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I know that there are people who do not love their fellow man, and I hate people like that!
~ Tom Lehrer, Liz's hero



Pigeon Theft

By Phil Pomber ~ Daily Bull

A rash of vehicle thefts have swept over Houghton, having begun shortly before Michigan Tech students returned from their winter vacation and continuing to this day. The thieves show no signs of ending the crime spree, despite actions taken to deter them. All thefts to date have taken place in the Houghton parking garage, which led authorities to place security cameras in the area. The culprits were caught in the act of lifting a sports utility vehicle the same day the camera was placed.

As they reviewed the tapes officers were dumbfounded by what they saw on the screen before them. A massive flock of pigeons had descended into the garage around 10:32pm. The birds quickly latched

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Tribute to the Daniell Heights List

By Simon Mused ~ Daily Bull

Being a part of the Daniell Heights mailing list was one of the best decisions I have ever made. Sure, it mostly behaves as any other mailing list, spreading newsletters and updates on what's going on in the community, but occasionally a gem of an email gets sent out that ignites a completely unintentional and unnecessary debate, and you can't help but relish in the drama that it creates.

Most people like to use the list as a way to pitch items that they have for sale or want to buy. When they do this, they usually contain the words "Sorry for the spam." This has managed to get on someone's nerve and the definition of spamming the list was called into question. Consensus? They are spamming the list and they should be stopped. Backlash? You bet. Today you can still get the same fine textbooks sold by different people with the exact same text in their emails, and the occasional piece of furniture. But spamming the list for the selling and buying of goods is the least of the mailing list's worries.

The most prevalent problem is people's

apparent distaste of people emailing the list about their parking issues. In Daniell Heights we have specific parking spots assigned to those with cars, and you are only allowed to park in that one spot or else Public Safety will come in and dole out the harshness. Well, people often ignore that and park where they please, and have their guests do the same. However, there are people who are fond of their spot, for the justifiable reason that the spot belongs to them, and do not like to have to park farther from home because someone has company.

Now here lies the dilemma that is still debated upon time and again over the list: should you email the list to complain, or do like you're told and call Public Safety and have the car ticketed and/or removed? Well, complaining to the list just so happens to be the most popular choice, for as we all know everyone checks their email every ten minutes, especially when they have company over.

Tempers tend to run high, especially during times of trial. A man was caught

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One of the student org office clocks seems to think it's 1:50 instead of 4:50....
Leet's do the tiimme warp agaaaaain!!



Big O's Guide to Online Music Stardom

By Jon "Big O" Mahan ~ Daily Bull

I've been an internet 'tard for long enough to notice certain trends, rules, and other circumstances that can ruin a person's fame, or make it. Depending, of course. So I present the first ever guide on how to become popular online with your music. Whether you're mixing music, doing remixes, composing, or a J-pop star, heck, even j-rock, you can benefit from this guide. Do I expect everyone to be one of those? No. But perhaps a buddy or even someone at a con you go to is struggling, and BAM you're prepared, and suddenly you're making bank!

First- The Song. This is very important. The song should always be vague enough to where the lyrics could be misinterpreted to at least 7 different meanings, or the beat so catchy that nobody cares. If it's J-pop, most people in the States who listen to it won't care except for maybe a line or two of lyrics, otherwise, it's the music you make with it. If it's a remix of an old song (say Sand Canyon from Kirby) then most people will only listen for the compliment to the original song, so don't stress on the whole lyrics thing. Most remixes sound great without them anyway.

Second- Touhou-ize it. This is actually one of the best ways to become famous in the world of J-Pop or remix-stardom. Just make the music video be of Touhou characters. Pick a good few and just do the song about SDM, or perhaps the Moon-rabbits, or even Yukari and them. Suwako and Kanako are always good choices as well, though Rin and Suika seem to be popular these days.

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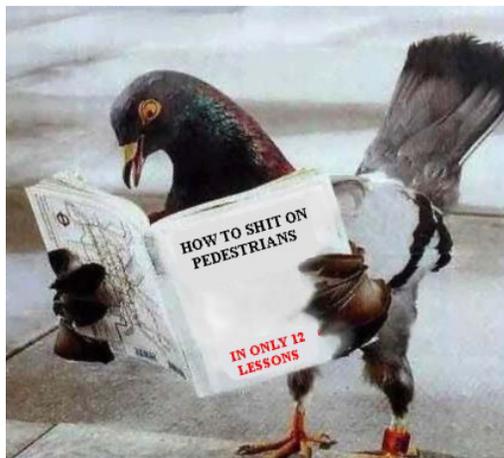
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cursing over the list (over the parking issue no less! Gasp!) and was told not to send profanity over the list. Not a few seconds later did someone else with the tasteful opening line of "hey dumbass" respond with his own opinion. Soon, the President of the Daniell Heights Community stepped up and emailed the list about what to do with their parking issues, only to have the man with the parking issue in the first place snap back to the profanity-user. One can only assume why they all decided that the entire list needed to know their opinion, but I suppose this is what happens when the original commenter forgets to apologize for the spam.

Recently someone emailed the list explaining how they

feel that our Community Advisors (the Daniell Heights equivalent of an RA), Program Coordinators, and their supervisors do nothing. This caused a last minute flurry of ferocious emails over winter break, just enough to keep me entertained for the first few days. I think all meetings for each student org should boil down to this format. Arguing over email gets everyone to contribute their opinion evidently.

I highly advocate becoming a part of this special mailing list. Once I see that first email that is sure to spark a good debate, its like flipping through channels and finding your favorite show, and it's a marathon! And remember, check your email every 10 minutes, or else you run the risk of thoroughly pissing someone off. ☹



...Tweet my ride from

onto every available hold and crevice on the blue Ford Bronco, then slowly and gently lifted it off the ground and about two feet into the air. They then proceeded to carry it out the garage and took it away. To date, a total of nine vehicles totaling about \$70,000 in value have been taken by the feathered fiends.

Experts in animal behavior were quickly called in to assess the situation and attempt to find a solution. Once they recovered from the initial shock of witnessing a flock of birds commit grand theft auto, experts were able to determine what had allowed the normally less than keen birds to achieve such organization. Upon closer inspection, the video revealed one above-average pigeon was bribing the others into action with a large loaf of whole grain bread. It is unclear where the bird obtained the bread.

Experts have determined that the bread is the key piece to the lead bird's plan and its weak link, because without the baked good its flight of followers will disperse. Authorities are cautioning residents to keep a close watch on their pantries and animal catchers have been placed outside grocery stores in an attempt to catch the criminal pigeon on its next grocery run.

A closer inspection of the models of the vehicles taken has revealed them all to be either of the 4x4 or front wheel drive variety. This further proves the apparent intelligence of the above average pigeon and its ability to assess its wintry surroundings. To date, none of the vehicles have been recovered. It is not yet known where the cars are being taken or what the above-average pigeon intends to do with them.

Not only is the situation causing never before experienced problems for law enforcement, but trouble is brewing as legal experts argue how laws apply to a non-human criminal. If it is caught, it remains unclear what punishment the bird will face, if any. It is likely, however, that because of its unique characteristics it will be subject to observation and experimentation by scientists and biologists. This has caused the formation of new animal rights groups who support the bird despite its unjust actions.

Authorities ask residents who come into contact with the pigeon not to take action as a bird of such intelligence has the potential to become violent if threatened. ☹

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[Sec. 2, Addendum A] May it also be noted that Lucky Star and Haruhi, though mostly Lucky Star, are also great ways to get a decent sized fan base off the start. Though, with those shows, best stay away from Kirby Remixes and Death Note opening remixes. They've been done too much and/or too well for you to even try.

Third- Put it online.

I honestly suggest starting out with Niko Niko Douga or, perhaps YouTube for this one. Make sure the characters are part of the search words, as well as the word Touhou. For instance, if you were to do a remix of Sand Canyon, featuring the SDM, then for search words include sand canyon sakuya remilia flandre patchouli meirin meiling [song name] scarlet devil mansion. Trust me; these are great tags to add, since many Remilia fans will watch the movie just because Remilia is in it. And likewise with the other characters (personally, I'll look up Koakuma).

any luck, your song will do well with the swarms of Touhou rabid fans sending the remixes and or music to everyone they know, making face book groups for it, and all that jazz. Now all you have to do is ride out your newfound awesome. If you were in Japan, you'd make a few more of them, and go to Comiket to sell them. However, if you're reading this you're likely not there, so make more remixes! People will likely watch your videos now even if they aren't Touhou or lucky starred, just because they liked your last song. Congrats!

Side note- The word Addendum if spelled Adendum will crash MS Word 2007. At least, it did with mine. ☹

Fourth- Profit! You're done. With



"Bamboo's made for munchin' on baby, it was made for feeding us..."

Things just never were the same after KISS found out they didn't make it into the Rock and Roll hall of fame.

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