

DAILY BULL



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I can't understand why I flunked American history. When I was a kid there was so little of it.
~ George Burns

USG: Pre/Post Spring Break

By John Pastore ~ Daily Bull

Sorry for the delay; I've been busy as all get out getting Nanocon 21½ ready for this weekend. Here, then, is the USG meeting notes for the weekend before spring break, and the weekend after, joined together. I'm afraid I'm only going to be able to do an analysis on the meeting minutes for this week's meeting, as I'm going to be at the "Rally for Higher Education" going down in Lansing.

Service Committee has been officially invoked, with the function to "seek & execute services for the USG." Service is responsible for the WinterCarn chili van, USG activities at K day, the Student Involvement Fair, Spring Fling (likely: hot dog give away), and will twice a month be checking the Body Barn, er, student organization storage space for integrity. Given that the Body Barn's security de-

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Why Beer is Awesome

By Stephen Whittaker ~ Daily Bull

Beer, it's almost synonymous with a College student. We love Beer and Beer loves us... most of the time. Except those nights when praying to the porcelain gods is not an option. There are many things that make this bubbly cold (sometimes) drink so enticing, but let me just go through some of the reasons why Beer is just plain awesome.

1. It gives you the ability to dance! Or at least the illusion of it. I myself must admit I like to dance, and I am really bad at dancing. So I don't dance, until I've had a few beers; then my fear of being rejected by my peers completely disappears, which leads me to my next reason...

2. Lowered inhibitions. Now this is a double-edged sword. Clearly, beer can make you act like a complete moron but sometimes, the fact that you don't care that you might fail when you talk to a girl, in my case, without that fear of rejection coming between you and your goal is

just awesome. Just be careful with this idea clearly rolling down Agate in a trashcan might seem like a great idea at the time, but trust me, it isn't.

3. Beer is almost like drinking water. Well, sort of. If you drink the beer that is sold today, it will probably not work like water for you, but in Medieval Europe they didn't have much else of a choice. The water that people in those times had to drink wasn't exactly what you would call sanitary; having the well and the sewage dump in the same place tends to do that. So what they did to combat the growth of bacteria in water is to brew what was called small beer/ale that

had a low alcohol content and could be drank in place of water without causing dehydration.

4. I stole this from a Labbat's beer commercial, but you can use beer as an

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Only someone who drinks beer could think of something this cool.

My candy supply is dwindling.
Evasive action is needed.



Nathan Wonders: Reputation

Brought to you by Nathan 'Invincible' Miller

One of my favorite things about being in the Bull is having a reputation. After nearly 4 years plying my trade, I've almost kinda sorta become a household name. Seems like everywhere I go, my reputation precedes me. "Oh, you're that Invincible kid from the Bull. Cool."



What's that? The Daily Bull is awesome? Well that's great news!

While I can take credit for some of my glory, it also helps that the Bull itself suddenly has a relatively high standing as well. Soon after I joined, we struggled to put out even one issue a week sometimes. Losing members drastically, we managed to push through, but

just barely. Now we're five days a week, have bunches of writers, new equipment, a website, and tons of other awesome. Meanwhile, the Lode and others have been struggling. We even have the second highest office attendance (by 1!), behind the über serious Blue Key. Talk about pro.

Take our financial position: USG recommended we get nearly all of our requested budget for next year, minus shirts that they accidentally allocated us last year. Very few orgs can claim to have gotten close to what they wanted. While we didn't get the most, at least we have a sound budget. Couple that with our strong ad revenues coming from the Alumni Association, Housing, and other reputable sources... why, it's almost like we're legitimately cool! Now that's something to be proud of. 🍷

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...All beers? Is that a number? from front icepack! Both in a literal sense and a metaphorical sense. Fell on your ass too many times playing broomball? Ice it with a nice cold beer. Is your butt hurting after that exam had its way with you? Ice it with a nice cold beer!

5. Beer builds all those stories you can share with your friends for years to come! Hey Jack, remember that night you pissed in that guys window? Or Craig, remember that time you called me crying on the phone

because you were lost at a frat house, and I find out the next day you ended up throwing a guy out window later that night? Good times.

Clearly Beer is awesome for more than just these reasons, but I just don't have the time to go through them all. But for all the awesomeness that is Beer, for the love of god and all that is holy please NEVER drink and drive, and if you do drink, be responsible about it. On another note, liquor is awesome as well for many of the same reasons.

NANOCON 21½

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SATURDAY**



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vices are made of wood and steel, that's good.

Speaking of budgets: organizations, you should be getting the results back from your budget hearings last Friday pretty shortly; the meeting this Wednesday will list the recommendations. If you don't like what you're group got, then you can bother Ways And Means again on April 2, next week, from 4-7. The final vote on the budget will occur the week after that, on April 7th. And a note, get your reimbursements in before April 14th

April 14 is also the date of transition to the new USG board – remember those elections you were participating in? The new Eboard is known; 5 of next year's members are also known, being carried over from the past year so there will be a few people who know what they're doing available right away.

The suggestions from the Parking Task Force have been submitted. They basically suggest removing the gates barring the 2\$ lot, 25\$ across the board violation fines linked to your student bill faster; towing w/ possible 250\$ fine, and profits going to a new indexing system. This is apparently all driven by the need for 14K\$ a year to maintain the gates and an automobile registration system that is burdened with cars used in the 1980s in it. Parking structures, alas, are not part of the proposed plan at this point.

Another set of suggestions were passed on with regards to the bowling ally in the basement of the MUB. Given the premise that the bowling alley machines are so old they are having difficulty finding replacement parts, a small cabal of MUB directors have been meeting to suggest what to do with the area. Their suggestions were to rip out the whole of these machines and alley, mirror the walls, set up netted golfing/golf sims in the area the pin reset ma-

chines currently occupy, and basically try to provide space for new PE activities that will have to replace the PE credits for the 1000 people who take bowling every year. No one on this committee is actually a student or represents a student voice, so it's a nice token that the report submitted mentions the need to actually ask them about it. You guessed it – expect another survey.

A few final small notes; Standathon is this weekend; expect a string duet followed by a Christian rock group followed by standing around for a few hours. The Student Commission is considering more recycling bins on campus like the SDC's. There is still apparently a smoking survey in the works (for Zeus' sake, electrostatic air purifiers aren't that difficult to implement.) The Inter-Fraternity Council processed a bunch of new amendments to how it interacts with orgs and will be producing more executive reports. 🐛