# Speaker offers glimpse into 21st century

Imagine your life if you had been born 100 years from now..or can you? While you're trying to see your future after your graduation, others are envisioning alternative destinies for mankind and the environment-entirely new social orders in an increasingly high-tech world. This is the stuff of science fiction writers, and what Bruce Sterling makes it his business

On Thursday, Oct. 3, join Bruce Sterling as he takes you on a fantastic journey, catapulting you into "A Day

in the Life of the 21st Century." This daring young visionary in science fiction writing will give you a glimpse into the coming millennium and how it relates to Chaos Theory, corporate management structure, ecological modeling and radical politics.

As a key player in a new radical movement in science fiction, Sterling has been dubbed "Chairman Bruce. When this new breed of authors began to emerge, they were given labels as incredible as Neuromantics, Outlaw Technologists and Mirrorshades

Group, but the name that seemed to stick was Cyberpunk. In the words of Sterling himself, these reformers of science fiction "take their inspiration from contemporary state-of-the-art tech; from cybernetics, genetics, neurochemistry, ecology. They are fascinated by the trademark collision of high-tech and pop culture, and by the strange enclaves where 'the street finds its own use for things'. Cyberpunk belongs to a decade marked by satellite rock concerts, Sony Walkmans, and home computer networkstower of science into snazzy condo-

Bruce Sterling received his degree in journalism from the University of Texas at Austin in 1976. To date, he has authored four science fiction novels: Involution Ocean, The Artificial Kid, Schismatrix and Islands in the Net. He is currently collaborating on a fifth with author William Gibson titled Difference Engine. Other accomplishments include authoring two short story collections, composing

several book introductions and writing a regular column for Science Fiction Eye, a critical magazine. Sterling is also the editor of Mirrorshades: the Cyberpunk Anthology, an anthology of eleven authors which is considered the definitive statement of the Cyberpunk literary movement in 80's science fiction.

Let Bruce Sterling take you on a dazzling run through today into tomorrow - experience "A Day in the Life of the 21st Century", Thursday, Oct. 3 at 7:30 p.m. in Perreault Hall.

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# Career Day hints for the undecided student

by Renee LaFountain Class of '93

For those of you who are unsure of what to major in, Career Day (Thursday, October 3) affords the perfect

of information in a short time. To make it even easier for you, this article will highlight those sessions that may be most helpful to you in learning more about your options

On the general side, the sesion entitled "Knowing Your Skills and Interests" (A1, A7), will get you on by teaching you to focus in on your

More specifically, the following sessions will make you more aware of your options, field by field (or major Science Majors" (A4). "Out of the Ordinary Careers by WPI Graduates" (B5), "Making the Right Decision -Sales, Engineering, Management" (C1), "Professional Degrees - Law, Medicine" (C3), and "Opportunities by Major" (D4). These sessions will be led by WPI Alumni and faculty.

For more specific information on these and other sessions, and/or to register for Career Day, refer to the

Newspeak --- Extra you received in your mailbox last week. If you have "misplaced" this, or have any questions, call Mary Beth Harrity, Director of Co-op/MSP at 831-5012.

\*\*NOTE: THERE ARE NO CLASSES ON CAREER DAY AND THIS PROGRAM IS FREE OF CHARGE TO ALL STUDENTS!!!

# Freshmen douse sophomores in Rope Pull



A sophomore jumps into Institute Pond after losing the rope pull to the freshmen last Saturday.

## Bedsheet volleyball proceeds to aid Horvath

by Jennifer Croft Class of '94

Starting the night of Tuesday October 8, ΦΣΣ/TKE will host their 2nd annual Bedsheet Volleyball Tournament. The tournament, which will continue throughout the next day, will benefit Donors for Douglas Horvath. Douglas Horvath is a Sophomore Environmental Engineering major who has been diagnosed with aplastic anemia. As a result he is in need of a bone marrow transplant. 100% of the proceeds will go towards the campaign to find a donor.

The tournament will be run at Harrington Aud. & Alumni Gym. between 7:00PM and 10:00PM on Tuesday and on the Quad between 9:00AM and 4:30PM, Wednesday. There will be a \$100 Grand Prize as well as T-shirts, all Door Prizes to be donated by local sponsors.

Entry fees wil be \$15 per individual team or club and \$100 donation per fraternity for 2 teams. If interested please contact box #2958 or #236 before Friday October 4th.

the right track in your search process own individual goals (likes, dislikes, values, priorities)

by major): "Career Paths of Math and

#### Faculty Fellows Program Presidential

from the Office of Media Affairs for President Bush

The President today announced a new award program that will recognize, honor, and support outstanding young scientists and engineers in America's colleges and universities. Known as the Presidential Faculty Fellows (PFF) Program, it will provide awardees with \$100,000 each year for five years.

By supporting young faculty members in science and engineering, the program will foster innovative and far-reaching developments in science and technology, increase the attractiveness of careers in science and engineering, recognize the interdependence of teaching and research in achieving excellence, and highlight the importance of science and technology to the nation's future.

The program has the following features:

\* Nominees will be judged on the basis of their competence and leadership in research, as demonstrated by their research accomplishments, publications, recognition by the community, and other noteworthy achievements, and on the basis of their competence and leadership in teaching, as evidenced by the design of new courses and curricula, published books and articles, service to the community, and other important educational contributions.

\* Up to 30 PFF awards are planned each year, to be divided equally between engineering and science disciplines. Nominees may work in any discipline of science or engineering

normally supported by the National Science Foundation. Recipients may use the awards for research and teaching purposes as they decide.

The President or Chief Academic Officer of any U.S. university or college offering a baccalaureate or graduate degree in science or engineering may nominate up to two young faculty members who have

received their first faculty position within the last four years.

The National Science Foundation will manage the program, administer the evaluation process, and fund the awards, with final award decisions being made by the White House. The first awards will be made in Fiscal Year 1992.

# SGA positions available

by Ellen Madigan Class of '92 President of Student Government

As you probably know, last week we held elections for the twentyseven on and off campus senators. Unfortunately, not enough students from off campus ran for senator positions, so therefore there are still two vacant senate seats. If you live offcampus, and you have an interest in

Student Government, please contact me as soon as possible. Instead of having another election for these two positions, I will nominate names to the SGA senate for approval. Take this final opportunity to get involved..it may be the best thing you'll do for your future! Feel free to drop me a note (Box 1257) or give me a call (831-5040) if you think SGA is the thing for you.

# Centennial Walkway becomes a reality



PEAK STAFF PHOTO / BYRON RAYMOND The Centennial Walkway was dedicated at Homecoming by many speakers and the WPI band.

# Islamic way of life described

by the Muslim Student Association

Islam provides definite guidelines for all peoples to follow in all walks of life. The guidance it gives is comprehensive and includes the social, economic, political, moral and spiritual aspects of life. The Quran reminds man of the purpose of his life on earth, of his duties and obligations towards himself, his kith and kin, his community, his fellow human beings and his Creator. Man is given fundamental guidelines about a purposeful life and then he is left with the challenge with

human existence before him so that he might put these high ideals into practice. In Islam, man's life is a wholesome, integrated unit and not a collection of fragmented, competetive parts. The scared and secular are not separate parts of man: they are united in the nature of being human.

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# **NEED A JOB?**

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The WPI Alumni Office is seeking student telemarketers interested in working flexible hours, earning competitive wages and making contacts with WPI alumni.

If you'd like to gain valuable telemarketing experience and are interested in working during B-term, contact the Alumni Office this week at 831-5073.



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#### SPORTS

## Men's Soccer annihilates Assumption and Anna Maria

by Gregory Humora Class of '92

"We scored a PLETHORA of goals!", exclaimed senior defender Dan Howe after the game. 10 different people figured in the scoring last Wednesday night as WPI trounced Assumption 7-0 for their home opener, and improved to 5-1 on the season. Senior captain Greg Tucker was the only person to score more than once, he had two. Other scorers were Brian Boucher, Jeremy Dieterle, Bruce Army, and freshmen Craig Boucher (Brian's brother), and Matt Dawson. Two freshmen also had assists Brian Hazzard and Tucker Griffith, off of a corner kick headed in by Army. Senior Greg

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Humora and two freshmen, Chris Michaud and Jon Osborn combined 9 saves for the shutout. It was Worcester's fourth win in a row.

Three days before WPI rolled over Anna Maria 5-0. But, the biggest win of the season so far came last Friday night when the Engineers used three second half goals to ruin the undefeated record (3-0) of Coast Guard on their home pitch in front of 300 insulting cadets. The cadets provided most of the amusement for the evening with some key one liners:

to captian Greg Tucker - "Greg we need a leader"

to Scott Doughty - "Nice pass Donut" to Mark Bananno - "Hey Bananno, are you a fruit or a vegetable?"

"You don't have to!"

The victory over Coast Guard improved WPI's standings in the Constitution Athletic Conference to 2-0.

Also, last week WPI recieved votes in the

Div. III, New England soccer poll. The Engineers are averaging 4 goals a game while conceding 0.83, outscoring the opponent 24-5.

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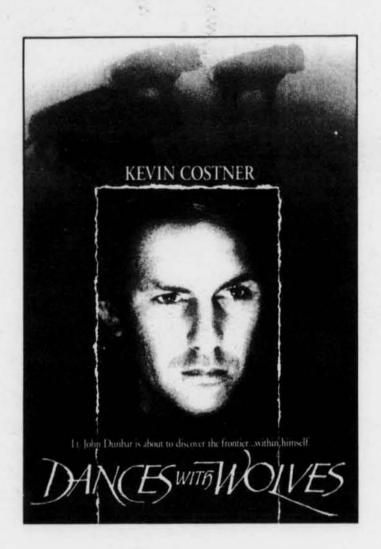
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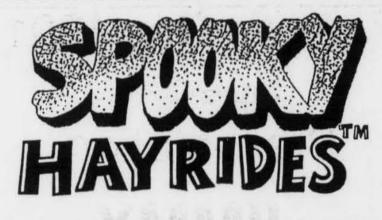
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**SPORTS** 

# Women's Cross Country on a roll; 2-0

by John Grossi Newspeak Staff

The women's Cross Country were on a roll with their win over Babson and Framingham State on Saturday the 21st. The women were 2-0 as they headed into the city meet this past Saturday.

The meet was at W.P.I.'s own course in Holden on that autumn day. The women decried all competition by taking nine out of the top ten spots. The order of finish for the three point one mile course was; 1 Bremco 21:45, 2 Clifton 21:49, 3 Carraway 22:45, 4 Daly, S. 23:25, 5 McKenna 23:32, 7 Harmon 23:43, 8 Daly, K. 24:01, 9 Hill 24:38, 10 McQueeny 24:42. The rest of the girls finished in the following order; Clifford, DeLuca, Benson, Clouart, Cherko.

The women go into the city meet with high hopes as they attempt to keep their winning ways alive. The city meet is between the college's in Worcester that have Cross Country teams. The women look to beat the field.

On Saturday, the 28th the women come up short in close race with Holy Cross. They now go to 2-1 but still managed to show Division I Holy Cross what running was. Chris Clifton won the race with a time of 21:44 and was well ahead of the competition. The next W.P.I. women was fifth and was Det Carraway with a time of 22:38. The remaining scorers for WPI were Bremer, Sue Daly, and McQueeny. Following them in order of finish was Karen Daly, McKenna, Hill, Clouart, Jennings, DeLuca, and Benson. Coach Savilonis should be proud at the strong showing his women made against such a strong competition, as Holy Cross. Clark and Worcester State were in the race.

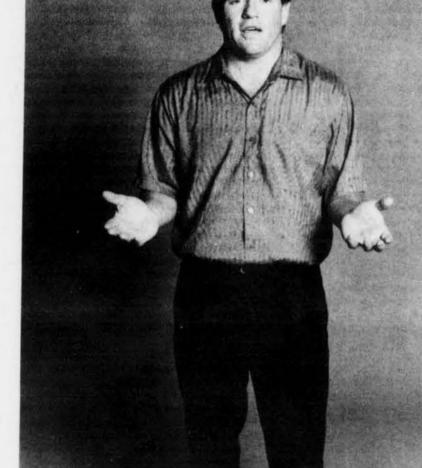
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#### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

# Colorblind philosophy could be a serious misjudgement

In his open letter in the September 24, 1991 issue of Newspeak, Jason Makofsky raises several interesting points. As the title "So what is a "minority" anyway?" indicates, Jason, as I think a lot of us, is having a problem with the term "minority". As

Jason points out, the traditional minority groups in American society are a majority when viewed from a global perspective. Furthermore the term minority versus majority although it need only refer to numbers has a negative connotation. It somehow implies that the minority is inferior to the majority. I don't know if any of the alternative terms used in recent years are more precise. Some favor the term people of color, others use the term ALANA or AHANA (Latino or Hispanic, African-American, Native-American, Asian). Personally I don't favor any particular one of these terms, but I do prefer any attempt to describe the groups instead of charac-

why I would not advocate the use of the term minority. Before we let the discussion of the correct terminology take over, we should realize that we are dealing with terms which are dynamic and will keep changing with

Jason declares that he is an advocate of the color-blind philosophy. Judge a person by his action and not his nationality (color). If we look upon a color blind society where a person is judged only by actions and not by race or ethnicity as a goal, I agree with Jason and would advocate that we all must work towards that goal. However to use this color-blind philosophy to claim that we all are equal players is, I think, a serious misjudgment. We can not minimize the effects institutionalized racism practiced through several generations has had on various groups of people who often have been denied equal

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I hope that Jason and others will continue this debate. To me the exchange of views on these issues is the foundation on which we can build pluralism at WPI. Unless we get an understanding of the issues from the point of view of the present WPI "majority culture" we will never reach the point where we value differences and want to learn from each other's experiences.

> Tom Hartvig Thomsen Associate Dean of Student Life

#### andal has wrong approach

To the Editor:

This is more an open letter to the WPI community than a letter to the editor. Recently, the campus of WPI has been defaced by a certain party with the intent of generating public interest. Whether the vandal in question is a group of individuals, an individual, student(s), or faculty member(s) is not apparent, nor does it make a difference. The subject of the elaborate and anonymous graffiti is all similar, to the effect of "Jesus saves, "Jesus is Lord," etc., followed by various scripture passages.

I came to WPI for several good reasons, one of which concerns religion. This school is not specifically

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affiliated or operated by a particular religion; participation is instead made the choice of the individual student. Up to this point, that principle has been observed widely; however, the idea has been abused by some "believer". Quite frankly, the thought of this type of action taking place here at WPI should make us wonder. Why would some one as energetic and interested in a given subject take such a destructive and disorganized course of action to make a point? There are plenty of ways to inform the public available to everyone at WPI- bulletin boards, NEWSPEAK, WPI cable, and probably some others I don't know about. The methods already employed have accomplished nothing

except to irritate many people and detract from the appeal of our campus. It just seems to me that a true "believer" in something of this nature would take a better approach to make the community take notice of the

In closing, I would like to say that I am not against the members of any one religion, nor am I an atheist. I hope not to have offended anyone, since some of my closest friends place much importance on religion. Instead, I hope to draw attention to a problem which could be avoided with a little consideration for others.

> Tom Gannon Class of '93

# The Straight Dope

#### Debunking Marijuana Myths - Part 2

by Chris Marr Class of '93

If you read last week's article, you may recall that I said I would talk about the Partnership for a Drug Free America (referred to from now as PDFA) is a public interest group dedicated to educating us all about the scourge of dangerous drugs and the damage they do. This is a seemingly noble cause, and could be an effective tool for a genuine solution to the problems associated with drug abuse in this country.

Why, then, do I refer to the PDFA as the PTFA (Partnership for a Truth Free America)? The PDFA tries to accomplish their goal by running short public service announcements in many different forms of media. One of the most prominent is their television commercials. The problem is that many of their commercials are

outright lies. For instance, one of their T.V. spots shows a normal looking EEG. The narrator says that these are the brain waves of a normal fourteen year old. A new EEG shows on the screen, and it looks nearly flat. The narrator tells us that these are the brain waves of a fourteen year old after smoking marijuana. The narrator concludes with a wry comment to the effect that if you use marijuana, you're not using your brain. The problem was that the second EEG was that of a man in a coma. Dr. Donald Blum of the UCLA Neurological studies center pointed this out. They admitted he was right, but justified their dishonesty by saying that because marijuana was such a dangerous drug, they had to lie to the public to protect them from themselves. It took weeks to pull the ad, and no apology or retraction has yet been

Another ad they are currently running shows a wrecked Amtrak train. A man comes on the screen and says that if people tell you marijuana is harmless, they are lying because his wife was killed in that accident which was caused by the engineer smoking marijuana. This is fairly meaningless because no one should attempt to operate heavy machinery under the influence of any drug that affects alertness or coordination. However, the main problem with this ad is that it is wrong. It directly contradicts the

sworn testimony of the engineer that "this accident was not caused by marijuana". It also ignores his admissions of drinking, snacking, watching TV, and deliberately jamming the train's safety equipment prior to the

While I feel that the PDFA could play a useful educational role by equipping Americans with unbiased facts, the brunt of their campaign is against marijuana. Interestingly enough, the biggest sponsors of PDFA include Philip Morris, beer companies, and various pharmaceutical companies. While tobacco, alcohol, and legal pharmaceutical companies including many that have consciousness altering effects such as the pharmaceutical darling Valium - lead the statistics in numbers of fatalities yearly, marijuana has no deaths to its name (some may argue that lung cancer may be attributed to it, but that has not yet - as far as I know- been shown to be the case. More on that next article.)

### **ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT**

## The fall of the Soviet Empire...Panel discussion

by Brant Smith and Marc Beasley Class of '94

The world's future has taken nothing but shocking twists the last few years. First was the fall of the Berlin wall and the liberation of Eastern Europe. The year 1990 offered us the invasion of Kuwait and the resulting war. This year has given us something no less momentous...the fall of the Soviet Empire. This event, and what it means to the world and ourselves, will be the topic of a panel discussion tonight, 7:30, in Kinnicutt Hall in Salsbury Labs. Our four distinguished speakers are Pat Dunn, a professor in the Humanities Department who's expertise is in the Soviet

Union, Valentin Boriakoff, a professor in the EE Department who recently returned from the Soviet Union, Konstantine Lurie, a professor of Mathematics that has been in contact with people inside the Soviet Union since the coup attempt, and Professor John Zeugner, an expert on American foreign policy. Each speaker will offer you their personal insight and predictions of where our unstable world is heading. Following their short presentations we will have a group discussion on the matter with the speakers available to answer any questions that you may have. This may be the start of a new history of authoritarian governments controlling these areas as the people struggle

to cope with this political culture shock. In the aftermath of the failed coup Gorbachev lay relatively powerless, and Yelstin was like a demi-god. Lithuania, Latvia, and Estonia have all been recognized as sovereign states by the United States and the United Nations. The U.S.S.R is no longer, in it's place it the United Soviet States. With all of this going on what has happened to the Soviet's nuclear capabilities? Will these new states be able to survive? Peacefully? There are many more questions than answers, but if you are interested in hearing some of the possible answers the place to be is Kinnicutt Hall tonight at 7:30.

Homecoming snapshot



NEWSPEAK STAFF PHOTO / BYRON RAYMOND A clown entertains two children on the Quad during Homecoming celebrations last Saturday.

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are Sequoia's answer to Maine tidepools, so varied and endless and fascinating are they to explore. The rocks are slate gray, black, pink, serpentinegreen, or pure white; mottled, stripped, or swirled; shaped like slides, saddles, or bowls. One large round orb takes on the appearance of the noxious red and green swirlings of some otherwordly atmosphere. All the rocks cry to be touched, to have hands run over their curves with the devotion of a lover; they are hot and smooth. In some places, quariz veins cut across the boulders, tracing a coherent pattern upstream on the walls of the canyon. After a swim in a rare, protected pool of the crashing river, I sit myself out on a boulder to catch the last of the retreating sun. Soon I am in shade, but the opposite cliffs an hills are illuminated in the purest, richest gold that the sun has to offer, setting aglow every individual bloom of buckeye, setting fire to the green, gold, and red splashes of lichen on the cliff. There is no visible steam in the air, but the blooms have seeped so long in the heat and sun of the day that the air is now infused with the the vapor of the essence of blooms. The mingling of this vapor with the rising heat of the granite and the spray of the river creates a vision of the river sensed not so much by the eyes, nor by the ears or nose byt by the touch of the air on my skin, seeping into my every pore. I stand on a rock above a narrow channel where the water crashes through in a foamy vortex and experience an intense vertigo. Ah, this is the place, this is where I belong, in the golden light of a golden hillside by crashing river. I could fall in and not die; in this river is immortality.

People look to many things for the source of their discontent - their job, their spouse, their salary, their social status - but many forget to look around But land speaks through people; it can affect us in ways of which we are not consciously aware. Once we realize that land isn't something to be just looked at and photographed but that it is something to be experienced - experienced for its effect on our bodies, our minds, our senses, and our spirituality; experienced for its intrinsic beauty, complexity, and intricacy; experienced for its 4.5 billion years of fine-tuning - we may become most fully aware and content with who we are. We may say, "in this place I am fully awake, alive, and peaceful. In this place I am fully myself." We may be as sea gulls, leaving the urban park for the open Atlantic.

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are Sequoia's answer to Maine tide pools, so varied and endless and fascinating are they to explore. The rocks are slate gray, black, pink, serpentinegreen, or pure white; mottled, stripped, or swirled; shaped like slides, saddles, or bowls. One large round orb takes on the appearance of the noxious red and green swirlings of some otherwordly atmosphere. All the rocks cry to be touched, to have hands run over their curves with the devotion of a lover; they are hot and smooth. In some places, quartz veins cut across the boulders, tracing a coherent pattern upstream on the walls of the canyon. After a swim in a rare, protected pool of the crashing river, I sit myself out on a boulder to catch the last of the retreating sun. Soon I am in shade, but the opposite cliffs an hills are illuminated in the purest, richest gold that the sun has to offer, setting aglow every individual bloom of buckeye, setting fire to the green, gold, and red splashes of lichen on the cliff. There is no visible steam in the air, but the blooms have seeped so long in the heat and sun of the day that the air is now infused with the the vapor of the essence of blooms. The mingling of this vapor with the rising heat of the granite and the spray of the river creates a vision of the river sensed not so much by the eyes, nor by the ears or nose byt by the touch of the air on my skin, seeping into my every pore. I stand on a rock above a narrow channel where the water crashes through in a foamy vortex and experience an intense vertigo. Ah, this is the place, this is where I belong, in the golden light of a golden hillside by crashing river. I could fall in and not die; in this river is immortality.

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Now for all those other dramatic things happening around us...There aren't any!!!! That's right, the world is dead. No, seriously, there's a few plays going on around here, such as...Brighton Beach Memoirs by Neil Simon (happening at Foothills), probably something at Worcester Forum Theatre (I don't know what — I was a slug and didn't get in contact with them to see their schedule). Note that both of these places have student rush prices — you just have to wait until right before the performance, then if seats are left you get them for nice prices (Foothills tends to give Student Rush Prices for \$6). Well, that's all I know of, so....seeya at auditions! -le masque vp of pr.

#### **Muslim Student Association**

Greetings Everyone. The Executive Committee had its second meeting on 9/25/1991. During the meeting, few topics were discussed such as the transportation to Friday prayers, M.S.A. contribution in the ISGW (Islamic Society of Greater Worcester), sport activities on Saturday, Islamic video show, a gathering among the Muslim students in Consortium colleges, and a competetion to design an M.S.A. logo. More details about the above issues will be mailed to you and discussed during the upcoming general meeting (check your mail constantly !!!).

Prayer times for this week are the following: Fajr (Dawn): 5:27 a.m. Shuruk (Sunrise): 6:44 a.m. Zuhr (Noon): 12:39 p.m. Asar (Afternoon): 4:16 p.m. Maghrib (Sunset): 6:32 p.m. Isha (Night): 7:49 p.m.

Hope you all have a good week.

#### Science Fiction Society

Well, it's time once again for the Science Fiction Society club corner. The only problem is that there isn't that much to write about this week. Since there was no newsletter again, there was no agenda, so the best way to describe the meeting is chaotic. I'll try and clue you in as to what happened though, even if you were there, you may not be sure.

First of all, the SFS library now has a color television set that works, thanks to the good auspices of Jody Bobbitt, who is now an SFS member for life and beyond, nigh unto the millenia, nay, onto the end of time and beyond, when the universe ceases to exist and something weirder is put in its place, Jody will still be a member of the WPISFS.

Next, we had donuts. If you weren't there, than you missed some really good Dunkin' Donuts, and we ate them all, and didn't save you any, so nyaah! Wombat mentioned that there is still space available for Wombat's Gamut O' Games, which begins in B-Term. See Jim for an Application.

The rest of the meeting was spent with the officers trying to get us to leave. It took a little while, but they finally did it. And so the meeting ended. So now, without further ado (except for the apology but that comes last and you know that, so why are you bothering me about it?) I bid

farewell to all of you, and come to the meeting tomorrow, there will be one, even if the canitlevering device doesn't send out a newsletter, the schmuck.

DEREK'S APOLOGY OF THE WEEK: August 19. Those of you who understand this, please explain it to the others, but as the GoA-S, I'd like to apologize for both Hurricane Bob and the Soviet Coup that occurred on August 19 of this year. I regret any malediction of imposition that placed on you, your friends, family, kin, distant cousins, etcetera, etcetera, ditto, ditto, ad nauseum. Sorry.

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#### SMART/SADD

#### YOU'RE ALL INVITED TO A LUAU!!!!

SMART/SADD would like to welcome everyone to their luau on Tuesday, October 8th! It will be held in Gompei's Place from 8:00 pm to 11:00pm. We promise that it will be one of the most fun study breaks you've ever had! After all, how often do you take a breather from your schoolwork by sipping on frozen tropical drinks like Strawberry Daiquiris, Margaritas and Mai Tai's! (All non-alcoholic of course!!!)

If you're planning on coming with a group of friends, then maybe you'd like to order one of the above drinks Scorpion Bowl style with those funky gigantic straws for everyone! There'll be plenty of munchies, too, so don't worry about going to bed on an empty stomach!

Of course, what would be a luau without music? We've hired a disc jockey (Not some guy in a grass skirt strumming some homemade stringed instrument either!) to make sure that all of your favorite music is played all night.

So, rather than sitting in your room stressing out over the end-of-term crunch, come down to Gompei's on the eighth. Admission is free.... Hope to see you there!!!!!

- the members of SMART/SADD

#### Students For the Reform of Cannabis Laws

Howdy, y'all! Autumn is finally upon us, and soon those heating systems will be cranked up. The next time you adjust your Thermostat remember that your home could be heated with domestically grown, recyclable hemp.

Well, Thursday the 125-stop nationwide HEMP Tour was here in Worcester. There was some notable interest generated - including some from the police, who insisted on hassling us, even though we were doing absolutely nothing illegal.

The meeting this week will again be on Tuesday at 7:00p.m. in Salisbury Lounge (That's TONIGHT). We will discussing bringing a speaker to campus, as well as other educational topics. Please stop by - and don't forget to road this week's installment of "The Straight

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And don't forget: Thursday is Beagle Day.

#### Vegetarian Society

We'd like to thank everyone who helped out at our booth at the Wellness Fair last Thursday. We would especially like to thank Debbie Peters and DAKA for providing the food. Speaking of food, we will most likely be publishing the recipes used for the Wellness Fair in next week's Newspeak (depending on copyright laws). The Peanut Butter Log was the most popular item and, believe it or not, the Tofu Burgers went quickly as well. Also, we're going to have a Falafel Fest next Tuesday so anyone interested should drop a note to box 1336.

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Now for all those other dramatic things happening around us... There aren't any!!!! That's right, the world is dead. No, seriously, there's a few plays going on around here, such as... Brighton Beach Memoirs by Neil Simon (happening at Foothills), probably something at Worcester Forum Theatre (I don't know what — I was a slug and didn't get in contact with them to see their schedule). Note that both of these places have student rush prices — you just have to wait until right before the performance, then if seats are left you get them for nice prices (Foothills tends to give Student Rush Prices for \$6). Well, that's all I know of, so....seeya at auditions! -le masque vp of pr.

#### Muslim Student Association

Greetings Everyone. The Executive Committee had its second meeting on 9/25/1991. During the meeting, few topics were discussed such as the transportation to Friday prayers, M.S.A. contribution in the ISGW (Islamic Society of Greater Worcester), sport activities on Saturday, Islamic video show, a gathering among the Muslim students in Consortium colleges, and a competetion to design an M.S.A. logo. More details about the above issues will be mailed to you and discussed during the upcoming general meeting (check your mail constantly !!!).

Prayer times for this week are the following: Fajr (Dawn): 5:27 a.m. Shuruk (Sunrise): 6:44 a.m. Zuhr (Noon): 12:39 p.m. Asar (Afternoon): 4:16 p.m. Maghrib (Sunset): 6:32 p.m. Isha (Night): 7:49 p.m.

Hope you all have a good week.

#### Science Fiction Society

Well, it's time once again for the Science Fiction Society club corner. The only problem is that there isn't that much to write about this week. Since there was no newsletter again, there was no agenda, so the best way to describe the meeting is chaotic. I'll try and clue you in as to what happened though, even if you were there, you may not be sure.

First of all, the SFS library now has a color television set that works, thanks to the good auspices of Jody Bobbitt, who is now an SFS member for life and beyond, nigh unto the millenia, nay, onto the end of time and beyond, when the universe ceases to exist and something weirder is put in its place, Jody will still be a member of the WPISFS.

Next, we had donuts. If you weren't there, than you mise of some really good Dunkin' Donuts, and we are them all, and didn't save you any, so nyaah! Wombat mentioned that there is still space available for Wombat's Gamut O' Games, which begins in B-Term. See Jim for an Application.

The rest of the meeting was spent with the officers trying to get us to leave. It took a little while, but they finally did it. And so the meeting ended. So now, without further ado (except for the apology but that comes last and you know that, so why are you bothering me about it?) I bid

farewell to all of you, and come to the meeting tomorrow, there will be one, even if the canitlevering device doesn't send out a newsletter, the schmuck.

DEREK'S APOLOGY OF THE WEEK: August 19. Those of you who understand this, please explain it to the others, but as the GoA-S, I'd like to apologize for both Hurricane Bob and the Soviet Coup that occurred on August 19 of this year. I regret any malediction of imposition that placed on you, your friends, family, kin, distant cousins, etcetera, etcetera, ditto, ditto, ad nauseum. Sorry.

-lightnin

#### SMART/SADD

#### YOU'RE ALL INVITED TO A LUAU!!!!

SMART/SADD would like to welcome everyone to their luau on Tuesday, October 8th! It will be held in Gompei's Place from 8:00 pm to 11:00pm. We promise that it will be one of the most fun study breaks you've ever had! After all, how often do you take a breather from your schoolwork by sipping on frozen tropical drinks like Strawberry Daiquiris, Margaritas and Mai Tai's! (All non-alcoholic of course!!!)

If you're planning on coming with a group of friends, then maybe you'd like to order one of the above drinks Scorpion Bowl style with those funky gigantic straws for everyone! There'll be plenty of munchies, too, so don't worry about going to bed on an empty stomach!

Of course, what would be a luau without music? We've hired a disc jockey (Not some guy in a grass skirt strumming some homemade stringed instrument either!) to make sure that all of your favorite music is played all night.

So, rather than sitting in your room stressing out over the end-of-term crunch, come down to Gompei's on the eighth. Admission is free.... Hope to see you there!!!!!

- the members of SMART/SADD

#### Students For the Reform of Cannabis Laws

Howdy, y'all! Autumn is finally upon us, and soon those heating systems will be cranked up. The next time you adjust your Thermostat remember that your home could be heated with domestically grown, recyclable hemp.

Well, Thursday the 125-stop nationwide HEMP Tour was here in Worcester. There was some notable interest generated - including some from the police, who insisted on hassling us, even though we were doing absolutely nothing illegal.

The meeting this week will again be on Tuesday at 7:00p.m. in Salisbury Lounge (That's TONIGHT). We will discussing bringing a speaker to campus, as well as other educational topics. Please stop by - and don't forget to road this week's installment of "The Straight Dope."

FACT OF THE WEEK: The U.S. has a higher percentage of its people in jail than any other nation in the world: 30% more than South Africa, almost 60% more than the U.S.S.R., and as much as twenty times as many as some Asian nations. For every drug offender imprisoned three to sixteen could be in treatment programs. Also, the U.S. has one of the highest crime rates in the world. (AP, Jan. 1991) Obviously, our criminal justice system is not working. On the other hand, the \$40+ billion dollars which Cannabis already generates every year could be used to pay for treatment programs for addicts of dangerous drugs, instead of going to line the pockets of criminals.

And don't forget: Thursday is Beagle Day.

#### Vegetarian Society

We'd like to thank everyone who helped out at our booth at the Wellness Fair last Thursday. We would especially like to thank Debbie Peters and DAKA for providing the food. Speaking of food, we will most likely be publishing the recipes used for the Wellness Fair in next week's Newspeak (depending on copyright laws). The Peanut Butter Log was the most popular item and, believe it or not, the Tofu Burgers went quickly as well. Also, we're going to have a Falafel Fest next Tuesday so anyone interested should drop a note to box 1336.

B91 COURSE CHANGES AND WAIT LISTS WILL BE ACCEPTED IN THE CONCESSION AREA OF HARRINGTON AUDITORIUM DURING THE FOLLOWING DAYS:

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1, 1991 WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 2, 1991 9:00-12:00 & 1:00-4:00 9:00-12:00 & 1:00-4:00

#### **GREEK CORNER**

#### Alpha Gamma Delta

CONGRATS! to our wonderful Pledges: Chris Clifton, Doreen Burrell, Darlene Ledoux, Heide Marino, and Sara Pollard. You guys did a great job decorating last week. Keep the spirit up! Fiji says thanks for the target practice! Thanks to everyone who turned out for Homecoming! I'm sure we can all agree that it was a fun time for all. Roses to Tara McHugh for our float and all her hardwork. Way to go Kiddo! Roses to Heather Russell too for the Villa's apartment for the half-time "pit stops". It was much appreciated. Remember to go to Pledge Jeopardy tonight and stump our favorite Pledges with those trivial trivia questions. Also a reminder to all to support the Panhel Blood Drive today and tomorrow in Harrington. Stop in and Give the Gift of Life! Thanks to Fiji for the BBQ last Thursday before our ice cream social. Food and AGD go hand in hand. First hot dogs and hamburgers and then ice cream -What more can we ask for? Speaking of food and guys, reminder; CLAMBAKE at Sig Pi this Friday night. It might even bring a little breeze of summer back.

Parting Quote; "Just call me Rocky."
Parting thought;

"A Sister is an extension of yourself without which you are not complete."

#### Alpha Tau Omega

What a week it was for one of our officersone of our more "popular" brothers. He found
out that he couldn't pull a fast one on his beautiful blond chick. Did you guys know that the
next Miss U.S.A is psychic? Obviously, he
didn't know either. Will he try it again? I'm
sure we'll find out soon. By the way, he's
holding a class (8000 level) on "How to Demo"
with Chief and Krevo as the TA's. They have
high expectations so it seems like its going to be
a tough class to pass. Good luck to those who
register.

Hey Andy and Matty K., don't ever invite those friends up again. I think everyone was turned off except for the more "popular" brother. Let's here it for Doughty - a yellow and a break up in one night. How could you do it? When will the fourth time ever come? R.B., I'm so disappointed in you. I'll never count on you again.

Mitch is definitely the new annoyance factor. Max feels that Brownie, the human skunk, is still it. Will Garrett ever stick up for himself? I hope so because I want to see Van Damme in action.

I hope Homecoming went well and no one fell out the window. Two last questions: Has everyone seen Harry lately? How many people think that Cote is still living?

#### Delta Phi Epsilon

Question: How long does it take a President and a Social Chairman to unwind a roll of toilet paper? Answer: Until 12:30 a.m.

Hi guys! I'm so glad that everyone was psyched for the Ice Cream Social last Tuesday night and Homecoming last weekend! (and for the Happy Hour the night before). Our float looked awesome - many thanks to those who put LONG hours into its making. So, what does Boynton Tower have in common with Waldo, anyway? Thanks also to our friends and fellow sisters from Johnson and Wales. Anytime you ladies feel like another road trip - just drop by!!

Thanks also go out to Teri who did an awesome job with Homecoming and for the little cheer up last week - it was greatly appreciated!

So Monique - was it "pull it up", "pull over", or "pass the frozen pizza"? You should take some lip-reading classes, you never know when you might need that certain skill on the highways. (Where that guy George is concerned, all you need is a big, blunt object.)

See you tonight at our chapter meeting remember, it's semi-formal in our chapter room and reports are due!!!

Phi Gamma Delta

JSL Toodles

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Welcome to the B.B.C. To the former author, you were not bought out, you were replaced. Thanks to the Jiffster for the great idea. Now where do we begin? Lets start out with a salute to all the TECH CHICK lovers out there; Derek, Westy, Beat-Rice, andthe Big Daddy himself. Let it be known that Beats still likes his burgers red, though. Next on our agenda, we would like to send thanks to the Boynton for the pizzas at the last party. Who the hell knows how that happened? Huh, Weed? According to Troll, his date had a "fulfilling" evening, in

every sense of the word. You know what we mean. Hey little Gumby, have you hitch-hiked to the Cape lately? Maybe Flats will give you a ride (and who knows what else) on the way to the next Dead show. And another thing that has been bothering us: Swiny? Swanny? Is there a connection there? Speaking of Swanny, we hope "Oh Thunderous One" is having a great time in Gay Paris. On a happy note, congrats to the football teams and the volleyball team on stellar performances. Keep up the good work for our sports cup bid. Also, congrats to Pepper on his third place in Revere's Vinny T. Esticles Memorial Karate Tourney. From one author, thanks to Schneider for our celebration dance in the end zone. On a final note, we hope our favorite AGD got a chance to untie the knot. Or should we say knots? Until next week, peace my bruddas. Biff and G-Money.

#### Sigma Alpha Epsilon

SAE is back! (I know we're late, but we're back.) Off probation just in time for homecoming, too. Watch for SAE in the running for the sports cup, all our A-teams are undefeated. Also, playground, hopefully before the first snow falls. Congratulations to our new officers - keep up the good work.

Good luck to Lou and Yudi in surviving the wrath of Palooky. Hey Duche, how's your car? Too bad, or else you could have been the one to pick up Chuckles up in N.H. Congrats are in order for Weenie in getting his second strike with two and a half years left, you're destined to be Zoo president. Apologies to Executive House. We'll be sure to turn down the music by ten o'clock from now on - NOT! With the year just begun, some questions arise: Will there be more dumpster tours? Will Merlin keep getting Bove? Will Blaster go the full thirty days? Will Al get himself in with a psycho, and will Gibba ever get out of the dog house? (not if Jody can help it). Stay tuned for the answers coming later this term. Keep up the psyche for Rush! Five

#### Sigma Pi

Welcome to another week at the Pi. Rush seems to be going great. Vegas night was a big success and lots of freshmen seem psyched on the house. Keep on coming down, freshmen, and meet the brothers. If you guys thought the pig roast was good food you ought to come down for lunch and dinner. Our cook Jean can make a mean meatloaf.

We are going to have to get moving to win the Intramural Cup this year. The football team is 1 - 1 but at least it was a violent set of games. Beal the destroyer always says, an injury ridden loss is better than a boring win.

Has anyone else noticed that since Hank turned 21 he has been an animal. Hungover every morning, bar hopping every night. By the way Hank, I was wrong your mom looks nothing like Zera.

Now it's time for the Sigma Pi paragraph of Love. The word on the street is that Jesse plans to pin someone at the orchid. Joe Conkey was swept off his feet last week. Drinking and dancing he found out to late that he was in the Jamaican clutches of Blackula. Be careful for you never know when you could wake up with the mark of Blackula on your neck. Ernie and Burt are on the rock. If Ernie stops coming around who is going to do Burt's meal crews and fix the phones? Gifford won't have to worry about sleeping alone for long, Weibe's coming back. The mystery of the week is who/what was Tim kissing in front of the library last Thursday? (Animal, mineral, or vegetable)

On a sadder note someone near and dear to us all has passed away. Our loyal buddy Jackson died while trying to escape his abusive foster father, Dishead. There was a midnight burning of Jackson, known as Dead-bird to his close friends, the service concluded with a group rendition of "I'm a Little Tea-Pot" lead by Enrico himself. Carter plans to continue killing and burning his dead pets as the year goes on. If he can get his hands on the neighbor's cat we may be able to burn it as a rush event. Speaking of dead things, who in the hell would take a pig's head from our front lawn? Was it a gourmet lunch for a dumpster Joe or and AGD pledge raid? They all love us here at Sigma Paragraph. Has anyone heard from Dan or Rich? God only knows what happened to them. They are most likely tied up naked in a Turkish prison. Well it doesn't matter as long as they can pay their dues, right JaPo.

See ya next week.

#### Tau Kappa Epsilon

I don't want to get anybody used to reading really short comers, like last week's, so I'm going to have to dig down to get your good reading habits back.

First of all, the Amazing Hayes put on a ballsy show (even though he personally pissed me off when he broke those sacred sticks) last Thursday night at the rush event. I know everybody had a good time and I hope all the freshmen had a chance to meet a lot of the brothers. Feel free to come down anytime, for a good meal, or just some good laughs (like the Python Blues last night).

Our next rush event will be this Friday...
we'll be having those cards flipping, the dice
rolling, those darts flying, and a lot, I mean a lot,
of Vanna White-type prices. Yes, it's Casino
night, at 63 Wachusett Street, this one and only
Friday, October 4th. Come down and meet us as
you enjoy a night where nobody loses.

Seeeev! Yeeeaah, Baaabyy! Whooooh \*&\$#@\*\$%#@ cake float! Once again, our 24-hour, nonstop squeaky robot directed the construction of the float, along with his sidekick, Sputz. It was good to have all the alumni at the houses, have them kick our asses at foos, and enjoy a late night of partying.

In other news, the Tuna would like to remind us that all our teams are, of course, still undefeated. Now how about that? Sey: explicative.

Well, that about wraps it up. Blast through this fifth week like it was butter, and Rush, Rush, hardest.

TKE-The TIme is NOW

## **CINEMATECH PRESENTS:**



Tuesday, October 8<sup>th</sup>
7:30 PM in Perreault Hall
FREE ADMISSION



Height: 5'6" Major: ME
Hometown: Rutland, VT
Music: STYX & Damn
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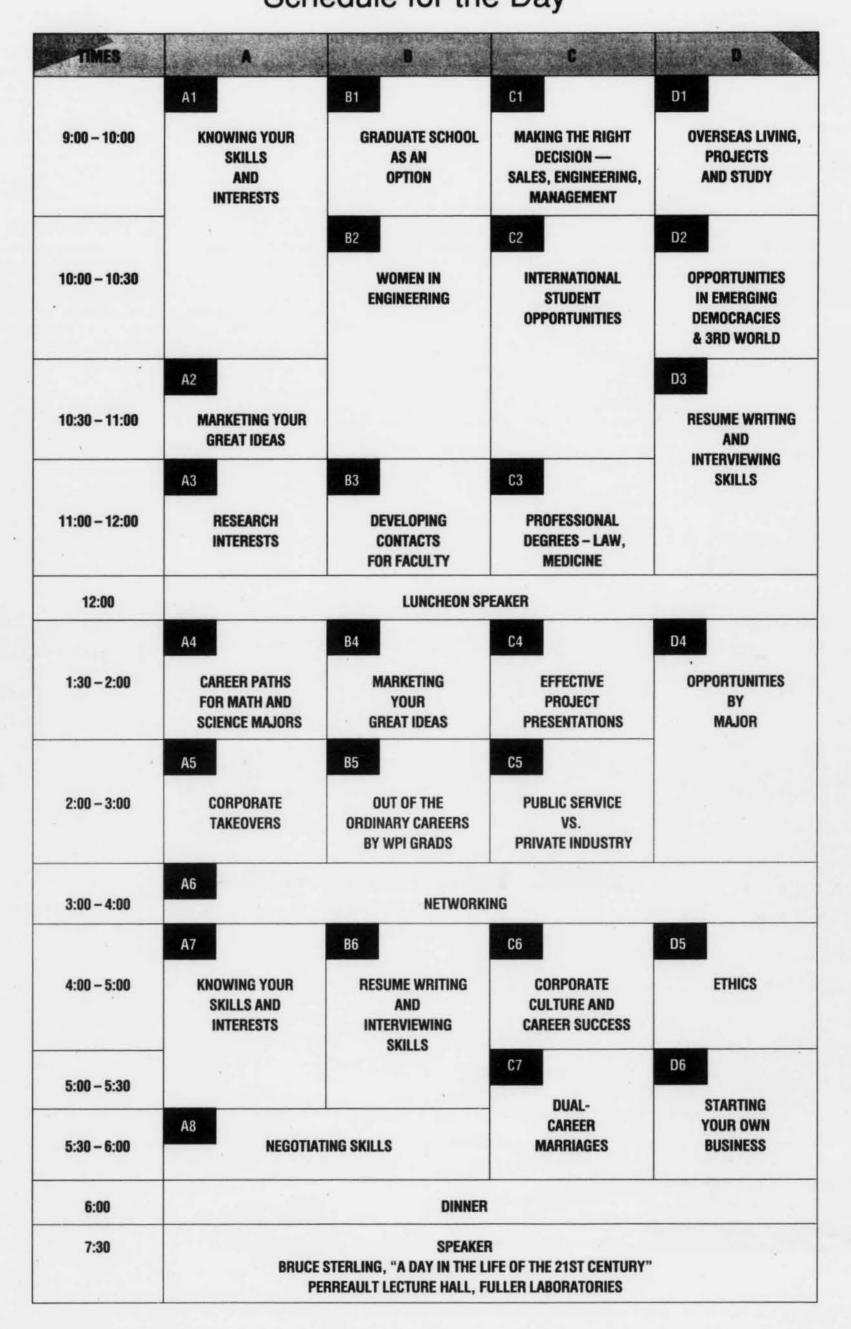
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# CAREER DEVELOPMENT DAY Thursday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> Schedule for the Day



REGISTRATION will be held on Thursday, Oct. 3 all day in Salisbury Labs Lounge.

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WPI students, faculty and staff.

#### **CLASSIFIEDS**

This is the Calling of the Guard.

The Major Selection Program is not just for freshmen. If you are a sophomore, junior or senior and you're not sure you're in the right major or if you just want career info come make an appointment at your office, 1st floor Boynton.

Wednesday is pasta day, but THURS-DAY is BAGEL DAY!! Salisbury Loungee, opening at 8:30 AM, all day.

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What is a guardian???

J.P.: I miss you too much - my bunny - one!! Love - Stinky.

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Midterms - I don't think so. Homey don't play that.

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Do you hear the calling??

Comment of the Week: Life would be a whole lot happier if everyone would just pitch in.

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Pick up Newspeak Extra and see what Career Development Day, on Oct. 3rd, has to offer you. Or, stop by the Major Selection Program Office. 1st floor Boynton for more information.

1991. A year to remember.

Your childhood is over...all the greats have died now...Dr. Seuss, Jim Henson, Mel Blanc, Hanna & Barbera, Walt Disney, A.A. Milne...the list goes on and on...I'm so depressed.

Audio = noise. tion = shun = push away. Audition = a noisy push. So come audition and be a noise pusher!

Bo knows bagels! See you Thursday morning in Salisbury lounge (under the clock). Sponsored by WPI Women's Chorale.

CYNIC'S CORNER: "When sorrows come, they come not sindes, spies, but in batallions!" -HAMLET, Act. 4, Scene 5.

Cynicism sucks.

Green = envy. Room = a place. Green Room = The place you want to go in order to audition. This has utterly nothing to do with the above two words.

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#### WPI COMPUTER SCIENCE DEPARTMENT Schedule of Meetings & Seminars

September 30 - October 4, 1991

#### THURSDAY, October 3

#### AIRG

(Artificial Intelligence Research Group) 11:00, FL 311 (Prof. David Brown, coordinator)

#### AN INTRODUCTION TO LOGIC PROGRAMMING

Speaker: Prof. Stanley Selkow WPI CS Dept.

#### ISSS

(Image Science Seminar Series) 2:30, FL 311 (Prof. Matthew Ward, coordinator)

#### Topic: FRACTAL ANALYSIS OF ENGINEERING SURFACE TOPOGRAPHY

Speaker: Prof. Christopher Brown WPI ME Dept.

#### WACTS

(Worcester Area Complexity Theory Seminar) 4:00-5:30

At Clark University this week, in Woodland Hall, Room 3 \*\*\*\*(Prof. Roy Rubinstein, coordinator) Topic:

#### ON THE POWER OF DETERMINISTIC REDUCTIONS TO C=P (continued)

Speaker: Fred Green Clark University

#### FRIDAY, October 4

#### CS 590

Computer Science Seminar 4:30-6:00, FL 311 (Prof. Michael Gennert, coordinator)

# RESEARCH IN ELECTRONIC Speaker:

Speaker:
Prof. Karen Lemone
WPI CS Dept.

# **AUDITIONS**

for B-term play

# SOPHOCLES THEBAN CYCLE

Tuesday October 1
7 PM
Thursday October 3
4:30 PM

in
Masque Temporary Green
Room
(Lower level of
Gordon Library)

# What's Happening

Tuesday, October 1

8:00pm - Fine Arts Committee presents: Tiger's Baku jazz ensemble, Gompei's Place, Free.

Wednesday, October 2

8:00pm - Video: "Adventures of Buckaroo Banzai: Across the Eighth Dimension," Gompei's Place

Friday, October 4

8:00pm - The Coffeehouse Committee presents: Native American guitarist Bill Miller, Gompei's Place, Admission \$1.00.

Sunday October 6

6:30 and 9:30pm - Film: "Dances With Wolves," Perreault Lecture Hall, Fuller Laboratories, Admission: \$2.00.

#### BOOK SALE

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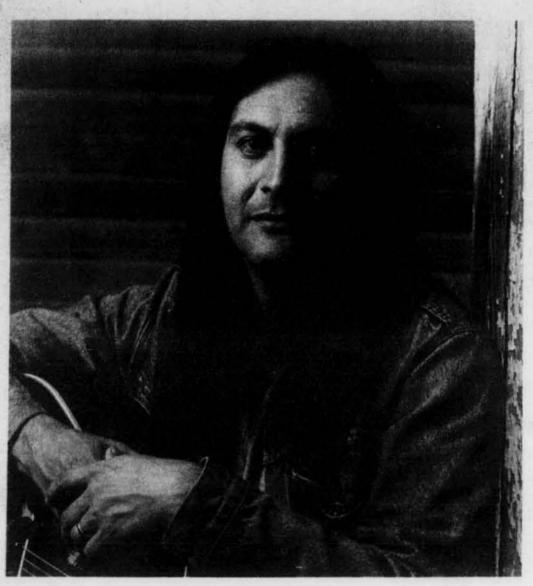
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