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"Everybody hates me because I'm so universally liked."
~Peter de Vries

On Behalf Of... USG

By Kyle Thorton ~ Daily Bull

This is a new weekly column that the Daily Bull will be featuring that will act as the voice of seldom heard groups. Some of the groups that could be featured include polygamists, cannibals, and people who don't give a damn either way on abortion. This week the Bull is pleased to hand over the written microphone to the Undergraduate Student Government, as they recently met with various groups to appropriate SAF funds for the upcoming year. "Writing" on their behalf is the President of USG, Bob Niffenegger...

I, President Bob, would like to start by thanking the Bull for giving us this opportunity to educate you the voter on how we, USG, decide what group gets how much money. Many of you might not know this, but as the folks around the Physics department are aware I'm quite funny. I can be heard making various prof's giggle throughout the halls. But don't take my word for it, take my word

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Child Prodigy Made Obsolete By New Laptop

By Nathan "Invincible" Miller ~ Daily Bull

Prodigal Son Lee Aschim was made obsolete today when his parents purchased a brand new 2.6 GHz Intel Core Duo Apple MacBook Pro. The computer now resides on a specially designed computer desk in the newly refurbished family office, previously Lee's bedroom.

"Now where I am I supposed to sleep?" wonders the 12 year old genius while sitting amongst his stacks of books and shelves of ribbons and trophies, which have now been replaced with fine computer programs and fancy desk lamps. "I guess it's how the world works, you know? I always wonder if it was a planned obsolescence, and I wasn't meant to last even 12 years in the first place."

Buying the laptop was a completely unexpected move by Lee's parents. Thought to have been blessed with such an incredible child, they soon grew tired of his constant spewing of mental prowess, whether it be proofs of complex mathematics or his startling ability to win every single game of chess since reaching age 3.

"While it was incredible that Lee could remember the 1000 largest cities in the world, it just doesn't compare to the raw processing power of this fine laptop," says Lee's father in a video conference using the MacBook Pro's built in iSight, allowing for unmatched streaming video content from anywhere in the globe. "I'd like to see him try and beat this baby in a spelling bee; the updated dictionary it's got here even queries Wikipedia. Does Lee have an instant uplink to the largest encyclopedia in the world? Didn't think so."

The MacBook, which the Aschim's decided to name Roger, was upgraded to 4 gigabytes of RAM to enable the family to make the most of their new software.

"As nice as Lee's masterpiece paintings and watercolors were, they just don't compare with the fantastic art I can create using Adobe Photoshop CS2," claims Mrs. Aschim. "It's really phenomenal how the dual processors, paired along with the powerful video card, can produce such vivid imagery. I

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absolutely love it and wouldn't trade it for the world."

According to experts, even though Roger clearly is much more refined and portable than Lee is, the computer is still considerably slower than the young prodigy's overall brain output. They are quick to point out, though, with the proper software and enough distracting thoughts, Roger could easily trounce Lee in a head-to-head mental calculation competition.

"I don't think it's fair that they hired the fastest typist in the world to enter the numbers into the computer during our 100-Digit-Number-Squared-off competition," whines Lee as he flips through pages of his quantum physics manual. "I mean, by the time they finished telling me what the number was, they'd already finished typing and had it all done. Totally rigged."



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"I'm sure somebody won a bunch of money off that one," he added.

The Aschim's are planning on saving thousands of dollars per year replacing Lee with Roger, who uses very little electricity, does not require food, and can occupy itself with crunching numbers, thus saving the family time they'd have to spend with their old son.

"It's a new direction for us," Mr. Aschim claims as he hugs his wife, who is surfing the Internet on Roger. "We love our Roger so much. Oh the places we'll go! Our lives will surely improve thanks to this amazing machine." 🐻

Editor's Note: Lee was the Grand Prize Winner of my "Come on Down" article, and as a result got an entire article written about his completely true story. He is now using his superhuman skills here at MTU instead. Give him a high five if you see him.

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for it. See right there, I'm already making you laugh. Here's a good side-splitter you can read out loud to your chums between classes.

Knock, knock. (Read with another person) Who's there? (You read again) The USG. (Back to your chum) The USG who? (You again, last time) The USG Budget Committee, hope you filled out all the relevant forms for us to read. (You can throw in "buddy" if you're really close chums.)

I know, I just thought of that. But moving on to more serious matters, I would like to address the notion that's been going around that in some ways the Committee is corrupt. This is simply not true!

Kristen Semlow might count all appropriations in terms of equipment the women's soccer team won't get, but that's just her way. Trust me, you don't want to screw with Kristen and her way. In case you're wondering the \$1000 the Paintball Club won't be getting equals 50 shin-guards, and the \$500 we could give to Intervarsity correlates to around 40 soccer balls. If you want to look at someone, look at Shazoo. I'm pretty sure he's skimming somehow, but the man is crazy. I've seen him ride a surf-board with wheels around campus.

Some of you may be wondering exactly how a budget meeting works; then again some of you were too stupid to understand why ASMTU was a superior form of government. How it works is, a student organization will spend a couple weeks making a budget. These groups will carefully research what it is they need for the coming year and how much it will cost. They then bring that budget to USG and we'll look at it for around 5 minutes and slim it down. We do that in minutes! Of course as Idi Amin, former benevolent ruler of Uganda, said, "Expediency in government is next to godliness."

Remember, that money is money every student pays to MTU, and a group that less than 25% of the student body voted for decides what to do with it. That's pretty darn good!

What is really difficult about USG's job is making sure we have enough money to cover everyone's needs. Now, just because we had over a \$100,000 left over last year doesn't mean everyone's needs weren't met. It just means we did a really good job of sliming everyone's budgets down, and USG is going to make sure that that money is put towards important uses. We're looking into buying an 8 by 12 foot inflatable

screen for the most profitable group on campus, the Film Board. This way we can watch a movie outside together, and the kicker is the thing only costs \$10,000. We'll have over \$90,000 we can appropriate still, plus there could be even more to add to the pot after this year's budget hearings. So get set for what USG has in store for you; we assure you, we can afford it.

This is Bob Niffe...yeah, wishing you a happy and safe rest of the semester. Remember don't let seasonal depression get you down. Buh-Bye.




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