchant, "So far the experience has been very

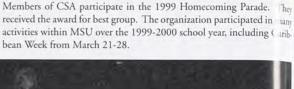
The students sponsored Caribbean Week from March 21-28. Other activities and events the group participated in included the Global Festival, the Homecoming Parade, the Caribbean Symposium on Politics, the Center for Latin America & Caribbean Studies on Cuba, and numerous Caribbean parties and potlucks. The association was also honored with the best group award in the 1999 MSU Homecoming Parade.

Open to all present and former native Caribbean students and their families, they present themselves as an extremely welcoming group on and off campus.

The group's goals included working together and establishing a relationship with the administration of Michigan State University.

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Members of the Puerto Rican and Dominican Clubs show their flags to show pride in their native counpeople watching the Homecoming Parade. CSA helped people maintain a sense of Caribbean society and culture during their stay at MSU. Many of the members were not natives of the United States.

Here some parade participants tries. CSA members have roots that come from all over the Caribbean, including the Bahamas, Dominican Republic, Cuba, the U.S. Virgin Islands and more.

198 Caribbean Student Association

Happy SWE members stick together on campus and beyond. Throughout the school year, members worked to expand the image of the engineering profession as a positive force in improving the quality of life.



## Women Engineers That Could

"Society of Women Engineers stimulates women to achieve their full potential in careers as engineers and leaders," said mechanical engineering senior and SWE member Lauren Colley. "We want to expand the image of the engineering profession as a positive force in improving the quality of life, and demonstrate the value of diversity."

In the winter, SWE held an awards banquet for women in engineering, and in the spring, the Great Lakes State Conference for all Society of Women Engineer chapters in Michigan. The group of 90 toured numerous manufacturing plants around the state and held various social events to get to know one another better.

"We also have a Buddy Day that we hold in the fall. High school students are paired up with one of our members and they follow us around for the day. We also hold a Science Day at the mall," Colley said.

Member and mechanical engineering senior Rachel Tuttle said, "SWE is a great time. When I was new to the program, I was paired up with one of the older members and it really made me feel welcome. We do a lot of practical, professional things together. It's a good way to network and find jobs. It's a nice thing to be a part of. Everyone in SWE has a lot of fun," she said.

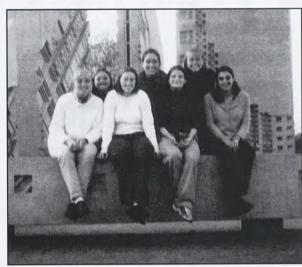
This year the group met every other Wednesday in the Engineering Building.

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Photos Compliments of: Society of Women's Engineers



ouren Colley, Jamie Marcoccia, Nicole Danielson, Julie Kulkla, and Carrie Quint look pretty as they pose for a snapshot at mir regional banquet at Purdue in October.

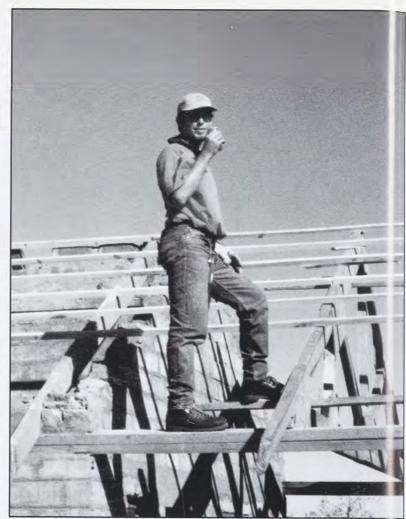


Society of Women Engineers worked hard all year in order to promote teamwork and professionalism at MSU. In this photo, members popped a squat at their regional conference in Indiana.

Paul Balgoyen stands in the doorway of the Botswana hut he called home in 1995.

This volunteer takes time out for a cool drink while re-tiling the roof of a house. Peace Corps members like this one help to promote and continue the oragnization's legacy of global philanthropy and understanding.





They've helped women's groups plant rows of plantains and pineapple in Ecuador. They've sung with natives from ten-thousand-foot Ethiopian mountaintops. They've inoculated pigs against cholera, introduced new types of vegetables to Peruvian community gardens, and helped to increase understanding between nations.

Founded by John F. Kennedy in 1961, over 150,000 Americans have served as Peace Corps Volunteers in 132 different countries. More than 1,800 of these volunteers are Michigan State alumni, ranking MSU as one of the top recruiters and sources for Peace Corps Volunteers among American universities.

MSU Peace Corps Strategic Recruiter Paul Balgoyen said, "This year we had a high number of applicants. We sent students to Central and South America, Africa, Europe and the Pacific. It's a wonderful experience. Volunteers come back with a much more relaxed attitude and view the world on a global scale."

The program begins after an application at MSU is filled out and then reviewed by the regional office in Chicago. From there, the application goes to Washington D.C. where an applicant's background is checked, and they are given legal and medical clearance. Placement is dependent upon a volunteer's abilities. Balgoyen, a 1995 Peace Corps volunteer, studied education and was sent to Africa to teach English.

"Volunteers live day-to-day like those in their community. You learn a lot about your host country's cul-



ture and differing lifestyle. The experience is one of a kind. I'm still in touch with those I met in Botswana," said Balgoyen.

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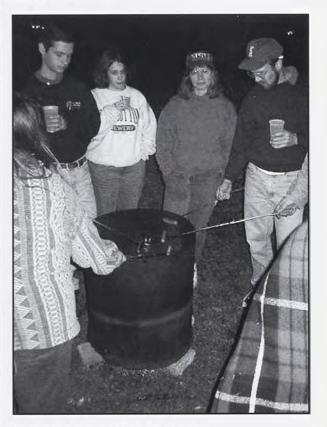
Botswana junior school students gather and say cheese for a class picture taken by Balgoyen, their teacher.

Lending A Hand To the World



Pastor Joeseph Dietrich leads students in the reading and studying of the Bible. WELS Campus Ministry is dedicated to creating a friendly atmosphere where Christians can learn about the word of God. "Our goal is to spread the word of God," said WELS member Josh Walworth.





Students huddle around a fire to cook hotdogs for their evening meal after a hayride during a retreat. The retreat offered a chance for students to escape the hustle of school and relax with friends. "It's really a friendly atmosphere," said Josh Walworth. "We sit around and say what's on our mind."

Josh Walworth, a computer science sophomore, plays piano for a group of students as they sing along. A retreat was held in November that included a hayride, bible studies and other games. The students closed the retreat by gathering around the piano to sing.

Need to retreat and escape all those papers and exams? The WELS Lutheran Campus Ministry holds retreats every year for students to get away from all the hustle and relax with Christian friends and God's word.

"It's really a friendly atmosphere. We sit around and say what's on our minds," said computer science suphomore Josh Walworth, an active member of the group. "Our goal is to spread the word of God."

The group, which is served by full-time pastor Joeseph Dietrich, holds Sunday services, mid-week Bible studies and other activities throughout the week. They also offer a summer International Vacation Bible School for children of international scholars.

WELS is open to both regional and international community members. They offer "English as a second language" classes and service opportunities in canvassing, witnessing, playing music and singing in the choir. "Activities and outings with Christian friends are a common occurrence, such as ice skating, skiing, bowling, playing games, hayrides or just getting together to play some music and sing a few songs," Walworth

Heaven on Earth

ory By Kirsten Anne Fredrickson
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The Environmental Engineering Student Society officials represent their organization at the ESS Annual Breakfast. The group gave its members a chance to make contacts in the engineering field. "EESS provides a time for students to put away their books and calculators and allows them to get to know the field and people involved," said the organization's president Renee Pionk

Members of the Environmental Engineering Student Society learn about waste management at the Granger Landfill. The organization was 40 members strong. It provided students a chance to participate in environment related activities.



Therese Sutphen explains to Girl Scouts about what should not go down a drain and why. Members of the Environmental Engineering Student Society took part in a project called Girl Scout Day. The group participated in local events that benefited the community.

The Environmental Engineering Student Society provided students an opportunity to participate in various activities related to the environment.

EESS offered its 40 members a chance to meet with faculty members in the civil and environmental fields. Students in MSU's chapter were also allowed discounted memberships in the Air and Water Management Association and the Water and Environment Federation.

The 1999-2000 members participated in the biennial community project known as Girl Scout Day, where the students traveled to De Witt Township for a tour of Granger's composting and landfill activities. They also visited the Dow Chemical Company in Midland, the East Lansing Meridian Water Authority, and the Ludington Pumped Storage Hydraulic Power Plant.

"The field trips give engineering students a chance to see, touch, and smell the wonderful world of real-life environmental engineering," said the organization's vice president and a student in the environmental engineering masters program Tony Sesti.

The society was led by president and civil engineering senior Renee Pionk, vice president Tony Sesti, treasurer and biology engineering senior Julie Rumple, along with secretary and civil engi-





neering sophomore Karen Krumm.

The group gives students a chance to learn about environmental engineering outside the classroom as well as making contacts in the engineering field.

"EESS provides a time for students to put away their books and calculators and allows them to get to know the field and people involved," said Pionk, "I have enjoyed socializing with the other classmates at our many events."

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Taking Out the Trash

#### Cultivating Spartans



The MSU Horticulture Club attends one of their annual events. The organization's goal was to provide interested students with an opportunity to gain valuable experience in horticulture, landscaping, and community service. The group's 65 members met Wednesday evenings in the Plant and Soil Science Building.





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bers of the Horticulture Club bask in the atmosphere of a greenhouse garden. The club provided its bers a chance to learn about the horticulture industry outside the classroom. The students had numer-poportunities to build contacts and relationships with faculty members in the horticulture field.

The Horticulture club stocks pumpkins to be sold in the MSU Pumpkin Sale. The student members took part in many community activities. The club also participated in the ALCA and MACHS National Competitions to display their horticulture skills.

The Michigan State University Horticulture Club's goal was to provide interested students with an opportunity to gain valuable experience in horticulture, landscaping, and community service. The group's 65 members met Wednesday evenings in the Plant and Soil Sciences Building.

President and horticulture senior Carleton Beach led the organization along with vice president and horticulture junior Andrea Fox, secretary and horticulture junior Emelee Reifschneider, treasurer and horticulture senior Mike Monterusso, and historian and horticulture senior Kim Bradley.

The 1999-2000 Horticulture Club participated in the ALCA Competition held at Mississippi State University as well as the MACHS Competition held at the University of Nebraska. The students also took part in the MSU Pumpkin Sale and the Lansing Home and Garden Show. The organization volunteered in the Welcome Week Barbecue, at the Kettunen Center and completed landscaping for Williamston Elementary School. The student group has also provided a design in a gardening exposition that attracted anywhere from 3,000 to 6,000 spectators.

Along with providing its members a chance to learn about the horticultural industry outside the classroom, the students also had numerous opportunities to build contacts and relationships with faculty members in the horticultural field.

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Photos Compliments of: Horticulture Club

#### Let's Make A Deal

"Yeah, we do take care of business," fraternity member Jason Pall said.

Delta Sigma Phi is a 30-member professional coed business fraternity organized to foster the study of business at universities nationwide. MSU's Gamma Kappa chapter aims to increase business students' awareness and knowledge about the field.

Pall said, "We offer a small, well-knit group of people who unite efforts in pursuit of a better understanding of the world of commerce. We have a blast, and we encourage a grasp on business too."

The group, who met on Tuesdays in the Business College Complex, sponsors on-campus activities and participates in philanthropic events as well.

"We take part in numerous community service events with organizations including the Boys and Girls Club, the Burcham Retirement Home, Red Cross and the March of Dimes," he said.

Delta Sigma Phi holds professional events that offer students a chance to meet and interact with experienced experts in specific fields. Some of the

companies they work in cooperation with include Plante & Moran, Aramark and General Motors Corp.

Member Lisa Butler said, "Everyone in the Gamma Kappa chapter seems to enjoy the company of each other and the MSU community. We strive to help those who need it and at the same time impart knowledge of the world of business upon them."

Pall agreed, "Our chapter is pretty small right now, but we believe that in time those who will most benefit from what Delta Sigma Phi has to offer will see that we are of value and our numbers will expand. Join us!"

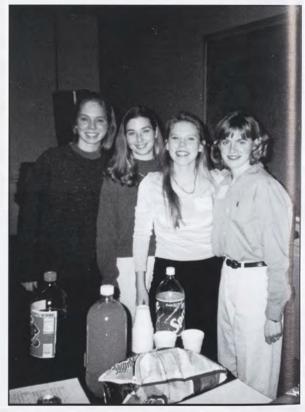
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Along with being a professional support network, Delta Sigma Phi takes its part in the wider community by helping those in need. "We take part in numerous community service events with organizations including the Boys and Girls Club, the Burcham Retirement Home, Red Cross and the March of Dimes," said member Jason Pall.



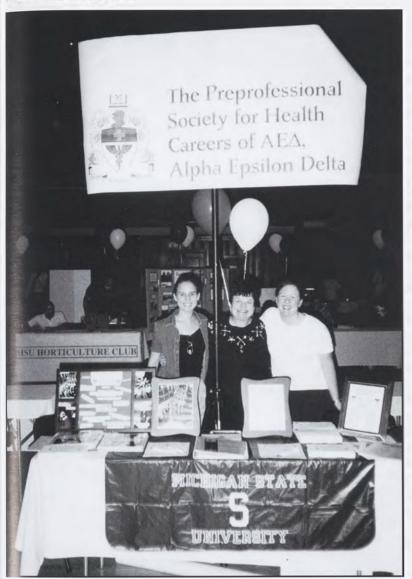
Proudly holding their banner, Delta Sigma Phi is a professional co-ed business fraternity organized to foster the study of business at universities nation-wide. "We offer a small, well-knit group of people that unite efforts in pursuit of a lever understanding of the world of commerce. We have a blast and we encourage a grasp on business too, "said fraternity members Jason Pall.





Group members take a moment out of their meeting to enjoy a snack together. Although the group is professionally orientated they also supply support for one another. "Everyone in the Gamma Kappa chapter seems to enjoy the company of each other and the MSU community. We strive to help those who need it and at the same time impart knowledge of the world of business upon them," said member Lisa Butler.

Alpha Epsilon Delta, a chapter within the Pre-professional Society for Health Careers, prepares students for health careers, as well as graduate school. With advisor Judy Schwinghamer, hundreds of members tour professional and medical schools, sponsor senior proms at retirement homes, and participate in mentoring programs. Volunteer activities provide hands-on experience in a variety of medical and health-related fields.



#### A Healthy Choice

The goal is simple: to promote awareness and educate students on health-related careers. But the wide array of majors in the health field and the countless professional opportunities make Sarah Firosz's job a little difficult.

Firosz, a physiology senior and the president of the Pre-professional Society for Health Careers, said she hopes the organization helps students attain their goals and find their paths to health-related professional schools or careers after college.

The Pre-professional Society for Health Careers is an organization open to all students interested in pursuing careers in medicine, dentistry, optometry, pharmacy, podiatry, physical therapy and any other health-related profession. Alpha Epsilon Delta is a national honor society within the pre-professional society for students who have completed three semesters of college and maintained a 3.0 grade point average in science courses and overall.

In addition to hundreds of active members in the pre-professional society, "our organization has 10 hard working executive board members and one very dedicated advisor, Mrs. Judy Schwinghamer," said historian Sarah Gatza, a psychology student.

The organizations sponsor a variety of events including tours of professional and medical schools, mentoring programs, a senior prom at a retirement home, lunches at a local rescue mission and panel discussions on topics such as AIDS, aging and other health-related issues. Gatza said meetings are always "standing room only."

"We offer volunteer opportunities to get experience, various offcampus tours and guest speakers every other week," said secretary Jennifer Devol, a microbiology senior. "It is really helpful. We get current students to come in and give us the ups and downs of the profession, to talk about current issues and various (professional) schools, and to relieve stress."

Story By: Michelle Clark Design By: Antoinette Koritnik Photos Compliments of: Pre-professional Society for Health Careers



Different personalities, different majors, but one common goal unites the Pre-professional Society for Health Careers and Alpha Epsilon Delta executive board. The ten board members promote awareness and education for students in health-related fields such as medicine, dentistry, optometry, pharmacy, podiatry and physical therapy.

Members of the College of Human Medicine Student Council gather during a group activity. The 1999-2000 council consisted of an elected group of medical students. The officials represented pre-clinical first and second year students. Students in the College of Human Medicine
Student Council participate in Faculty/Staff
Appreciation Day events. The group's
purpose was to promote the education of
students in the College of Human Medicine.
The council's goal was to represent the
interests of the year one pre-clinical students
who elected them.





Members of the College of Human Medicine Student Council volunteer in the community. The students participated in the "Serving the People Day" and other various service projects. The CHM Student Council sponsored student-run education events.

Medical students have a place to gain education and information outside of the classroom. They have a place to communicate with other students about pressures, current issues, technology and the professional field of medicine and they have a place to find support and friendship. This wealth of information and networking systems is the College of Human Medicine Student Council.

The council's purpose is to promote education, communication and awareness among students in

the College of Human Medicine through activities, volunteer work and discussions.

The council participated in Serving the People Day, the Big Sibling/Little Sibling Program, numerous community service projects and other student-run educational activities. The CHM Student Council's main event is the Annual College of Human Medicine Auction. Items donated by students and area businesses were auctioned off to help support the council.

"The auction was our biggest event," said secretary and year one human medicine student Cristina Checka, "It was a student council fund-



raiser in the spring complete with a faculty member as an auctioneer."

The group also cooperated with the College of Osteopathic Medicine students, the Council of Graduate Students, and the Council of Medical Students to sponsor activities and campus events.

Checka and the members of the council represent the interests of other year-one pre-clinical students. President Justin Klamerus led the organization along with the vice president, Matthew White, and the treasurer, Lori Guse.

A continued effort was made by the CHM Student Council to promote a sense of camaraderie among pre-clinical and clinical students, faculty and staff.

Club Med

Story By: Kristen Dykema Design By: Kathryn Harper Photos Compliments of: Human Med

#### Dramatic Experiments

Is it true that what goes up must come down? And what exactly is electrostatics, anyway? Just ask Science Theatre, Michigan State's outreach science organization.

Science Theatre is a group of students who volunteer to explain some of the mysteries of the world to the general public. Through some very entertaining science demonstrations, the group illustrates

basic scientific concepts such as pressure, temperature, and states of matter. Audiences also learn and participate in demonstrations about things like aerospace, electricity and DNA.

The group did about 40-50 events throughout Michigan and even a few out of state during the 1999-2000 school year. Many of them were at schools, where students from kindergarten all the way through high school were entertained and educated.

"This is a very fun group to volunteer for as you get to interact with lots of children and explain the basics of science experiments

to a large audience," said Stacy DeWees, director of Science Theatre

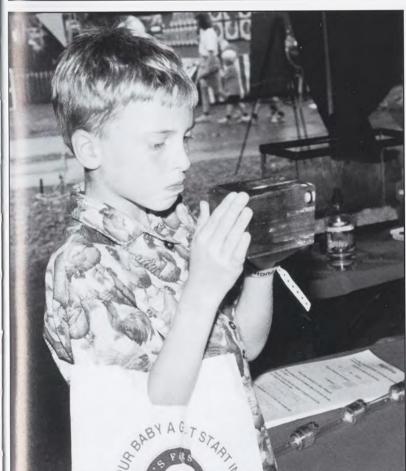
In addition to the numerous presentations at schools, various conferences and even in malls, the group put together a book titled "Recipes For Science." It contains physics demonstrations as well as a section called "Ask Science Theatre," where questions commonly asked by children are answered.

So Newton wasn't crazy after all, just too early in time to join a group like Science Theatre!

Story By: Emily Irvine Design By: Kathryn Harper Photos Compliments of: Science Theatre

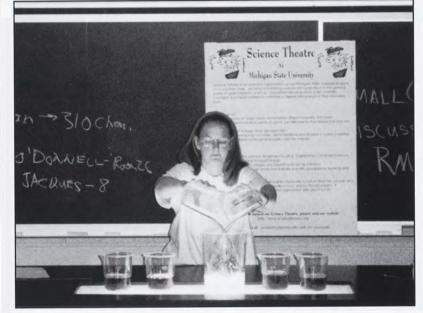
Telecommunications senior Nick Lewis explains computer components to an interested observer during Science Day at the Mall. Science Theater members put on many different science oriented programs for the public throughout the year.





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This intrigued observer watches how a magnet moves around in a magnetic field at the 4-H Fair. Demonstrations about physics, electrostatics, chemistry and physical science wowed observers at fairs, conferences and school demos all over the Lansing area.

Emily Brown performs a demonstration called "Rainbow" at the Chemistry Graduate Orientation Program. In addition to enlightening the public, Science Theater put on demonstrations and experiments for schools and educational programs.



MMA members are a group of students of various majors that seek to learn more about retailing and the opportunities available to them in the field. The group is open to anyone with an interest and participates in a number of activities that help members get in the direction they want to go.

The members of MMA gather at the Sears Headquarters in Chicago to learn more about retailing in a large corporation. The group also visited FAO Schwartz, Water Tower Palace and Bloomingdale's in Chicago, as well as numerous companies in New York City.

People buy things because of appearance, color, lighting schemes, and placement. All of these subconscious forces go to work on each person who enters a retail store—and many times, these forces work.

The members of the Merchandising Management Association learn these tricks of the trade from successful companies, finding out what their place in the area of retailing might be in the future.

"We are a retailing-focused association that will aid our members in better understanding the retailing career opportunities available to them," said Candy Clark, president of MMA.

The group planned numerous day trips to companies within Michigan, as well as longer visits to Chicago and New York City.

In the "Windy City," members visited the Sears Headquarters, FAO Schwartz, Water Tower Place and Bloomingdale's. These companies, since they are fairly large, well-known businesses, gave the visiting members an idea of what retailing is about on a grand scale.

In New York, MMA members traveled to places that aid in retailing such as The Style Council, a textile design studio, Adel Rootstein, a famous mannequin house, Cotton, Inc., a cotton library and Women's Wear Daily, a magazine about women's fashion.

With so many aspects of retailing and managing merchandise, the members of MMA get a head start on their futures by participating in the opportunities to see what the field is all about.

So next time a display in a window catches your eye, remember that an MMA graduate might have put that together just for you.

Story By: Emily J. Irvine Design By: Robert Madsen Photos Compliments of: Merchandising Management





The Old Spaghetti Factory was the dining establishment of choice for MMA members after an exhausting day of visiting large companies and learning about the retailing options available to them.

Sale of The Century

Members of the Dairy Club have a little fun during their hayride by covering each other with hay. Spending time together is important for many members. "We try to get together to have fun. The students all have the same interests and know the same people," said member Michelle Hide, an agriculture communications junior.



#### Milk Anyone?

Getting up before the sun to milk the cows may seem like a ritual from the past, yet it is still a reality for many students.

"Most people come from a dairy farm or are interested in the dairy industry," said Michelle Hide, an agriculture communications junior and a member of the Dairy Club.

With about 60 members the students get together every other week to talk about their interests in the dairy industry. "Our goal is to promote the dairy industry," said Hide.

One of their main activities during the year is a Cheese Sale to promote the industry. They bring in cheese made in Wisconsin and here on campus to sell to area cheese lovers as a fundraiser.

They also participate in a heifer sale and take trips to the American Dairy Science Association. They spend time together doing activities on the farm and off.

"We try to get together to have fun," said Hide. "The students all have the same interests and know the same people."

Story By: Kirsten Anne Fredrickson

Design By: Robert Madsen

Photos Compliments of: Dairy Club



Moo? The Dairy Club takes part in a heifer sale every year where they sell and buy cows from the area. The club also takes a trip to the American Dairy Science Association every year to learn more about the dairy industry.



Various packages of cheese and dairy products can be purchased from the club during their annual cheese sale. Cheese made on campus and in Wisconsin is used for this cheesy fundraiser. The club uses this as their main money-maker during the year.



The 2000 MSU
Expressions.
Twenty-four performers
gathered together to win
many first with Beethoven's

#### Expressive Expressions

Dressed all in black, the men and women of MSU's Expressions add a little sparkle to their performance with some shiny silver and a disco version of Beethoven's Fifth Symphony.

Expressions is MSU's winter guard, which is a group for those interested in flag, rifle, saber and dance performance. They practice twice a week for four hours to perfect their routine. They then travel to area competitions to show off their hard work.

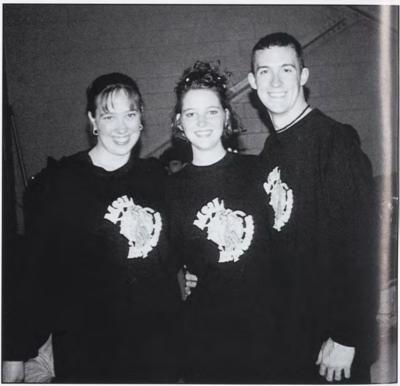
"We got a lot accomplished and had a lot of fun," said member and organizer Karen Baugh. "It was exciting to show our progress."

Not only was it exciting for the members to show what their hard work had done, but it was exciting when their work was recognized. Expressions attended five competitions throughout the state and received first place ratings at each. They also attended State Competition where they continued their excellence by taking home a first place.

Now in their seventh season, Expressions is a combination of members of the Spartan Marching band and others throughout the university interested in performing. It is a self-funded group that is student-run from the routine that is written down to the costumes and flags that they use. Although they have received some help through the School of Music and Modern Skate and Surf, the group is proud to have accomplished a great year all on their own.

"Everything we've done, we did on our own," said Baugh.

Design By: Katie Harper Photos Compliments of: MSU Expressions



Dressed in their matching outfits, Karen Baugh, Krystal Ratliff, and Jim Velco all become very close in a season full of success. MSU Expressions would travel all over Michigan to compete, and never once did they lose.



Hmong members pose for the camera during a group outing. These students are very dedicated to preservation of their culture.

A classy-looking group of Hmong members pose at a formal activity. Members not only bond during biweekly meetings but in social and friendly settings as well.



### Diversity A-Hmong Us

The Hmong American Student Association preserves their culture and ethnicity by teaching others about themselves.

The Hmong culture is predominately from the mountains of Laos. During the Vietnam War, many Hmongs fought for the United States as part of the Central Intelligence Agency. After the war, many Hmong families came to America to escape persecution.

"Many of our ancestors came here," said Thomas Hang, a studio art junior and student advisor for the HASA. "We are committed to the protection, teaching and love of our culture."

The association has bi-weekly meetings in the multicultural center of the Union. "Anyone is welcome to come," Hang said. "Just come and you are part of it."

The alliance also holds many events that teach about their culture. These events include a cultural slide show at meetings, participation in activities within the community, along with college day, where Hmong high school students can come see the campus.

"We have a place for them to hang out and learn about the Hmong culture and language," said Hang.

As one of the founders of the association, Hang is very proud of their accomplishments and how far they have come.

Hang said, "I hope the people who come after us appreciate what we've done and continue our progress with the same effort and love we put in to it."

Story By: Shannon Murphy Design By: Kathryn Harper Photos Compliments of: Hmong



the Hmong women finally get a photo-op to themselves. Hmong members are very proud of their heritage and accomplishments as a group.

## Hittin' the Slopes

The 235 Ski Club members dreamt of a white Colorado this year. Though there wasn't as much snow as they'd hoped for in Telluride, the club still had an awesome time on their annual Holiday Break ski trip, which was hosted by Echo Ski Tour Association.

"Christmas Break was a blast in Telluride, even though there wasn't as much powder as we wanted. The trip cost was a little over \$400, including our stay in a really nice condo, four days of skiing, our bus ride there and back, and lots of partying," club member Colleen Tvorik said.

"We left on Jan. 1 at 9 a.m. and it was about a 32-hour bus ride. Echo sponsored parties included a big bash on Monday night, a keg party on Tuesday after skiing, a pub crawl on Wednesday, a wine and cheese party on Thursday, and an ice skating

Member Hayden Carpenter said, "It's a good thing the condo complexes were equipped with hot tubs. That was a definite plus after skiing black diamonds all day long. I can't wait until the next ski club trip. I want to live out West and just ski forever one day, but I'm here at MSU now. The club trips are a tease because they're only a week long, but it's a great to get away from school and hit the slopes with fun kids."

Tvorik said Telluride was her third trip with the 520-member Ski Club.

"Through the club I've gotten the chance to ski at some really awesome places like Telluride, Aspen, Big Sky, and Jackson Hole. I've been able to meet some great people and make good friends. We're ski bums, what can I say. It's just a ton of fun and it's only \$25 to join," she added.

party on Friday," she said.

The base of the slopes are a temporary lunch stop for these ski l ms Seven days of fun during Telluride "Winter Trip, 2000" gave the embers a chance to spend time together and ski their hearts out.



Story By: Sarah Carpenter Design By: Robert Madsen Photos Compliments of: Spartan Ski Club



The wheels on the bus go 'round and round...' Over 200 members set out early on New Year's Day to travel to Colorado for a week of skiing and partying. Trips in past years have been to Aspen, Big Sky and Jackson

The officers of the ski club relax at the condos in Telluride, Colorado. They plan trips for the 520-member club throughout the year, including one big week-long trip to a large ski





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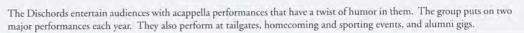




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bers of the Men's Glee Club who wish to perform a blend of humor and harmony. They pride themselves on their ability to make people laugh and sound good at the same time.

The Holiday concert put on by the Spartan Dischords was a hit. The audience loved the unique performance of old classics with a new twist.

The 12 members of the Dischords are all mem-

oto Compliments of: Dischords

Nowhere else can you find such a crazy mix of laughs and lyrics than with the male acappella group, the Spartan Dischords.

The group of 12 Dischords are a subdivision of the Men's Glee Club, founded in 1982 by members of the clee club. The men thought it was a great way to blend humor and harmony together to amuse and entertain.

They have participated in a number of activities throughout the 1999-2000 school year and found themselves performing at alumni gigs, tailgates, homecoming events, sporting events and more. In addition, they put on two major shows, one during the Holidays and another in the spring. Spectators also enjoyed outdoor concerts and showcases of acappella delight.

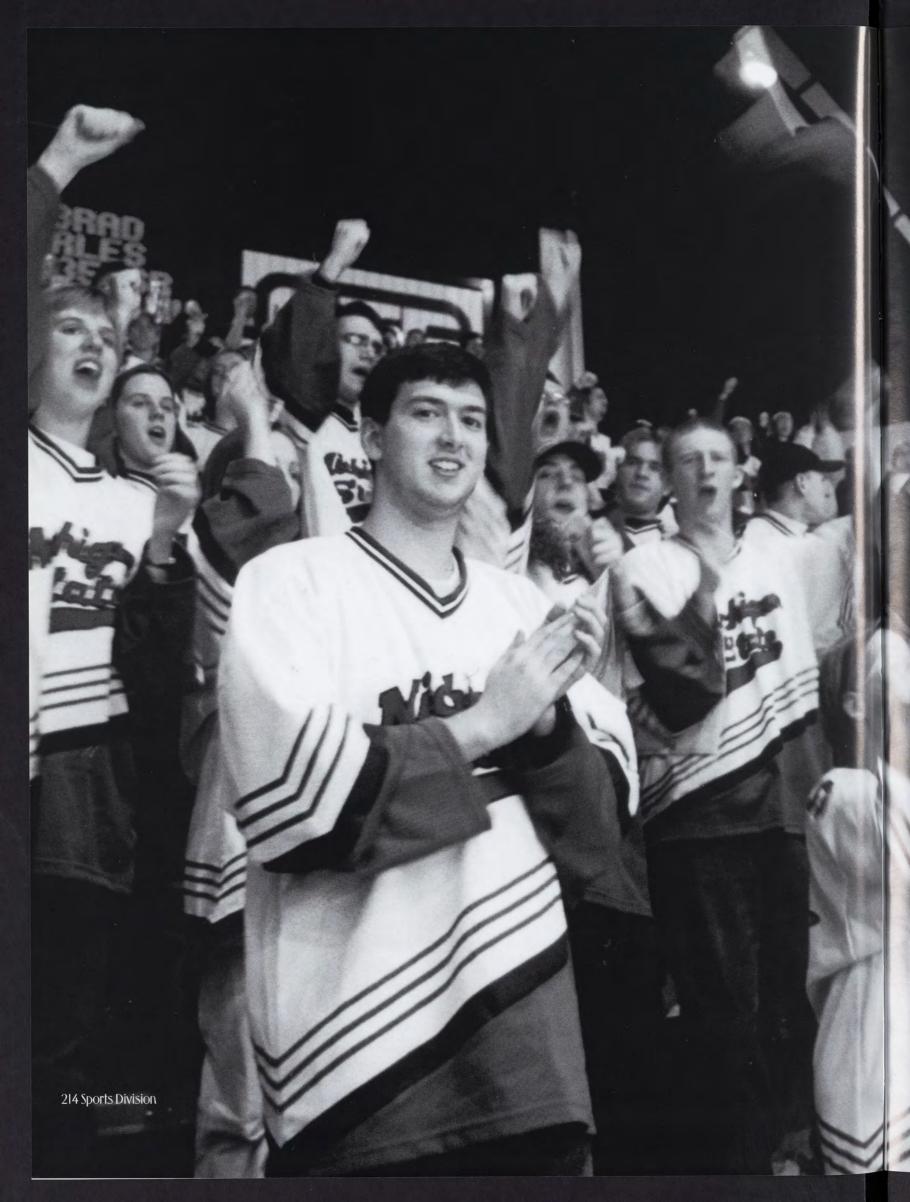
People could also hire the Dischords to sing at birthday parties and fundraisers (or your local barn raising, If that's what you're in to). The Dischords were always ready to use their musical talent and sense of humor to give people a great show.

"We pride ourselves on making music and making people laugh," said senior Ian Broughton. "We also like hicken wings!"

With the Dischords, anything goes!

Story By: Emily Irvine
Design By: Robert Madsen

On A. Lighter Note





# Sports

"Champions take responsibility.
When the ball is coming over the net, you can be sure I want the ball."





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Kevin Fowler



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# Going the Extra Yard\_

Spartan fans sure got their money's worth during the 1999 MSU football season. A final record of 9-2 coupled with some incredible games resulted in ecstatic fans, pleased players, and silenced critics.

Hopes were high before the first game was underway, and the team didn't let fans down. The unranked Spartans came out strong with early home-game wins over Oregon and Eastern Michigan. They then went on the road to beat Notre Dame for the third year in a row, 23-13. Then rolled past Illinois, who didn't stand a chance against an outstanding Spartan defense and held the Fighting Illini to only 42 rushing yards in a 27-10 victory.

Homecoming gave MSU the chance to show once again how dominant its defense could be with a rout of Iowa. Michigan State allowed only 107 total yards for the Hawkeyes. The 49-3 victory boosted MSU up to the 11th spot in the national rankings.

"We were looking for a game like this, where we could be more consistent and really get better overall as a team," said senior quarterback Bill Burke.

Spirits were high going into the next game against long-time rival Michigan with both teams standing at 5-0. Spartan Stadium roared as fans watched their undefeated team take on the Wolverines. Burke threw for 400 passing yards, with junior Plaxico Burress receiving 255 of them. An absence of turnovers drove MSU on to a 34-31 win and into a well-deserved fifth place ranking.

The victory over the Wolverines turned out to be the last in the Spartans undefeated run. MSU's defense was finally cracked the next week as Purdue quarterback Drew Brees threw for 509 yards and five touchdowns. The result was a 28-52 loss that shook Spartan players and fans alike.

"Penalties really hurt us," said Saban after the game. "I was pleased with the way we battled back in the second half, but we need to play with better focus and more discipline. You can't win football games without disciplined play. It kills you. We did all the things that you can do to get beat."

Wisconsin turned out to be another struggle for the squad. The Spartan's defense was still not up to par as the Badgers' rushed to a 40-10 win in what was not a typical performance by Saban's team. Hoping to regroup, the Spar-

tans took advantage of a by week to heal and come out strong against Ohio State.

The Buckeyes' were obliterated by the Spartans, who allowed them only 79 yards from the air and blanking them on the ground game. Spartan defensive domination had returned to East Lansing. The team walked off the field with a well-needed 23-7 victory, which put them back on the right track.

A win on the road over Northwestern kept MSU en route towards a bowl game. Evanston's Wildcats didn't stand a chance against the fired up Spartan squad. Senior Quarterback Bill Burke was replaced with sophomore Ryan Van Dyke in the second quarter after Burke's strained shoulder began to affect his passing ability. Burke had already thrown one touchdown pass to Burress, who caught two more from Van Dyke before the day was over, giving him a new MSU record with 9 TD receptions in a game.

The Spartan's final regular season game, played at home, was a prolific end to a great season. A sold out crowd gathered in Spartan Stadium and watched as the Spartans charged their way past Penn St. This key win secured the Spartans a number two Big Ten ranking and a trip to the January 1, 2000 Citrus Bowl in Orlando, Florida.

The first half was played like a typical MSU football game – with the Spartans controlling. The score was 28-7 in favor of the Green and White going into the locker rooms. After the half, the Nittany Lions scored 21 consecutive points, tying the game. Answering the call was freshman T.J. Duckett with a phenomenal game, charging past Penn St.'s defense to score four touchdowns.

"It was a great game," Duckett said. "We played great as a team, we played a full 60 minutes and that's what we wanted to do."

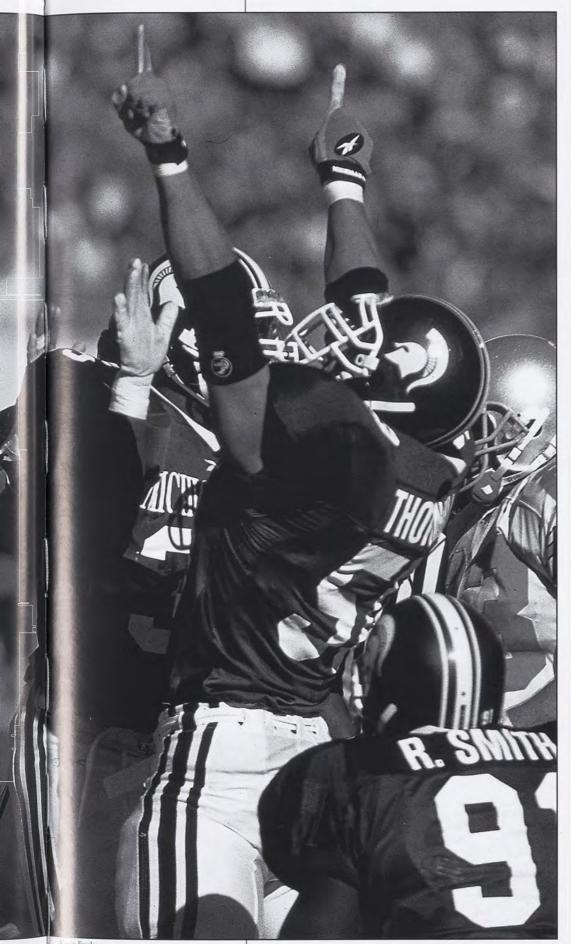
A 9-2 season was a season to proudly remember for the Michigan State Spartan football team and its fans. Beating Notre Dame, Michigan, Ohio State and Penn State in one season is no small feat, but the gladiators of the gridiron stepped up to the challenge and showed the strength, depth and determination of the Spartan squad – a deadly combination for any opponent to face.

Story by: Emily Irvine Designed by: Antoinette Koritnik

Moving fåst, Gari Scott runs for a touchdown against Notre Dame. This game was MSU's 3rd straight win of the season - and Notre Dame's 3rd straight loss.



Kevin Fowler



#### Schedule

Sept. 2 Oregon Sept. 11 Eastern Michigan

Sept. 18 Notre Dame

Sept. 25 Illinois

Oct. 2 Iowa

Oct. 9 Michigan

Oct. 16 Purdue

Oct. 23 Wisconsin

Nov. 6 Ohio State

Nov. 13 Northwestern

Nov. 20 Penn State

Jan. 1 Florida (Citrus Bowl)



Victory! Robaire Smith looks on as Josh Thornhill celebrates the Spartans' victory over OSU with a teammate. Winning this game was a sweet success after two successive losses - MSU's only two of the season.

Run for it! T.J. Duckett clutches the ball as he darts away from a fallen OSU player. Duckett had 19 rushing attempts and ran for 49 yards that day.

# Sweet Ending Marks\_ New Beginning

January 1, 2000 proved to be not only the start of a New Year, but also a winning tradition for Michigan State football. It marked the beginning of the Bobby Williams era. The ninth ranked Spartans defeated the tenth ranked University of Florida Gators 37-34 in Orlando, Florida, at the Florida Citrus Bowl, breaking a three-bowl game-losing streak. Although the Gators had a home state advantage, MSU players still had the support of the well-known Spartan crowd. For a team that thrives on the support and enthusiasm of the fans, a home field isn't necessary; the energy and pride of Spartan fans helped carry the team to one of its most important victories in over a decade.

With the departure of Nick Saban as head coach, MSU had to look elsewhere for leadership. Bobby Williams, who acted as the running back coach for 10 years at MSU and the associate head coach for the 1999-2000 season, emerged as the team's unanimous choice. Fully supported by players and fans alike, the new head coach forced his players to ignore outside distractions and concentrate on winning the most important bowl game MSU had played since the 1987 Rose Bowl.

The temperature was high and so was the excitement as the Spartans kicked off to the Gators onehour past noon in Orlando. The Spartans knew they had to control Florida's passing as well as break the Gators defense in order to come out on top. Michigan State opened up the scoring in the first quarter with a 46-yard field goal by senior kicker Paul Edinger, to which the Gators answered with a controversial touchdown pass. Florida's Travis Taylor reached out to get the ball into the corner of the end zone, but many believe that it never reached around the pylon. Unfortunately, the Gators were given the touchdown and the lead. But the Spartans wouldn't let Florida hold on to the lead for long, junior receiver and game MVP Plaxico Burress caught a touchdown pass from senior quarterback Bill Burke. Junior linebacker T.J. Turner then returned a fumble for another seven points to bring the score to 17-7 in favor of MSU.

The start of the third quarter showed two refreshed teams ready to battle for the win. Both team's defenses held on tight as the score didn't budge and tension grew. Finally, Burress grabbed a 21-yard pass from Burke for another touchdown. Although the two-point conversion attempt failed, the Spartans had regained the lead. Again Florida answered with a touchdown of its own, giving them back their one-point edge. Another failed two-point conversion effort brought emotions to the boiling point as Florida quarterback Doug Johnson began to taunt MSU players. The Spartans had enough, as that was not the

first time Florida players tried to anger them. Abrawl ensued and officially put an end to what began as a calm quarter. As the feud ended, so did the season for sophomore defensive end Hubert "Boo Boo" Thompson and Florida offensive lineman Kenyatta Walker, as both were ejected from the game.

"The bad blood came from the anticipation of playing the game," said Williams. "I think some of our Florida kids had a little something to do with it too. You could feel it starting to build."

Junior Herb Haygood received the kickoff return and was kicked in the head by Florida's Demetrius Lewis, resulting in the third ejection of the day. The quarter came to an end with the Gators still hanging onto a one-point lead.

Tension between the teams was very high as the final quarter of a close game began. The action started as Florida recovered a fumble in the end zone and put themselves ahead by a comfortable eight points. The Spartans knew they had to step up on offense and get down to business in order to get the coveted 10th win of the season in the record books. Burress, who set a school and Citrus Bowl record with 13 receptions, caught his third touchdown pass from Burke and Gari Scott received the ball for a successful twopoint conversion and the tie. Burke, who passed for 257 yards, set a career touchdown pass record with 46 and also became the second Michigan State quarterback to post two 2000 yard passing seasons. Ten minutes of intense football ensued as victory hung in the balance for both teams. Finally, after the clock ran down to three seconds and Williams called a time out, Edinger was sent in to kick a 39-yard field goal, which would give the Spartans the win.

"I was warming up on the sideline, I wasn't paying any attention," Edinger said. "Then, there were three seconds left and coach said, 'go win one for us'."

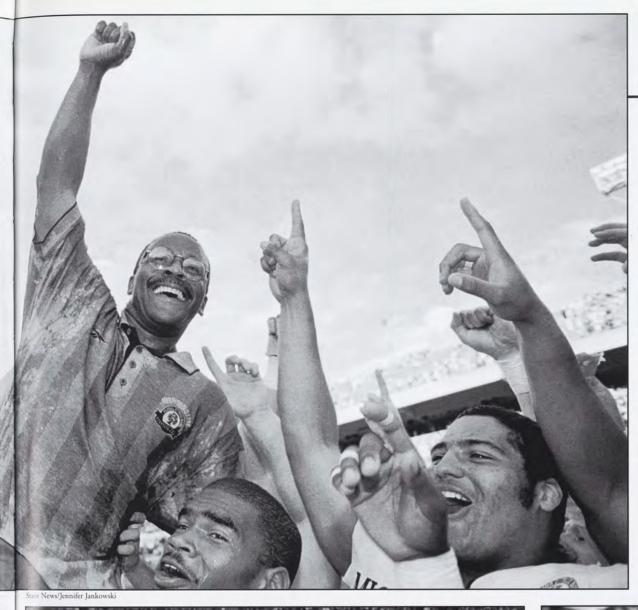
The ball sailed through the air and between the uprights with ease as Michigan State fans went wild. Edinger's third field goal not only clinched the win for the Spartans but also set a bowl record for field goals.

Moments later, a Gatoradesoaked Bobby Williams was hoisted into the air with not just his first bowl game victory as head coach at MSU, but his first career victory as head coach. This Citrus Bowl was a sweet ending to a great season and a strong beginning for a new era of Michigan State foot-

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Citrus Bowl 2000: MSU 37 Florida 34





MSU's gridiron men raise new head coach Bobby Williams triumphantly in the air after the team's New Year's Day Citrus Bowl victory over the University of Florida Gators. The win was William's first as the school's head coach.

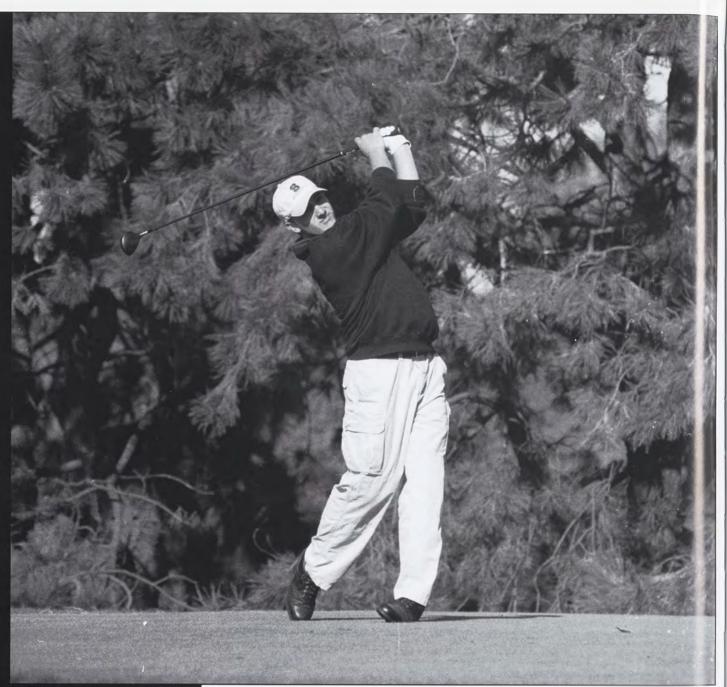
Paul Edinger kicks the game-winning field goal to culminate a successful season.





Plaxico Burress defies gravity for a spectacular catch in the Cirtus Bowl. Plaxico was a key player in the Citrus Bowl win and earned the MVP award.

News/Cory Morse



Brent Goik takes a swing and drives the ball down the fairway. The team was under the coaching of Mark Hankin for the first time and has received lots of support from alumni and MSU's sports programs throughout the transition.

#### Spartan Schedule

Sept. 20-21 Kansas Invitational

Sept. 27-28 Colorado State Intercollegiate

Oct. 1-2 Northern Intercollegiate

Oct. 13-14 Adams Cup of Newport

Mar. 10-12 Birkdale Collegiate Classic

Mar. 25-26 Dr. Pepper Intercollegiate

Mar. 31-Apr. 1 Border Olympics

Apr. 7-8 Marshall Invitational

Apr. 14-15 Kepler Invitational

Apr. 29-30 Fossum Invitational

Apr. 5-7 Big Ten Championship

May 20-22 NCAA Regionals

May 31-June 3 NCAA Championship



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Senior captain Carlos Foulquie lines up his putt and prepares to sink the ball in yet again. Foulquie was the Spartan's number one player with an average score of 74. The next five players in line were only one stroke behind him.

Dennis Riedel follows through after sending his ball into orbit. The men's golf team had a dymanic year with many young, talented golfers. Under the new instruction of first-year head coach Mark Hankin, the Spartans worked for up to 20 hours a week to perfect their game. It paid off, as the team proved to be a major contender against other teams.

Kevin Fowler



# Putt for Par

"Preparation is the key to success," said Michigan State University's men's golf coach Mark Hankin. Since being hired in May, Hankin has seen great things in his golfers throughout the 1999-2000 season. The team consisted of 11 players led by captain and civil engineering senior Carlos Foulquie. His home is in Madrid, Spain, yet he found his place in East Lansing as he transferred to Michigan State from Lon Moris Junior College in Texas his sophomore year.

"We had an awesome season," said Folquie. "Our goals were to win at least one tournament, finish among the top four in our conference, make it to regionals, and then to nationals."

"There is a lot of competition within the team," said Coach Hankin. Foulquie was the Spartans number one golfer with an average score of 74 with the next five players averaging only one stroke behind him.

"We're really excited for the spring season," said Foulquie. "Everyone has improved and the team has become united."

The men's golf season started with a fifth place finish in the Kansas Invitational in September. The team played at home in the Fossum Invitational at Forrest Akers Golf Course on April 29-30.

The Spartan's rigorous practice schedule included six days and 20 hours a week of training to prepare for the spring season. The first spring tournament, the Birkdale Collegiate Classic, was held in the beginning of March.

"We have a young team this year," said Foulquie. "We have a lot of talent, and with a new coach, I think MSU's program will reach the top of the rankings in a short period of time."

Hankin has done an excellent job of taking over the men's golf program. He contributed some of the team's success to the valuable support it received from MSU's sports programs and alumni.

"State's sports programs are outstanding. I was amazed by the golf program and the tremendous amount of alumni support," said Coach Hankin. "It has been a great first year."

Story By: Kristin Dykema Design By: Kathryn Harper



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Dennis Riedel works his way out of a sand
bunker and onto the green. The team opened
its season by placing fifth in the Kansas
Invitational in September, then continued to
improve into the spring schedule.

Senior captain Carlos Foulquie watches his ball sail through the air. The Madrid, Spain native transferred to MSU his sophomore year from Lon Moris Junior College in Texas and became a strong competitor on the men's golf team.

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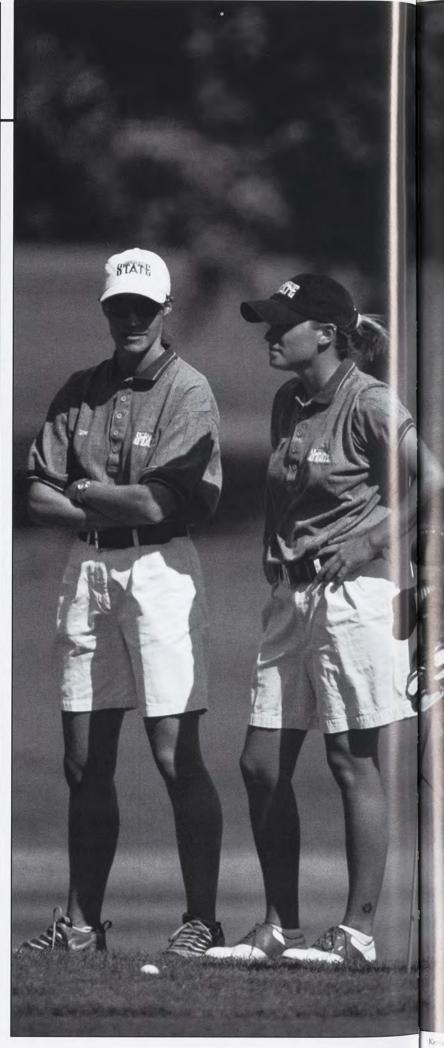
Stacy Snider putts to help her team keep their lead. The Women's golf team finished fifth in the Big Ten/Big 12 Shootout.

Stacy Snider and Coach Stacey Slobodnick debate which club to use for the next shot. The Spartan's were very successful at the Big Ten Conference.

#### Spartan Schedule

Sept. 17-19 Lady Northern
Sept. 25-26 Mary Fossum Invitational
Oct. 2-3 Lady Buckeye Fall Invitational
Oct. 11-12 Big Ten/Big 12 Shootout
Feb. 7-9 OSU/SMU Regional Challenge
Feb. 25-27 Midwest Classic
Mar 13-14 Peggy Kirk Bell Invitational
Mar. 20-21 Waterlefe/USF Invitational
Apr. 8-9 Indiana Invitational
Apr. 22-23 Lady Buckeye Invitational

Apr. 28-30 Big Ten Championship May 11-13 NCAA East Regional May 24-27 NCAA Championship







This strong swing contributes to the teams overall score of 290 in the Big Ten/Big 12 Shootout.
The team broke MSU's previous record by 2 strokes.

Kevin Fowler

With their sights set on a Big Ten Championship, Michigan State's 1999-2000 women's golf season began in mid-September with a tenth place finish in the Lady Northern golf tournament in Madison, Wisconsin. The Spartans started out with uncertainty as the team's number one golfer, family community services junior Kasey Grant, was out for the first seven weeks of the season with a right shoulder injury. However, the anticipation for Grant's return was well deserved.

Grant, who is the only woman golfer in MSU's history to shoot a round under 70, fired a 69 in the second round of her first tournament back. Her low second round score in the Big Ten/Big 12 Shootout contributed to the teams overall score of 290, breaking MSU's previous school record by two strokes. With 12 teams competing, including three ranked in the top 20, the Spartans finished fifth in the two-day tournament, proving that they are a team to be reckoned with.

Michigan State's golf team continued to be a tough competitor in the Big Ten Conference. With the high level of talent and outstanding work ethic, The Spartans' established themselves as an extremely well rounded team.

"The team is very committed," said MSU's women's golf Coach Stacey Slobodnick. She has been a part of MSU's golf program for the last ten years. In her third year as head coach, Slobodnick expected exciting things from her team. "We've been training throughout the season," added Slobodnick. "Our goal, of course, is to win the Big Ten Championship."

The team played 18 holes three days a week along with weight lifting and conditioning to prepare for the Big Ten and NCAA Championships.

"We've worked very hard," said marketing sophomore Emily Bastel. As last year's Big Ten Freshman of the Year, Bastel felt the team would achieve great things in the 1999-2000 season. "This year we'll hopefully go all the way."

The golf team had a successful season. MSU's strong program continues to grow as many of the Spartan's top players will return for the 2000-2001 season. With a veteran coach and experienced team, Michigan State will be a force for years to come.

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## A Stroke Ahead



One of the newest varsity sports at Michigan State is also one of the fastest improving. The 1999-2000 women's crew team has improved since it became a varsity sport in 1997 to become one of the toughest competitors in the conference.

The fall season opened at the Head of the Ohio in Pittsburgh. Juniors Amie Elvie and Nicole DeMott took second and MSU's Open 8 took fourth place out of 25, one place ahead of last year's fifth place finish. The top Open 4 team took third.

The next meet was the Head of the Grand at home at Grand River Park in Lansing against Grand Valley State University. The Spartans captured first place in both varsity races and in the novice eight race. Even though many of the rowers were racing for the first time, they proved their ability to work together and come out on top. The team finished ninth and 14th in the Championship 4 and 8 races, respectively, during the Head of the Charles in Boston.

The last meet of the fall season was held on Halloween in Elkhart, Indiana. In the varsity four competition, MSU placed first in both the A and B races. In the C event, the Spartans finished second and third.

Spring began in April for the team and they pulled ahead to take one of the top spots in the Big Ten. A tough win against Iowa on the 15th was just a warm up for teams like Michigan, Washington State, Clemson and Wisconsin.

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#### Spartan Schedule

Oct. 2 Head of the Ohio

Oct. 16 Head of the Grand

Oct. 24 Head of the Charles

Oct. 31 Head of the Elk

Mar 11. Miami, Georgetown

Apr. 1 San Diego Crew Classic

Apr. 2 San Diego Crew Classic

Apr. 15 Iowa (varsity), Ohio State (novice)

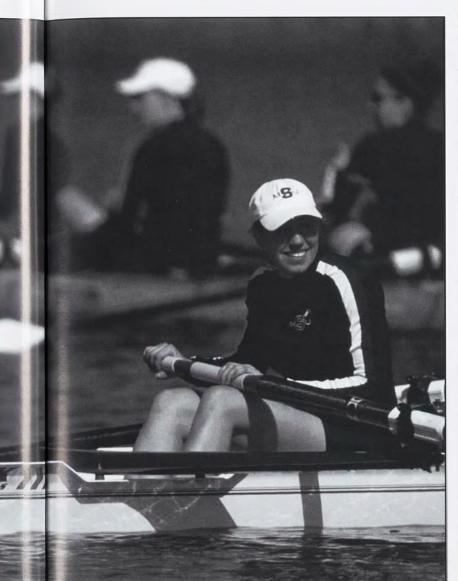
Apr. 16 Michigan

Apr. 22 Washington St., Clemson

Apr. 29 Big Ten Championships

May 13 Central Championships

May 26-28 NCAA Championships



The women's crew team gets into position before their second race of the season at the Head of the Grand. Third-year head coach Bebe Bryans led the rowers. With experience and knowledge, the women's team improved throughout the season.



Kevin Fowler



Assistant coach Maggie Romens shares rowing tips with one of women's crew team members. They accomplished many of their goals for the 2000 season. This included a rowing victory over rival University of Michigan.

The women's crew team cools down after a tough race, The rowers improved throughout the 2000 season. The team gained necessary experience and skill to add to the successful season.

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Head coach Bebe Bryans celebrates a win. Bryans has led the women's crew team for the past three years. She is assisted by coaches Matt Weise and Maggie Romens.

"Overall, it was a really challenging day," head coach Bebe Bryans said. "Iowa is a much improved crew and it showed today."

Taking four of six races, the team defeated Michigan the next day. The 16th-ranked varsity eight defeated the No. 7-ranked Wolverines by less than a second to clinch the important win.

With these victories under their belts, the Spartans' varsity eight boat earned the Big Ten Boat of the Week award two weeks in a row. They also jumped in the US Rowing and CRCA Poll to spot number 9, ahead of Michigan and Wisconsin.

The award-winning varsity eight boat was comprised of coxswain Cassandra Weddel, and rowers Elizabeth Shuster, Krista Buzzell, Jennifer Czar, Angela Lound, Nicole DeMott, Nicole Pefley, Renee Olin, and Meaghan Murkowski.

The Inaugural Big Ten Championships, held in Madison, Wisconsin, gave the team a chance to compete against the other conference teams collectively. In what Bryans called a "great performance," the Spartans took second place in the varsity eight, second varsity eight, and second varsity four races. Michigan had two first-place finishes and Wisconsin had four.

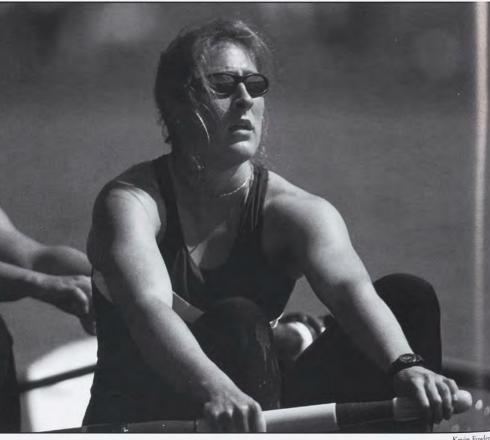
To put the icing on a great season, Bryans was named co-Big Ten Coach of the Year, along with Michigan's coach Mark Rothstein.

"I am surprised and honored to be named co-Big Ten Coach of the Year," said Bryans. "We have an extraordinary group of coaches in the Big Ten and I am honored to be recognized by them."

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A women's crew team leader helps lead MSU to another rowing victory. The women rowers enjoyed a successful season. The Spartans earned eighth place as a team at the NCAA Championships.







The women's varsity team competes in a race. The women improved throughout the season. The Spartan's finished eighth as a team at the NCAA Championships.



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The women's crew team warms up before the start of a competition. The Spartans season began on October 2 at the Head of the Ohio. MSU's Open 8 crew team finished fourth out of 25 at that race.

# Kicking Past the Opponent

Fifteen returning letter winners, eight of whom were starters, combined with a solid group of young players and Michigan State's 1999 men's soccer team is moving in the right direction – forward. In his 23<sup>rd</sup> season as head coach, Joe Baum has spent the past two years guiding the team back on track. In 1996, the Spartans had a 12-5-2 record, but due to a plague of injuries in 1997 and 1998, the team finished with consecutive losing seasons. 1999 proved to be a rebuilding year, with the team improving to 9-9-1 overall.

"Good goal keeping, a very good sweeper" led the team to play with "a lot of good defensive intensity," said Coach

Baum.

Unfortunately, injuries continued to haunt MSU. Steve Williford and Brett Konley, two of the team's top scorers, were kept out for part of the season due to a broken leg and a dislocated kneecap, respectively.

"Offensively, we didn't have quite the firepower that we had hoped for," Baum said.

The 1999 kicked off with a tie to Buffalo and a close loss to IUPUI (Indiana University – Purdue University, Indiana), but the Spartans stepped up and won three straight games against Cleveland State, Eastern Michigan University, and St. Mary's. MSU's defense shut out Cleveland State and allowed only one goal apiece against EMU and St. Mary's. Their longest winning streak of four games began with two satisfying victories over Oakland University and Ohio State at home.

"Our most memorable games this season were probably Oakland and Ohio State," said junior goalkeeper T.J. Liekfelt. "We beat Oakland 3-0 when they were ranked 21st in the country, and Ohio State is just a big rivalry. They beat us 5-0 last year and we beat them 2-0 this year."

MSU ended the season with a disappointing but hardfought loss to Penn St. in the Big Ten Tournament hosted at MSU. The Spartans, ranking sixth in the Big Ten, were paired up against Penn State, who were ranked third in the conference. Junior midfielder Brian Spitzkeit was the first to score, putting the ball in the net to start off the second half. Penn State answered with a goal late in the half, sending the game into sudden-death overtime. After a scoreless first overtime, double OT ensued. A foul committed by a Penn State player went uncalled, and hesitation by both teams allowed a goal to be scored on MSU.

"We played the number four team in the nation, it was 2-1, double overtime, on a very, very suspect call," commented Baum. "Both the players and the coaching staff agreed that this is a team that can play with just about anybody."

Although this controversial ending to a great season provided frustrations for players and fans alike, the team has decided to use it to their advantage.

"It (the controversy) can be a motivation for a while," said junior defenseman and Captain John Benoist. "But you can't really use that as an out, because what happens, happens, and there's nothing we can change now. I think more of just improving on our work ethic and trying to get better for next year is our main goal."

While the team as a whole made tremendous progress, so did many individuals. Junior forward Steve Williford received All-Big Ten honors and was named to the second team. He had five goals and 11 points, but, due to injury, could only play in 13 games.

Benoist was given All-Big Ten, first team honors. He is only the fourth player in Spartan history to do so. Tailing only junior forward Mike Trivelloni, who lead the team with 14 points, Benoist had a career-high, six goals and 13 points this season.

"It's an enormous honor. I said at the beginning of the season that one of my goals as an individual was to make first team, All-Big Ten. I'm really proud of our team; they had a lot to do with it. Without them, there's no way any of this would be possible."

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It takes skills, stamina and speed to become a great soccer player. Junior midfielder Patrick Mahoney exemplifies these talents as he chases down a loose ball.



Kevin Fowler

#### Schedule

Sept. 26 Indiana

Sept. 29 Loyola-Chicago

Oct. 3 Illinois-Chicago

Oct. 6 Okland University

Oct. 10 Ohio State

Oct. 13 Detroit

Oct. 20 Valparaiso

Oct. 24 Penn State

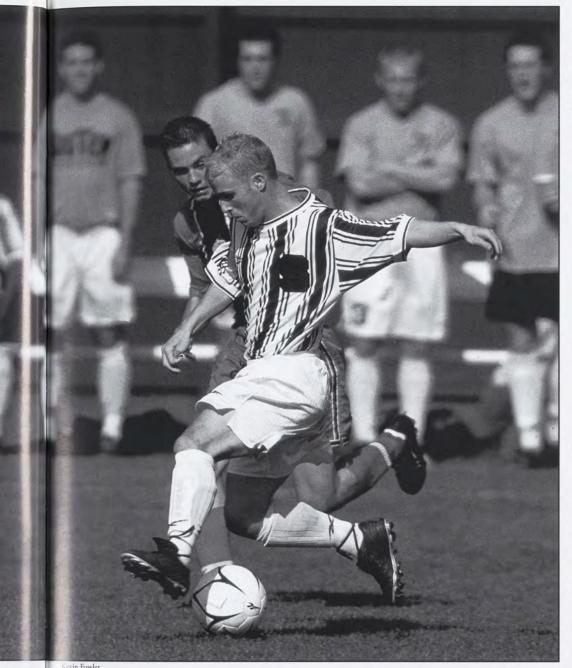
Oct. 27 Western Michigan

Oct. 31 Wisconsin

Nov. 4 Northwestern

Nov. 6 Cincinnati

Nov. 12-14 Big Ten Tournament



The MSU bench watches in anticipation as junior forward Mike Trivelloni puts a crossover move on the defender. Performing this precise move takes focus, determination and perserverance, all characteristics State players possess.





All soccer players use their heads! They need to analyze situations on the field as well as move the ball towards the goal. Sophomore forward Brett Konley's heading is just right.

The ultimate objective in soccer is to score more goals than your opponent. MSU's highflying senior midfielder Rick Smith and sophomore forward Brett Konley demonstrate how to put one in the back of the net.

# Scoring With Girl Power

Junior midfielder Gina Dawson battles with an opponent as both try to gain control of the ball. Dawson was one of four players who started in all 21 games, and led the team with 42 shots for the entire season.

Experience was key for the 1999 Michigan State Women's Soccer Team. The team showcased its strength as a Big Ten-contender with 20 letter winners and nine starters returning from the 1998 season.

"I've been pleased with the maturity and leadership demonstrated by our older players," said Head Coach Tom Saxton. "We had a veteran-oriented team on the field that possessed good leadership skills along with having been tested in game situations. Across the board, we had perhaps as good of team chemistry and talent spread out at each position that we've ever had."

Close losses frustrated the team in 1998, so this year Saxton's squad stepped up the defense and allowed only 29 goals all year, seven less than last season. The defense was lead by sophomore starting defender Nicole LePlae and junior goalkeeper Sara Kloosterman, who finished the season with an outstanding 1.07 goals against average.

After a disappointing record in the Big Ten in 1998 (0-8-1), the Spartans took on their conference games with determination that paid off in shutouts over Purdue, Wisconsin, and Illinois for an improved record of 3-6-1 in the Big Ten. The win against Purdue was a confidence booster for many of the players, especially freshman midfielder Heidi Lutz, who scored her first college goal early in the first half. Senior defender Melissa Jannetta stepped up and scored another goal for the Spartans before halftime, and junior midfielder Gina Dawson secured the 3-0 win with a strike in the second half.

The last home game of the regular season w as a special game, especially for the seniors. The 4-0 shut out against Western Michigan Univers by gave the veterans a great way to end their 1 st home season, with each senior getting to play in the game.

"I was delighted to play all the seniors on he day that they were honored," said Saxton.

The Big Ten Tournament, hosted by ME U, showcased the team's ability as a strong contender against other big teams. However, ME was beaten by 18<sup>th</sup>-ranked Michigan in a close feast round game. The Wolverines scored first, but jenior midfielder Kate Knorring answered in the second half with a goal of her own. Michigan pulled it out late with an overtime goal, ending what was a season of tremendous progress for the Spartens.

The team's top players exhibited their tale its with great performances throughout the seas in. Senior forward and point leader Jessica Moorn in racked up six goals and two assists while jur or Gina Dawson, and senior Laura Monticello, by the midfielders, turned out three goals and three issists apiece.

With excellent freshman and sophomore lalent, the team has definite depth for the future. Spartan women's soccer is on its way up and looks to continue this trend all the way to a Big Ten title.

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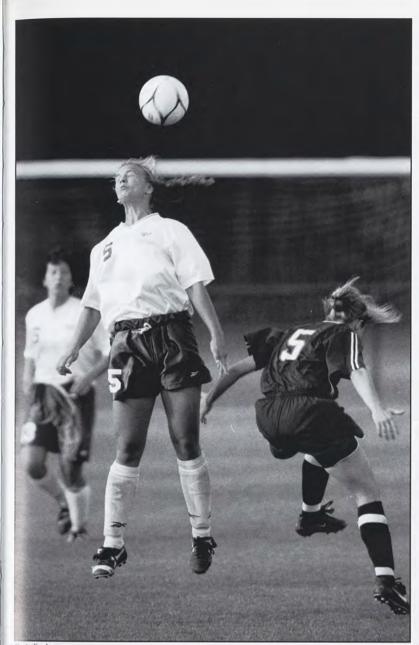


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Senior midfielder Laura Monticello winds up to deliver a powerful kick and send the ball past the Illinois defender. Monticello had three goals and three assists during her final season at MSU.



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Junior defender Ann Cieszkowski maneuvers around an Illinois player and heads the ball back into action. The Fighting Illini could not break MSU's defense and the Spartans came away from this game with a shutout.

The team celebrates junior midfielder Kim Vancleef's goal against Illinois. The Spartans beat Illinois 1-0 in overtime.



#### Schedule

Aug. 27 Bowling Green Oct. 1 Illinois Aug. 29 Central Michigan Oct. 3 Iowa

Sept. 3 Eastern Michigan Oct. 8 Michigan Sept. 5 Detroit Oct. 10 Cincinnati Oct. 15 Ohio State

Sept. 10 UNLV Sept. 12 Arizona State

Oct. 17 Penn State Sept. 17 Indiana Oct. 22 Northwestern

Sept. 19 Purdue Oct. 24 Western Michigan Sept. 24 Minnesota Oct. 29 Texas-El Paso

Sept. 26 Wisconsin Nov. 4 Michigan



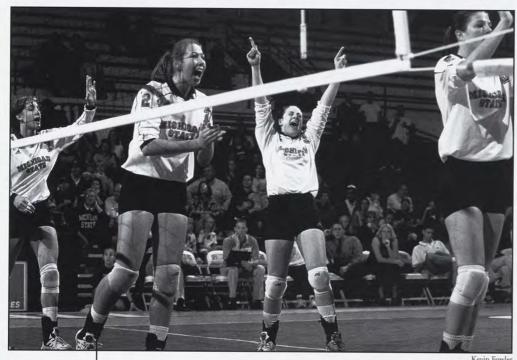
Junior goalkeeper Sara Kloosterman makes one of eight saves to take the Spartans to another win. Kloosterman had four shutouts during the season.



Communications junior Sara Gustin spikes the volleyball through Iowa's double block while mathematics sophomore Maren Witzel looks on. Gustin had a career high of 31 kills. The Spartans played Iowa at home in Jenison Field House.

Engineering arts freshman Angel Marley and her teammates celebrate a well-deserved point during a game against Iowa. The Spartans lost in five games to the Hawkeyes.





Sara Gustin spikes the ball for a kill against the University of Michigan. The Spartans beat the Wolverines in three games. The match was played at home in the Jenison Field House with 1,033 cheering fans, the second largest crowd of the year.



Kevin Fowle

#### Schedule

White Match Sept. 3 Cleveland State Sept. 3 Texas A & M Sept. 4 Eastern Kentucky Sept. 4 Clemson Sept. 10 New Hampshire

Aug. 29 Alumni/ Green &

Sept. 10 Southern Mississippi Sept. 11 Seton Hall Sept. 11 Massachusetts Sept. 18 Depaul Sept. 18 Niagara

Sept. 19 Loyola Sept. 19 Western Michigan Sept. 24 Penn State

Sept. 25 Ohio State Oct. 1 Purdue Oct. 2 Wisconsin Oct. 8 Iowa

Oct. 9 Minnesota Oct. 13 Michigan Oct. 15 Northwestern Oct. 22 Illinois

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Nov. 13 Penn State

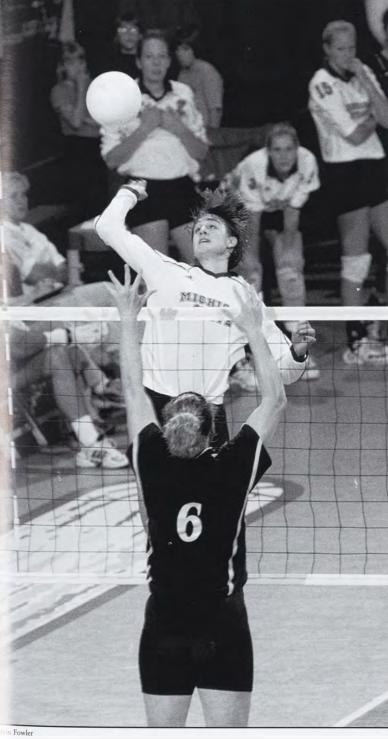
Nov. 19 Indiana

Nov. 27 Northwestern Dec. 3 Cal Poly Dec. 4 Pepperdine Dec. 10-11 NCAA Regional Championship Dec. 19 NCAA

Tournament

Nov. 20 Illinois

Nov. 24 Michigan



# Bumping Out the Competition

The Michigan State women's volleyball team continued to display its power in the Big Ten throughout the 1999-2000 season. The Spartan's regular season started at home in the Jenison Fieldhouse on Sept. 3 with a 3-0 victory over Cleveland State. As the season progressed, MSU's spikers fell into inconsistency, but the team pulled together at the end to finish out on top.

Michigan State played Northwestern on Nov. 27 in its final regular season match. The Spartans beat the Wildcats in three games and earned their 20th win of the season. It was the fourth year in a row that MSU had won 20-or-more games. The volleyball team ended the 1999-2000 season with an overall record of 20-12 and 10-10 in the

The Spartans were selected to their sixth straight NCAA Tournament bid at the end of November and entered the Central Region tournament play as the number ten seed.

"We achieved our goal this year of making it to the NCAA tournament," said team captain kinesiology senior Tammy Vonderheide. "The team was close. We all got along and worked together."

Hard work and determination paid off for the players. Mechanical engineering junior and middle hitter Jessica Sanborn, and communications junior and outside hitter Sarah Gustin were both named to the All-Big Ten volleyball team. Sanborn was also selected to the GTE Academic All-District VI second team. Redshirted engineering arts freshman Angela Morley, a middle blocker, earned conference all-freshman team honors.

MSU women's volleyball team contained many talented players and was led by Coach Chuck Erbe. In his seventh year as head coach for Michigan State, Erbe completed another successful season.

"Our goals this year were to win the Big Ten Championship and compete for the national title," said Erbe.

Even though the Spartans struggled during the season, their winning record spoke for itself. With only two seniors graduating, MSU's 2000-2001 team will continue to have a dominant presence in the Big Ten.

Story By: Kristen Dykema Design By: Robert Madsen

Education sophomore Erin Hartley spikes the volleyball past an Iowa team member's block. Although the Spartans lost to Iowa, they played a tough game right to the end.

# Pumping Up the Crowd

The Cheerleading Team would get in trouble at the library. Silence just isn't their sport.

Team co-captain James Snider said, "The cheerleaders have one of the most enjoyable jobs at MSU. By having the opportunity to cheer for the Spartans from the first row, the cheer team has had the privilege to lead the fans and support [athletic] teams in one of Michigan State's finest years."

The co-ed group is sponsored by the sports marketing department; each April is open tryout time for students wishing to encourage enthusiasm and go nuts at football, volleyball, basketball, and other Varsity competitions. MSU cheerleaders practice an average of ten hours per week, in addition to games and appearances.

Snider said, "Team-making requirements include strong tumbling abilities, a willingness to try new tricks and a love for MSU and its sports teams. It's a total blast."

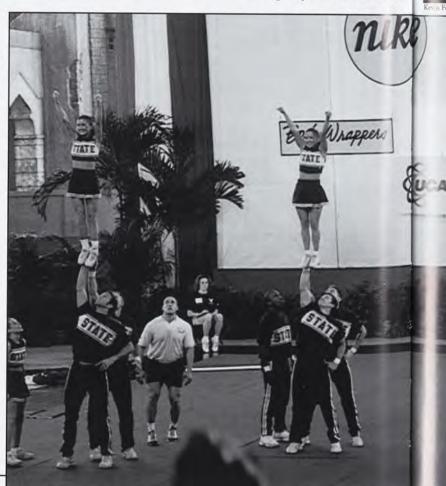
Cheerleaders practice weekly throughout the summer and attend UCA's college spirit camp, along with other Big Ten and college team in August.

The team traditionally begins its 12 month season of entertaining at the Green and White football scrimmage. This past year, the NSU cheer team had the opportunity to travel with the Spartan Marching Band to the Citrus Bowl; together they pumped up the crowd in parades and festivities.

In January, a National Competition Team made from members of the MSU cheer team competed in UCA Nationals in Orlando.

Team co-captain Zoe Yockey said, "The team is proof that our university's cheerleading program is well on its way to becoming an elite Division I contender." Go State!

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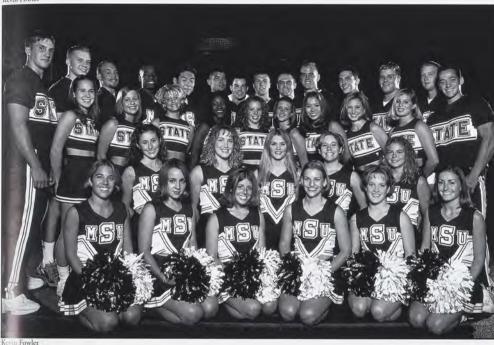
The female cheerleaders have to work just as hard to keep their bodies in shape as the men do. It just goes to show that women have as much "Strength and Power" as the men.

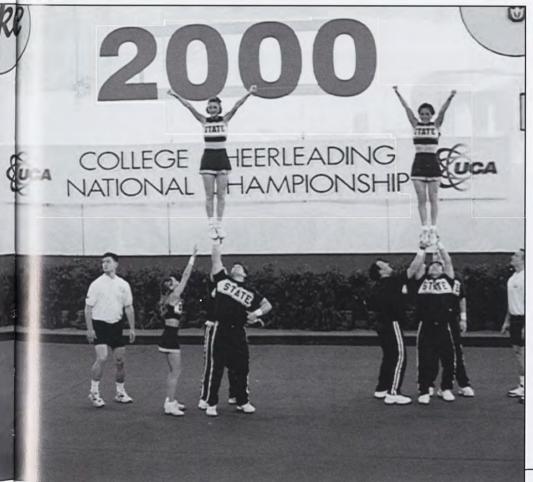
The 2000 Varsity Cheerleading Team members work daily to perfect routines and become one unit. Their Spartan pride can be seen in each of their faces every time they perform on the basketball court or the football field.

The MSU cheerleaders have to work very hard to stay flexible. They show off their talents performing a "stretch Mount" at a Men's Basketball game.



Photo Compliments of: Cheer Team





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Photo Compliments of: Cheer Team

Performing a "2-2-1" at the Citrus Bowl was one way the cheerleaders helped the crowd get riled up. The crowd is a major part of a team winning a game, and the cheerleaders work their hardest to cheer the team to victory.

Every year the cheerleading team attends a national competition. This year the event was held in Orlando. Part of their routine consisted of these four men holding a cheerleader above their heads in a "cupie."

Compliments of: Cheer Team

# Crossing the Line

With talent and determination, the Michigan State men's cross-country team started their 1999-2000 season at home at the Forrest Akers Golf Course on Sept. 18 with the Spartan Invitational. The team placed second in the meet, with integrated social science freshman Jason Mueller finishing fifth overall for the Spartans; this was their highest place finish during the season.

The runners began the season with the goal of qualifying for the national meet. The man to lead them was Head Coach Jim Stintzi who marked his 16th year here at Michigan State University.

However, MSU's team was hurt by the loss of three 1998 seniors and by the absence of last years fifth runner, education senior Brian Warlow, who had to sit out the season with a case of mono. Agricultural science junior Tim Boring, State's seventh runner for the 1998-1999 season, was also out with a stress fracture.

"With a number of last year's runners graduated or out, we had to rely on a number of true freshman," said Stintzi.

The Spartans overcame injury, placing sixth at the Big Ten Conference meet and seventh in the Great Lakes Region, but fell short of their goal of qualifying for the NCAA Championships. However, Captain and general business advertising senior Joseph Leo placed seventh overall in the regional meet, and automatically advanced to the NCAA Championship race. Leo also earned All-Great Lake Region honors for his performance. As the single MSU men's cross-country representative, Leo placed 175 out of 250 competitors at the men's nationals held in Bloomington, Indiana on Nov. 22. Leo is the only graduating senior from MSU's 1999-2000 team.

"The future looks bright for men's cross country," said Coach Stintzi. With no preference Jason Mueller, Ben Evans and Jared Aldrich ending the season as the number one, three, and five best freshman in the Midwest, Michigan State will have experience and talent in years to come.

> Story By: Kristin Dykema Design By: Robert Madsen

MSU's Andy Lixey is the leader of this pack. Getting to the winner's circle can be a grueling battle.

#### Schedule

Sept. 4 Michigan

Sept. 18 Spartan Invitational

Oct. 1 Auburn Invitational

Oct. 16 Pre-NCAA Meet

Oct. 22 EMU Open

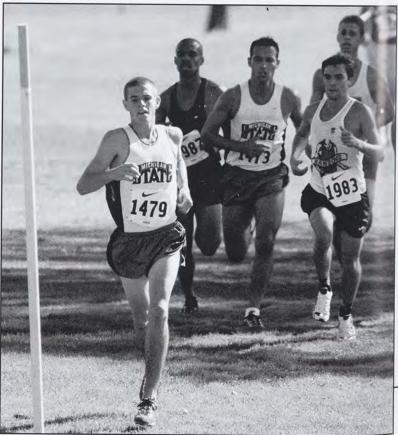
Oct. 30 Big Ten Championships

Nov. 13 NCAA Great Lakes Regional

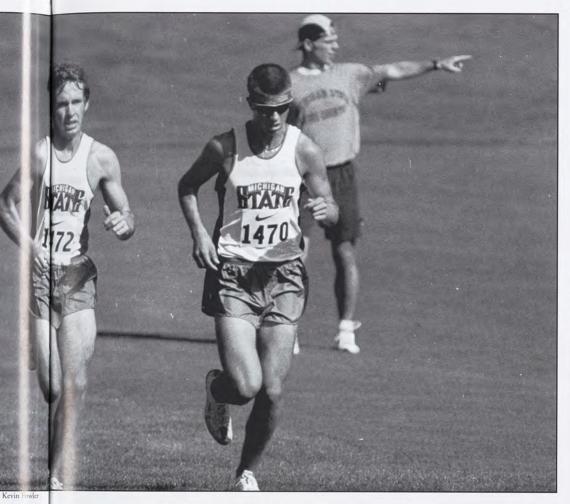
Nov. 22 NCAA Championship



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Get these guys some water! Both of these State runners are leading the way towards the finish line.

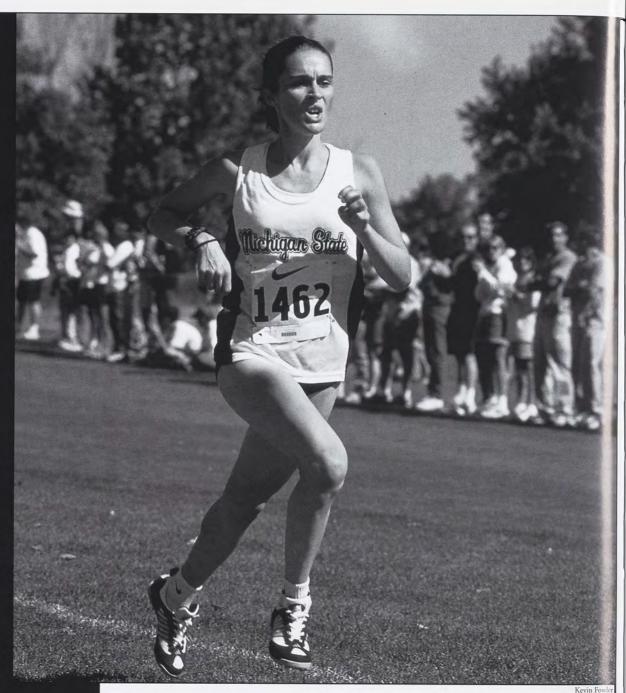


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Beginning the race, this State runner is determined and focused. Hoping to have his hard work pay off, first place is in close proximity.

As the finish line approaches, these runners are kicking it into sixth gear. The end is slowly approaching and it looks like State is in the lead, Go Green!

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Cindy Durocher sprints to a sixth place finish at the Spartan Invitational. Her strong finish helped Michigan State place first in the meet against Eastern Michigan University. Durocher, a freshman stand-out, went on to become the Spartan's top female runner, earning her a position on the All-Big Ten first team.

#### Schedule

Sept. 4 Michigan

Sept. 18 Spartan Invitational, 1/4

Oct. 1 Auburn Invitational, 1/30

Oct. 16 Pre-NCAA Meet, 13/15

Oct. 22 EMU Open

Oct. 30 Big Ten Championships, 4/11

Nov. 13 NCAA Great Lakes Regional

Nov. 22 NCAA Championship



The Women's Cross Country team sprints to the lead at the start of the Spartan Invitational. The team finished ahead of Easten Michigan University in their first race of the season. The Spartan Invitational was held on Michigan State's home course, Forest Akers East Golf Course.

Kinesiology sophomore Anne Somerville competes in the Women's Cross Country team's first race of the season, the Spartan Invitational. Somerville, a co-captain, was a top-finisher in many of the Spartan's races.



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# Running With Focus

Michigan State's women's cross-country team had an outstanding 1999-2000 season. The team was led by co-captains packaging senior Leah Nilsson and lifelong general education sophomore Anne Somerville. Directed by Head Coach Jim Stintzi, who took over for the team in May, their first home meet was the Spartan Invitational, on Sept. 9. Excellent preparation and determination secured the team a strong second place finish in the meet and provided motivation for the season.

"The team's big breakthrough came at the Auburn Invitational," said MSU's women's cross-country coach Jim Stintzi. The Spartan's triumphed with the first place victory over 30 tough teams.

MSU's cross-country team remained competitive with Somerville as the number one runner for the first half of the season. But kinesiology freshman Cindy Durocher kicked it in as the season progressed and placed first among the Spartans at the Big Ten Conference, regional, and national meets. This gained her the honor "Freshman of the Year" for the Big Ten. She also received All-Big Ten and All-District honors.

However, her season did not end there. As native of Ontario, Durocher competed for a spot on the Canadian Junior National team four days after the NCAA Championship and succeeded in qualifying.

Other runners that had an impact on the women's successful season included co-captain Nilsson, education senior Sarah Parbel, and social relations senior Jennifer Denkins. The three seniors were among the top five finishers for the Spartans at every meet.

"The seniors were great leaders," said Somerville. "They really helped the team improve and grow." MSU achieved many great things during the 1999-2000 season. Each Spartan ran a personal best, led by Somerville's 17:09 in a 5K at the Auburn Invitational.

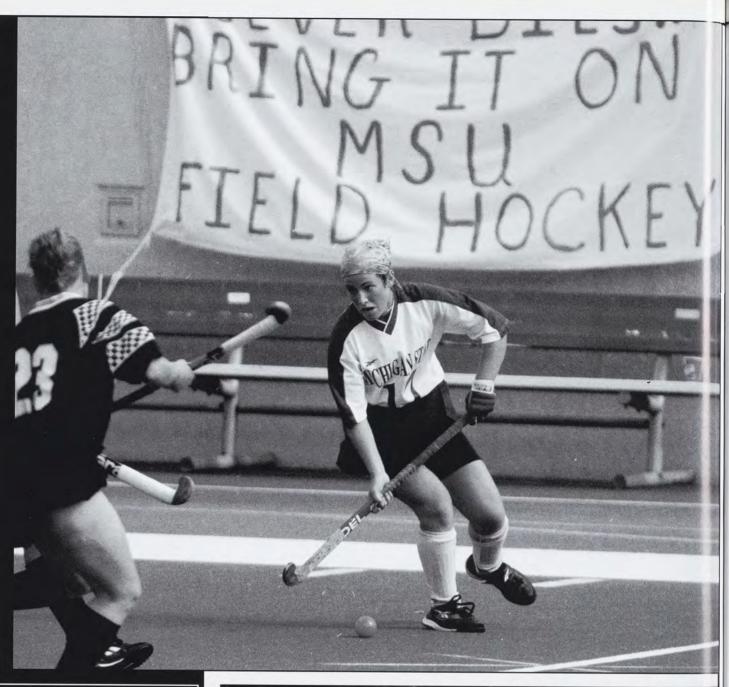
"Our goal was to finish in the top three of the Big Ten and earn a bid for the NCAA Championship," said Nilsson. "We came very close."

The Spartans placed fourth at the Big Ten Championships behind Wisconsin, Michigan, and Minnesota. Yet, the team proved too much for Michigan and Minnesota at the national meet, placing them second among the Big Ten. They also had a strong showing at the NCAA Championships, finishing 14th overall among 309 schools. Coach Stintzi was praised for playing a major role in the team's success.

"I'd like to thank Coach Stintzi for believing in us and training us to a new level," said Nilsson. "He inspired the team to work harder, race smarter, and perform better."

Story By: Kristen Dykema Design By: Kathryn Harper

Coach Jim Stintei urges kinesiology sophomore Anne Somerville on during the Spartan Invitational. Somerville went on to finish first in the meet. Her number one finish helped Michigan State defeat Eastern Michigan University.



Katie Wade looks quickly at her opponents as she dances her way across the field.

#### Schedule

Aug. 28 Ball State, W Aug. 29 Miami (Ohio), W Sept. 3 Northeastern, W

Sept. 11-12 Temple Invitational

Sept. 11 Louisville vs. Temple Sept. 12 Consolation and Championship Game

Sept. 12 Consolation and Char Sept. 17 Providence, W Sept. 18 Central Michigan, W Sept. 22 Michigan, L Sept. 25 California, L Sept. 26 Ohio, W

Oct. 1 Penn State, L

Oct. 3 Ohio State, L Oct. 8 Northwestern, W

Oct. 10 Iowa, L

Oct. 17 Michigan, L

Oct. 22 Iowa, L

Oct. 24 Northwestern, W

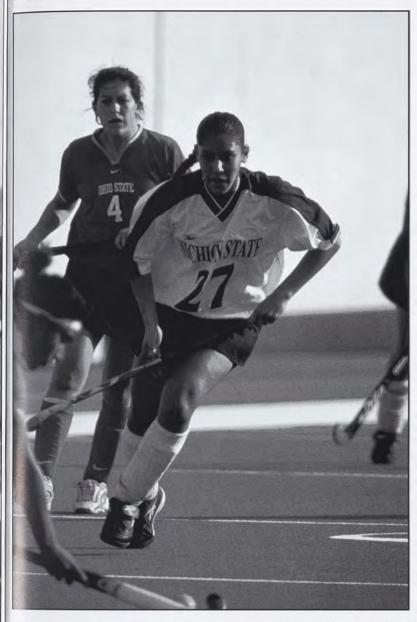
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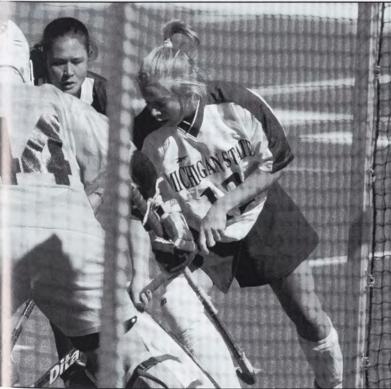
Oct. 31 Penn State, L Nov. 5-7 Big Ten Tournament



Form: a perfect ten. Her stance in the follow through is captured as the perfect prelude to a goal. When she is back on both feet, her arms will be raised triumphantly in the air.

Field Hockey players are some of the best athletes you can find. Exemplifying concentration, intensity and agility, freshman Jill Garcia hunts down the ball carrier in the hopes of capitalizing for ber ream.





## Sticking With It

The women's field hockey team learned from its experiences in the 1999-2000 season. Michigan State began the season with enthusiasm entering the Big Ten Conference with an undefeated 6-0 record. However, conference play proved to be a struggle for the Spartans as five teams in the conference were ranked in the top eleven.

The team consisted of 22 players, led by team captain and education senior Nicole Catazaro, who was in her third year as a varsity player. She proved to be a strong leader for the youthful Spartan team, which included six freshmen and nine sophomores.

"Youth was a part of our strength this year," said head coach Michele Madison. "But our inexperience caught up with us at the end."

Following the strong start, the Spartans slumped and finished the regular season with an overall record of 9-10 and 2-8 in the conference. Highlights included two Big Ten wins over Northwestern along with two of MSU's players being named West Region All-Americans. Netherlands natives no preference sophomore Marleen Tuip and communications sophomore Sanne van Nouhuys both earned West Region first team honors. Tuip was selected for her excellence at the attack position while Van Nouhuys was chosen for mid-field.

Michigan State's field hockey team's goal of winning the Big Ten Championships also fell short as the Spartans lost to Ohio State with a score of 1-0 in the first game of the tournament. However, the team believes the experience will carry them into stronger finishes in the future.

"We had a great team," said top player and chemistry junior Adrienne Miroslaw. "It was sad things ended the way they did. We didn't qualify for the Big Ten Championship, but we're looking for great things to come."

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Sophomore Sanne van Nouhuys muscles her way around a defender, sacrificing her body to give her team a shot on goal.

# Icing on the Cake

Michigan State men's ice hockey is continuing its run as one of the premier programs in the nation. A third straight Great Lakes Invitational championship, the seventh consecutive NCAA tournament appearance, plus outstanding performances in the CCHA for the past six years have all contributed to the success of the team. Head Coach Ron Mason, who has coached the Spartans since 1979, entered the 1999-2000 season as a four-time CCHA Coach of the Year with more wins than any other coach in the 50-year history of Michigan State hockey. His 99-00 line-up was just as talented and continued the commitment to superiority by ending the season with a 28-11-4 record.

The Spartans lost early to Colorado College, but went on to an amazing ten game winning streak, claiming victories over Nebraska-Omaha, Ohio State, Ferris State, Alaska-Fairbanks and Bowling Green. Incredible goaltending by sophomore Joe Blackburn, who has set both season and career records for his goals-against average and save percentages, along with MSU's outstanding defensive core gave the Spartans four shutouts in the seven wins, two of which were against Ohio State. MSU scored 40 goals during the series, showcasing the strength of the offensive line as well.

The Spartan's winning streak ended with two consecutive losses to Miami, OH. Mason's team then lost its third straight game in the College Hockey Showcase against Wisconsin, despite close scoring opportunities. It was the first time since February of 1995 that the Spartans lost three games in a row.

But the second game of the showcase was a turnaround for MSU as they beat Minnesota. Junior right wing Rusty Dolyny provided two goals and an assist as the Spartans moved back on the winning track.

The following two-game series against Notre Dame started out with a loss in South Bend, IN. But, the team conquered the Fighting Irish in the second game with a score of 4-1. The second and third goals of that game, scored by Sean Patchell and senior defenseman Brad Hodgins, occurred with only 23 seconds between them; the fastest back-to-back goals of the season.

Alabama-Huntsville was no contest for Michigan State, who emerged from that game with another five goal shutout. The Spartans then traveled to Joe Louis Arena for the 35<sup>th</sup> Annual Great Lakes Invitational Tournament. For the third year in a row, Michigan State won the tournament. Shawn Horcoff, the country's leading scorer and MSU's captain, was named MVP of the tournament. Blackburn and senior defenseman Mike Weaver were named to the all-tournament team along with Horcoff.

Unfortunately, the Spartans fell 3-0 to U of M just a week later when they faced each other head to head in East Lansing. Nebraska-Omaha, a team beaten twice by the Spartans earlier in the season, came to Munn Arena and beat the Spartans in overtime, 3-2.

The next game, also against the Mavericks, kept the team tied for first place in the CCHA; an excellent birthday present for Coach Mason. A goal by freshman right wing Kris Koski only 59 seconds into the game was an indication that the Spartans would not take another loss. With 45 shots on goal, the highest of the season, the Spartans skated to a 3-1 win.

A tie and a win at Rensselaer improved the team to 5-2-1 in non-conference games. After battling against Western Michigan, MSU began another winning streak with two wins against Northern Michigan. The first win came from with sophomore right wing Adam Hall's overtime goal. The next night brought about the Spartan's seventh shutout of the season.

The Spartans continued their winning streak with two more wins against Alaska Faribanks. Michigan, next on the calendar for the Spartans, held the top spot.

But the Wolverines wouldn't give up easily. After the 4-2 game they kept the number one spot. The second game ended with a 3-3 tie.

Notre Dame tied up the Spartans again but crumbled in the second game of the series. The Spartans won four more games, including a 6-0 win over Nebraska-Omaha for the CCHA title.

"When that buzzer sounded and we were hanging the banner, all I could think was 'God, this feels good'," junior Rusty Dolyny said.

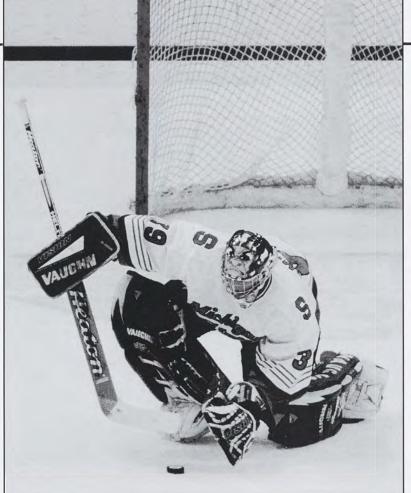
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Michigan State's Varsity Hockey team can be found warming up before every home game. Munn Ice Arena is always packed to cheer the team to victory.



Blocking a shot, Ryan Miller stopped his opponents from scoring. "Ryan has tremendous upside to him and is going to be a very good goalie. He needs to add strength, but he is a young man who knows Michigan State well and has his heart in the right place," said coach Ron Mason.

The Spartans line up before skating to another victory at Munn Ice Arena. Home games usually sold out, with over 6000 fans watching at every game.

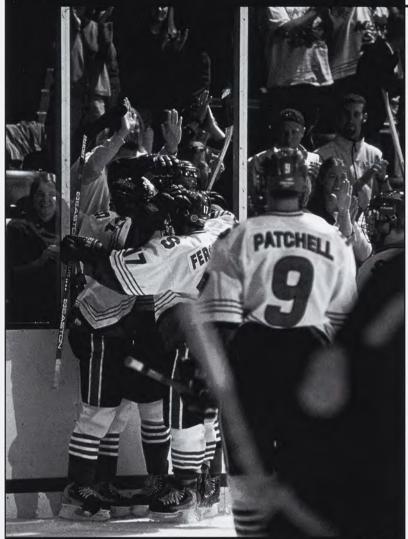
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The team celebrates another goal against Ferris State as Spartan fans ignite Munn Ice Arena with excitement.

Scrambling to get the puck away from a Michigan player, Shawn Horcoff knocked this Wolverine out of his way. The Spartans fought hard against the University of Michigan at Munn.



Kevin Fowle

#### Schedule

Oct. 1 Green & White Game

Oct. 5 Guelph

Oct. 9 Colorado College

Oct. 15 Nebraska-Omaha

Oct. 22 Ohio State

Oct. 23 Ohio State

Oct. 29 Ferris State

Oct. 30 Ferris State

Nov. 5 Alaska-Fairbanks

Nov. 6 Alaska-Fairbanks

Nov. 12 Bowling Green

Nov. 13 Bowling Green

Nov. 19 Miami (Ohio)

Nov. 20 Miami (Ohio) Nov. 26 Wisconsin

Nov. 27 Minnesota

Dec. 4 Notre Dame

Dec. 5 Notre Dame Dec. 11 Alabama-Huntsville

Dec. 29 Michigan Tech

Dec. 30 Michigan Jan. 7 Michigan

Jan. 13 Nebraska-Omaha

Jan. 14 Nebraska-Omaha

Jan. 21 Rensselaer

Jan. 22 Rensselaer

Jan. 28 Western Michigan

Jan. 29 Western Michigan

Feb. 3 Lake Superior

Feb. 5 Lake Superior

Feb. 11 Northern Michigan

Feb. 12 Northern Michigan

Feb. 18 Alaska-Fairbanks

Feb. 19 Alaska-Fairbanks

Feb. 25 Michigan

Feb. 26 Michigan

March 3 Notre Dame March 4 Notre Dame

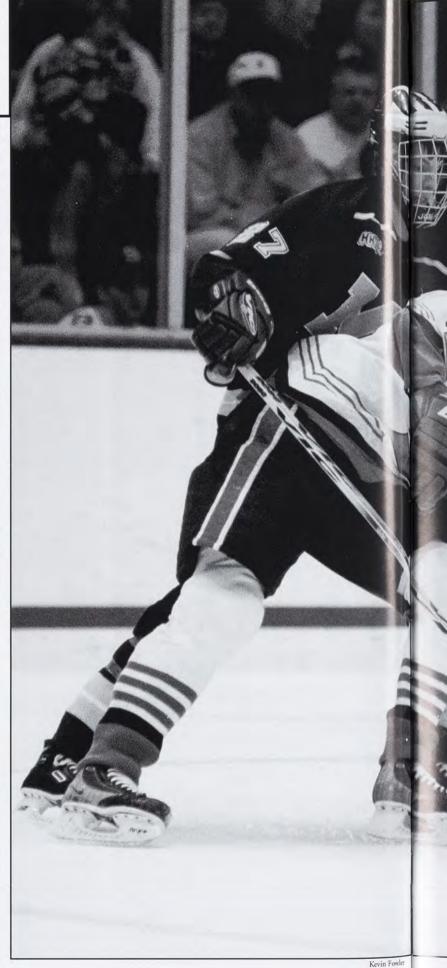
March 10 Miami

March 11 Miami

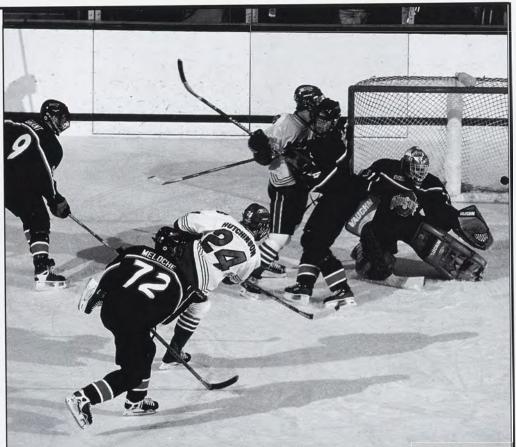
March 17 Notre Dame

March 18 Nebraska-Omaha

March 24 Boston College







Sophomore defender Andrew Hutchinson directs the puck past Ohio State goalie Ray Aho. The Spartans had two consecutive shutouts against the Buckeyes, raising the total number of MSU shutouts against Ohio State in MSU hockey history to eight.



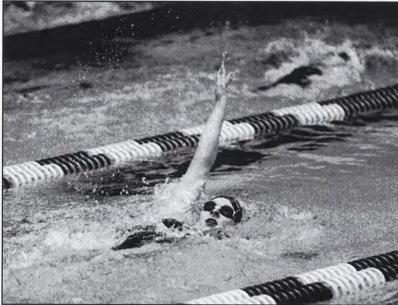
The Spartan offense skates past Ferris State's defenseman. Mason's line-up won both games against Ferris State, scoring four goals in each of the two games.

Kevin Fowler

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Swimming the backstroke is a very demanding race and takes strength and concentration.
"Giving your all for a race is what the team is all about," said Bader.

Reaching for the finish line, Spartan swimmers are striving for the win. "A good win sets the precedent for following races," said Bader. "These girls know how to win."



#### Schedule

Oct. 29 Michigan, WMU, and

Oct. 31 Northwestern Relays

Nov. 10 Butler

Nov. 13 Eastern Michigan Nov. 17-18 FINA World Series

Nov. 22 Oakland

Dec. 2-4 Notre Dame Invitational Dec. 2-4 U.S. Open

Jan. 11 Northwestern

Jan. 15 Purdue

Jan. 16 Ball State

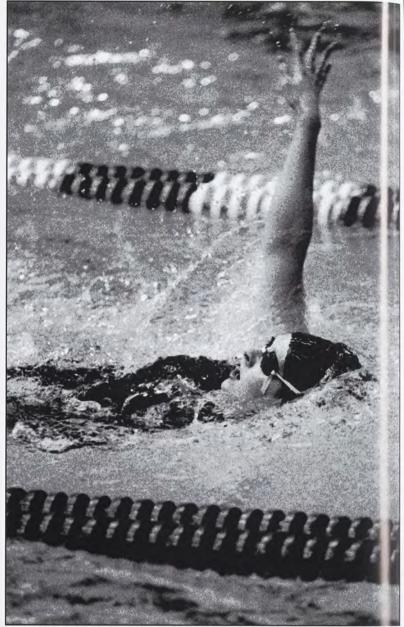
Jan. 28-29 Indiana and Penn State

Feb. 17-19 Big Ten

Championships
Feb. 25-26 Last Chance Meet
March 10-11 NCAA Regional

Diving March 16-18 NCAA

Championships



Explaining his plan for the rest of the meet, Head Coach Richard Bader talks with one of his assistant coaches. Bader is in his seventh year and is happy to coach some of the best swimmers in the nation.



## Making A Splash

Swimming Head Coach Richard Bader and diving coach John Narcy combined an outstanding group of freshmen with an experienced squad of veterans to create a blend of talent that was unstoppable in the water.

"The young talent we have is great, and it's always good to be top-loaded with experienced people who have been through it all,"

said Bader of the lady swimmers.

The first big win for the Spartans came against Eastern Michigan in Ypsilanti, a 156-87 victory over the Eagles. Sophomore Carly Weiden and freshman Summer Mitchell put forth outstanding efforts in diving. Mitchell placed first in both the one and three meter dives, and Weiden placed second in the one meter. Both divers qualified for the NCAA Diving Regional, well above the qualifying scores.

At the FINA World Cup Series in Maryland, freshman Katie Duncombe and senior Diane Oliver both placed in the top 25 in the preliminaries. Duncombe advanced to the finals and finished sixth in the 100 backstroke with a time of 1:02.23 and eighth in the 50 backstroke in 29.93. Duncombe qualified for the Olympic trials in the summer of 1999 in the backstroke, but focused on her progress as well as the team's during the season.

"Everyone wants to make the Olympic team," said Duncombe, "but I really just want to go out there, do well and swim my best

times."

The squad then went on to capture second place at the Notre Dame invitational. Weiden and Mitchell took the first and second places in one-meter diving, and freshman Stephanie Anisko finished seventh. Duncombe set a new school record in the 200 backstroke with a time of 2:00.71. The previous record was set only a year earlier by now- sophomore Ashby Baldock, who swam it in 2:01.70.

The team's next dual meet against Purdue was a close one, with the Spartans falling short of the win by only seven points; 125-118. First-place finishes were put in by senior Diane Oliver, junior Jutta Renner, Katie Duncombe, sophomore Ildicko Szekely, and Carly Weiden, who set a pool record the very next day with a score of 309.525 in the three-meter dive.

In a meet against Indiana and Penn State, the Spartans came out with another record, this time in East Lansing at McCaffrey Pool. Duncombe was the record setter as she swam the 200 backstroke with a time of 2:02.25. Penn State set five pool records and Indiana two.

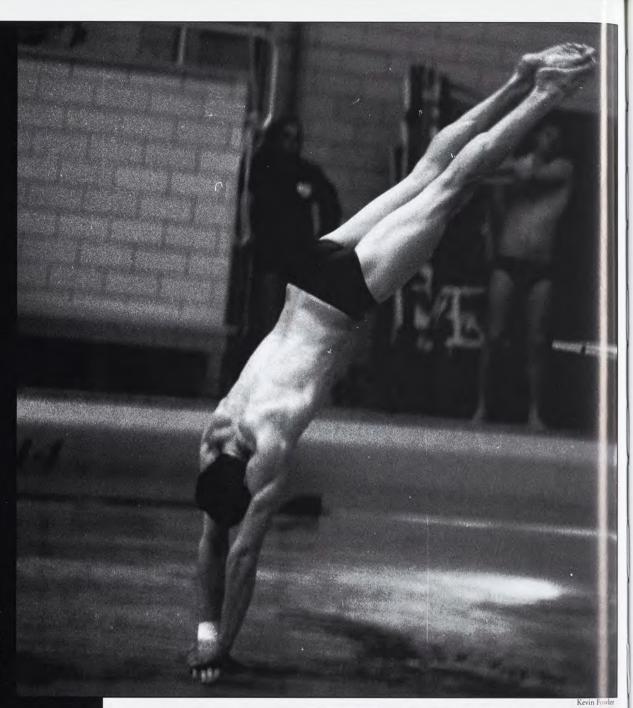
The Spartans took 11th place at the Big Ten Championships. Duncombe took 16th in the 200 back. Junior Laura Atkinson grabbed 18th and freshman Deb O'Niel 20th in the 1,650 freestyle.

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Focusing on the finish line, Spartan swim team women put forth a tremendous amount of determination to reach their goals. "A first-place finish is what everyone wants," said Oliver. "I'm going to do everything I can to give the team, coach and the crowd what they want to see."

Cevin Fowler



Sophomore diver Michael McKee kicks out of his dive and prepares for entry. McKee and senior Casey Guntzviller led the Spartan's diving during the 1999-2000 season. Both divers placed high in both the 1-meter and 3meter dives in meets against teams that included Michigan, Purdue and Notre Dame.

## Spartan Schedule

Oct. 1 Green & White

Oct. 2 Alumni Meet

Oct. 29 Michigan Invitational

Oct. 31 Northwestern

Nov. 10 Butler

Nov. 13 Eastern Michigan

Dec. 2-4 Notre Dame Invitational

Jan. 11 Northwestern

Jan. 15 Purdue

Jan. 22 Oakland

Jan. 29 Indiana/Penn State

Jan. 30 Indiana

Feb. 4 Michigan, with Ohio State

Feb. 5 Michigan, with Ohio State

Feb. 24-26 Big Ten Championships

Mar. 3-4 Last Chance Meet

Mar. 10-11 NCAA Regional Diving

Mar. 23-25 NCAA Championships



Kevin Fowle

This backstroker pushes towards the finish with all his strength. MSU had many talented backstrokers during the season, including freshmen Joe Baicy, Nicholas DeFauw and Aaron Benore, sophomores Schott Shafer and Kirk Ziemke, and juniors Tim Gendler and Michael Tingley. Gendler took 16th place in the 200 backstroke and 10th in the 200 medley relay along with Baicy, freshman Dave Sloan and junior Chad Ganden at the NCAA Championships.

A combination of coordination, strength and timing make for a perfect backstroke start at the sound of the buzzer. Backstroke events include the 100 and 200 backstroke as well as the first leg of the medley relays. Backstrokers begin the race with their feet on the wall in the water and have to dive backwards into the water.





## Take Me to the Water

With the pool as their classroom, the Men's Swimming and Diving team learned a lot during the season. With 15 of the 23 competitors as freshman or sophomores, head coach Richard Bader combined fresh talent with veteran experience to produce a winning team prepared for the Big Ten and NCAA Championship meets.

'Those meets are the ones you usually gear for," said Bader. "All the other meets are like quizzes for the final exam. Big Tens and NCAA's are the major exams."

Bader had a talented pool to work with. Junior John Munley and sophomore Aaron Mahaney qualified for the Olympic trials in the summer of 1999. Munley was the Spartans' top distance freestyler; Mahaney led the team in butterfly events. Freshman diver Nick Visscher started the year with a second place finish in the one-meter dive at the Michigan Invitational, helping his team to a third place finish.

The team warmed up with meets at Butler and Eastern Michigan. Munley and Mahaney were the Spartans' representatives at the FINA World Cup Series in Maryland and Alberta, Canada. Munley came in tenth in the 200-yard freestyle and 20th in the preliminaries, swimming the 200 butterfly in 2:08.73.

"I felt pretty good," said Munley. "I used the Maryland meet as more of a warm up to get ready for Edmonton. I tried some things different, and maybe that will help me when I get to the NCAA's and Big Ten's. Right now I'm just really looking forward to the U.S. Open, having a good meet there, and after that I'll evaluate myself and set some more goals."

The Notre Dame Invitational proved teamwork is important in what seems to be an individual sport. The 400 freestyle relay comprised of sophomore Scott Shafer, senior Chad Ganden, freshman Joe Brennan and senior Trevor Asti, swam for a fifth place finish, the team's best of that meet. The divers put in a great effort with junior Phillip Hillary finishing fourth in the one-meter dive. Visscher, senior Casey Guntzviller and sophomore Mike McKee finished fifth, seventh and ninth.

At Northwestern, the Spartans just fell short of the win, 129-112. Munley, Brennan, and juniors Michael Tingley and Chad Ganden earned first place. McKee dove for a first-place finish in the three-meter dive, qualifying for the NCAA Regional Diving Championships.

Story By: Emily Irvine Design By: Kathryn Harper



Head Coach Richard Bader tells his swimmers to reach during the race. Bader has coached college swimming for 20 years and has been at MSU since 1989. In college, Bader placed in the top 20 for the world in the 100 and 200 breaststroke.

The butterfly, one of the most demanding strokes, is performed with perfection by this Spartan swimmer. Freshman Dave Sloan, sophomores Aaron Mahaney and Mike Robbins, junior Chad Ganden and senior Tom Goniea were the Spartan's butterflyers for the 1999-2000 season.

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# Shooting to be the Best

When looking at the 1999-2000 women's basketball season, the insult "you play like a girl" is no longer insulting. In fact, the Spartan squad completed a stellar season with a 19-12 record. A good mix of experienced veterans and talented rookies jump-started the team with seven straight wins in the beginning of the season, setting them on the winning track right from the start.

The season opener was a great model for the rest of the season as all 14 Spartans got out on the floor and put points on the board in the 100-63 rout of Appalachian State. Freshman center Jennifer Callier began her career with an outstanding game, leading the team in scoring with 15 points.

Rebounding was a strength for the Spartans from the beginning. The Spartans controlled the boards against the Mountaineers and continued to dominate the paint throughout the season. This aspect of the game helped them in the opener and saved them in the next game; an offensive rebound and subsequent shot with less than one second left on the clock gave the team a 73-72 win over Alabama.

A winning streak such as the one this team experienced early in the season is important for building confidence, but too much confidence can hurt even the best of teams. Determined not to get carried away by early success, senior forward and Co-captain Kristen Rasmussen kept her teammates in check with her strong leadership.

"We're going to have to take it game to game," said Rasmussen. "We need to go in each game focused on each game, and that will get us the Big Ten and the National Championship we're looking for." Detroit, Southern Illinois, Illinois, Butler and Central Michigan University were the next victims for the Spartans. The closest score any team had against the Spartans at the end of these five games was Southern Illinois with 15 points. The score was 28-26 going into the locker rooms, but a 15-2 run by the Spartans kicked off the second half, leaving Southern Illinois in the dust. The first half against Illinois State and Butler proved to be vital for the Spartans. Commanding leads at halftime proved to be too much for the would-be opponents.

"I was very pleased with our first half effort," said head coach Karen Gangland about the game against Illinois State. "We did everything we wanted to do defensively to take them out of their offense."

As with the season opener, rebounds were important in these wins, especially against Central Michigan. Rasmussen and junior forward Becky Cummings dominated for the Spartans against CMU, combining for 45 points and 30 rebounds in the 87-62 victory.

Langelands's squad ended the sevengame streak with a loss to seventh-ranked Notre Dame; 84-54. Shots from the field would not fall for the Spartans, and their rebounding, normally a strength and an advantage, was absent from their arsenal. For the next seven games, the Spartans rallied back and forth between wins and losses, including a loss to Big Ten rivals U of M in the conference opener. However, the team got back on a solid winning track with four victories in a row against Wisconsin, Indiana, Iowa and Penn State, bringing the Spartan's Big Ten record to 5-2.

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Starting in all 31 games she's played in this year, Kristen Rasmussen drives past a Penn State player to help her team win against the fourth ranked team. She is the 11th person to score over 1,000 points here at MSU and is considered a very valued player.

#### Schedule

Nov. 13 Soproni Postus

Nov. 19 Appalachian State

Nov. 20 Alabama

Nov. 28 Detroit

Nov. 27 Southern Illinois

Dec. 2 Illinois State

Dec. 8 Central Michigan

Dec. 11 Notre Dame

Dec. 17 Dayton

Dec. 19 North Carolina

Dec. 21 Ohio

Dec. 30 Michigan

Jan. 2 Ohio State

Jan. 6 Northwestern

Jan. 9 Wisconsin

Jan. 13 Indiana

Jan. 20 Iowa

Jan. 23 Penn State

Jan. 30 Illinois

Feb. 3 Northwestern

Feb. 6 Iowa

Feb. 13 Wisconsin

Feb. 17 Purdue

Feb. 20 Michigan

Feb. 24 Purdue

Feb. 27 Minnesota

March 3 Illinois

March 15 Villanovain March 18 Cincinnati

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March 22 Wisconsin

Going up for two, Becky Cummings lets a shot go as an Alabama defender attempts to stifle her. Cummings is ninth in the Big Ten with an average of 7.4 rebounds per game.



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Ohio State and Illinois were next on the schedule for the women. The games were tough and the Spartans struggled with turnovers. But once the team returned to East Lansing, they began to dominate once again. Junior forward Becky Cummings led the team against Northwestern with 20 points. Senior guard Maxanne Reese, freshman Vnemina Reese and Rasmussen each scored

in double figures as well. Transition baskets were key for the 84-52 victory.

The rest of the Big Ten season brought in two more wins for the team. The win against 17thranked Purdue was key for the team as they continued to work for a good seed for the postseason. A close double-overtime loss to U-M put a stop to a school record 15 straight home-win run for

the Spartans, however. It was also Langeland's last home game as coach, as she announced her retirement after 24 years as the head coach of the program.

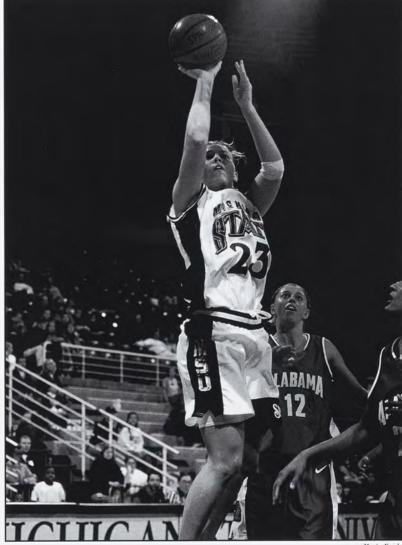
The final game of the regular season again ended in overtime with the Spartans on the short end of the stick. Minnesota took advantage of turnovers made by the Spartans and took the last game with a score of 75-71.

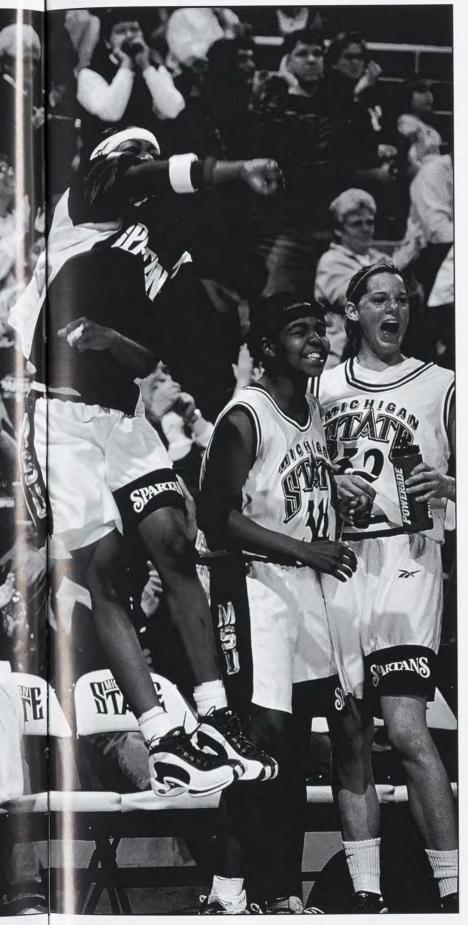
> The Alabama defense stands in awe as Michigan State's Maria Recker makes another point. Recker is only a freshman and is already a top scorer for MSU.

The women made a post-season appearance in the Women's National Invitational Tournament, defeating Villanova and Cincinnati to travel to the quarterfinals. They lost to the Wisconsin Badgers, 77-45, but were happy that they got a chance to compete against some high-caliber teams.

All things considered, the team showed that they had the ability to compete among the top teams in the country and gave Coach Langeland a great last season. Joanne P. McCallie was named the Spartan's new coach at the end of the 1999-2000 season.

> Story By: Emily Irvine Design By: Antoinette Koritnik





Jumping for joy, Vnemnia Reese is ecstatic as MSU achieves victory over Penn State. Reese always has a positive attitude and supports her team 100 percent.



Blocking a shot, Jennifer Callier managed to help the Spartans to repossess the ball. It was a great game against Appalachian State on November 19, 1999.

Stealing the ball away from Appalachian State, Vnemina Reese is a valued player at Michigan State.



Kevin Fowle

# Leaving It All On the Floor

The 1999-2000 men's basketball season had more ups and downs to live through than the stock market. The first and most pressing obstacle faced by the team began with All-American senior point guard Mateen Cleaves suffering a severe foot injury just before the start of the season. Head Coach Tom Izzo was forced to shuffle his line-up around for the first 11 games of the season, but luckily he had a pool full of talent to work with.

"We've had to play David Thomas at the point, Charlie Bell at two positions, and move a couple other people to a couple other positions," said Izzo. "When a guy gets hurt, it's not just the one guy that gets hurt, there's all the different things you've got to do to accom-

modate the one guy that gets hurt."

The Spartans dominated during the exhibition games against the California All-Stars and the Mexican All-Stars, although the second game's score was too close for comfort for the players. Even though exhibitions are often used to make predictions about the rest of the season, Izzo's team put the games aside in order to concentrate on the tougher teams that they would be encountering later in the season.

"I think that exhibition games give you a gauge of where you're at right now," said junior forward and Duke transfer Mike Chappel. "It's kind of hard to take right now and apply it to where we'll be later on in the post season."

Michigan State opened the regular season against Toledo with a

blowout in East Lansing, 78-33. The Izzone was in full swing as Nebleachers filled up with excited students in matching green t-shir 5. Nationally known for making the Breslin Center one of the most netimidating arenas to play in, Spartan fans pumped up the team from the very beginning.

The first loss of the season came in the third game of the Puerlo Rican Shootout in Puerto Rico against a tough team of Texas Longhorns. But the following game against second ranked North Caplina was a turnaround for the eighth ranked Spartans as they beat the Tar Heels 86-76. It was North Carolina's first loss in a home opener since 1928. Senior forward Morris Peterson came out strong with a career high 31 points and five steals.

"We said we had to get him off early and we ran a lot of stuff for him," said Izzo. "He really got some shots and good looks. I thought

that was a big key."

The next big win for the then fourth-ranked Spartans came on the road against number five Kansas, 66-54. Junior guard Charlie Bell was the star of the game with 22 points, followed by senior forward A. J. Granger with 13.

"We just have to go out there night in and night out and play hard,

and we're going to have a great year," concluded Bell.

After beating Oakland, the Spartans traveled to Lexington to play Kentucky. The Wildcats tripped up the Spartans and beat the team after the final shot by junior forward Andre Hutson was blocked. Frustrated, the Spartans walked away with a tough 60-58 loss. But the next game against Mississippi Valley State was a breeze for Izzo's team, as Peterson stepped up his game again for 22 points and 5 rebounds. He hit three triples from outside the arch within the first three minutes.

An unexpected loss to Wright State forced the Spartans to regroup and go out strong against Penn State in the first game of the New Year. It was also the first game back for Cleaves, who acted as assistant coach during his recovery. The win against Penn State, followed by wins against Iowa and Indiana, put the Spartans in the running for the first place slot in the Big Ten. In order to clinch that, they had to beat Ohio State in the Buckeye's home arena.

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#### Schedule

Nov. 5 California All-Stars Nov. 16 Mexican All-Stars Nov. 22 Toledo

Nov. 25 Providence

Nov. 26 South Carolina

Nov. 27 Texas

Dec. 1 North Carolina

Dec. 3 Howard

Dec. 4 Eastern Michigan

Dec. 7 Kansas Dec. 11 Arizona

Dec. 18 Oakland Dec. 23 Kentucky

Dec. 28 Mississippi Valley State

Dec. 30 Wright State

Jan. 5 Penn State

Jan. 8 Iowa

Jan. 11 Indiana Jan. 20 Ohio State

Jan. 20 Onio State
Jan. 22 Northwestern
Jan. 27 Northwestern

Jan 30 Illinois

Feb. 1 Michigan

Feb. 5 Connecticut Feb. 8 Purdue

Feb. 12 Wisconsin

Feb. 15 Ohio State

Feb. 19 Wisconsin Feb. 23 Penn State

Feb. 23 Penn Sta Feb. 26 Indiana

March 2 Minnesota

March 4 Michigan March 10 Iowa

March 11 Wisconsin

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March 16 Valparaise March 18 Utah

March 23 Syracuse March 25 Iowa State

April 1 Wisconsin April 3 Florida Aloysivs Anagonye grabs the ball on the rebound and pushes past the defender for the shot, his face a mask of determination. Anagonye is a first year player with lots of strength who has found his way on to the court.

Being one of the few guys who plays three positions for Michigan State, David Thomas does a great job of shooting with two guys guarding him.

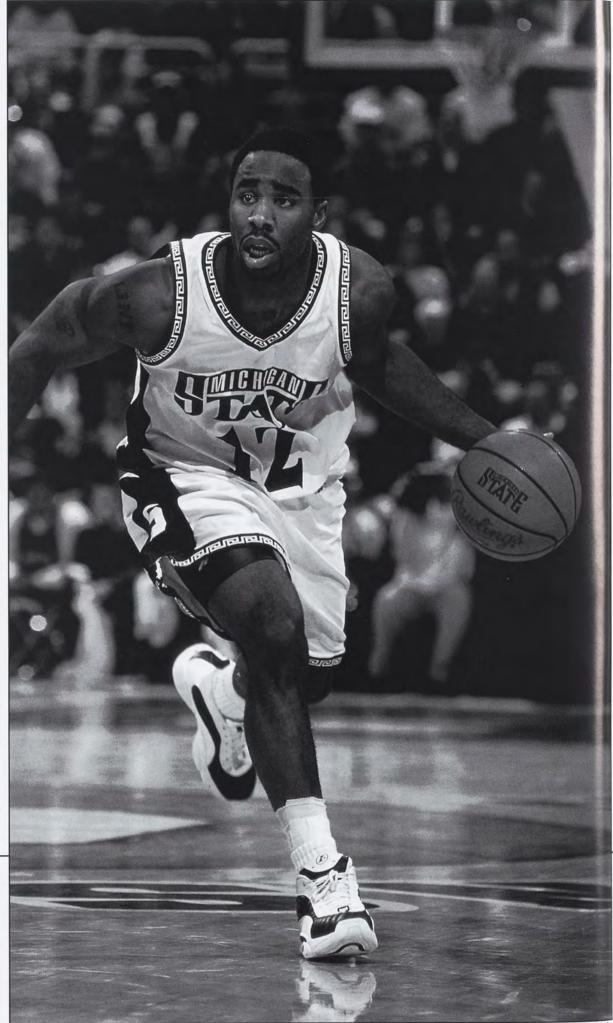


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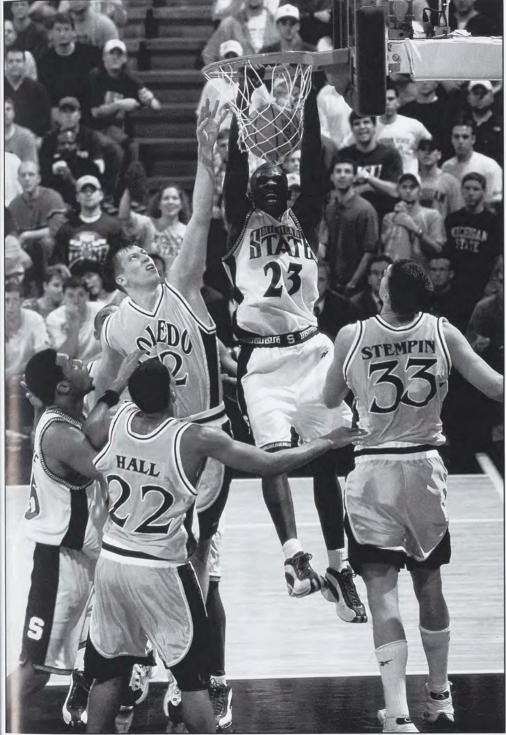
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Michigan State always has good defense, Mike Chappell and A.J. Granger have all area of this Howard University player covered. There was no where for the ball to go but into State's hands.



With his eye on the basket, Mateen Cleaves drives down the court during the first game against Penn State. Cleaves is a very strong leader for the team. He keeps the team motivated even when he could play due to his foot injury he was still there for his team.

Kevin Fowle





Preventing a steal from Eastern Michigan defender, Charlie Bell shows his amazing dribbling skills as he heads down the court. Starting in almost every game he has played in Bell has proved to be the Big Ten's and nation's top rebounding guards.

Hanging on the rim, Jason Richardson is pumped when he is able to dunk the ball with three Toledo player surrounding him. Richardson is a freshman who show promise to help lead the team to many more victories.

Showing her flexibility, Julie Devaty heads into the splits. She has qualified for junior olympic nationals three years in the past and loves every performance.

Hitting her ending pose, Maurella Wells has a big smile on her face to show her satisfaction with her performance.



#### Schedule

Jan. 8 Oregon State, LSU, and

Ohio State

Jan. 16 Missouri

Jan. 20 Michigan Jan. 29 Illinois

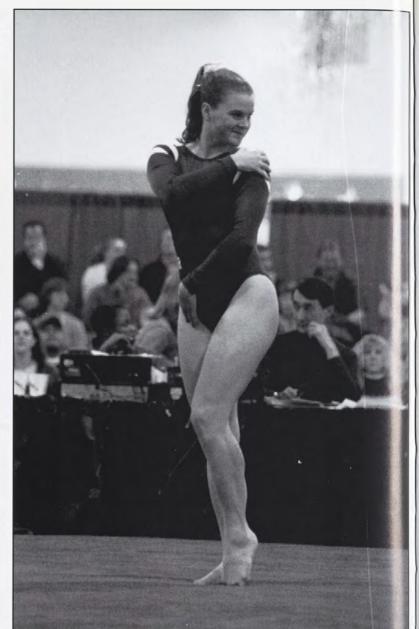
Feb. 6 Michigan Classic

Feb. 11 Denver

Feb. 19 Pittsburg Feb. 26 Spartan Invitational

March 4 Pittsburg and Ohio State March 11 N. Carolina State, N. Carolina, Denver, Pennsylvania, and Boise State

March 18 Big Ten Championships Apr. 1 NCAA Regionals Apr. 15-17 NCAA Championships



Showing off her accuracy and her balancing skills, Lindsay Trainham performs a back hand spring on the balance beam.



## Flipping With Focus

Michigan State's women's gymnastics head coach Kathie Klages had high hopes for her 1999-2000 team. After finishing last year's injury-plagued season with a sixth place standing in the Big Ten, Klages believed this year's team could once again return to the national level of competition.

"Our goals for the 2000 season included a run at the Big Ten Championship, qualification to the Region four NCAA Regional Championship, and qualification to the NCAA National Champion-

ship," said Klages.

The Spartans began the season with a strong hold on the number 20 spot in the national polls. Their first meet was held on Jan. 8 at The Summit in Lansing where Michigan State lost tough battles to Oregon State, Louisiana State University, and Ohio State, all nationally ranked top-20 teams.

The rigorous meet includes competing in the vault, uneven bars, balance beam and the floor exercise. With such a varied group of events, the dedi-

cated team worked hard for overall improvement throughout the season.

"We wanted to build on each meet and have fun doing it," said political science and pre-law senior co-captain Polly Kiker.

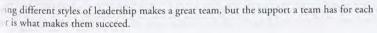
Tri-captains Polly Kiker, political theory junior Melissa Green, and kinesiology junior Lori Ruane led the women gymnasts.

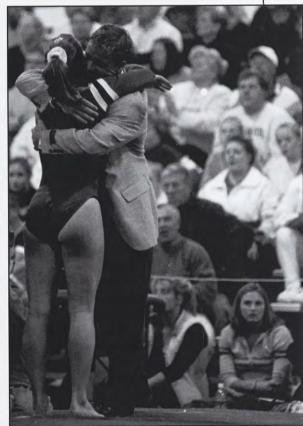
"These young women have different styles of leadership," said Klages. "The combination of the three provides a strong example for the younger team members."

The upper-classmen's powerful leadership was apparent as the women gymnasts tackled their goals for the 2000 season.

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When a girl on the team has a great performance coach Kathie Klages is happy to offer a hug. Klages has been coaching for 10 years at MSU and has loved each and every year.

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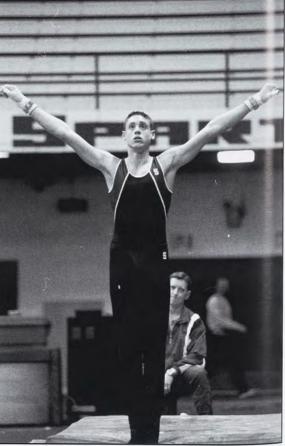


With an intense schedule, Brad Golden found it very important to preform his best during competition. Golden is a freshman from Florida who came to State to compete with the best.





Huddled together for a group meeting, the 2000 gymnastics team discusses their goals of being a contender for the National Championship.



After sticking the landing this gymnast stands in his closing position, showing his strength by not breaking.

#### Schedule

Jan. 15 Windy City Invite

Jan. 22 Ohio State, L

Jan. 29 Illinois, L

Feb. 5 Minnesota

Feb. 13 Winter Cup

Feb. 20 Illinois-Chicago, W

Feb. 24 Michigan, L

Feb. 26 Illinois-Chicago, W

March 4 Iowa and Illinois, L

March 10 Michigan, L

March 17-18 Big Ten Championships

Apr. 15-20 NCAA Qualifier and Championships

## Conditioning Success

The men's gymnastics team faced an intense schedule in a difficult conference as they entered the 2000 season. This year's team gladly added five talented freshmen to the roster, which already contained 10 returning letter winners. The Spartans finished the 1999 season with a fifth place finish in the Big Ten and overall sixth place standing with their sights set on over-taking Big Ten Champions, the University of Michigan.

"Our goals for the season were to contend for the Big Ten, Regional NCAA, and National NCAA Championships," said Head Coach Rick Atkinson in his 12th year here at Michigan State.

With intense conditioning and daily team practices, the Spartans meticulously prepared themselves for the 2000 season. Each gymnast competed in six events, including the floor exercise, still

rings, high bar, parallel bars, pommel horse, and vault.

"The team really works together," said interdisciplinary social science-human resource senior Brady Grimm, "We support and push each other."

The men began the season with The Windy City Invitational, an eight-team tournament hosted by the University of Illinois-Chicago. Michigan State's strong showing in the season opener gave the team confidence which proved crucial as the season progressed.

Led by Grimm and electrical engineering senior Jeff Moomaw, cooperative efforts by the entire team were beneficial to the overall success of men's gymnastics.

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Academic All Big Ten, Chris Weedon has proven to be a success in every aspect of gymnastics. Weedon set his career best on the floor, rings, parallel bars and the high bar this season.

## Taking it to the Mat

The men's wrestling team had a difficult road ahead of them as they entered the 1999-2000 season. The Spartans competed in one of the hardest conferences in the nation with eight Big Ten teams ranked among the top 25. Standing at seventh in the pre-season poll, Michigan State prepared for a promising season.

The Eastern Michigan Open kicked off the season on Nov. 6, with the Spartans taking three individual titles in their first tournament of the season. Returning home for the Michigan State Open at the Jenison Fieldhouse on Nov. 13 and 14, Spartan grapplers advanced seven wrestlers to the tournament finals, proving their strength and power on the mat.

Head coach, Tom Minkel, who has been General of the wrestling program for the past nine years, led Michigan State through another successful season.

"Our goal for the season was to contend for the Big Ten and NCAA Championship titles," said Minkel.

Even with a relatively young team, Michigan State's wres-

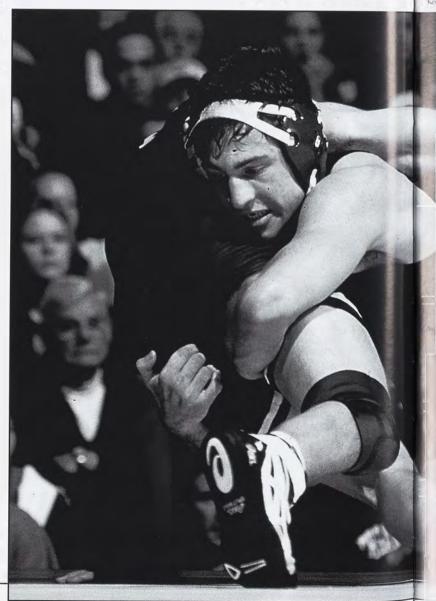
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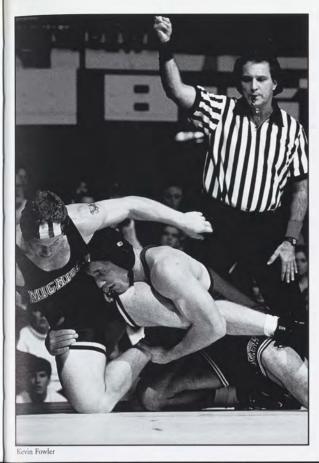
Greg Maynard shows how to perfect a single leg takedown against a Michigan wrestler. Getting all bent up is part of the game.

Corey Posey is an excellent wrestler who knows how to perform textbook moves. His single leg takedown against Michigan's Mike Kulczycki is performed to perfection. tlers displayed talent and depth as the season progressed. To am standouts, supply chain management senior Nick Muzashvili and kinesiology senior Pat McNamara were invited to compete in the Vational Wrestling Coaches Association All-Star Classic held in East 1 ansing on Feb. 7. Muzashvili, the defending Big Ten champion in the 133 pound weight class, stepped up to the 197-pound weight class and boasted his talent with a number one ranking throughout the season.

The Spartan wrestlers completed a successful 1999-2000 season and look forward to future accomplishments.

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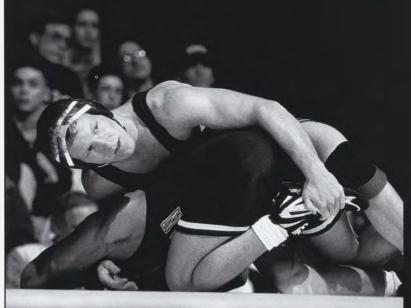




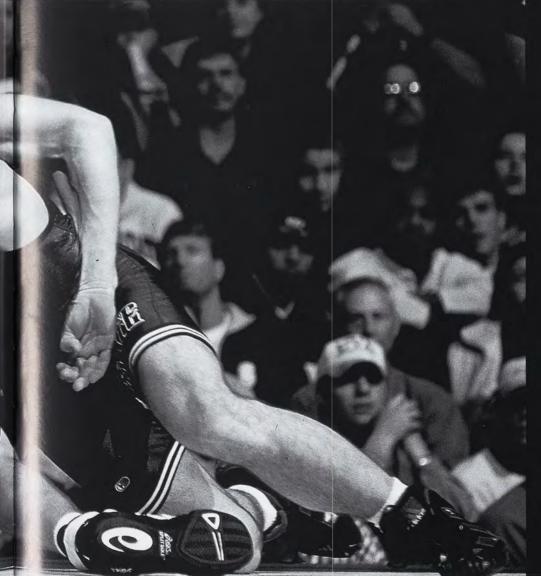
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All tied up in a knot, a Spartan wrestler prepares to pin his Michigan rival. Concentration and pure strength led him to a victory on December 10.

Greg Maynard keeps his opponent pinned to the ground. He makes sure to check the clock right before his win.



Kevin Fowler



#### Schedule

Nov. 6 Eastern Michigan Open

Nov. 13-14 Michigan State Open

Nov. 21 Green & White Intrasquad

Dec. 5 Penn State Open

Dec. 10 Michigan

Dec. 29-30 Midlands Championships

Jan. 2 Arizona State

Jan. 7 Central Michigan

Jan. 9 Kent State

Jan. 16 Penn State

Jan. 23 Michigan

Jan. 28 Purdue

Jan. 30 Iowa

Feb. Northwestern

Feb. 6 Illinois

Feb. 7 NWCA All-Star Meet

Feb, 11 Wisconsin

Feb. 13 Minnesota

Feb. 13 Eastern Michigan

Feb. 20 Oklahoma State

Feb. 24 Oklahoma

March 4-5 Big Ten Championships

March 16-18 NCAA Championships

## Spartans Hit 'E m Up, Up, and Away

After a long season on the road, the MSU softball team brought the action home with 6 wins in the 11 home games. The team finished the season overall with a 30-23 record, 5-10 in the Big Ten.

The Spartans opened the season with two big tournaments, the Arizona State Classic and Louisiana-Lafayette. The team earned a 17th place ranking during the first tournament but fell to 9th-ranked Arizona State in the last two games. Louisiana-Lafayette also held the team back, although they won the other games in the second tournament. Center fielder Shaelee Dunavan, short stop Carrie Fry and first baseman Stacey Phillips were all key players during the tournaments.

A five-game winning streak in Tampa against Ball State, Boston and Temple got the team pumped for the Speedline Invitational. Losses to Florida Atlantic and Florida put the Spartans in the consolation round where they bounced back to earn a 14-8 victory over Penn State and clinch the consolation championship.

Moving on to California, the Spartans participated in the San Diego State Tournament. Both San Diego and San Diego State had it in for the Spartans, who won only one of the four games.

The Spartans returned back to the Midwest for the rest of the season. Two wins against Detroit, including a 10-0 slaughter, put the team on another winning streak before heading to Indiana to face Purdue. The Boilermakers stirred up some trouble for MSU in the first game but the team came back to win the second with a 2-0 shutout.

Two more wins came against Eastern Michigan and Minnesota, followed by three straight rain cancellations. Returning to East Lansing, the team lost two straight to Penn State, whom they beat for the consolation championship at the Speedline Invitational earlier in the season.

The next five games on the road were also the last ones away from Spartan territory. The tough series ended with only one win but gave the team reason to step it up at home.

Three straight wins against Oakland and Western Michigan set the squad up for its last two games, both against the 13th-ranked University of Michigan. The Wolverines had it in for their instate rivals, however, and the Spartans ended their season with two losses.

The team put up good numbers to pull through with some big wins throughout the season and had a lot to be proud of at the end of the year.

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Head coach Jacquie Joseph conferences with the women's softball team after a game. Joseph entered her seventh year as the head of the women's program. The team was also led by assistant coaches Kim Mckeon, Julie Hudson, and Tiffany Yager.

Sophomore Tiffany Thomas connects with the ball for one of her 52 hits. Her .258 batting average was fifth on the team she had 13 multiple-hit games including a game against Florida where she hit two doubles.



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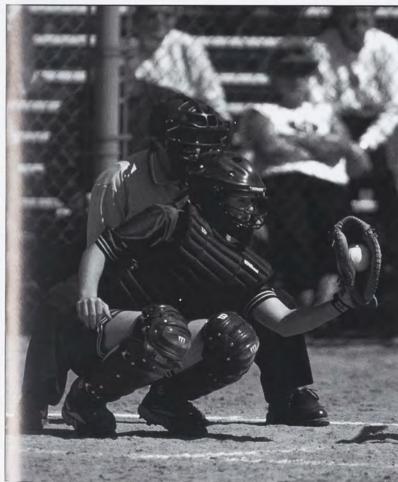


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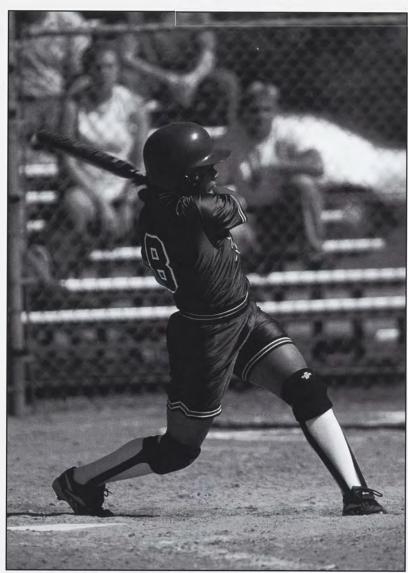
Head Coach Jacquie Joseph celebrates a great play. Joseph entered her seventh year as the head of the women's softball program. The players made tremendous strides in their experience and skill during the 2000 season.

Freshman Robyn Golden throws out an opponent during a game. The players and coaches rallied together to make the 2000 season a success.



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Freshman catcher Lacey Hauxhurst waits to tag a runner out at home plate. The women's softball team boasted a successful season. Their first win of the 2000 season came in the Arizona State Classic over Eastern Illinois.



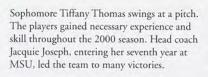
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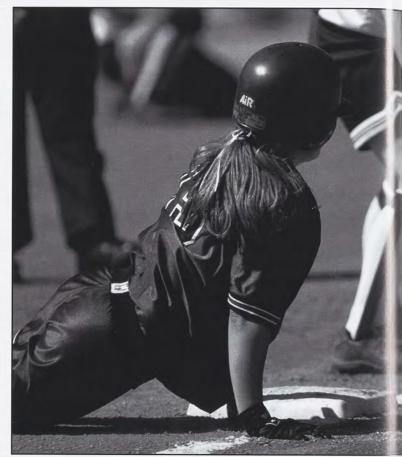
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The women's softball players and coaches gather in a huddle before the start of an important game. The 2000 team was led by experienced upper-classmen. The season was a success as the players achieved various goals throughout the 2000 schedule.

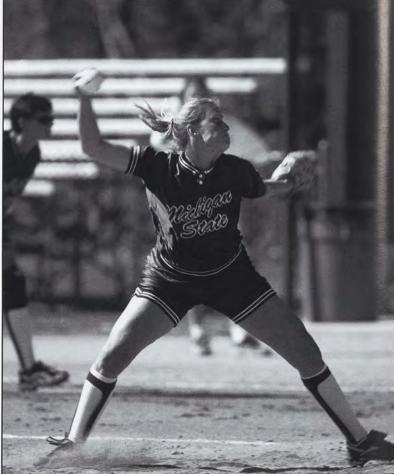
Senior Erica Strutz pitches a stike for the Spartans. The team gained necessary experience and skill during the season. This was, in part, due to the leadership of the talented upper-classmen.



Junior Shealee Dunavan slides safely interpretable. The team relied heavily on its toper-classmen leaders. The players had a success 2000 season.



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#### Spartan Schedule

Feb. 18 Iowa Feb. 18 Eastern Illinois

Feb. 19 Illinois State Feb. 19 Arizona State

Feb. 20 Arizona State

Feb. 25 Louisiana-Lafayette

Feb. 26 Florida A&M Feb. 27 North Carolina

Feb. 27 Louisiana-Lafayette

Mar. 5 Ball State

Mar. 5 Ball State

Mar. 6 Boston Mar. 6 Boston

Mar. 7 Temple

Mar. 7 Temple

Mar. 9 Boston

Mar. 9 Tennessee-Chattanooga

Mar. 10 Florida Atlantic Mar. 10 Florida Tampa

Mar. 11 Virginia Tech

Mar. 12 Purdue

Mar. 12 Penn State

Mar. 17 Tennessee-Chattanooga

Mar. 17 Rutgers

Mar. 18 Florida Atlantic

Mar. 18 Colgate

Mar. 19 Florida Atlantic

Mar. 24 San Diego

Mar. 24 San Diego State

Mar. 25 San Diego

Mar. 25 San Diego State

Mar. 29 Detroit

Mar. 29 Detroit

Mar. 31 Purdue

Mar. 31 Purdue

Apr. 1 Indiana Apr. 2 Indiana

Apr. 5 Eastern Michigan

Apr. 7 Minnesota

Apr. 7 Minnesota

Apr. 8 Wisconsin

Apr. 9 Wisconsin

Apr. 14 Penn State

Apr. 14 Penn State

Apr. 15 Ohio State

Apr. 16 Ohio State

Apr. 19 Central Michigan

Apr. 21 Northwestern

Apr. 21 Northwestern

Apr. 22 Iowa

Apr. 23 Iowa

Apr. 26 Oakland

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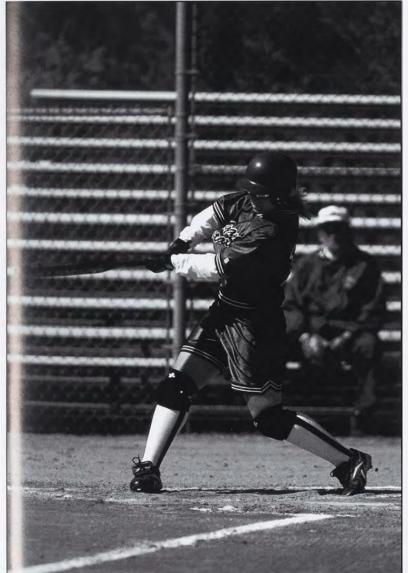
May 3 Western Michigan

May 6 Michigan

May 7 Michigan

May 11-13 Big Ten Tournament

May 18-21 NCAA Regionals





Freshman Robyn Golden connects with the pitch of a Penn State player. Golden has proven to be a strong asset to the team with her ability to fill in at any position.

Sophomore Tiffany Thomas prepares to steal a base against Penn State. The players achieved many of their team and individual goals in the 2000 season. The Spartans also improved as a whole.

## Spartans Slide into Place

The 1999-2000 season was tough for the Spartan baseball squad. But head coach Ted Mahan worked his players hard and came up with a few important wins throughout the season.

The Spartans got off to a slow start during the first four-game series in the UNLV/Coors Classic in Las Vegas. Despite a lead through the first four innings and two home runs in the opener against Cal State Northridge, the Spartans fell 9-6.

An away win against the defending national champions of Miami showcased the team's potential in the remarkable 13-11 victory. First baseman Kyle Geswein hit his fifth and sixth home runs of the season and designated hitter Joe Albaugh hit a three-run homer to set the Spartans towards victory.

Back to back wins eleven days later kept spirits up for the 4-12 Spartans. Senior rightfielder Mike Pisani drove in the game-winning run against West Virginia to clinch the 6-4 victory.

The team had another win and three losses against Purdue before returning to East Lansing for a long home-game stretch. Three of the first four games were wins by a margin of at least 4 runs as Grand Valley, Indiana Tech and Central Michigan all fell to MSU.

A single game against Detroit-Mercy turned into an unexpected double-header. The Spartans shut out the Titans 9-0 in the first game but couldn't hold on in the second. The Titans took the game with 10 runs over MSU's three.

Sophomore pitcher Jon Huizinga pitched seven innings in the shutout and allowed only four hits. Sophomore Dylan Putnam finished off the game without letting a man on base.

Mid-April brought showers of good luck for the Spartans as they marked four out of five games with a W. Detroit-Mercy was one of the victims and MSU played to erase the 10-3 loss during the double header a week earlier. The Titans were once again pummeled in a 16-9 Spartan victory. Illinois, Sienna Heights and Northwestern all fell to the Spartans during the streak.

Unfortunately, the magic ended when the team lost eight straight

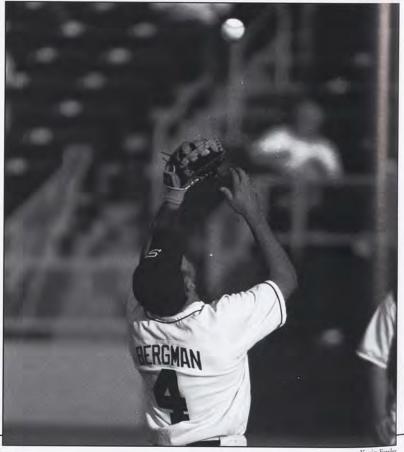
The losing streak was finally broken with a win over 30th ranked Minnesota. The team built an 8-0 lead in the third inning and kept it up to beat the gophers 9-7.

Although the season was a struggle, the Spartans could easily be named on of the hardest working teams in the Big Ten with many of the players posting great personal seasons.

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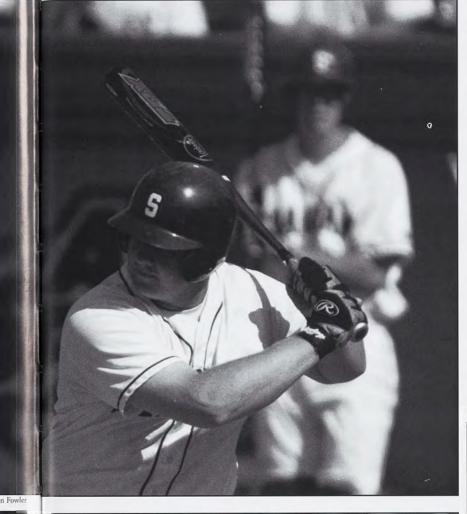
Sophomore infielder Troy Bergman catches a fly ball for an out. The men's baseball team gained skill and improved as the season progressed. The return of many upperclassmen added to the team's success.

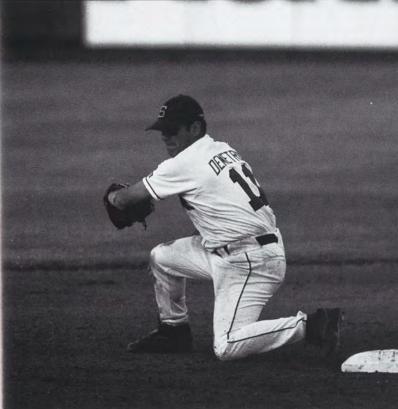




Freshman Brett Wattles waits for a pitch. The young additions to the 2000 men's baseball team helped the Spartan's throughout the season. The leadership of the upper-classmen also played a crucial role in the team's success.

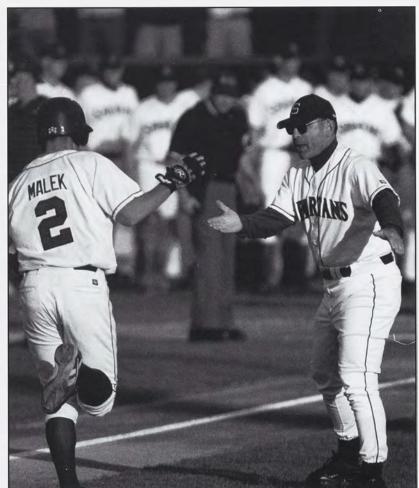
Freshman Bob Malek is congratulated by a coach after an outstanding hit. The new additions to the men's baseball team played a key role in the team's success. The team achieved many of their goals for the 2000 season.





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benior infielder Ted Demetral catches the ball, but just misses tagging the opponent for the out. The men's baseball team improved throughout the 2000 season. Their first win came with a 6-5-victory over West Virginia.



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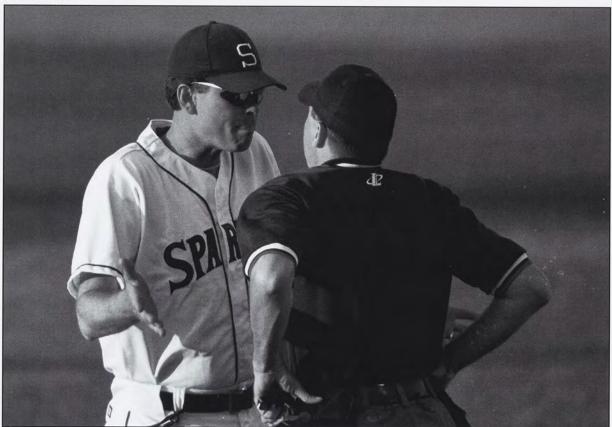
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Feb. 25 West Virginia	Apr. 14 Illinois
Feb. 26 UNLV	Apr. 15 Illinois
Feb. 27 Nevada-Reno	Apr. 15 Illinois
Feb. 27 Santa Clara	Apr. 16 Illinois
Mar. 4 Ball State	Apr. 18 Siena Heights
Mar. 5 Florida Atlantic	Apr. 19 Detroit Mercy
Mar. 6 Lynn	Apr. 22 Northwestern
Mar. 8 Miami	Apr. 22 Northwestern
Mar. 9 Ball State	Apr. 23 Northwestern
Mar. 10 Iowa	Apr. 23 Northwestern
Mar. 11 Iowa	Apr. 26 Central Michigan
Mar. 18 West Virginia DH	Apr. 26 Central Michigan
Mar. 19 West Virginia DH	Apr. 28 Minnesota
Mar. 21 Eastern Michigan	Apr. 29 Minnesota
Mar. 24 Purdue	Apr. 29 Minnesota
Mar. 25 Purdue	Apr. 30 Minnesota
Mar. 25 Purdue	May 5 Michigan
Mar. 26 Purdue	May 6 Michigan DH
Mar. 28 Eastern Michigan	May 6 Michigan
Mar. 30 Grand Valley	May 7 Michigan
Apr. 1 Indiana Tech	May 9 Western Michigan
Apr. 2 Indiana Tech	May 10 Oakland
Apr. 5 Central Michigan	May 12 Ohio State
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May 14 Ohio State

May 18-21 Big Ten Tournament

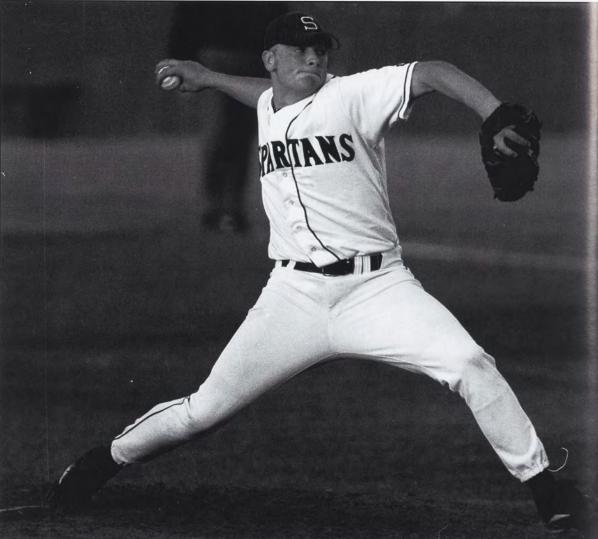




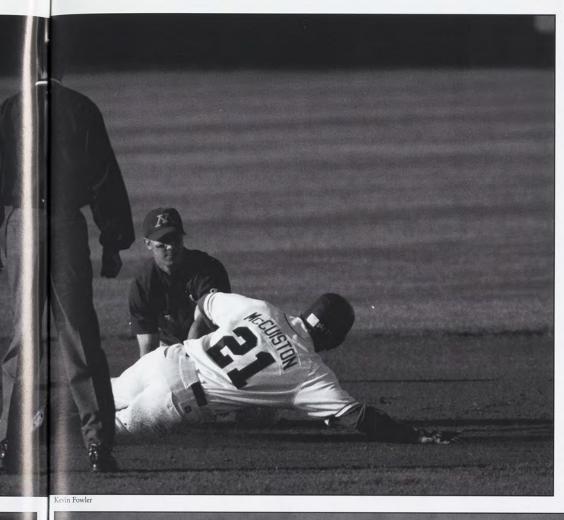
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Baseball head coach Ted Mahan argues a questionable call with an umpire. Mahan entered his fifth year as head of the men's baseball program. His players had another successful season.

Sophomore pitcher Kyle Geswein throws a strike. The 2000 men's baseball team improved and progresses throughout the season. The skilled leadership of the upperclassmen contributed to the successful season.



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Sophomore Chris McCuiston slides safely into third base. The men played the University of Minnesota numerous times throughout the season. This included a 9-7 victory for the Spartans.

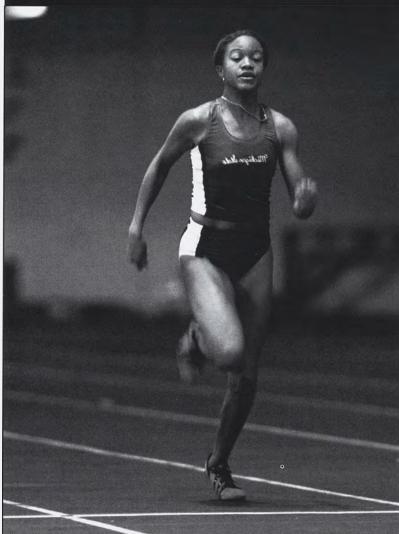
The men's baseball team huddles together to prepare for the start of an important game. The team improved throughout the season. Many players achieved individual and team goals.



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Freshman Sherita Williams sprints ahead of the competition to earn a victory for the Spartans. The track and field team added 13 freshmen to the 1999-2000 women's roster. The newcomers added a wide variety of talents to the team.

Senior Jennifer Denkins competes in a distance running event for MSU. Experience and leadership played a key role in the track and field season. The women's program made tremendous gains throughout the season.



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#### Spartan Schedule

Jan. 15 MSU Invitational

Jan. 21 Notre Dame, Ball State

Jan. 29 Michigan Intercollegiates

Feb. 4 CMU

Feb. 11-12 Butler Canon Classic

Feb. 19 Purdue, W. Michigan

Feb. 26-27 Big Ten Championships

Mar. 4 Last Chance Meet

Mar. 10-11 NCAA Indoor Championships

Mar. 24-25 Florida Relays

Apr. 5-8 Texas Relays

Apr. 14-15 Sea Ray Relays

Apr. 22 Western Michigan

Apr. 27-29 Penn Relays

May 6 Toledo Invitational

May 12-13 Paddock Invitational

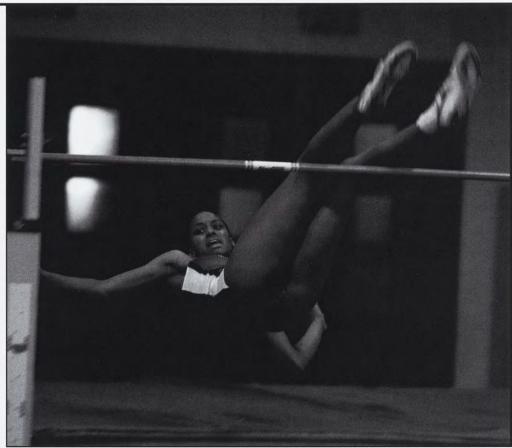
May 19-21 Big Ten Championships

May 31-June 3 NCAA Outdoor Championships

June 16-17 USATF Jr. National Championships July 14-23 US Olympic Trials







Sophomore Maia Knox competes in the high jump event during a MSU track and field meet. The Spartans had a young team as they entered the 1999-2000 season. "We are rebuilding a program and we starting with a large group of young people," said head coach Angela Goodman

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The women's track and field team entered the 2000 season with hopes of improvement. The Spartans were rebounding from a disappointing 1999 season after finishing last in the Big Ten Conference.

Entering her second year as head coach, Angela Goodman added 13 freshmen to the women's roster. The new comers included no preference freshman Lynlee Parker in the javelin throw and distance runner and kinesiology freshman Cindy Durocher. Parker was nationally ranked in high school and Durocher won a team gold medal in the Canadian Cross Country Championships as well as playing a part in Michigan State's women's cross country team's 14 place finish in the nation at the NCAA Championships.

"We are rebuilding a program and we are starting with a large group of young people," said Coach Goodman.

The team challenged Bowling Green and Aquinas College in their first meet of the season. Held on January 15, the Spartans boasted victories in eight of the 15 events in the MSU Invitational. Michigan State also hosted the Michigan Intercollegiate Championships at the Jenison Field House. The women finished fourth among six teams at the home meet. The track and fielders ended their indoor season with a ninth place finish at the Big Ten Conference Championships.

The Spartans were led by team co-captains packaging senior Leah Nilsson and kinesiology sophomore Ann Somerville. The experienced leaders directed their teammates by example.

"I feel that leadership is very important, especially with this young team," said Somerville. "Just getting out there and working hard on the track shows the new comers what we expect from them, to put all their effort and focus into their event."

With all the runner's talent and hard work, MSU's track and field program is on the rise.

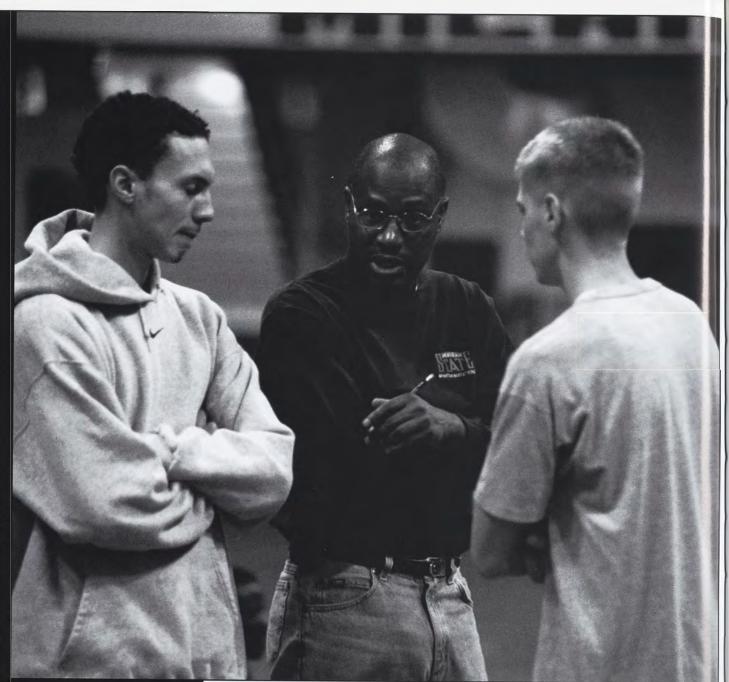
"We have a very talented group that will develop into a great team in a few years," said Goodman.

MSU's team achieved many of their goals for the 2000 season. The women's dedication and intensity lead to overall growth and improvement.

"The seniors and coaches have also been working extremely hard to get this program back on track and have been doing an incredible job. Watch out because you will see some great things to come," praised Somerville.

Story By: Kristin Dykema Design By: Kathryn Harper Women's Track on the Rise

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Men's track and field head coach Darroll Gatson inspires his runners before a meet. Leadership played an important role in the Spartan's season.

Due to a large number of injuries, the team could not achieve all the goals they had set for the 1999-2000 season.

## Spartan Schedule

Jan. 15 Michigan State Invitational

Jan. 22 Notre Dame Invitational

Jan. 29 Central Collegiate Championships

Feb. 4 Central Michigan

Feb. 5 Michigan State Open Feb. 11-12 Cyclone Invitational

Feb. 12 Michigan Championships

Feb. 19 EMU Classic Feb. 25-26 Big Ten Championships Mar. 10-11 NCAA Championships

Mar. 25-26 Alabama Relays Mar. 25-26 Stanford Invitational

Apr. 5-8 Texas Relays Apr. 12-15 Sea Relays Apr. 21 EMU Invitational

Apr. 28-29 Hillsdale "Gina" Relays Apr. 28-29 Penn Relays

May 13 Bronco Invitational

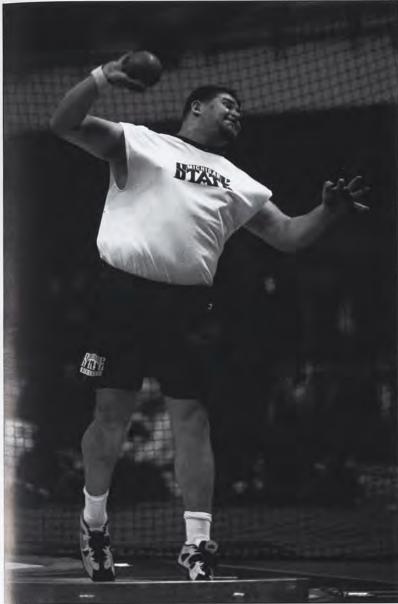
May 19-21 Big Ten Championships May 31-June 3 NCAA Championships

July 14-23 USA Olympic Trials



Members of the track and field team compete in a hurdling event. Last year, the men won their first Big Ten Championship in over 25 years. For the 1999-2000 season, the Spartans hoped to protect their title.

Senior Justin Selden competes in the shot-put event. The men started off the season with their sights set on the Big Ten Championship. Unfortunately, the team was plagued with injuries throughout the season.



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## Getting Back On Track

The potential in MSU's track and field program was realized last year as the men earned their first Big Ten Title in over 25 years. The Spartans saw the win as a growing opportunity for the track program.

"Our team goal is to see the Big Ten Championship meet last year, not as a standout season, but as foundation of a track and field team that will remain highly competitive for years to come," said Schell.

Electrical engineering senior Steve Schell's goals for the 2000 men's track and field season included winning a Big Ten race, qualifying for nationals, and placing at the national competition. Like his other experienced teammates, Schell entered the season with high expectations.

"As a team, we want to send a handful of guys to the national meet and the people who go the Big Ten meet will want to score big," said Schell.

The team entered the 2000 indoor season on January 15 with the Michigan State Invitational. They then competed in the Central Collegiate Conference Championships on January 29, earning seventh among the nine teams. The Spartans improved with a tie for fifth place in the Michigan Intercollegiate Championship. With the Big Ten Championship held on February 25-27, Michigan State's team ended the season with a disappointing tenth place finish.

"We've had a lot of injuries," said pole vaulter and mechanical engineering junior Paul Terek, "My back was re-injured from last year, so my coaches and I decided it would be best to redshirt me for the whole year."

Communications senior and sprinter and hurdler E.J. Martin agreed, "As a team we have many goals, but as far as health, the team has had a lot of injuries and redshirts this year. I'm concentrating on my individual goals of qualifying for nationals and the Olympic trials."

Fifth year head coach Darroll Gatson led Michigan State's men's track and field team. His leadership played an important role in the season along with tri-captains Schell, Martin, and supply chain management junior Matt Deering.

Plagued with unforeseen problems, the Spartans had too many obstacles to overcome for the 2000 season. With injuries that led to surgery and redshirting, the track and field team looked to rebuild for next year.

"Basically the team is getting ready for next year where, I don't have a doubt in my mind, we will win both indoor and outdoor Big Ten Championships," said Terek.

Story By: Kristin Dykema Design By: Kathryn Harper

Sprinters for the men's track and field team hand off a baton during a relay event. The sprinting events have caused problems for MSU in years passed. With a large group of newcomers in the 1999-2000 season, the men improved greatly in that area.

## Growing from Experience

The 1999-2000 women's tennis team began the school year with a new coach and hopes for a fantastic season. The players entered the season with a combination of new and experienced talent, all primed to achieve new goals for MSU women's tennis.

"Coming in midway through the season creates some unusual challenges, but my goal is still to raise the bar and bring MSU tennis to national prominence," said first year head coach Tim Bauer.

The women opened the tennis season at home with a loss to Bowling Green. The team rebounded from the disappointment and went on to earn a 4-3 win over Illinois-Chicago. This was the Spartans first victory under their new coach. With high expectations for his group of players, Bauer watched Michigan State improve as the season progressed.

"Our coach has taught us a lot," said child development senior Brooke Townsend. "The team has improved a lot and is still getting better," she added.

Townsend and education junior Kelli Hays guided the women's team as leadership played an important role in the Spartans' successful season.

As the players developed their skill, they boasted an impressive win over Florida A & M. During that competition, the team displayed exceptional play on the court. Hays dominated at number two singles while newcomer and accounting freshman Joi Mcqueen won her singles and doubles match, shutting out her singles competition with a 6-0, 6-0 score.

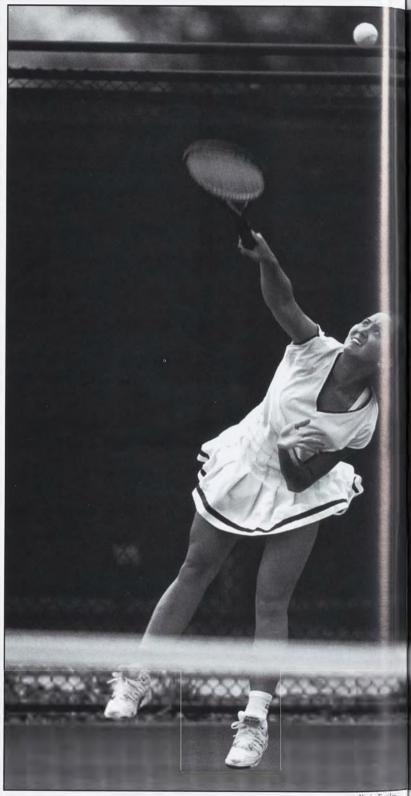
"Playing for Michigan State has been a good experience," said Mcqueen, "I've really improved my game. The competition is a lot more difficult at this level."

The players' dedication and hard work provided a strong foundation for the future of MSU's tennis program. The experience gained in the 1999-2000 season will help women's tennis reach the top of their game in seasons to come.

Story By: Kristin Dykema Design By: Antoinette Koritnik



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Tim Bauer councils one of his players after a match. The women's tennis team gained necessary experience in the 1999-2000 season. The players began the school year with a new head coach.

A women's tennis player serves up the ball at the start of a match. The Spartans first win of the season came with a 4-3 victory over Illinois-Chicago. This was the first win under their new head coach, Tim Bauer.

A women's tennis player returns a shot to score during a game. The Spartans improved throughout the season. The players' dedication and hard work provided a strong foundation for the future of women's tennis.



#### Spartan Schedule

Jan. 29 Bowling Green

Feb. 11 Eastern Michigan

Feb. 18 Illinois-Chicago

Feb. 20 Ball State

Feb. 26 Illinois

Feb. 27 Northwestern

Mar. 9 Florida A&M

Mar. 19 Minnesota

Mar. 25 Michigan

Mar. 28 Western Michigan

Apr. 8 Indiana

Apr. 9 Purdue

Apr. 15 Iowa

Apr. 16 Wisconsin

Apr. 22 Ohio State

Apr. 23 Penn State Apr. 27-30 Big Ten

Championship

May 12-14 NCAA Regionals





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Head coach Tim Bauer goes over strategy during a break in a match. The team gained experience and skill throughout the season. They were led by seniors Broke Townsend and Kathryn Figenshaw.

# Improvement With Leadership

With a young team, the men's tennis players relied on the leadership and experience of its upper-classmen as it entered the 1999-2000 season.

Co-captains and finance seniors Mark Findling and Ivica Primorac provided direction for their teammates as the Spartans began the season ranked 69th in the country. The hard working seniors offered the necessary leadership to help the players grow and achieve many of their goals.

"The team is close," said Findling, "We have a young team this year, so it's a new look for us."

As a group, the players established team and individual objectives throughout the season.

"We'd like to win the Big Ten Championships and make it to the NCAA Tournament," said Findling.

Gene Orlando, the head of MSU's men's tennis program for the past nine years, concurred with the player's goals. Orlando, who came into the 1999-2000 season with a 90-101 record, hoped for an exciting year.

"Of course we'd like to qualify for the NCAA's and have a strong finish in the Big Ten," said Coach Orlando.

The Michigan State men's tennis team opened the season at the Ball State Invitational on September 24-26. The Spartans played without their No. 1 doubles team containing accounting senior Ken Kigongo and marketing senior Francisco Trinidad. The two competed in the renowned T. Rowe Price National Intercollegiate Clay Court Championships held in Baltimore, Maryland. Kigongo and Trinidad began the season ranked 12th in the nation. Due to their high ranking, the duo received an automatic berth into the main draw of the competition held on September 23-26.

MSU hosted the Advantage Spartan Invitational at the Outdoor Courts in East Lansing in October. No team scores were kept, but the men's tennis team gained essential experience as they competed against DePaul, Illinois State, Iowa, Louisville, and Western Michigan.

The Spartans developed throughout the season and boasted wins over such teams as Bowling Green, Cincinnati, Eastern Michigan, Western Michigan, Valparaiso, and Wright State.

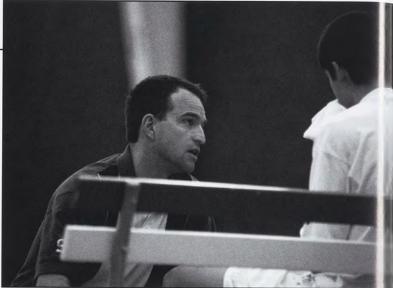
The team evolved throughout the season under the guidance and direction of the dedicated five senior leaders.

"The team has improved as a whole. We've had some tough losses, but we're getting better," said Findling.

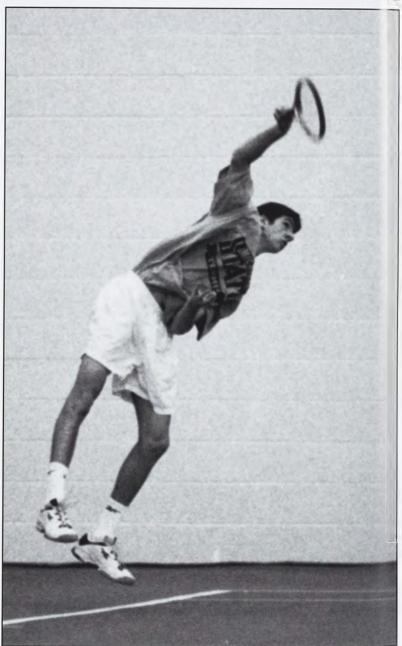
Michigan State participated in the Big Ten Indoor Championships on November 15-17 with six Spartans placing in the main draw. The men then looked on to the outdoor season. There, they competed in the Big Ten Outdoor Championships in Indiana on April 27-30. The Spartans then displayed their many skills at the NCAA Regionals and NCAA Team and Individual Championships in May.

Story By: Emily Irvine Design By: Robert Madsen

Senior Robert Topalo serves an ace during a match. The team relied on the talent and leadership of its upper-classmen. The team improved and the 2000 season was a success. Head coach Gene Orlando conferences with one of his players during a break in the match. Orlando has led the men's tennis program for the past nine years. This year's team relied heavily on senior leadership as it entered the 1999-2000 season.



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Senior Ken Kigongo serves the ball to start a match. The team gained experience and skill throughout the season. The leadership of the upper-classmen helped the team progress.



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Senior Nick Bond returns a shot during a match. Senior leadership proved to be crucial to the success of the men's tennis season.

Many players achieved individual and team goals.

Senior Robert Topalo returns a crucial shot during a game. The senior leaders contributed to a successful season. Senior co-captains Mark Findling and Ivica Primorac lead the Spartan team.

## Sailing in the Wind

The MSU sailing Club gives students a chance to sail regardless of their skill level.

"We have people in the club who before MSU had never sailed before all the way up to members who are on potential Olympic candidates," said Sailing Team Commodore Scott Graul. "In one sense [our club] is unique because all levels of sailors can participate together, and the lesser experienced can learn from the more experienced."

"This year was a rebuilding year for the team after we graduated two of our top sailors," said Graul. "However, all in all we had a strong season."

Competing against 23 other race teams in the Midwest Collegiate Sailing Association (MCSA), and over a hundred in the InterCollegiate Yacht Racing Association (ICYRA), the team held their own against the top teams in the nation. The team placed sixth at the Pine trophy regatta at the United States Coast Guard Academy — finishing just one point behind The Navel Academy - and took second at the Strufert Regatta at University of Minnesota, placing fourth at the Nationals qualifier. One of the members, Scott Graul, was one of only eight sailors chosen to represent the United States Colleges in a regatta versus the British All-Star team, who toured the US for five weeks.

However, most of the team's efforts do not go into the actual races, but into preparation and practice. "There is a lot of work that goes into the sailing club," said Graul, "and our most important is maintaining the sailing site out at Lake Lansing. With assistance from our advisor, Ken Warshaw, we do the necessary things required to keep the site at its best. Included are boat maintenance, which entails cleaning and fixing broken parts, putting the docks in and out of the water each year, sail repair and endless hours

of seaweed patrol."

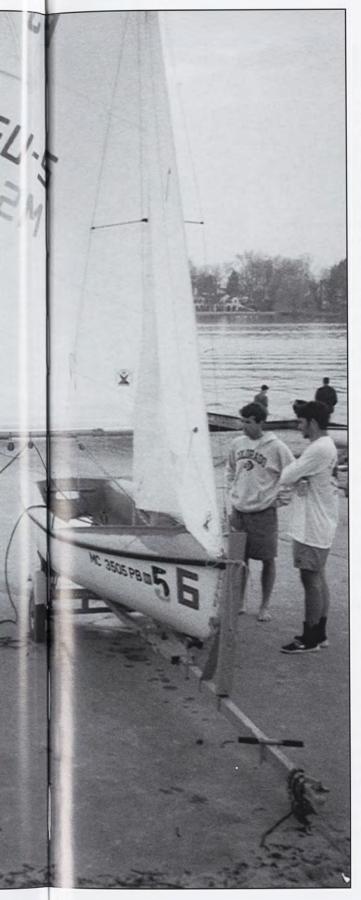
All of the hard work pays off at the annual MSU Cedarfest Regatta – an MSU-hosted sailing event which draws teams from all over and allows the club to test their skills and their competitive know-how on their home waters. However, the nature of sailing — and of sailors — must be flexible to allow for unforeseeable changes in plans.

"This year brought on some unusual conditions. Held October 23-24, we had cold temps, and high winds," said Graul. "Saturday morning saw snow showers break out and winds at 30+ knots. Instead of running the races, the race committee ended up plucking cold wet sailors out of the water as people could not keep the boats upright. The wind was so strong that we had 14 sails blow out in the middle of racing. However, a somewhat quieter Sunday gave us a chance to sail again and the regatta was continued on."

The flexibility and great attitudes of the club make them stand out wherever they go. "The great thing about MSU sailing is that on the water we are great competitors but once we are back on land our social personalities come out," finished Graul. "We are the one school in the MCSA that has friends everywhere. We are by far the most sociable bunch of people and going to other schools and finding a place to stay is never a problem. One of the great things about the club and the traveling is being at different schools every weekend. It really gives people a chance to see things they have never seen before, go places that they would have never been before, and making new friendships with students at different universities. That probably is the most important part. And that is what people miss the most when they graduate."

> Story By: Julie Stein Design By: Antoinette Koritnik Photos Compliments of: Sailing Club





Preparing to disassemble the boat after the regatta at Spring Lake spring semester are Scott Graule, Rob Davis and Ted Piper.

Trimming the sail, freshman Dan Lorenz enjoys being a member of the sailing club.





There are always some rough waters and windy conditions. The best part however is, "...we always have great competition," said Scott Graul.

## Heading a New Direction

Three years ago, the Michigan State University Women's Soccer Club didn't even exist. It was a prenatal dream, waiting to be born through the efforts of three sophomore women: Kathleen (Katie) Clear, Karen Conrad and Carly Lampman. The club has since then matured into a thriving organization of athletic students who want to be on a team that provides "a level of competitive soccer above that of intramurals, with competition against other universities," says Clear.

With a schedule nearly as intense as that of the varsity team, but less pressure, the club provides an atmosphere where talented players can develop their skills without taking time away from their studies.

"For a lot of people, when they graduate high school they feel that that's the end of team soccer," says Katie Smith, one of the three captains. "Intramural soccer doesn't give you the time or the practice to really get into it. The club gives us the chance to bring the team to the next level of skill, a higher level of competition. The caliber of the play goes up."

As the degree of the play rises, so does the dedication of the team members. The hard work and time spent at practice have helped to form a strong bond between teammates — one that has helped to maintain a strong foundation for growth.

"We emphasize commitment. We're a new club, and our biggest problems have been people who just didn't show up. It doesn't matter how good you are if you're not there," says Smith. "No one can make you do what you don't want to do. There's no one there to yell at you to tell you that you're not trying hard enough. It has to come from inside."

In the first year of its existence, Clear says, there were only 17 players, four games, no field and no uniforms. During the second year, the team swelled to 23 members, they joined the Ohio River Soccer Conference (which boasts a membership of several Big Ten teams), and played 15 games. A field with new goals and uniforms helped to establish the club as a part of the university culture. This year, 45 people showed up at tryouts, they played 18 games, received a new, improved field, and Kick Magazine featured the team in a four-page full color spread.

But their successes can't be measured by statistics alone. Smith is quick to point out that the most significant rewards for playing on such an intense team are the equally intense bonds that form be-

tween players and the intense love that is fostered for the game itself.

"It's the 'team' aspect of it that I love," she says.
"When you go to a school as big as MSU, it's rare
that you're in a situation where you see the same
people every day. With this... you know you're in
it for the long run with these people."

Smith points out that on a club team like this, where the schedule is nearly as rigorous as that of a varsity team, the only incentive to play is passion for the game.

"It's much different from varsity-level soccer team because we came to the university for learning. We don't have scholarships or regulations governing how much we're required to play in order to stay here. Classes are our first priority. So everyone on the team wants very badly to be there. We also have to pay to play. We wouldn't put in the time and money to be there if the desire wasn't there."

And it's a lot of money. Fundraising has been a problem since the club's inception. With the travel, equipment expenses and referee costs, the team has had a hard time gathering enough funds to support their activities.

"We've petitioned ASMSU and received some very nice support from them. We hold fundraisers. Hopefully with better organization we'll be in a better financial position. We've started using the spring semester to prepare for the next season, and I think it's going to help."

But she admits that it's difficult to mix athletics with finance.

"With a club this new, it's like running a business and running a team at the same time. And it's very difficult. We'd rather spend time practicing than selling T-shirts."

"From last year to this year, our organizational skills have doubled — and I expect it to double again for next year. Our team, our players... the skill level is getting better. More people are finding out about (the club) — the talent pool is getting larger and as the team gets more and more competitive, I think people will start to be more dedicated."

"We're becoming more and more established... while in past years we were kind of just winging it."

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Since the club's inception three years ago, the number of players has risen from 17 to over 45. Talented women are attracted by the high level of dedication and mutual team support. "It's the 'team' aspect of it that I love," says team cocaptain Katie Smith. "You know you're in it for the long run with these people."

Friendship is a key part of womens club soccer. The season is very demanding and the girls rely on each-other for support from game to game.

The Women's Soccer Club touts a level of competition surpassing that of Intramural play. Nearly all the members played on high school varsity teams and were looking for a way to develop their talents without sacrificing the time it takes to play for the varsity team. "The club gives us the chance to bring the team to the next level of skill," says Smith.

Members of Creative Anachronism demonstrate a medieval jousting tournament for spectators at a summer festival. Creative Anachronism members dedicate their time to the resurrection of European Middle Age societal events.





Creative Anachronism members compete in an archery tournament at a summer festival. Archery was a major part of the Middle Ages both in sport and defense.

Members of the Creative Anachronism club perform a medieval dance for the audience. Dancing was the most popular leisure event in Europe during the Middle Ages.



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## Preserving History

The Creative Anachronism Club — a local branch of the global "Cociety for Creative Anachronism" — has dedicated itself to the resurrection of a time period which, to most of us, remains buried in history books and legends.

The stated purpose of the club is to the "study and re-creation of the European Middle Ages, its crafts, sciences, arts, traditions, literature, etc." The period is defined as "Western civilization before 1600 A )," with a concentration on the Western European High Middle A es. Club members expose themselves to the dance, calligraphy, in itial arts, cooking, metalwork, stained glass, costuming and literature of the era, as well as anything else that might strike their fancy. What separates the club from, say, a history or humanities class, is

the level of active engagement that brings so many people from different backgrounds together. The club's activities range from sewing to sword fighting — and everything in between.

"It's a lot of fun," says club member April King. "We do medieval reenactments — everything from music to dancing, fencing and meals. Sometimes we perform for schools, but we mostly do it for ourselves."

"It gives people a chance to become someone else for a while, to explore a different culture, a different time period. It allows you to live history instead of just reading about it."

The SCA was started in 1966 in Berkeley, California by a group of science fiction and fantasy fans who wanted a theme party. Since then, the society has grown to include over 24,000 paying members in the U.S., Canada, United Kingdom, Sweden, Finland, Germany, Italy, Greece, Romania, Japan, New Zealand, South Africa and Australia.

"Our group has been around for about 30 years. I see it continuing for a long time," King says. "We make sure to have a couple of big events every year to keep people busy and interested."

Although the Lansing area group is associated with the university, membership is not restricted to MSU Students. They have members from all around the area, people working at McDonalds and cable companies, students, children... "everyday people."

"The team is so diverse. We have people of all ages, from 5 to 60, and from all sorts of backgrounds," said King. Each member studies in depth the particular time period that they're interested in; then they play the part. The level of involvement varies from person to person. Some people show up once a year, others come every week. We have a weekly business meetings, and then practices and rehearsals where we get ready for events. We just put on an event at a local high school — it was great, an entire day of activity. We had music and dancing, fencing and a huge feast. They loved it."

Of everything they do, members of Creative Anachronism look forward most to these semi-annual 'events,' or, opportunities to try out those things they'd been studying and practicing for hours. (Think "Renaissance Festival.") Most SCA groups hold at least one event per year; some larger groups hold two or more. The events boast tournaments, art exhibits or competitions, classes on medieval skills, workshops, feasts and dancing.

Although it takes a lot of research and dedication, club members say that you don't have to be an expert in the medieval age to enjoy the experience of bringing to life such a colorful piece of world history.

"You don't have to be a history major to be in the club," says King. "In fact, I don't think there are any history majors in the club. I'm an engineering major. Really, just about anyone can join the club — it's just a lot of fun."

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# Staying On Guard

When most of us think of fencing, we call to mind memories of the Three Musketeers, swashbuckling pirates or Star Wars movies. Fencing, however, has evolved away from its "bloody origins" to take its place as a sport enjoyed by many around the world. Emphasizing skill and speed over strength and force, fencing is a sport in which quickness and intelligence are far more important than strength. For this reason, fencing has been called "chess at 90 miles per hour."

"We give people the opportunity to participate in a sport which is extremely fun and simple, although also very challenging," says club president Paul Steiner.

The club was born in 1997 after the MSU Fencing team - one of the original sports programs at MSU - was cut from varsity status. "Initially the club consisted mostly of returning varsity fencers," Steiner said. "We have a strong base and most people who have expressed interest in us have been pleased and stuck around."

Competing in the same programs as the old varsity team, the men's team finished fourth out of fourteen schools in the Midwest last season, beating out at least four varsity teams. The men's epee and foil squads got 3rd in the Midwest. The women's team, also founded in 1997, finished 5th. A new women's team was added to the foil and epee squads in an effort to help boost the fledgling women's team to varsity status.

"We give people the ability to take part in a college level sports program against other clubs (U of M, Northwestern) and varsity teams (Ohio State, Notre Dame) for a fairly low cost. We also encourage people who aren't interested in competing to come practice with us because it is good exercise, low impact, and teaches a variety of useful 'skills' such as quicker reactions, better eye/hand coordination, etc.," Steiner says.

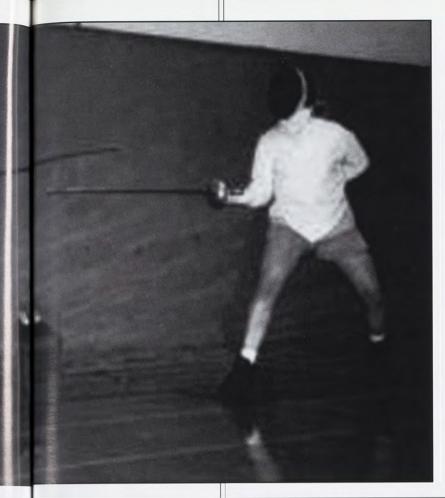
"We have achieved a high level of success over the past couple of years. I predict continued strong interest and growth in the club. This year we almost doubled in size. I also believe that we will continue to represent MSU at a high level of competitive success," Steiner said.

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The Fencing Club is not just for men. Both men and women, who enjoy a challenge, can be part of the Fencing Club. The women's varsity team finished fifth in the Midwest.







Fencing is much more than a simple, individual sport—it takes talent and skill, said president Paul Steiner, but it is also competitive and fun. The men's varsity team, founded in 1977, placed fourth in the Midwest.

Touché. The members of the Fencing Club emphasize skill and speed over strength and force. The team has encountered success competitively, but hopes to increase the interest and awareness of fencing.





On Guard! Even if students are not interested in competing, they are still welcome to practice with the Fencing Club. The president, Paul Steiner, saul is good exercise, low impact and a teaching tool.

# Playing Hard Ball

T.C. Hrodey, Dave Fuller, Josh Tait and sic Swanson line up against Bowling Green. The lighthe sport is often compared to American outball, rugby presents vastly different strate es, rules and equipment.

Rugby has been a tradition at Michigan State University for many years. The current club was founded back in 1964 by two graduate students, Neville Doherty and Jean-Claude Balliou, however, its history can be traced all the way back to the 1870's when rugby first made its appearance on this campus.

"Since 1964 when our current club was founded we have made large strides and today we compete with teams from all across the country," said Michael Cantu, President and Captain of the team.

The Michigan State Rugby Football Club is devoted to offering students a chance to learn and play a fun, exciting and safe sport.

"Rugby is open to all new players at any time during the year and we encourage everyone to come out," said Cantu. "Experience is not expected, so don't worry about not knowing the game. MSURFC also has players of all sizes and athletic backgrounds."

"Over the years we have produced several international players," says Cantu. "Brian Vizard, who captained the national team, DavePoquette who played for the national sevens team, and Dave Kirkman who played for the Zimbabwe National Team."

"We also have several former players making bids for our national side right now: John Burk and Ryan Bannen."

Coached by Dave Poqueete, the current club is made up of a wide range of students from as far away as Kenya and Japan.

"We are a very close group of guys and have fun together — not only playing rugby, but socially as well," Cantu said. "Rugby is a fun and exciting way to meet new people and stay in shape."

Cantu does admits that there are challenges. Being a club sport that is "not very popular in America," they sometimes have a hard time finding new players — and funding.

"We receive little support from the university as far as money is concerned, so we are self-supported through dues and a variety of fund raisers," he said.

Challenges haven't stopped them from looking forward to the future with excitement. "The future of our club looks very promising, we are a young team and have a lot of potential. We are in a position where we will soon be able to compete nationally with the best teams out there."

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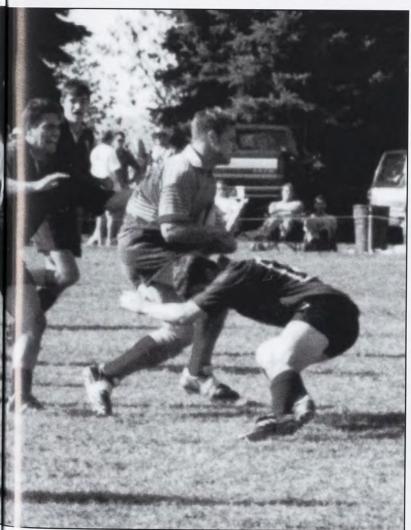


Fullback Pete Miller makes a strategic tackle against a player from Ohio State. Each position on a rugby team requires intense concentration and awareness of what is happening on the field. Any mistake can mean points for the other team.



The rugby team gets down and dirty against Bowling Green. A vigorous sport, rugby combines intensity and know-how with brute strength. MSU's rugby club has plenty of both, putting them in a position to compete with "the best teams out there," says club president Michael Cantu.

P.J. Kolarchick is hoisted up as he challenges for the ball on a line-out. Teamwork is an essential component of every play in a game. Practices emphasize working together drill after drill, creating a close-knit team of athletes.





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The sky's the limit for these thrill-seekers. With over 200 members scouring earth, sea and big blue sky, the rewards are limitless. "We do just about anything that anyone wants to do," says club president Jared Ward.



The club outings range from intimate back-packing groups of two or three to bonfire-worthy parties of 50 to 100. The most popular events — like white water rafting — guarantee some quality time with complete strangers. "You get to meet new people every time you do something with the club," says Ward.

The Outing Club holds several fund raisers through out the year to raise money for their many adventures. One of the favorites is the Cata Bus Pull. Here, teams of ten from different organizations compete to pull the monstrous buses furthest.



Bringing together such a diverse group of people requires a whole lot of 'working together. The club thrives on spontaneity. "The club attracts outgoing, make-the-best-of-it people," says Ward. "People who can have fun in the strangest situations. People who are flexible."

# Conquering the Outdoors





The Outing Club can only be described as an eclectic group of students and faculty who will do anything for a thrill. Whether it's jumping out of a perfectly good airplane, scaling a rock wall or just enjoying a really good sunset on a serene hillside... Outing Club members know what it takes to have a good time: flexibility.

In fact, the greatest thing about the club, according to club president Jared Ward, is the collective willingness to try new things. They don't limit themselves to any particular genre of activity.

"If you line the clubs up back to back, we're unique because we'll do anything and everything. We're not the ski club, or the rock climbing club or the skydiving club... but we do all of these things and more. If there's even the remotest interest... we've even had tailgate outings and hot tub parties," said Ward.

All you really need is twenty dollars (the two-semester dues) and a little bit of free time.

"We do just about anything that anyone wants to do, says Ward. "Meetings are... really just a forum for the members. If someone has an idea, we'll go with it." Past excursions have included everything from a pick-up game of roller hockey to a two week trip to the Cascades. Suggestions are made informally at their weekly meetings, recorded in the minutes, and distributed through email to all paid members. Members can then choose whether or not to participate, depending on personal tastes and schedules. The lack of rigidity is part of what makes the club so appealing to its more than 200 current members.

It would seem that combining such a large number of people with such an informal organizational method would result in utter chaos. However, the trips are numerous and diverse enough that just about everyone gets to do something, and nearly every trip is composed of a different collection of members.

"You get to meet new people every time you do something with the club," says Ward. "We get a lot of people who come in new, not knowing anyone, and they end up meeting people they'll know for the rest of their lives."

"The club attracts outgoing, make-the-best-of-it people," says Ward. "People who can have fun in the strangest situations. People who are flexible. It's really just about having fun...that's what we're all here for"

In order to attract these open-minded people, Outing Club members have extolled their zany reputation all around campus. Ward laughs as he describes their last recruitment effort.

"We went white water rafting down the Red Cedar. It was sort of a publicity stunt. When the water's high the rapids can get pretty good. We had some people handing out flyers on the bank and... I think it turned some heads," he says.

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### Total Relaxation

Are you stressed out? Do you have back problems, high blood pressure, asthma, arthritis, or are you just not as flexible as you used to be? If any of these apply to you, you should consider checking out the Yoga Club. With benefits ranging from better breath control to total relaxation to relief of chronic muscle and joint pain, yoga is an invigorating and safe method of exercise that anyone can practice. The Yoga Club, available to students for about 25 years, is the perfect opportunity to learn the workouts in a supportive, social atmosphere.

The club was originally designed by Clint Lockert, a yoga teacher in the Lansing area, to provide free yoga classes to the student community. After years of having one instructor teaching all of the classes, the club has progressed to having five different instructors rotate through the classes. The form of the club was changed to bring in different teachers throughout the semester, said Rich Illman, sponsor of the Yoga Club since 1990. This was to give students exposure to different methods and approaches to yoga.

As with any non-profit organization, the club has run into problems with money and funding. Since they don't have any dues or fees for their classes, and since they aren't funded by the University, alternative solutions were needed.

"Since I am on the faculty of the School of Music, we are able to use Hart Recital Hall for free," said Illman. "All of our mats and carpet squares

(used for padding on the wooden floor) have been donated."

Space has also been an issue, with class attendance numbering up to 25 people, but use of the recital hall eliminates those worries.

Unlike some workouts, yoga is as fun as it is healthful. When doing yoga, you are doing more than improving your current health; you are setting yourself up for a lifetime of better health. With a large focus on breathing exercises, an asthmatic can learn to control and lessen their asthma attacks. Some have even stopped them completely. The stretches and concentration on muscle discipline help you relax and relieve stress

Another good example of the benefits of yoga is Rich Illman's own "success story."

"I got into yoga originally because of a back problem. I was to the point that I could barely get out of bed in the morning. After attending one yoga class, it immediately started getting better. I have been attending ever since (for 14 years) and can now do anything I want without fear of back problems."

"I am confident," said Illman, "that the yoga I do now will prevent any further problems by both strengthening the muscles of my back and increasing its flexibility."

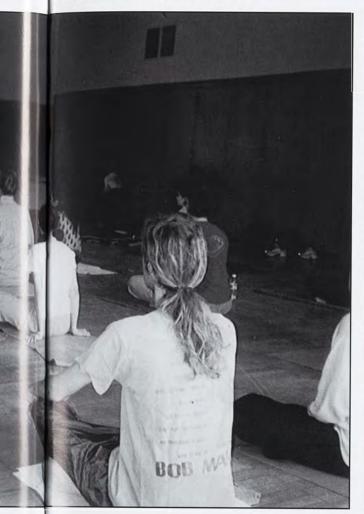
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Students stretch before beginning a yoga session. Yoga was a great way for students to increase their flexibility.

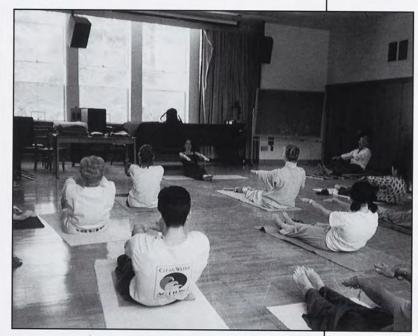
Members of the MSU Yoga Club meditate. The club provided studentsa chance to learn yoga in a supportive, social atmosphere. The workouts helped its members relieve muscle and joint pain.



Students raise their arms in the air in an effort to stretch before beginning a yoga session. The MSU Yoga Club provided students a workout that relaxed muscles and relieved stress. The Club helped its members improve their overall health.







Members of the MSU Yoga Club slowly recline during a workout. The club provided free yoga lessons to students. Yoga was an invorgating and safe method of excercise for many students.

Students Meditate during a yoga session. The MSU Yoga Club provided students a free chance to learn about yoga. The Club's members met in the Hart Recital Hall to workout in a supportive, social social atmosphere.



The women of MSU motion know how to look good even when they're not in motion. The group of women spent a lot of time together and grew to be very close friends.

The group gets together on the shores of Lake Michigan. MSU Motion spent some time at a summer camp in Milwaukee working to sharpen their moves. The women of Motion work very hard to ensure that each move is perfect — over nine hours were devoted each week to practicing.

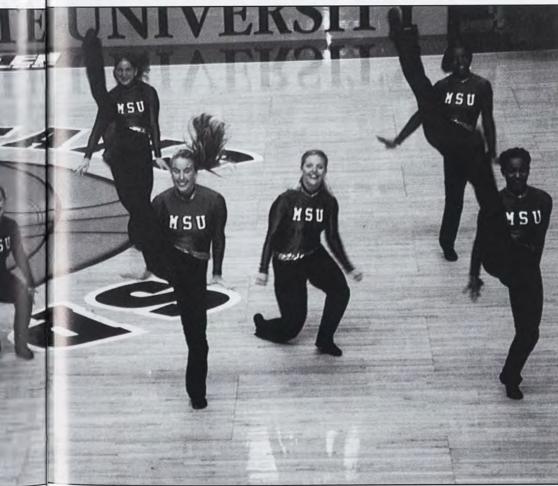




MSU motion moves to the music of the band during a home basketball game. The squad members perform at each game; they have become and important part of Spartan athletics.

### Dancin' Up a Storm





The women in MSU Motion share one common bond - their love for dancing. And it is that common interest that has brought this diverse group of dancers together to perform at basketball games, football games, alumni functions and special events. They perform with the band during timeouts, but they also have dance routines that they do on their own.

The members of Motion make up a very diverse group. Heidi Balatico, captain of the dance team, commented, "We come from all different backgrounds - different areas of the state and country. There's even a girl from California. There's a lot of diversity within our team, in regards to race, background, and sexuality."

Freshman cannot try out for the team because they already have a lot to adjust to, said Balatico. To be a member of the team, you need to be dedicated, have a lot of school spirit, and be willing to work hard. They practice for at least nine hours a week - three hours on Monday, Wednesday and Friday - and more when there is a competition. Their hard work has earned them a national ranking, but it adds pressure to practice, practice, practice.

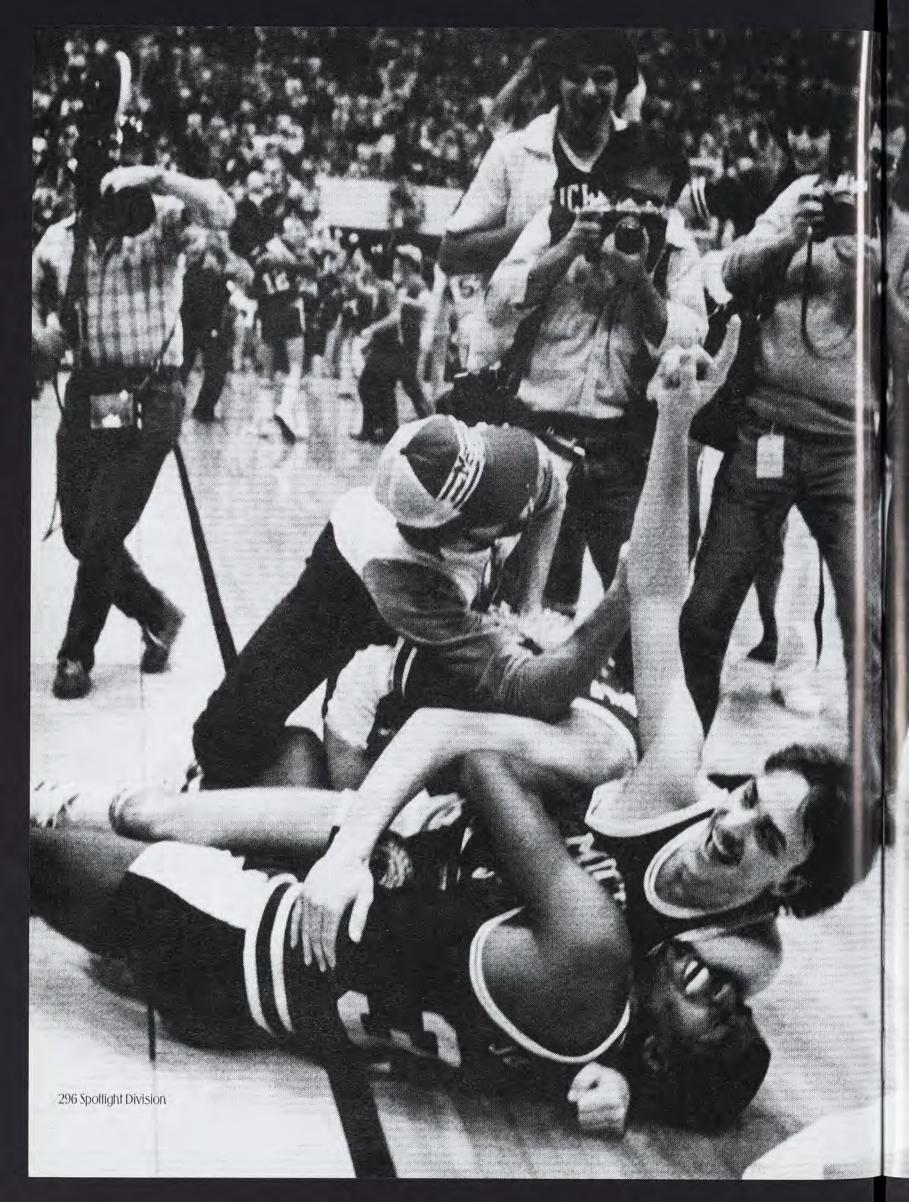
"We also stay over winter break and continue to practice after everyone else has gone home," commented Balatico. "It's a lot of hard work but it's fun."

Balatico said that a lot of the dancers had dancing experience at their high schools or from teams or studios in their hometowns. They continued dancing through Motion in college because they didn't want to throw away the fun that they had dancing.

"I predict that the program will keep going," said Balatico. "The university might start to recognize us more. I hope to gain the respect that we work so hard for; that people will know that we are... the MSU Dance Team."

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The squad performs for the crowd at the Jack Breslin Student Events Center during halftime of a basketball game. A new performance is put on at each game. This routine is one that was performed at a national competition.





# Spotlights

"After a certain number of years, our faces become our biographies."

-Cynthia Ozick







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## Spartan Scholar

something many students take for granted, but for Kristen wanted to learn something new." Swanson, being a Spartan means being the best she can be.

been able to acquire two degrees, maintain a remarkable grade point average and engage in a number of extra-curricular activities.

David and Beverly Swanson raised a future Spartan; Kristen Elizabeth Swanson of Clawson, Mich., always knew she was heading for green and white. Swanson's parents, both MSU alumni, have upheld a long-lasting tradition of school spirit, and, in the fall of 1996, Swanson entered MSU as a freshman majoring in communications.

Swanson's dedication to academics has enabled her to become one of MSU's elite students. Her eagerness to achieve allowed her to lead two sections of 40 students as a teaching assistant in COM 225. Swanson's love for school and passion for learning has helped her decide to make the most of the communication arts and sciences electives in order to fulfill the requirements of a second degree in human resource management. Swanson will be graduating in May 2000 with both degrees and an outstanding academic record.

Her scholastic achievements did not countries throughout go unnoticed. The Golden Key National Honors Society recognized Swanson as being in the top 15 percent hopes and a positive of juniors and seniors in regards to academic achievement. Recognized her junior year by the society, she enjoyed participating in the community service events that the group participated in. As a senior, Swanson is now secretary of the group and has made the society this year's focus. She is in charge of the group's involvement with the Lansing Rescue Mission and local volunteering.

Swanson's involvement in extra-curricular activities is not limited to the Golden Key. As a sophomore, the spirit of a true she became a member of the State Swing Society where she performed in a number of shows. One memorable performance took place when she, her partner, her instructor and Story By: his partner, danced the night away at the Ritz Carlton Hotel in Theodore Roumanis Detroit. The show helped raise money for the Michigan Red Cross and the applause Swanson received was unforgettable.

As a junior, Swanson's involvement in the State Swing Photos Compliments Society and Golden Key were fun, but not enough to satisfy of: Kristen Swanson her hunger for activity. She decided to join the MSU Outing

Getting the most out of educational opportunities is Club. Swanson has always been a city girl, but said, "I just

Swanson's most recent journey into the wilderness led In four years, the Michigan State University senior has her to the Shenandoah Valley in West Virginia. In the valley, MSU's they met up with the West Virginia University Outing Club to do some white-water rafting and rock climb-

> Swanson's involvement in extra-curricular activities goes unsurpassed, but she still finds time to carry two jobs. Swanson has worked at Gibson's Bookstore since her freshman year and said, "I love it there!" During her junior year, Swanson started working at the Health Care Fitness Center where she is able to exercise for free.

> Swanson's academic accomplishments and involvement in a diverse group of activities is what makes her stand out in a crowd. She says her key to success is simple: "Keep trying new things!"

> With all the schoolwork and activities, she enjoys time to unwind with her family and friends. Her brother Eric Swanson, a biological science sophomore, said, "We get along great. It's like we're best friends! She deserves the very best because she has worked hard all her life."

> After graduation in the May 2000, Swanson and her best friend Brooke Surd, a marketing senior at MSU and Golden

Key member, plan on taking a tour of 11 Europe.

Surd has high attitude about the trip: "It is going to be such a great time! We are so excited about it and I wouldn't want to do it with anybody else."

Swanson looks forward to moving on to bigger and better things after MSU, but she will always have Spartan.

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You can't split these two apart. Best friends since high school, Kristen Swanson and Brooke are all hugs.



## Beauty Comes From Within

In 1921, the first Miss America pageant was held and women around the nation began to dream about wearing the glamorous crown. Since then, the competition has grown to become the world's largest provider of scholarships and educational grants exclusively for women. Local and state pageants are the building blocks to achieving the state crown and entering the Miss America competition.

Leslie Reinbold, a junior majoring in journalism, is a local pageant winner and will be competing for the Miss Michigan title in June 2000. Currently, Reinbold holds the crown of Miss Farmington Oakland County and is active in all local state and national pageant were to be a state and national pageant.

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Originally from Saginaw, Reinbold is pursuing a career in broadcast-

ing and a Miss America Crown.

"She is so dedicated to her future plans. Together we understand that we need to stay focused in regards to our careers. We know each others needs and we help one another achieve our goals," said Reinbold's boyfriend James Seaman.

Reinbold works at Channel 12 in Flint as a newsroom assistant. She works three shifts a week and commutes from East Lansing. Reinbold has shown academic achievement and involvement in community and school related issues. She is a member of the Society of Professional Journalists, and works on improving the image of pageant life.

Pageants are focused on recognizing the beauty of women, according to Reinbold. They focus on internal exquisiteness, physical attractiveness and intellect. Local, state and national pageants evaluate their contestants in four different categories. The women participate in a talent area worth 40 percent of the competition, a swimwear category worth 15 percent, an eveningwear competition worth 15 percent and an interview session with judges worth 30 percent. All competitions are scholarship pageants in which the winner and contestants are allocated a sum of money for their hard work and attachment to the pageant system.

These pageants help women like Reinbold utilize their beauty, intellect and community service skills. Local area pageant queens participate in volunteer experiences also known as platforms. These platforms create the opportunity for women to focus in a certain area of volunteer work in order to maximize their time and effort put into community

service. Platforms last one year (the amount of time a pageant q een holds her crown).

The platform Reinbold has been involved in is HOPE, Helping Others Prevent Eating Disorders. Throughout the year, Reinbold participated in a number of activities to help spread the awareness of the disease. In February, Reinbold hosted a family awareness night in Farmington to help people understand the consequences of eating disorders. Reinbold also volunteered in the Coats for Kids program at a local rescue mission where she participated in Christmas and Santa Claus events.

Reinbold's academic achievements, active lifestyle and pageant success is helping her achieve her dreams. She believes in hard work, fun times and enjoying every opportunity life offers.

Reinbold put it best when she said, "The experiences I have had have been phenomenal. You see yourself grow in front of your very eyes. It's just such a wonderful time."

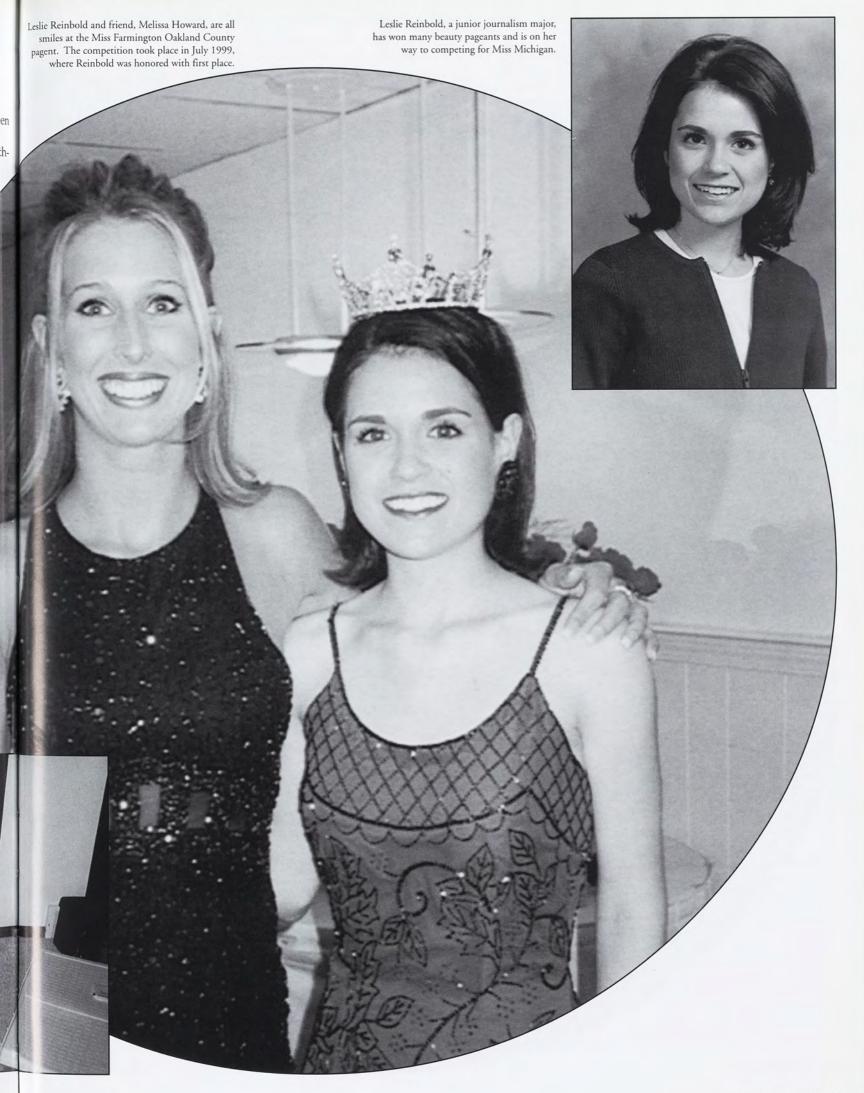
All of Reinbold's success and levelheadedness can be attributed to three very special people: her best friend Paige Kuebler, her boyfriend James Seaman and, of course, her mother.

"Leslie is such a caring and loving person who has a quality to make everyone smile. She dedicates 150 percent to everything she does, and that is why we have remained friends for so long," said Kuebler.

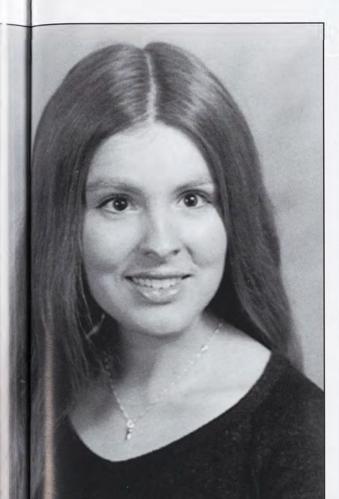
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Just hanging around! Leslie Reinbold and best friend Paige Kuebler have a "girls night in" earlier this year.







Anne Erickson is a Lansing native, but has travelled and achieved far more than the few, short miles to MSU.

Anne Erickson has a active social life and maintains perfect grades. A proud Spartan, she loves MSU's atmosphere.



# The key to Success

Imagine a Michigan State University student with an active social life, a clear idea of which way her future is headed, *and* a 4.0 grade point average.

It sounds nearly impossible, but this impossibility is a reality for Anne Erickson, a packaging senior. Because of her outstanding academic record, Erickson was awarded the Golden Key National Honor Society annual award, a scholarship for undergraduates in the top of the class.

Erickson graduated from Waverly High School in Lansing in 1997 within the top 10 students of her class. Her parents, Kenneth and Catherine Erickson, were educators at Waverly High School, and they, too, attended

Understanding the difficulties of college life, Erickson's parents said, "We are both so proud of Anne, mostly because she is such a kind-hearted and genuinely nice person."

Erickson loves the MSU campus, as well as the students who nake it unique. While maintaining perfect grades, Erickson still has time to enjoy the campus and all that MSU has to offer. She

is a member of Pi Kappa Gamma, an honors fraternity at MSU, and she even volunteered as a physics tutor.

In addition to academics and activities, Erickson even has time for an active social life. Erickson is an energetic sister in the Phi Mu sorority on campus. When she is not donating her time to social work to support her sorority, she is very active in her church. Erickson said, "Never underestimate the power of faith, family and friends!"

Erickson said that all of the classes she has taken at MSU have proved to be a different challenge for her. She has a passion for learning, and sees a difficult class as a challenging, yet necessary obstacle to overcome.

Erickson is looking forward to her time left at MSU, planning to maintain her academic success and extracurricular activities. With Erickson's sparkling personality and boundless intelligence, she is destined to become a success once she ventures into the career world.

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### Back to School

Susan Temere-Temerowski began her undergraduate work at MSU more than 25 years ago, but she is awaiting graduation for the second time at MSU. In 1974, Temere graduated from MSU with a degree in criminal justice, but now she is back as an undergraduate once again.

Temere, who drives to MSU from Milford, has endured a rocky path that finally led her to journalism. Upon her re-entry into MSU as an undergraduate, Temere said she had to undergo life-altering changes to get where she is now.

When she graduated in 1974, Temere was looking forward to a lucrative and exciting career in criminal justice. However, when she was out in the field, she realized the hard truth. Temere said she faced trouble in the male-dominated field and often had to endure painful discrimination because she was a female in a mostly male occupation.

"Only 13 percent of criminal justice workers across the country are females. And that number has remained stagnate since 1974," Temere said disappointedly.

She hoped a career with General Motors security would be promising. At the same time, she was working hard to obtain her master's degree in organizational communication from Wayne State University. Unfortunately, at General Motors, Temere was faced with the same painful discrimination. Twenty years into her career at GM, during a medical leave of absence, Temere was notified that she was terminated.

The discrimination in her occupation eventually led her to a dead end; Temere felt forced to leave criminal justice. After the harsh reality set in, Temere realized she had to find a new profession. She was immediately drawn back to MSU.

Even though her commute is lengthy for her Monday and Wednesday classes, Temere said, "The commute is actually what made me want to come back here. Going through all the farm country, Fowlerville and Webberville, is just soothing for me and helps me clear my mind."

Temere's sister Ellen Jacobson urged her to examine a career in educating. During the fall semester, Temere was teaching part-time at a college and attending MSU. Through the path to education, I mere happened upon journalism to fulfill one of her class requirements. She loved the energy and fast-paced way of life.

"I told her to think about what she had to do. She liked journalism, and I said it would be a good idea to go back to school to pursue this," said Jacobson.

Temere plans to continue her journalism education at MSU and sle is currently looking for a job as a reporter for a small daily newspoter.

But going back to school is a big adjustment for Temere. "The biggest adjustment is beginning a new career direction at square one at my age when my classmates are doing the same at an age of my sis-

ters' and brother's offspring. In fact, my niece and nephew are attending college currently. To put it another way, I am sitting in university classes with my niece's and nephew's age group starting out at square one when I should be in middle or upper management in my original career choices," Temere said. "Financially, returning to student life has been a huge adjustment too."

MSU is a little different than Temere remembers. Since her departure from MSU in 1974, Temere remarked on the many changes MSU has undergone. She said the buildings are much more beautiful than she remembered, but the campus is also more crowded with students. Another one of the great changes for Temere is the innovation of e-mail.

"It feels very good to feel a part of the university. I feel more connected to my journalism major as well as the university as a whole with the e-mail



system," Temere said. "Also the faculty seem more accessible and involved with the students than I remember."

Because of her lengthy commute and the time her courses require outside the classroom, she hasn't been able to spend much time with her parents and sisters. But Temere is very dedicated to her studies and hopes that journalism is the career path she is destined to take. Times have changed, but Susan Temere is moving along with them. When she first attended Michigan State in the 1970s, e-mail was unheard of, but Temere is trying her best to keep up with technology.

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## Senior Runs for Office

In grade school Matt Cowles played kickball. In middle school he won writing awards. In high school he joined the debate team. In college he did what was "recommended."

Upon his arrival at Michigan State University, the Northville native was told that it was important to become involved. So Cowles started asking more questions in his classes, formed study groups and even played the mellophone for the Spartan Marching Band. But Cowles wanted more. Though his first ambition was to be a doctor, the business administration and pre-law student would follow a different path.

"I've always loved helping people," he said, "I knew I had to do something like that. I thought, why not politics?"

On a whim, Cowles called the State Capitol and sealed an internship with then Senator Bob Geake.

"I got the chance to see firsthand what political Lansing is all about, and in the process became a recipient of invaluable institutional knowledge. Fortunately, I had a wonderful mentor. He inspired me greatly," Cowles said.

For two years, Cowles coupled his work as a legislative aid at the Capitol with his studies.

"I was being seen with a senator, networking with so many people, spending days on the floor at the State Capitol. I loved it, but I didn't have much spare time. I'd have died without my Franklin Planner," he said.

His yearning for the governmental lifestyle grew as his attendance at political events and parades increased. 23-year-old Cowles (young age for a Republican political candidate) did next what friends and family expected of him all along. He decided he would run for an elected office.

"I think people sensed my growing passion for politics. But more than that, I've always felt the need to try and be a voice for the people," said Cowles. "It just all seemed to come together. My Mom and Dad gave me the gifts of morals and integrity. They encouraged my interest in wanting to help others. They've been behind my endeavors from the very beginning."

In July 1999, Cowles began a trying and lengthy process; he appointed lifelong friend, MSU student Joshua Sabin, as his campaign manager, and together they began a crusade for Northville's 20th District House Seat. "It's been tough without a ton of money. I am, after all, a student. But it's about more than that," he said.

His campaign began with a public forum, a place where voters could meet and interact with Cowles about issues like education, taxes and Medicaid. Cowles's next step was to build voter support in order to win the August 2000 primary.

"Usually the candidate who wins the primary is the winner of the general election," he said.

> Cowles, who currently works with Senate Majority Leader Dan DeGrow, is no ordinary MSU student.

"He is counteracting the stereotype that our generation is politically indifferent," Sabin said

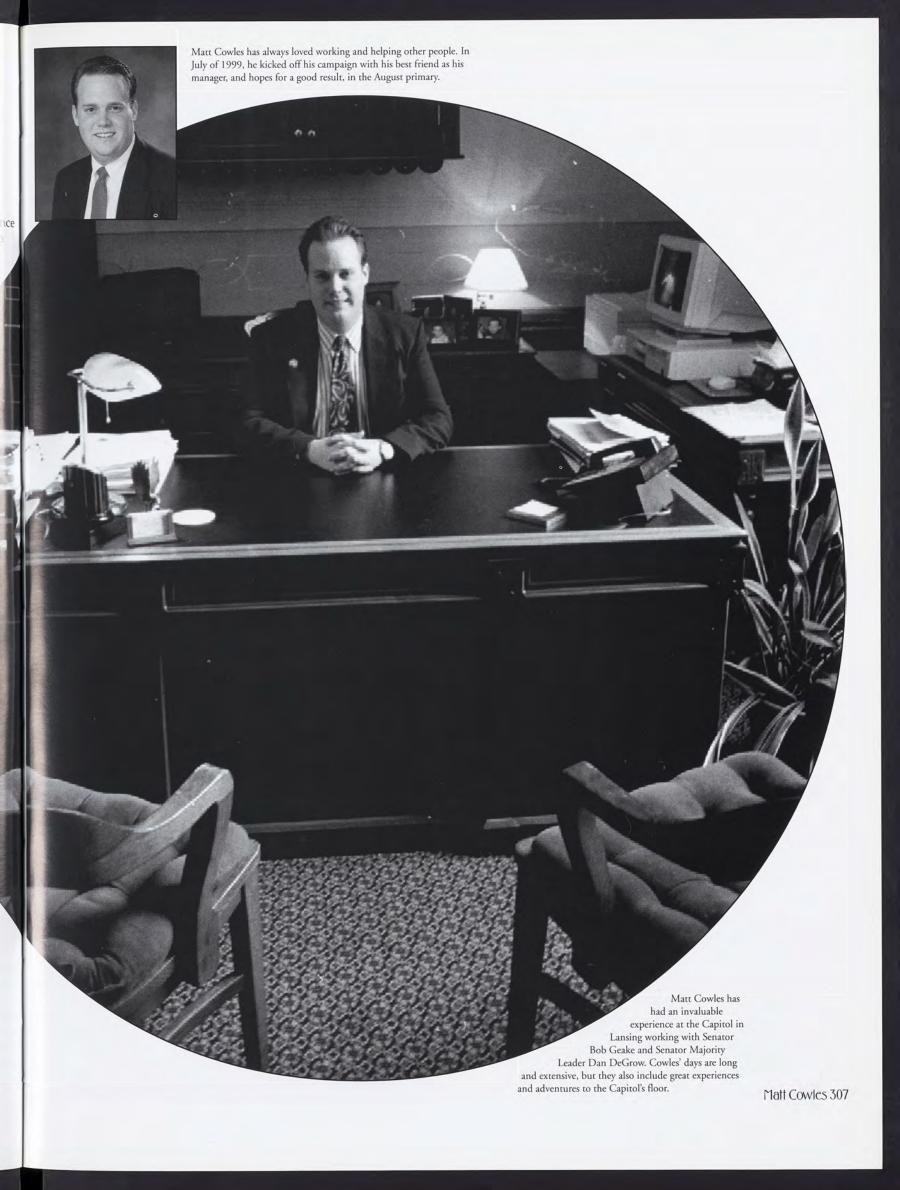
Cowles is, of course, hoping for a win. With his experience, dedication and determination, Cowles is on the road to a successful future in office.

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different activities and subjects through his education, but has found his home in politics. Matt hopes for a successful run for a seat on Northville's 20th District House Seat.

Matt Cowles has tried and explored many



# Soaring to the Top

She describes herself as driven, charismatic and happy, an understatement for political science sophomore Charissa Cherrington. Cherrington is active in the Airforce ROTC on campus which is why you might see her walking around campus in a uniform. She also stays busy with a variety of charitable activities.

"She is very energetic. She's very people-oriented, and she is developing into an excellent leader," said Capt. Kyle Petersen, Cherrington's ROTC instructor.

As part of the Airforce ROTC on campus, Cherrington participates in courses related to ROTC, the drill team and the Arnold Air Society. The Arnold Air Society members participate in weekly service projects such as campus clean-ups and Red Cross events. During the holidays, the society distributed Christmas gifts to disabled children in foster care.

Cherrington's list of community service activities does not end there. In 1999, Cherrington went on the Alternative Spring Break program to Merida, Mexico.

"It was just an absolutely overwhelming experience," she said. "I loved it, but I came back here and it was really hard. I love America, but everything is so loud and busy and things seem so insignificant. I just came back from a place where everyone was dying and they just wanted to hold your hand, no matter what language you speak."

For spring break 2000, Cherrington once again traveled to Mexico, this time as a site leader, supervising 40 others. They continued to work in the hospitals, orphanages and senior centers. And although Cherrington returned from spring break without much rest, she said she truly enjoys the experience.

Cherrington was also involved in the Virtual Sexuality program through Olin Health Center. As a member of the theater group, Cherrington traveled to residence halls to promote healthy relationships and safe sex.

When Cherrington is not on a mission serving

She describes herself as driven, charismatic and educating others, she is busy maintaining a grade point average above 3.0 at MSU. But MSU was not her first choice of universities to further her education.

"I didn't want to come to an agricultural college so close to home. But I came up here anyway. It took about a week until I fell in love. Now, I wouldn't leave MSU for anything. I love the campus, the people and the programs," said Cherrington.

Cherrington attends aerospace studies courses at MSU and "hard-core" field training as part of the ROTC program. Cherrington also works at the Aerospace Department on campus.

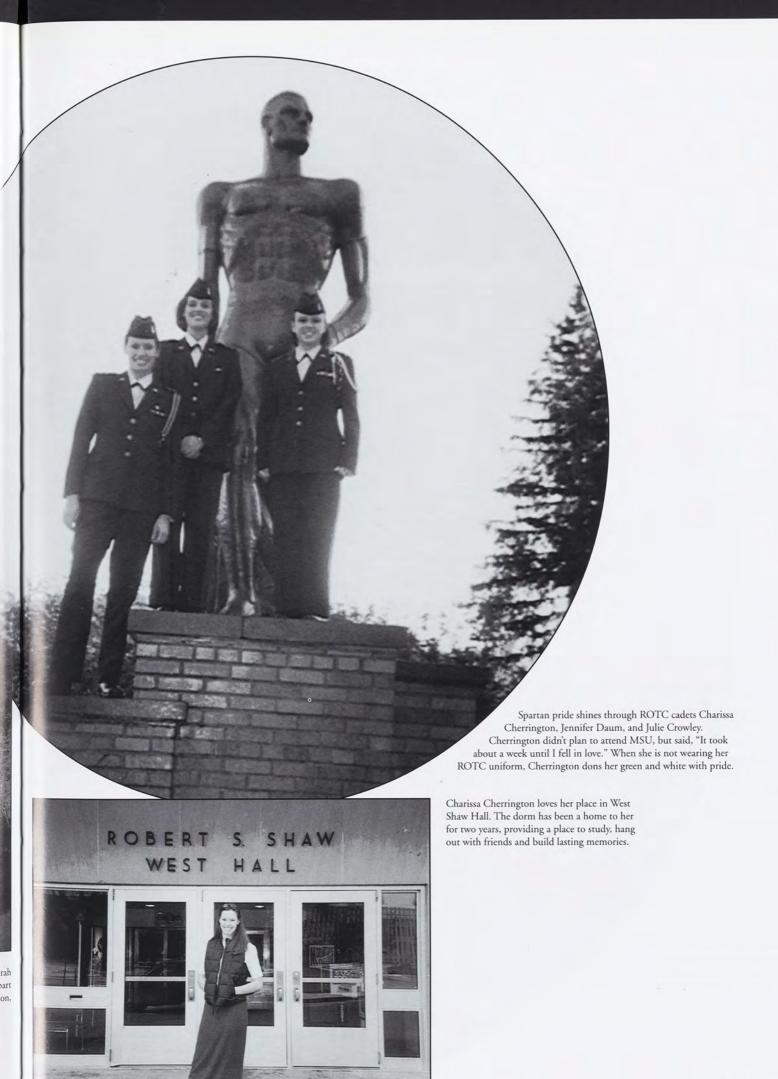
But still, Cherrington says she has an active social life, "I try to keep a wide array of friends, all over the country."

In December, Cherrington formally enlisted in the ROTC. After graduation, Cherrington will be in active duty for the ROTC for four years. She's excited because she might be soaring high, literally, in an Airforce plane.

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Spring Break means more than sunshine and sandy beaches to Charissa Cherrington and Sarah Birch. In 1999, the friends traveled to Merida, Mexico to work in hospitals and orphanages, as part of Alternative Spring Break. Although the experience was difficult, it was rewarding for Cherrington, so she went back in 2000.





# Crack that 'whip'

Whipple. But in the wrestling ring, he answers to something completely different. Everyone put your hands together for MSU's own, "Whipdog."

The 20-year-old marketing junior from Detroit has made becoming a professional wrestler his passion. When he was seven, the cheers that Hulk Hogan garnered in Wrestlemania III electrified young Whipdog. Something about 93,000 people cheering made him want the spotlight.

"Ever since then, I knew I wanted to be in the ring enthralling the fans," he said.

Two years ago, with the support of his friends and family, Whipdog began formal training at the Destroyers School of Professional Wrestling in Wayne, Mich. The building hosts the 6-foot-5, 251-pounder three times a week; his mission to go pro is nearing reality. With his mom as his biggest fan, Whipdog has completed the first step in his training, but still practices.

"I can never get enough practice," he

After training, he will then move on to the independent circuit. And from there, interested promoters sign on wrestlers to be part of the WCW or the WWF. Whipdog says his nose for connections and his website (www.msu.edu/~whippled) have been helpful in his quest for a promoter.

"Wrestling promoters have been e-mailing and calling me. And that is what I'll need to get known by as many people as possible. Lord willing, I'll be in the WCW or WWF by the time I gradu-

Why doesn't Whipdog wrestle for Michigan State? He says that he prefers to entertain. So does that mean professional wrestling is fake?

"I couldn't do an interview without being asked

He's listed in the campus directory as DeSean that question," he said. "I realize people are smarter about the wrestling business than they were ten years ago, so I will say that wrestling is predetermined, but it is not fake. By saying that wrestling is fake, there is an implication that no one gets hurt. But this isn't the case."

Whipdog says pro wrestling is different because it isn't about winning and losing. It's about giving the fans something good to watch.

"We thrive off of the energy they give, and, as wrestlers, we try to give it back to them. A big part of wrestling is cutting a promo. You need to speak and get your point across to

Whipdog just might be able to do that with his confident signature move, 'The Whiplash.'

"It's a move where I lift my opponent in the air for a powerbomb, and as I bring him to the ground I turn him over into a Boston crab submission hold to make him scream mercy."

Such powerful language might be misleading; in actuality, Whipdog defies those that might doubt the exceptional sweetness of his heart. One of his aims as president of the MSU club, Wrestler Insiders, is to fundraise in favor of the charity Toys for Tots. Last Christmas break, the club held a wrestling show where fans could make either a \$10 donation or bring a toy for admittance.

"Wrestling has always elated me. It combines unbelievable athleticism with great drama. It compiles everything I have always liked into one program. I want to be able to make people happy and excited just as wrestling did for me.'

Here's to hoping that one day soon MSU's Whipdog will don a championship belt.

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"A STRaight path never LEads any-WHERE EXCEPT TO THE OBJECTIVE." -Andre Gide







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Sarah Acmoody



Renee Adamkiewicz



Cathie Adams



Micah J. Adam



Paulette R. Adams



Carolyn Adler



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Maureen Albe



Nicole Alessandri



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Schrina Ali



Adam Allen



Heather Allen



ward to. The first senior class

of the millennium is filled with

anxiety as they complete their

final year at MSU, a place they

knowing that my time at MSU,

and my fun as a student, is al-

most over. Time flew by so fast

but I will always have the

memories, and the friends, that

I made in college," said dietet-

ics senior Suzanne Ratkewicz.

Ratkewicz said she'll miss

"Being a senior means

called home.



Neil Allen



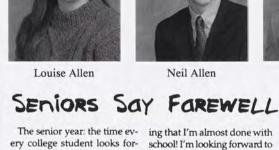
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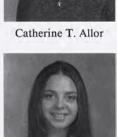








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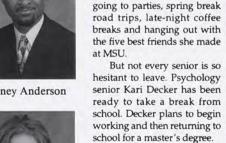
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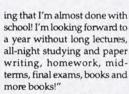


Courtney Anderson





Decker said, "The best thing about being a senior is know-



Some seniors are a little nervous about leaving the comforts of their "home" at MSU and entering the work force.

"I've lived here for four years and spent every day with my friends and now I have to move away, start from scratch and work in the real world," said accounting senior Matthew Hucal. "I'm excited, of course, but I guess I'm a little nervous at the same time."

Whether the members of the senior class of 2000 move on to graduate school, a new career or back to their parent's house, they will always remember the most exciting time of their life: their senior year at MSU.

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Class of 2000

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# The Class of 2000 Commences

Around 5,500 seniors stepped across the stage and prepared to venture into the real world after years of hard work and anticipation. The members of the first graduating class of 2000 have reached their goals and moved on to follow a new path.

On May, 5, the spring and summer class of 2000 was celebrated at a convocation in the Breslin Student Events Center, surrounded by families and friends of the graduates.

During the ceremony, the Board of Trustees GPA award winners, the national and international scholarships winners, the Senior Class Council and the honorary degree recipients were recognized. Graduates said farewell to their fellow classmates and wished them good luck in whichever path they choose to take.

Laura Sams, a zoology, fisheries and wildlife graduate captured the attention of the audience with a humorous address to remid students about the simple things in life and memories that they made during their time at MSU.

"All of us are graduating from college, and it has taken a lot of work to get to this day. So in the future, if someone asks you on a average day, 'What are you proud of?'... You should also feel free to say, 'You know what I did? I graduated from college. From Michigan State University.' Because that is a grand accomplishment. Good luck, and may the future greet you with open arms."

And although some chose to stand outside the Breslin Center in protest of actions surrounding of keynote speaker, James Wolfensohn, president of World Bank Group, the graduates enjoyed their moment in the spotlight, the day they had worked to attain for at least four long years.

"You always know the day is going to come, but you're never ready for it," said advertising graduate Todd Masters. "It's going to hard to say goodbye to MSU after it has given me the four greatest years of my life."

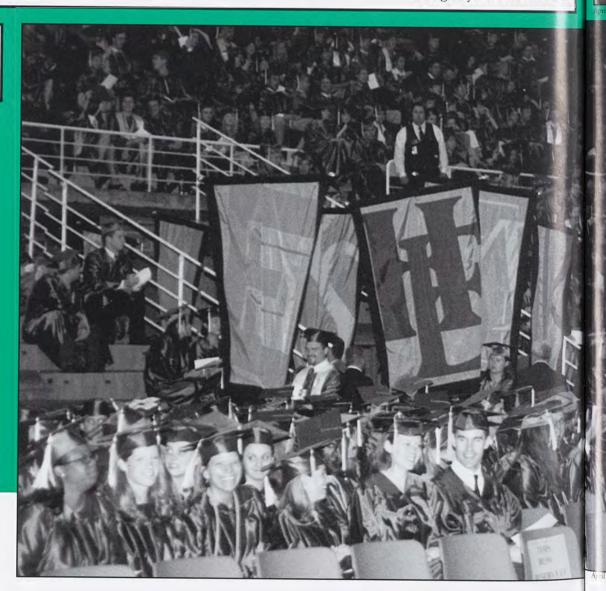
On May 5 and 6, each individual college also held a ceremony to honor their respective graduates with guest speakers and diploma distribution.

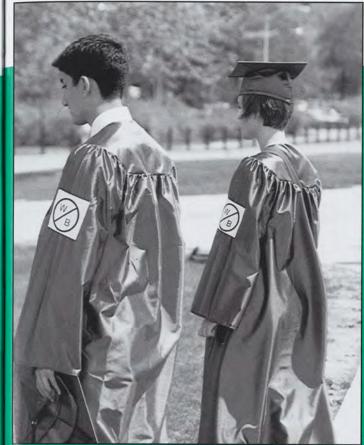
In December 1999, around 2,000 also received their diplomas and participated in a winter graduation ceremony.

And now it is time for the seniors to toss up their green caps and follow a new path. To the graduating class of 2000, congratulation, goodbye and good luck.

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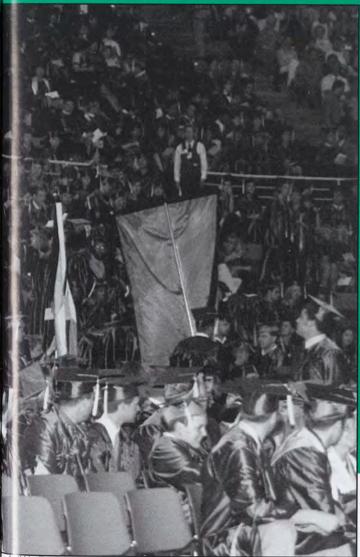
Flags of the different schools are proudly hoisted before a backdrop of Spartan Green clad graduates. Along with a multitude of flags flashed a thousand smiles as the graduates revelled in their big day - Graduation!





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Waiting outside the Breslin Center, two students display the anti-World Bank logos on their gowns. The guest speaker, World Bank President James Wolfensohn, created some controversy, but on the whole, the students responded well to, and enjoyed the day's events.

The brass section here, with the rest of the orchestra takes a break from playing during the procession. The Michigan State University Symphony Orchestra played for the graduation ceremony.



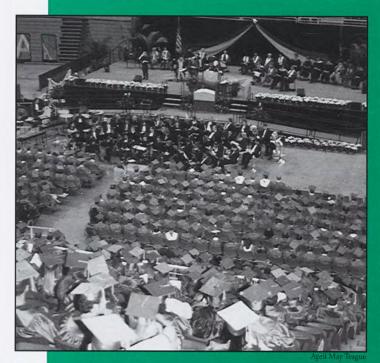
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The Spartan graduates of 2000 stand and applaud zoology, fisheries and wildlife graduate, Laura Sams. Sams' humorous and sentimental talk held the graduates spellbound and ended to a standing ovation.

Obviously hungry Advertising Majors, these two graduates have teamed up in order to send a commercial message to prospecive business owners in the audience. Morter board signs were not as common as at past graudations - but still were enjoyed by those in a position to see them.





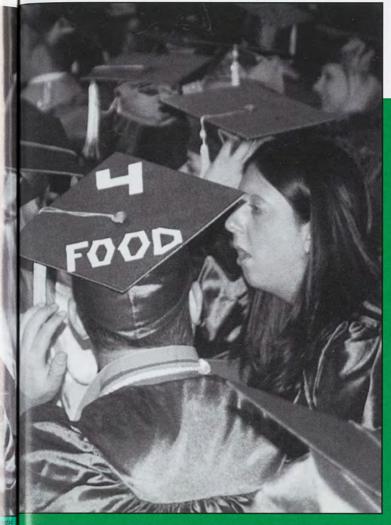
The graduating class listens to the guest keynote speaker at the Friday evening ceremony. In addition to the keynote speaker; 2000 graduate Laura Sams spoke and the MSU Orchestra played. Also during the ceremony, many award winners were honored.

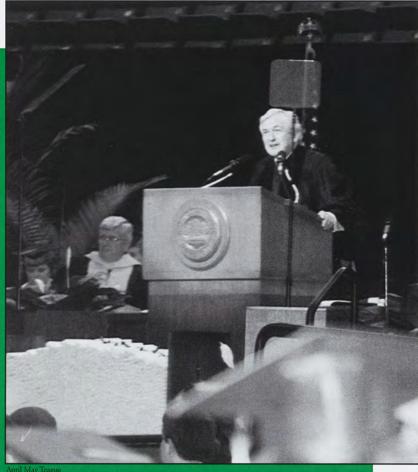
"Spank the Bank" was painted on to the proud chest of MSU's mascot 'Sparty' Thursday night.

Although the maintenance crew was quick to attack the graffiti, this graduate had time to capture the prankster's deed on film while her family stands to watch the cleaning.



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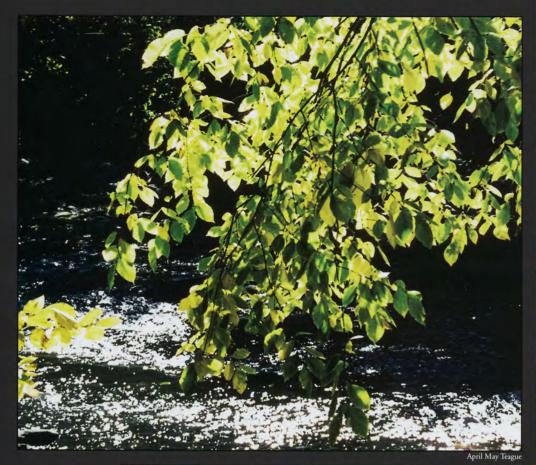






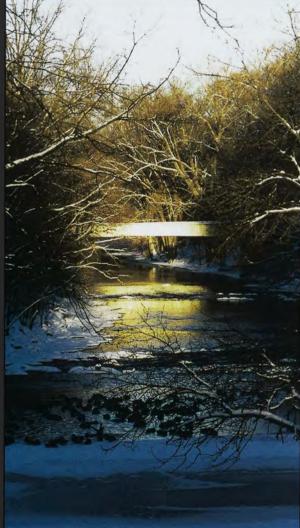
Walk the Walk. World Bank President James Wohlensohn received a less-than-cordial welcome from some of the graduates during the keynote speech Friday evening. Some graduates even got up and walked out. Wohlenson spoke about the opportunities in the world and defended the WB.

Signs of the times. Protesters of the World Bank made up placards to protest what many feel is the bank's insensitivity to world hunger. Despite the disappointment of some, the reaction to James Wohlensohn was nowhere as drastic as in Washington State or the Nation's Capitol.





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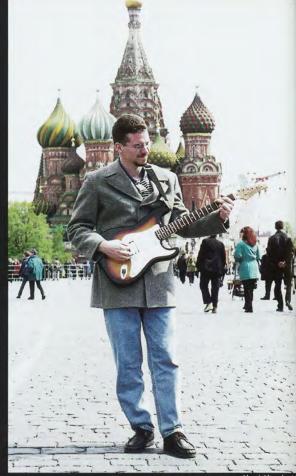






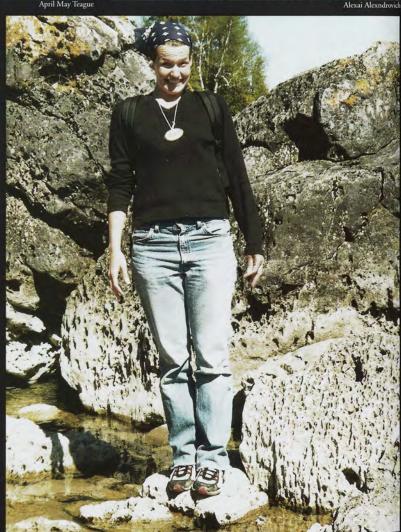
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n August 30, 1999, 33,864 people came back to a community known around the world for its academic excellence and record-setting sports teams. Nestled in the heart of Mid-Michigan, alongside the capital city lies what community locals refer to as "Spartan Country." For some it was a new beginning, a time to start over. For others it was just another day.

These personalities have bonded together over the course of 32 weeks to become one. They have shared a Citrus Bowl championship win, celebrated the new millennium, agonized over a winter season they thought would never end and cheered as a community for the NCAA championship title. Standing tall in green and white, these Spartans have been through it all.

On May 7, 2000 our graduates pack their bags to go their separate ways in the real world. In their luggage, each one carries a plethora of unique talents and skills to share with the corporate world, or wherever they choose to make their final destination. Congratulations to the class of 2000 and may the path you choose to lead be filled with success.

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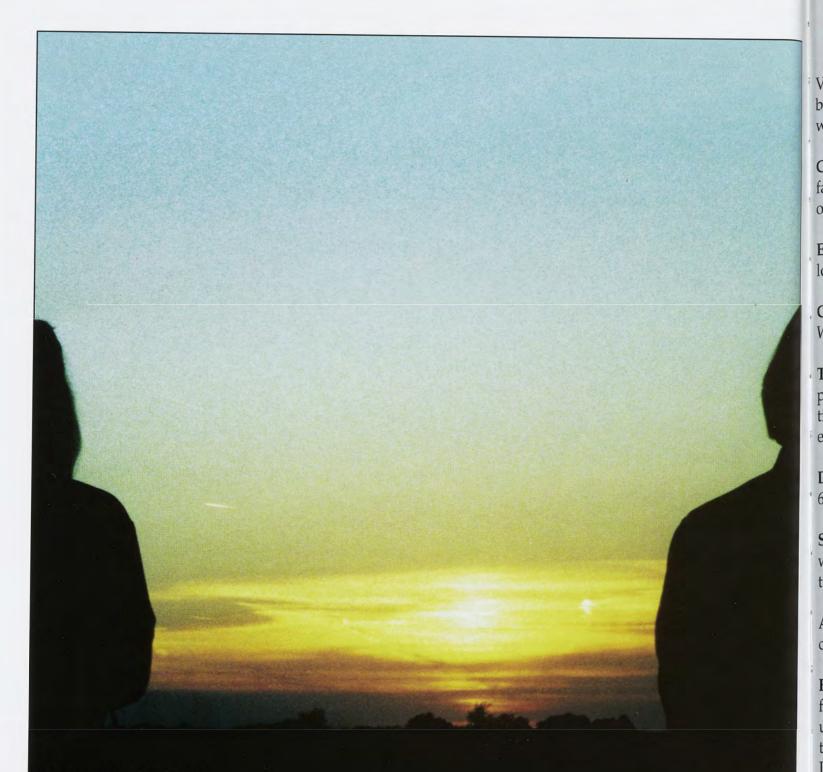


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**Staff:** The Red Cedar Log staff consisted of 21 students; 8 full time employees and 13 interns. Every Sunday evening staff meeting were held in 311a Student Services. The devoted staff put in endless hours to make a great book of memories.

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The staff grew from 11 in 1999 to 23 exceptionally motivated writers, photographers, designers and editors. The book, consisting of 411 pages of sports, organizations, Greeks, news and campus life, entailed numerous hours of hard work and sleepless nights to meet deadlines.

Staff meetings, lead by Editorin-Chief Rianne Jones and Business Manager Andrea Hopkins every Sunday night, became a time of stress release, creative brainstorming and funny stories.

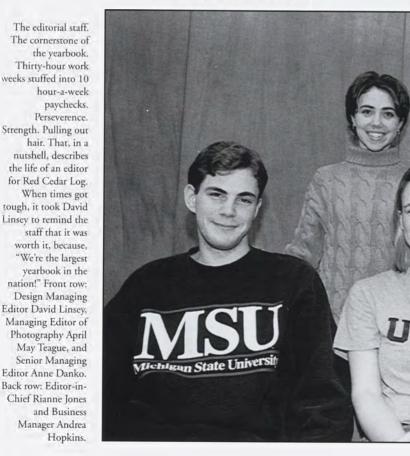
Senior Managing Editor Anne Danko assigned writers to one of three section editors, and together, they worked tirelessly to produce interesting stories. The photography staff, led by Managing Editor April May Teague, spent countless hours coordinating artistic pictures, chasing down photos and selecting the perfect shot to create a top notch book. Managing Editor Dave Linsey worked cooperatively with the design staff to choose themes and designs, hoping to generate an award-winning book.

"Having the largest yearbook in the nation is an amazing feeling, but I can't begin to explain our excitement in having such an enthusiastic, hard-working staff. We could not have done this without their dedication," Jones said. "It's been a great year."

Story By: Andrea Hopkins Design By: David Linsey For the first time all year, Red Cedar Log's photography staff was caught without their came as in tow. Beth Perrine and Jessica Williams-Carson put life essentials such as sleep and socializ tion aside to capture as much Spartan life on film as possible. Over 30,000 students divided by two photographers (and one editor) equals a heck of a lot of dedication on these women's parts.



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Exemplary writing skills and pristine phone abilities is what kept the writing staff on its toes. These students spent countless hours playing the phone-tag game, trying to track down honest sources and truthful information, and when that was over, they sat down to put their hearts into the stories they wrote. Kristen Dykema, Amanda Hensley, Sarah Bazetta, Ted Roumanis, Kirsten Fredricksen, and Emily Irvine.

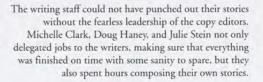


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Exciting stories and excellent photography isn't all there is to the book. It takes an intelligent layout team with fresh, innovitive ideas for giving the book its cutting-edge, wave-of-the-future look. The layout artists were the ones to experience true cunch time, because they couldn't start their jobs until everyone else's were done. Toni Koritnik, editor David Linsey, Robet Madsen, Becky McMath, and Katie Harper.





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The layout staff gets together before every weekly staff meeting to discuss what's new with layout and how much they love their photography and writing co-workers.



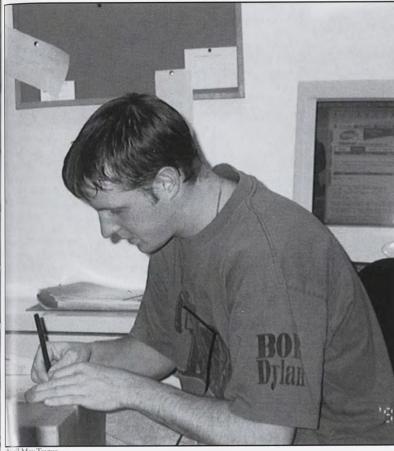


Kirsten Fredrickson talks with Anne Danko about her story quality. Fredrickson was known around the office as "the organizations queen" for her diligent work to get out stories on campus groups before deadline.

Another Sunday night at the Red Cedar Log office. Michelle Clark madly scribbles out her latest story and Shannon Murphy peruses the night's agenda, while David Linsey demands more money from Andrea Hopkins for a new scanner.



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Doug Haney scraps computer technology in favor of the good old pen and paper routine. No wonder he says he doesn't mind Macs...

Presenting...almost the entire Red Cedar Log staff at once! The event was so phenomenal that a photo had to be taken. Front row: Julie Stein, Katie Harper, Toni Koritnik, Rianne Jones, Anne Danko, Jessica Williams-Carson, Andrea Hopkins, Emily Irvine, and Ted Roumanis. Back row: David Linsey, Robert Madsen, Beth Perrine, Michelle Clark, Sarah Carpenter, Amanda Hensley, Kirsten Fredrickson, Kristen Dykema, Shannon Murphy, Steve Soldwedel, and April May Teague.



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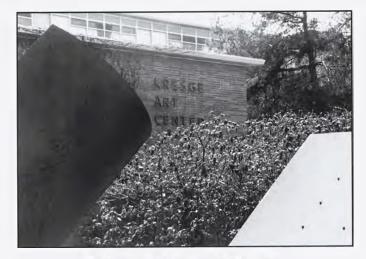
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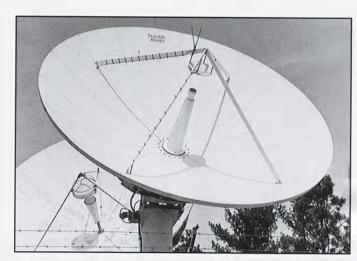
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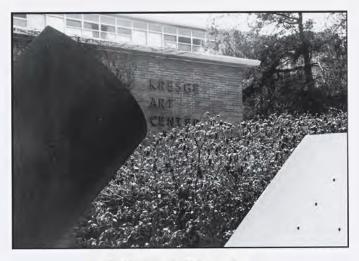
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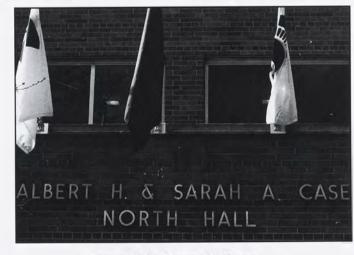


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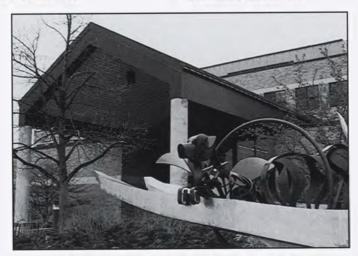
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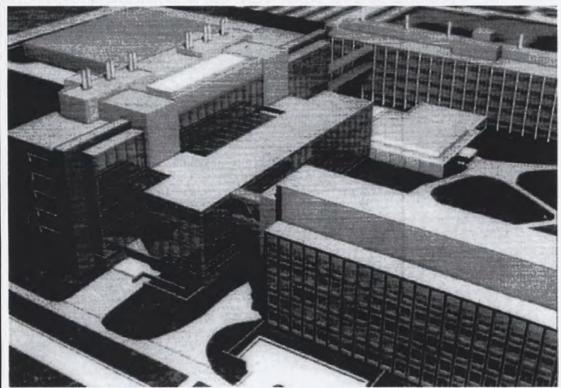
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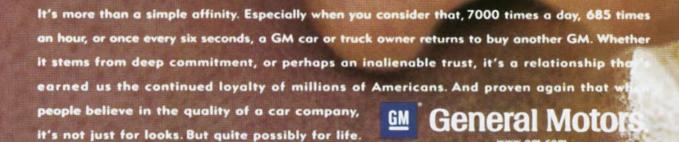
















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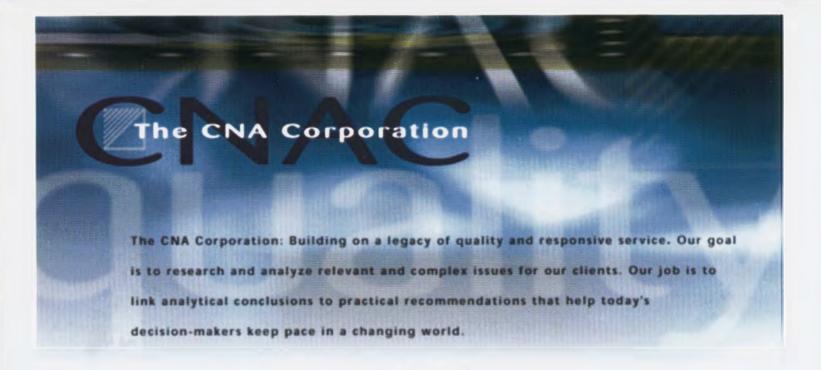
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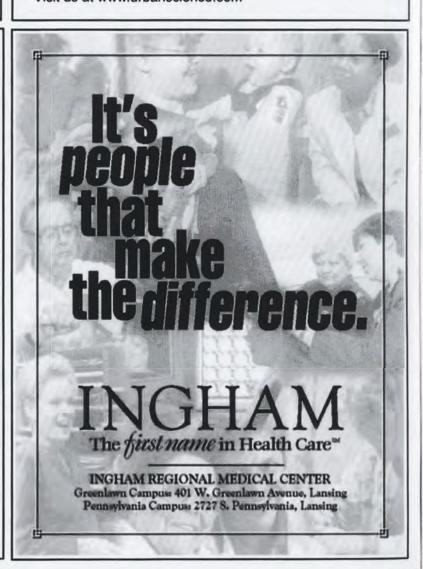
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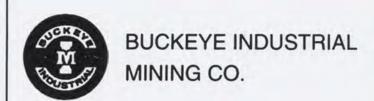


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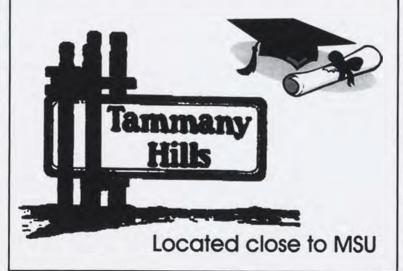
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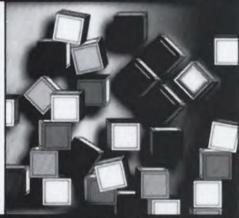
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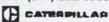
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# A Championship Celebration

A sea of green and white met the men's basketball team as they entered the Jenison Fieldhouse. Almost 1,000 students and fans crowded into the gymnasium to send off the Spartan players to the NCAA Final Four in style. The Office of Student Life sponsored the pep rally which allowed MSU President M. Peter McPherson, Coach Tom Izzo, and the team leaders a chance to address the stu-

"The pep assembly was great," said dietetics freshman Stacey Chappa, "It showed the huge amount of student support. It was a good way to send them off to the Final Four."

The event kicked off the men's basketball team's trip to Indianapolis and their road to the Final Four and NCAA Championship games.

The Spartans had entered the NCAA Tournament as the Midwest Region's number one seed, but they had a long journey to the championship game. Their successful tournament run included wins over the 16th-seeded Valparaiso, eighth seeded Utah, fourth seeded Syracuse, and second seeded Iowa State.

Michigan State once again displayed its dominate level of play as it advanced for the second straight year to the NCAA Final Four. For the 2000 Final Four battle, the Spartans hoped to apply the lessons they had learned in last year's 68-62 loss to Duke.

"There's no better sporting event than the Final Four. I feel extremely fortunate to have a team involved in backto-back Final Fours," said Coach Izzo.

Despite the team's current success, MSU has earned only one NCAA Championship. That title came with the defeat of Indiana State back in 1979. That championship game was held in Salt Lake City and featured the legendary players Greg Kelser and Earvin "Magic" Johnson.

Hoping to repeat history, the last obstacle between the Spartans and the championship game was their fellow Big Ten Conference team from the University of Wisconsin. The Badgers, known for their unbeatable defense and slow-it-down offense, had been beaten by Izzo and his crew twice in the regular season and again in the Big Ten Tournament. Entering the Final Four match-up, Michigan State was ready to continue that tradition with a fourth win.

With child development senior Morris Peterson leading the way with 20 points, Michigan State pulled ahead of the Badgers to eventually win 53-41.

Now only one team stood between MSU and the ultimate prize. The Spartans faced Florida, the South Region's number five seed, in the championship game. Florida had prevailed over North Carolina to advance to their school's first ever appearance in a NCAA championship game. The Gators were comprised of numerous young and talented players. Head Coach Billy Donovan led the team along with sophomore guard Brett Nelson, sophomore center Udonis Haslem, and sophomore forward Mike Miller.

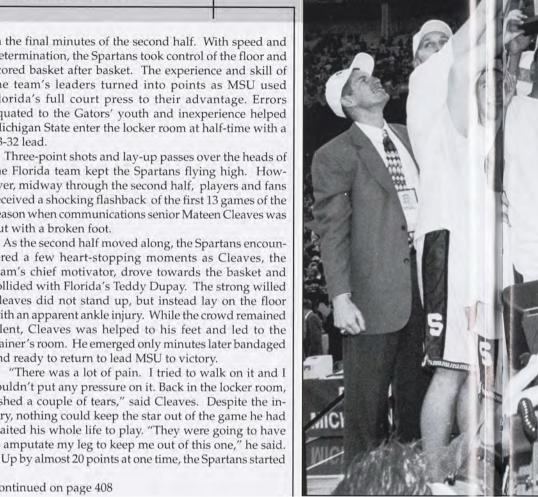
As Michigan State scored the first basket, the team never lost momentum. Unlike earlier games in the tournament, the players were not content to slowly come alive in the final minutes of the second half. With speed and determination, the Spartans took control of the floor and scored basket after basket. The experience and skill of the team's leaders turned into points as MSU used Florida's full court press to their advantage. Errors equated to the Gators' youth and inexperience helped Michigan State enter the locker room at half-time with a

Three-point shots and lay-up passes over the heads of the Florida team kept the Spartans flying high. However, midway through the second half, players and fans received a shocking flashback of the first 13 games of the season when communications senior Mateen Cleaves was out with a broken foot.

As the second half moved along, the Spartans encountered a few heart-stopping moments as Cleaves, the team's chief motivator, drove towards the basket and collided with Florida's Teddy Dupay. The strong willed Cleaves did not stand up, but instead lay on the floor with an apparent ankle injury. While the crowd remained silent, Cleaves was helped to his feet and led to the trainer's room. He emerged only minutes later bandaged and ready to return to lead MSU to victory.

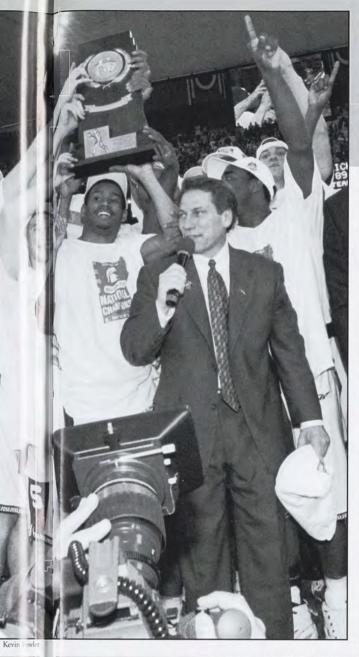
"There was a lot of pain. I tried to walk on it and I couldn't put any pressure on it. Back in the locker room, I shed a couple of tears," said Cleaves. Despite the injury, nothing could keep the star out of the game he had waited his whole life to play. "They were going to have to amputate my leg to keep me out of this one," he said.

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Former Spartans Earvin "Magic" Johnson and Steve Smith celebrate MSU's victory over the Florida Gators. Michigan State defeated the Gators 89-76 to win the NCAA National Championship. It was the schools second NCAA Championship title. The first was earned by Johnson back in 1979 over Indiana State.



The men's basketball team celebrates their NCAA National Championship victory. MSU earned the title after a 89-76 victory over the Florida Gators in Indianapolis. It was only the second Spartan men's basketball NCAA Championship title in the school's history.

The men's basketball team's senior leader Mateen Cleaves is hugged by his mother after wining the NCAA Championship game. Cleaves sat out the first part of the season after having foot surgery, but played a crucial role in the team's success. The Spartans defeated the Florida Gators 89-76 to win the NCAA Championship title.



Kevin Fowler



Michigan State cheerleaders pump up the fans before the NCAA Championship game. The Spartans went on to win the national title over the Florida Gators 89-76. This was the school's second NCAA National title, the last one earned in 1979.

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to enjoy their accomplishment as the final minutes of the game ticked away. An outstanding performance by the seniors and fellow players earned Michigan State the coveted win. Peterson scored a game-high 21 points while marketing senior A. J. Granger totaled 19. Cleaves also added 18 points and four assists. Due to his superior leadership and style of play, Cleaves was named the Final Four Most Outstanding Player.

"These guys were incredible," Coach Izzo praised, "I don't know how I can make everybody believe how special they are to me. They've done an incredible job of helping build this program, and hopefully they'll be great alums and come back and teach the guys what they did so gallantly tonight. And that was, to play with as big a heart and as good an effort as I've ever seen."

As Michigan State's team celebrated their triumphant victory in the RCA Dome in Indianapolis, an estimated 15,000 people poured onto Grand River Avenue and Cedar Village in East Lansing. It was a joyful and peaceful celebration for everyone associated with MSU.

Peterson summed up the feeling when he told fans during the championship rally, "It's a great day to be a Spartan!"

Story By: Kristin Dykema and Emily Irvine Design By: David Linsey

Senior basketball players Mateen Cleaves and Morris Peterson wave to the crowd at the NCAA National Championship Parade. MSU defeated the Florida Gators 89-76 to win the school's second ever national men's basketball title. The senior leadership played a crucial role in the championship

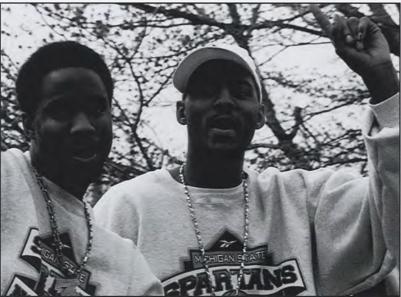
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Students celebrate in the Breslin Center after the championship game. The Breslin Center showed the NCAA Champion ship game on the big screen. The Spartans earned the NCAA National Championship title after defeating the Florida Gator 89-76 in the final game.



April May Teag

Students gather on top of Campbell Hall to watch the men's basketball team pass in the celebration parade. The students celebrated in a responsible manner after MSU won the NCAA National Championship. The Spartans defeated the Florida Gators 89-76 to earn the championship title.



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The men's basketball team holds a pep rally in Spartan Stadium after wining the 1999-2000 NCAA National Championship title. The players received a parade and pep rally on returning from Indianapolis after earning the coveted win.



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To the Class of 2000:

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The milestones of this year, however, are not just about the turn of the clock.

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This year, we celebrated. We watched a very determined group of student athletes and a passionate coach refuse to lose in matchup after matchup, and finally we cheered that special team on to a national champion-ship in basketball. The images will remain with us for a long time, and the joy we shared with our campus, our state and the nation is immeasurable.

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As we close this milestone year, I think back to a description of our university I heard at last spring's commencement address by humanitarian Elie Wiesel. He was mightily impressed with the spirit he felt on our campus.

"I have rarely been at a place where men and women speak about their alma mater with such glory, fervor, and pride," he said to us that day.

This has been a year to remember. Indeed, we are proud to be Spartans.

Sincerely,

Peter McPherson

President

