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Spot the turkey

In the past, the 'Tute public has usually succeeded in discerning who was the best candidate for each government position. They have also been extremely proficient in deciding which candidates had even the slightest inkling of competency. They have then succeeded in electing the most complete turkey of those remaining. In all fairness, the word "usually" should be stressed; for in a small number of elections the voters have overestimated a candidates' incompetency, and Pill has gone on to do a good job.

The Polemic feels that it is high time that this trend be broken; and, to this end, has provided you with the following in-depth profiles of each GM and PU candidate.

Now we challenge you to Spot the Turkey. Pating system:

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GM Candidates

Cherry Grinder:

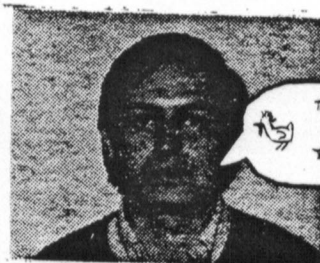
A member of the Limp Party, Crinder stands for increased quality of the food services at RPI. "Hockey Pucks and Mystery Meat have got to go; my policy will be --A Grinder in every mouth."



Cherry Grinder



Tom McChoir



Jim LaSagna



Gordon Nugent

Library

VCC

Amos Eaton

A freak blizzard struck the area a week ago Tuesday, heralding the coming of spring to Troy. This view shows the campus during the height of the storm; the barely visible buildings are pointed out in the photo.

Tom McChoir:

A member of the Toga Party, McChoir stands for greater emphasis on music here at RPI. "A nationally-ranked choir would bring as much fame to RPI as a nationally-ranked racquetball team, and they wouldn't have to train in Nevada."



Jim LaSagna:

A member of the Lacking Party, LaSagna has his heavy Sicilian speech translated by his godchildren Nunzio and Salvatore. He is quoted as saying about a site for the new NYSCII, "I'll give the administration an offer they can't refuse."

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turkey...

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Gordon Nugent:

A man without a party, Nugent desires a site change for Student Government. "Since I live in the Nugent Computing Center, I would like to see the Student Government Office moved there. This would solve the problem of computerizing the Union, while allowing me to complete my computer projects three weeks ahead of time."

Sue Lastin:

A member of the Peglegged Party, Lastin feels that she is the most qualified candidate for GM. "As long as I can remember I've always been last in everything; as GM, I would feel confident in the role of being the last to know about everything."

Jay Navel:

A member of the Umbilical Party, Navel is the leading proponent of the Belly Bill, a bill before the Senate to recycle belly-button lint. "Belly-Button lint is a vast untapped resource. If elected, I promise to spend a majority of my time contemplating my navel, and collecting belly-button lint."

Green Rot:

A member of the Appalling Party, Rot is actually a small patch of algae and mold growing on the side of the pool in the '87 Gym. In his present condition, he can't stand for much. Says Rot, "..."

Joe Silly:

Running on the Limpwrist Party ticket, Silly stands for more silliness in Student Government. "Everyone else is laughing at Student Government, it's about time they started laughing at themselves."

PU Candidates

Martin Abraspam:

Another food-group candidate, Abraspam feels that the average RPI student does not get enough spam in his diet. Says Abraspam, "Spam, spam, spam, spam, lovely spam, wonderful spam...."

Quick ReRelease:

A candidate who began and completed his campaign on the day he announced his candidacy, PeRelease doesn't believe in wasting time on anything. "I don't think that meetings, votes, or anything should take any longer than thirty seconds. My girlfriend doesn't seem to share my sentiment"

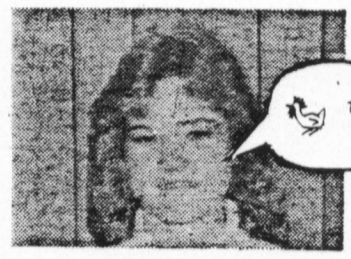
Paul Scarboroughfair:

A Graduate student at RPI, Scarboroughfair has a strange delusion about needing to give Parsley to all girls at Sage named Rosemary. Says he, "I hope I get there in Thyme."

Shareher Fissure:

Running on the Tarty Party ticket, Fissure has promised to do anything (that's anything) to win this election. "I fully intend to take this erection --er, election lying down."

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Jay Navel



Green Rot



Joe Silly



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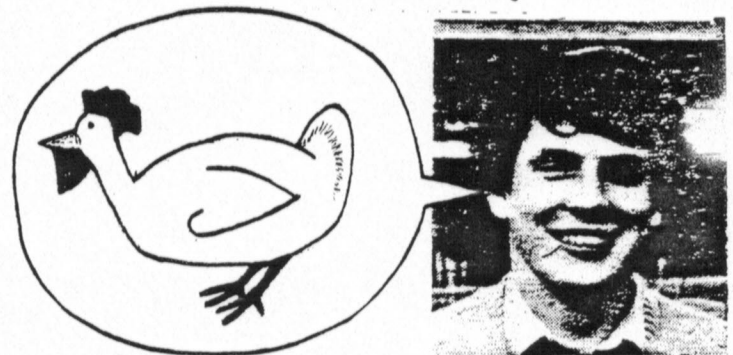
Cereal

Dave was panicking. "Burma!" he thought. "I just wanted to play with the Lineac while I was on guard duty. How was I supposed to know there was anyone in there?" He punched "OFF", and ran for the access corridor. He was going to catch Hell for this! Letting people sneak in, mutilating them, playing with the Lineac...but what was this? There was no one there! Not even pieces!

Jon stared at his terminal. No wonder no one was using Myron. The response time was even more phenomenal than usual. Even the aardvark at the next terminal had given up. Funny, he hadn't seen her leave. He glanced over at her terminal. The twit hadn't even signed off! Just for the hell of it, he leaned over to the other keyboard and punched SHIFT-SHIFT LOCK-R. The screen flashed "REVERSE". Suddenly, the aardvark reappeared!

Jon stared, then mumbled, "Uh... you forgot to sign off..."

Pete Contraversy



refer to Mr. Mark Question. His qualifications and platform are unknown, but we at the Pole ask, could they possibly be any sillier than those of the other candidates?

For GM, there is a write-in candidate that it seems everyone has forgotten about. What about good old Pete Contraversy? His biggest complaint about Student Government was that it took too much time away from his studies. But now he doesn't have to worry about schoolwork, so we feel that his efficiency would be doubled, and even nothing doubled is better than nothing.

But the choice is up to you, and we'll soon see whether the RPI campus will once again be able to Spot the Turkey.

Rich Smart:

Rich Smart, agent 86, just recently announced his candidacy. He stands for getting rid of kaos in Student Government, and feels he will be able to work exceptionally well with the Chief (GM) and agent 99 (Lois Ives). Would you believe, --be able to get along with them? How about....



David Loonie-Toonia:

A member of the UPAC Films Party, Loonie-Toonia has announced his intention to, if elected, "Catch that wascally wabbit. I'll order some ACME rocket-powered roller skates, and then th-th-th-th-that's all, folks."



Random Moth:

Considered by most a rather flighty candidate, Moth promises that, if elected, he will not venture too close to incandescent bulbs. Says he, "I resent the rumors that I eat peoples clothes and that my mother was a gypsy."



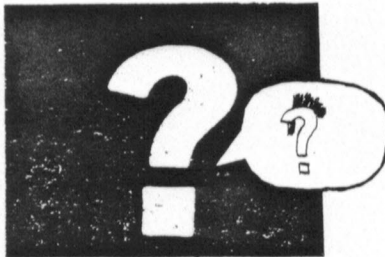
Rich Smart



David Loonie-Toonia



Random Moth



Mark Question

Our Endorsements

This is a rather motley crew. None of them received a rating of less than two turkeys. Are there any non-poultry choices available? We at the Pole think that there are.

For PU, there is a candidate whose picture has appeared in each of the last few Polys but whose name has been overlooked in their writeups. We

The Pole

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By the way, we did not do it, so do not take us to the J-Board, the Troy court, or any other such body. It won't work. Trust us. If you like it, let us know by Myron mail to PO-LEMIC, or directly to: 202 Wiltsie House (where?). If you don't...

Dear Potty

Dear Potty,

Here are some pointers that we at the Pole have compiled to help you write better satire.

- 1) Be funny. I know, some of you think that you don't have the capability to make your readers laugh. But I've seen what you've done with the Polytechnic, and let me assure you, you're hilarious.
- 2) Check your facts. Never print anything so blatantly false as to make you look stupid, like printing a photo of Williams House with a caption concerning "Wiltsie House, home of the rival Polemic". Have your photographers check more than the first three letters next time.
- 3) Show some class. "Farts, the fuel of the future"? Printing the words "The Pottytechnic" in brown ink? Anyone with a mental capacity higher than the average four-year-old couldn't help but think these infantile. I wonder why your staff did not. Then again...
- 4) Don't mudsling. When mentioning other publications, compliment them, don't downgrade them like you did to us. Any publication that would call another one names must be a low-down heap of mold-ridden refuse like the Poly.

I hope you take our advice, and maybe next year your satire supplement will be as funny as your regular issue.

Love and kisses,
The Polemic



Flawed apartments

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GM Week

FRIDAY
SATURDAY
SUNDAY
MONDAY
TUESDAY
WEDNESDAY
THURSDAY
FRIDAY

ROTC Human Chessgame - Armory - 7:30
RPI Players/Epsilon Iota Present
"Trippin" - PAC - 8:00

C&CC Autocross - C&CC - 10-5:00
RPI Players/Epsilon Iota Present
"Trippin" - PAC - 8:00

Turkey Bar-B-Q - Candidate Roast -
C&CC - 1-5:00
SPAM - Muckraker (The Baiting Game) -
CC308 - 7:00
UPAC/BSA Concert: "Clarence Loudmouth
Brown" - McNeil Room - 8:00

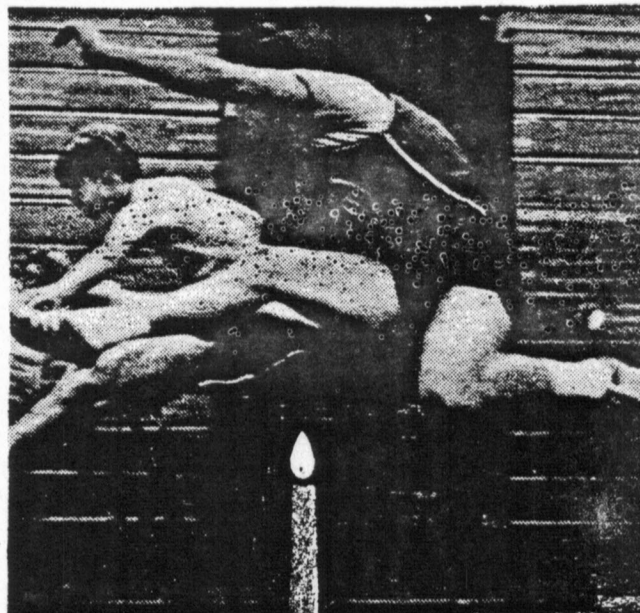
Snowsculpture Competition - Quad -
10-12:00
Unicorn/BSA Banned Party - Union Patio
12-5:00
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tion - '86 Field - 8-2:00

Alumni Class of 69 - Munch With A
Friend - Quad - 12-1:00
Phi Sigma Sigma - Magic Show - CC308 -
7:00, 10:30
UPAC - The Movies - CC308 - 7:00, 10:30
GM/PU Mass Debates - CC308 - 7, 10:30

Field Day - North Field - 10-5:00
CASA - Egg Drop Competition - CC/JEC -
12 Noon
Lambda Youth - Mr. R.P.I. - McNeil
Room - 9-11:00

Alpha Gamma Delta - Tower Erecting -
CC Great Hall - 1-5:00
E-Board Band Party with "Grand Lar-
ceny" - McNeil Room - 12-5:00
RPI Players/Epsilon Iota Present
"Trippin" - PAC - 8:00

Trivial Contests - IC/IFC Elections
Scavenger Hunt - GM/PU Elections
RPI Players/Epsilon Iota Present
"Trippin" - PAC - 8:00



FIELD DAY EVENTS: (Above): Candlestick Jumping (Demonstrated by Jack B. Nimble and Jack B. Quick), (Middle Left): George Low Twit Of The Year Competition (Below): Bubble Blowing, (Bottom) Puddle Splashing



TAU BETA POLE STUDENT GOVERNMENT SURVEY



This survey gives you the opportunity to express anonymously your views on student government. Please detach, fill out and send to The Polemic, 202 Wiltsie House via intercampus mail, so that we may more effectively make fun of student government.

Name _____ Class year _____
Greek, Italian, or independent? _____ Prescriber? _____

4 = Damn right! 3 = Eh--could be 2 = Uh-uh 1 = Hell No! 0 = huh?

I. The Senate & GM

- 1) Concerning elections, there is consistency between what is promised and what actually occurs.....1 _____
- 2) Dean Roth is the most obnoxious student senator.....2 _____
- 3) Barry Popik is even more obnoxious than Dean Roth.....3 _____
- 4) Jeff Langan is the most charismatic GM since Pete Traversy.....4 _____
- 5) The student senate is a harmonious body which carries on its deliberations in an atmosphere of mutual friendship and respect...5 _____
- 6) Name one thing the Student Senate has accomplished...6) _____
- 7) The Senate has all of the effectiveness of (circle one)

4 = an atomic bomb 3 = a sledgehammer 2 = a popgun 1 = a wet sponge 0 = the Swiss Navy

II. The E-Board & PU

- 1) The Editorial Board of the Rensselaer Union has been effective at spending the students' money on silly things like big screen TV's and minibusses.....1 _____
- 2) The E-board should learn to like hamburger.....2 _____
- 3) This year's E-board believed in continued financial support for clubs with membership difficulties.....3 _____
- 4) The E-board should fund the Polemic.....4 _____
- 5) This year's E-board has been effective in criticizing last year's E-board.....5 _____
- 6) Bill Sanscrainte should wear more polyester.....6 _____
- 7) How do you like your steak?...7 _____
- 8) The E-board has all the effectiveness of (circle one)

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III. Class Councils

- 1) Class councils are insignificant.....1 _____
- 2) Your class council has done one significant thing since its election.2 _____
- 3) Judging from the level of activity of your class council, your Senior Week will be one day long.....3 _____
- 4) Name one of your class council representatives...4 _____
- 5) Your class council has all the effectiveness of (circle one)

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IV. The IC/IFC (respond to IC if independent, IFC if Greek. If you're Italian, just wave your hands.)

- 1) The most active member of the IC is the Communications Center coffee machine.....1 _____
- 2) The IC should leave the business of throwing parties to UPAC and fraternities.....2 _____
- 3) The IC should start putting together a "Senior Handbook" when a freshman class arrives, so it will get the thing done in time...3 _____
- 4) If the IC went away tomorrow, no one would notice.....4 _____