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The Squid's Ink

Notes From the Editors

We are pleased to announce that this issue marks the one year anniversary of this reincarnation of SI! If you know anything about the history of SI, you will know that this is quite a feat! It has been a lot of fun for us as editors, and we hope you have enjoyed reading it. We know Carol Steele really likes it and we are so grateful for her continued encouragement. Also thanks to Dave Naar for his positive comments last month. It is always nice to hear from our fans!!! We look forward to bringing you many more entertaining issues in the future. But remember, we can't do it without your help. Submissions on any topic are always welcome.

This month also marks the one year anniversary of Wacky Wednesday Wunchtime. Everyone agrees that there have been some really outstanding Wunchtimes throughout the year. The recent panel discussion on the interview process was one of the best ever, both in terms of attendance and content. We will write more about this in the next part of this issue.

Speaking of the next issue, this month we are going to do things a little differently. Due to some time constraints and hectic schedules, we are publishing this issue in two parts. The second part of the May issue will be out on May 14th. That means that you have until May 12th to get your submissions to us, so start writing!

Congratulations!

Belated congratulations go out to Flo Cole for becoming the full-time receptionist for DMS. She has been here for some time now, but she was working as a temp. We are glad that the administration opened their eyes and saw what a great job she was doing.

Congratulations to Tracey Sutton and Dale Griffin for winning the prizes (1st and 2nd respectively) at the recent Student Symposium. Both gave excellent presentations.

MSAC Mystery

The amount of funds MSAC has been allocated by the student government has been severely cut. The budget for the upcoming year is less than half of what we were given last year. See for yourself- here are the numbers: Fall 96: \$1636.30, Fall 97: \$1525.50, Fall 98: \$1615.00, Fall 99: \$772.50. That's quite a drop. We will try to do some research and keep you updated.

While we're on the topic of MSAC money, we find it strange that in 1995 and 1996, MSAC had a lot of excess money in their personal account. That money seems to have disappeared, but what do we have to show for it? Lounge improvements have not been made, the deck was never built, so where did it go? Another unsolved mystery.

Men of Mystery

Can you name the mystery men in this department?

- *What member of this department is a local radio star and has groupies following him wherever he goes?
- *What member of this department drove in circles (without realizing it) for a long time when first learning to drive a boat?
- *What member of this department can be seen in the movie *The Waterboy*?

Did you know...The Inghilli is a mystic sect that worships rabbits!

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Upcoming Events
May 5, Cinco de Mayo
Wacky Wednesday Wunchtime is
open, see Jyotika to present

May 9, Mother's Day

May 12, tickets for "The Phantom Menace" go on sale Wacky Wednesday Wunchtime: "Travels in the Exotic East: Bangkok & Thailand" by Molly McLaughlin

May 16, last day of "Empires of Mystery" exhibit at the Florida International Museum

Thank You!

By Juli Rasure



As many of you have heard, my daughter Jordan is now in daycare. I just wanted to send out a huge thank

you to the department for all of their help, kindness, and understanding. It was great to have her here with me these past few months. I had the best of both worlds with my little girl and working. Most people do not have that opportunity. I think that it has really helped her social skills, and helped her to become people friendly. I know that she would often let out a yell that may have been disrupting, so thanks for your patience!! Special thanks to Paula Coble for working with me to have her here and Tracy Christner for the endless times that I would ask, "Can you watch her for just a second?"

Foreign Relations

Victoria Day is celebrated in Canada on the Monday prior to May 25th each year. This year is will be held on May 24th. It is the official celebration in Canada of the birthdays of Queen Victoria and Queen Elizabeth II. Victoria Day was established in Canada

West (Now Ontario) in 1845, and became a national holiday in 1901. Before Victoria Day became a national holiday, people had celebrated Empire Day.

Victoria, queen of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and empress of India was born on May 24, 1819. She ascended the throne after the death of her uncle George IV in 1837 when she was only 18. She ruled until her death in 1901 when her son Edward the VII became king of England. She is remembered fondly by the Canadians.

Be A Movie Star!

By Mark Hafen, Nan Schmidt, Lizz Singh, & Jyotika Virmani

We have begun casting "Marine Science: The Movie", an epic saga. While we've found actors to play many parts, we need your help in completing the cast. And, if you know of a better actor to play a part we've already cast, we're not adverse to making changes. Submit your ideas for casting to us ASAP.

In this issue we are listing all of the faculty and a few staff members. Selected students and staff will follow in the next issue. Actors were chosen for varied reasons, some based on looks, some based on personalities, and others based on their interests. Some may seem obvious, while others require a little bit of thought. Remember, this is all for fun!

Marine Science: The Movie, starring (in no particular order)...

Joan Cusak as Sara Tebbens

Sean Connery as Bob Byrne

Kevin Costner as Peter Betzer

Jeff Bridges as Mark Luther

Kevin Kline as David Naar

Tom Skerritt as Kent Fanning

Kathleen Turner as Joan Rose

Anthony Hopkins as Tom Hopkins

Roberto Begnini as Boris Galperin

Tom Hanks as Frank Muller-Karger

Susan Sarandon as Paula Coble

James Spader as Gary Mitchum

Annette Bening as Pam Hallock Muller

Lou Ferrigno (Incredible Hulk) as Ken Carder

Richard Dreyfuss as Ted Van Vleet

James Van der Beek (Dawson) as Ben Flower

Robert DeNiro (in *Cape Fear*) as Norm Blake

John Lithgow as John Walsh

William Shatner as John Paul

Steven Spielberg as Bob Weisberg

Peter Falk (Columbo) as Gabe Vargo

Jackie Chan as Jose Torres

Marlon Brando as Larry Doyle

Randy Quaid as Chuck Gibson

Rupert Everett as Chad Edmisten

Robin Williams as Peter Howd

Goldie Hawn as Teresa Greely

A young Robert Redford as a young Al Hine

Virtual Ink

www.rollingstone.com is a great website brought to you by the publishers of Rolling Stone magazine. Features include "Video of the Day", record reviews, live webcasts, and contests. There is a very user-friendly search engine that allows you to search for information on virtually any band. There are also concert reviews, including an excellent one on the band Wilco written by Lizz's brother (no favoritism here!). One drawback is that there are a lot of graphics, so it often takes a while to download. Despite that, it is a comprehensive website that holds a wealth of information.

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Hugh Grant as Dave English

enabled me to lose 12 pounds in only 2 days!

Kyra Sedgwick as Tressa Whalen

What makes statistics unique is its ability to quantify uncertainty, to make it precise. This allows statisticians to make *categorical statements*, with complete assurance about their level of uncertainty!

Easter is

Statistics Demystified

We muddle through life making choices based on incomplete information...

Helpful Hints

By Sean Singh

*Old telephone books make ideal personal address books. Simply cross out the names and addresses of people you don't know.

*Fool other drivers into thinking you have an expensive car phone by holding an old TV or video remote control up to your ear and occasionally swerving across the road and mounting the curb.

*Lose weight quickly by eating raw pork and rancid tuna. I found that the subsequent food poisoning/diarrhea Doug is the reason we have a smooth running network and 24 hour

access to email and the internet within our department. He is

known to spend all night reconfiguring seas after hackers have

intruded the system so that things will be back up and running

before the rest of our department arrives the next day.

Most of us live comfortably with some level of uncertainty.

Steve Martin as Bob Jolley Dame Judi Dench as Joan Hesler

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We have an open position not yet filled, which has increased the

workload for Doug. On top of that, he has had to recheck everything

with the new network that was found to be improperly installed throughout

the old building. This has been a very exhaustive effort and yet

Doug has kept postive about the whole experience and even kept

his sense of humor.

Also, we should make a big deal of the next issue because it's our

first anniversary issue, which is pretty amazing considering the

history of SI. I don't mind blowing our own trumpet.

It's also the first anniversary of www.

Movie Mania

By Jason Lenes and Jyotika Virmani

John Madden's Shakespeare in Love recently won 7 Academy Awards, including Best Movie. Winners of the Best Original Screenplay, Marc Norman and Tom Stoppard (Rosencrantz and Guildenstern Are Dead) erase Shakespeare's stuffy image presented on the back of Signet classics. They recreate the bard (Joseph Fiennes) as a young, passionate artist tortured under the insistent pressure of Phillip Henslowe (Geoffrey Rush), the owner of London's Rose Theatre. Fighting a severe case of writer's block, Will struggles with his new play Romeo and Ethel, the Pirate's Daughter. Enter center stage the fair muse, Lady Viola De Lesseps (Gwyneth Paltrow, Best Actress Award winner) disguised as a boy auditioning for the role of Romeo. Will falls in love instantly, not with the woman dressed as a man, but with a voice.

Recreating the creation of Romeo and Juliet through a perfectly Shakespearean comedy of errors, the screenwriters intertwine original text, the attitudes of Elizabethan times, first rate witty word play, and good oldfashioned fun. With stunning performances by all, the film truly feeds on a steady stream of Shakespeare injokes and gripping modern-day references. The wonderful cast includes Rupert Everett as Christopher Marlowe, and Dame Judi Dench, winner of the Best Supporting Actress Award for her eight minute on-screen presence as Queen Elizabeth I. Excellent direction, a beautiful score, and believable scenery and costume designs help drive this film, but it is the magnificent script that will allow Shakespeare in Love to take its rightful place among the classic Shakespearean spin-offs.

Score: 5 squids out of 5

April Fool

April was called *Germinal* (the time of budding) in the French Republican calendar of 1793. An April Fool (un poisson d'avril in French, a gowk [cuckoo] in Scotland) is a person befooled or tricked on April Fool's Day. Possible origins for this day are: *The uncertainty of the weather at this time of year fools people. *A mockery of the trial of Jesus. *March 25th used to be New Year's Day. April 1st was its octave (when the festivities culminated). *Relic of the Roman Cerealia, held at the beginning of April. The story says that Prosperina was gathering daffodils in the Elysian meadows when Pluto abducted her and took her to the underworld. Her mother, Ceres, heard the echo of her screams and went in search of the voice. However, her search was a fool's errand- it was "hunting the gowk" or looking for the "echo of a scream."

Virtual Ink

This column is dedicated to those of you who put off doing your taxes until the last possible minute. We know you are out there! We have seen you rush to the post office on April 15th and wait on line for hours just to make sure your taxes get out in time! Well, you only have about 2 weeks left, so we thought we would give you some information that will hopefully make filing your taxes a little easier.

www.irs.ustreas.gov is the official homepage of the IRS. Here you can find all kinds of up-to-date information in a relatively easy to read format. This site tells you how to use *e-file*, the new way to file your taxes electronically, and also gives information about the many tax credits that are available. You can search for help centers with Saturday hours, or search a database to find a local tax professional to help you. There is also information for those people filing taxes for a business. The "What's Hot" section provides updates and corrections to forms, among many other things. Maybe most importantly, this website tells you how to file for an extension! Good luck!

Joke of the Issue

More bumper sticker slogans...

*I just got lost in thought. It was unfamiliar territory.

*42.7% of all statistics are made up on the spot.

*99% of lawyers give the rest a bad name.

*I feel like I'm diagonally parked in a parallel universe.

*You have the right to remain silent. Anything you say will be misquoted, then used against you.

The future of this department depends on YOU!

USF was recently designated a Research 1 University. In order to maintain the high standards that have been established here, it is *vital* to have a library adequately equipped to handle our needs.

As you probably know, several subscriptions to important marine science journals have not been renewed. Boris Galperin, the Library Committee Representative for the department, sent out an email asking for your input. The response was <u>dismal</u>; less than 10% of the people in this department responded. This is pathetic when you consider that you will *all* use the library here at some point of your career.

We hope this will make it easier for you to respond. Please take a few minutes to review this list. Jot down some notes — what journals are most important to you, which ones are of no use to you, are there any journals that the library currently does not receive that would be helpful to you, etc.? Then, simply tear this page off ASAP and put it in Boris'mailbox or e-mail him at boris@nekton.marine. usf.edu.

The following list of journal titles have not been renewed for 1999.

AIAA Journal

American Journal of Science American Mineralogist

American Mineral

Geology

Geophysical Research Letters Global Environmental Change Report Geological Society of America Bulletin International Journal of Remote Sensing International Journal of Water Reources and Development

Journal of Coastal Research

Journal of Geophysical Research (all sections)

Journal of the Atmospheric Sciences Powder Diffraction

The following list of titles have been supported by USGS funds and have been renewed for 1999.

Boundary Layer Meteorology Journal of Computational Physics Journal of Fluid Mechanics Physical Review Letters Environmental Career Opportunities

The journals listed here are either currently received by Poynter Library or available electronically through the USF Virtual Library.

AAPG Bulletin

Ambio

American Fisheries Society

Transactions (AFS)

American Scientist

Applied and Environmental

Microbiology Aquaculture

Aquatic Botany

Biogeochemistry Biological Bulletin

Boundary Layer Meteorology

Bulletin of Marine Science Bulletin of the American

Meteorological Society

Canadian Journal of Fisheries and

Aquatic Sciences

Chemical Geology

Continental Shelf Research

Coral Reefs

Deep Sea Research

Dynamics of Atmospheres and Oceans

Earth and Planetary Science Letters

Earth Science Reviews

Ecological Monographs

Ecology

Estuaries

Estuarine Coastal and Shelf Science

Experiments in Fluids

Fisheries (AFS)

Fisheries Oceanography

Fishery Bulletin

Geochimica et Cosmochimica Acta Geological Society of America Bulletin Journal of Aquatic Animal Health

(AFS)

Journal of Climate

Journal of Computational Physics

Journal of Experimental Marine

Biology and Ecology

Journal of Fluid Mechanics

Journal of Geology

Journal of Hydraulic Research

Journal of Marine Research

Journal of Marine Systems

Journal of Physical Oceanography

Journal of Plankton Research

Journal of Sea Research

Journal of Shellfish Research

Limnology and Oceanography

Marine & Freshwater Research

Marine & Petroleum Geology

Marine Biological Association of the

U.K., Journal of the

Marine Biology

Marine Chemistry

Marine Environmental Research

Marine Geology

Marine Geophysical Researches

Marine Georesources & Geotechnology

Marine Micropaleontology

Marine Pollution Bulletin

Molecular Marine Biology and

Biotechnology

North American Journal of Fisheries

Management (AFS)

Oceanic Abstracts

Oceanologica Acta

Ophelia

Paleoceanography

Physical Review Letters

Polar Biology

Progress in Oceanography

Progressive Fish-Culturist (AFS)

Quarterly Review of Biology

Remote Sensing of Environment Reviews of Geophysics

Sarsia

Sea Grant Abstracts

Tectonics

Tectonophysics

Tellus, pt A and B

Water Resources Research

Dear Boris:

The following journals are very
important to me:
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Please don't cancel the following
subscriptions:
subscriptions
Other comments:

Did you know ...

- * There are 3 billion women who don't look like super models and only eight who do.
- * Marilyn Monroe wore a size 14-16.
- * If Barbie was a real woman, she'd have to walk on all fours due to her proportions.
- * The average American woman weighs 144 lbs. and wears between a size 12 and 14.
- * One out of every four college aged women has an eating disorder.
- * The models in the magazines are airbrushed-they're not perfect!!
- * A psychological study in 1995 found that three minutes spent looking at models in a fashion magazine caused 70% of women to feel depressed, guilty, and shameful.
- * Twenty years ago, models weighed 8% less than the average woman. Today they weigh 23% less.

the text box shading to improve the print quality. Can that be done?

A: Yes. To change the shading or color of a text box, select it and double click its borders to open the Format Text Box dialog box. Click the Colors and Lines tab and then choose the new color from the Color drop-down list in the Fill section.

Q: What's the best way to print this newsletter?

A: Print page 2 on the back of page 1. Fold in half and mail with or without an envelope. For best results, use a medium to heavyweight paper. If you're mailing without an envelope, seal with a label.

Q: I would like to use my own clip

Q: I would like to change some of