**Question Most Heard On Campus:**

**What Happened To The Library?**

It's library has become very newsworthy these days. The university has set aside $10 million for the renovation and development of the Old Kemper Library. Part of these renovations, specifically the design of the canopy, has appeared in both the Chicago Tribune and the New York Times. The architect, Robert Nevel, designed a serpentine wall and a multicolored steel canopy to hang over the front doors.

However, the progressive design of the canopy provoked a negative reaction from the architecture department and various other high ranking IT officials. So, last Tuesday, just three days before the dedication ceremony, the paint job was removed quietly and quickly. Its reported cost was $330,000. The wall, which was cement, was left standing.

**NASA Comes to IIT**

By Jatau Jordan

Who says IIT doesn't have the right stuff? NASA seems to think it does. IIT has been chosen to design NASA's new space station. The space station, which will be completed by 1992, will be used for space research. NASA hopes that by building a manned research station in space they will be able to research the effects of space on man and instruments.

For research purposes, there will be laboratory as well as living quarters built in a box-like structure. This will allow for easy, large-scale experiments. The station will be manned by twenty-three people.

It was chosen to design the research station because the students have a reputation for ranking very high in professional design competitions. The station is being designed by five research teams all over the United States.

According to Dale E. Farnstrom, Chairman of the Institute of Design and Charles L. Owen, Professor of Production Design and Director of Design Processes Laboratory, IIT students and staff are working on a section of the space station that connects the whole project.

This section, a function chart built by Rockwell, is a tree-like structure on which IIT hopes to reconstruct into a more efficient structure. Once this is done, the structure will be examined and will be able to see what conclusions can be drawn about its operation.

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**New Faculty in CE Department**

Within the past year at IIT, the Civil Engineering Department has undergone drastic changes in its personnel. It has lost one-third of its professional staff to various further endeavors. When three associate professors left the department there were only six associate professors left. They were assisted by five instructors from the Engineering community. The three professors, Kenneth Milbrandt, John O'Leary, and Andrew Longnow, left faculty positions. The responsibility of filling them fell upon the department head, Dr. Surendra Saxena.

The withdrawal of Professors Milbrandt and O'Leary was acknowledged by the department early in the year. But Professor Longnow's resignation was very abrupt. Longnow resigned on June 1, 1985 following an apparent difficulty with the Institute on the subject of tenure. Professor Milbrandt retired and Professor O'Leary is on sabbatical leave. O'Leary, however, is still teaching one course and will soon return to full teaching status. These absences left Dr. Saxena in urgent need of staff.

He located two very highly qualified instructors to fill the void in the staff roster. These new arrivals are Associate Professors Mannek Simalki and Guillermo Santana, who joined the IIT educational staff this fall.

Professor Simalki received his PhD from Lehigh University, and has thirteen years of experience in the field, Professor Santana recently continued on page 9.

**From NCAA to NAIA**

By Linda Parsons

IIT's athletic teams switched this semester from the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) to the National Association of Independent Athletics (NAIA). This change was made because IIT couldn't meet new NCAA stipulations that require participation colleges to have at least six different women's sports teams, said Dennis Hul, Director of the Physical Education Department. The continued on page 11.
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Tech Entrepreneurs begins its third year of activity on Tuesday, September 17, and invites all interested IIT students from this newest freshman to the most seasoned graduate student, to attend. Come to Room 301 in the HUB, on the Mezzanine overlooking the main concourse, for the initial orientation meeting. Meet others who share your interest in independent business ventures or who are simply curious about entrepreneurship.

Tech Entrepreneurs seeks to promote entrepreneurship, the risk-taking organization and development of new services or products. It is a free, non-profit, off-campus organization. It helps encouraging student entrepreneurs, nurturing a network of talent, providing free consulting to IIT student entrepreneurs, holding educational sessions that deal with marketing, product development, venture capital acquisition, and writing of business plans, and organizing field trips to local area businesses and technical enterprises.

Come on Tuesday, at Noon, to Room 301 HUB. Now is the time to start. For information contact Richard A. Retrigg at 567-5891 or Anne Busen-Tolpin at 567-8812.

Correction

In last week's article, titled "Expanded Writing Clinic" on page 6, we left out a line in the top paragraph in the second column. This paragraph should read, "In the writing workshops which have been held so far, students have been asked to appoint an appointment by calling x3455 or by signing up in 108 NS. Native speakers will receive help from Dr. Pllampin in 156 LS, and ESL will help from Mr. M. Susan Sherman in 162 LS." "Technology News" regrets the error.

Placement

Eighty-five companies are planning to interview approximately one hundred eighteen recruiters to campus this semester. Among IIT's top fans are General Motors with fourteen recruiters, Motorola with nine, Zenith with seven, and Commonwealth Edison with five. IIT's Career Development Office believes that the success rate of such mail promotions is only five to ten per cent. However, they prefer the other way:

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The Bible and You

This study-prayer group of IIT students, faculty and staff will meet on Thursday, Sept. 19 at 12 noon in the Field Room, SW corner of McCormick. Those interested in continuing a search for the various levels of meaning presented by the Sacred Scriptures, and a personal reference for our contemporary life are welcome to participate. With the help of the field room Thursday is set aside in the Biblical texts and the impact of their message. The program is open to the IIT community.

Life Celebrates

Latinos involved in Further Education (IIT's Hispanic student organization, LIFE), IIT's Office of Hispanic Educational Development, and the Latin American Cultural and Resource Center are holding their annual Latin American Book Sale (Best literature from Latin American countries).

Torta sale (Mexican style sandwich)

Let's talk about the Mexican Revolution by IIT's Latin American History Specialist Mr. G. Andrews (12:30, mezcaline) and much more.

Ski Trip

Once again the IIT Ski Club is sponsoring a trip to an outstanding ski area this year. in the past, we have run very successful trips to great destinations such as Vail, Colorado and Jackson Hole. This year's destination is the famous college party town of Steamboat Springs, Colorado. The price of $300 includes six nights lodging in high class condos, day lifts, motorcoach transportation and free parties. You have your choice of dates: Jan. 10-17 or Jan. 17-24. You do not have to be a student of IIT to go, so bring as many friends and relatives as you like. Faculty and staff are also invited. Space is limited so sign up now! We will be holding a meeting at McCormick for everyone who wants to sign up. Location: 302 HUB, mezzanine (above the cafeteria). Deposits of $50 will be accepted beginning on this date, so be there. For more information, call John Estes at 329-9865 or x9104, or Lisa Golin at 329-2254.

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A New Yorker's View of the Library

ITT, you're famous. You made the biggest of the big-time papers last week, the New York Times. But not for your demanding academic programs, nor a pioneering debate over faculty tenure, nor for struggle as an inner-city school coming to terms with a new high-tech Chicago. You made the front section of the New York Times because of your protest of the library door. God bless you all.

As a newcomer to New York (two weeks ago) and a recent ITT graduate (last spring) my alma mater comes up often in conversations with hard-core New Yorkers who want to know why anyone who didn't absolutely have to would move here from Chicago. ITT is known in New York, but the name is not on everyone's lips.

Or at least it wasn't, until the IIT protest of its library's new multicolored canopy caught 20 column-inches, a nine-word line 3/4 inch headline, and a 34 square inch photograph in the New York Times, commonly known to be the best paper in the world (ask any New Yorker).

The article, which was written by Andrew Malcolm for the September 11th edition of the paper, seems to have been designed to amuse but not ridicule. The opening two paragraphs read, "The Illinois Institute of Technology, which is to redevelop its renovated library on Friday, is planning to tear down part of the renovations before the ceremony.

"The style of a bright-colored new canopy was not deemed suitable by faculty, students and administrators for an institution so closely identified with the austere International Style of Ludwig Mies van der Rohe."

Probably anyone would be amused, with the exception of you there footing the bill, at the thought of the aggravation, waste and emotion implied in those two paragraphs. Especially if, as Malcolm reported, "the cost of the canopy was $300,000."

The article gave what looked, at least at a distance, like a clear and complete description of the debate and resulting actions. President Martin had been interviewed by Malcolm and was quoted at length, as was Robert Nevel, project head for the renovation architect. The role of architecture dean George Schuyver in the protest and in devising a solution was mentioned.

Of interest to some of you at IIT may be this note-taking paragraph from near the end of the article:

"The institute's resident director of libraries循注对 on why the canopy design had not been reviewed. Some speculate that they didn't get much beyond Dohm Mehrenbacher, the director of the institute's physical resources. He was said to be on vacation for a while."

There is a positive side to this potentially adverse publicity. First it is publicity for IIT and an article this size on a prestigious paper is nothing to sneer at. And it's free.

But even better, you all came out of it looking pretty darn good. In three days of apathy on college campuses you made yourselves heard and the results were both positive and dramatic. Through the morning details of the story come suggestions of courage, strong ideals, the possibility of discussion and a willingness to peacefully resolve disputes. And that's good to know.

Of Professor Emeritus Comments

The opinion voiced on the front page of the September 9, 1985, issue of Technology News that an improvement in the appearance of the campus in the future will increase the number of students visiting the library is patently absurd. Numerous examples come to mind indicating that the number of visitors to libraries, museums, halls of academia, etc., depends primarily on contents and not external appearances.

Furthermore, even casual observers of the contemporary architectural scene, as reflected by articles in professional journals are forced to recognize that the search for aesthetic value of the library produced by the change is negative and lacks completely in redeeming features. In addition, it is strongly believed by this writer that designers of appendages to be attached to an existing structure are obliged to conform to the structural and aesthetic statements of the building's creator.

There are three additional objections to this first major architectural blunder on the IIT campus:

The cable support of the canopy introduces forces on two of the I-beams supporting the building that are normal to the web of these beams. From the point of view of loading, these forces are, of course, insignificant, however, their very existence violates the structural statement of the building. Thus, in this case, "form contradicts function."

The appearance of buildings designed and models displayed by IIT students of architecture is in sharp contrast with the appearance of the new facade of the library, which cannot go unnoticed by the students laboring in adjacent Crown Hall and contrasts in spirit what they are being taught.

Finally, whatever the basis of the decision that led to the new library entrance, it would seem - especially in view of some of the problems IIT is facing today - that economic considerations should have played a vital role in its design. From this vantage point, it seems very hard to justify the large access ramp for handicapped students replacing the external elevator used elsewhere on the campus and the curvilinear shape of the thick retaining wall at the front and the railing topping it.

It seems that the pitfalls described above could have been easily avoided if any one of the leading U.S. architects who are on the IIT faculty would have been consulted during the planning stages of what this writer believes is a most unfortunate intervention inflicted upon the campus.

A. A. Feyer

Professor Emeritus

The New Galvin Library

Students at the new circulation desk. (All photos by Andy Labens.)

The best retiree of the contemporary environment - the perspex wall (farther and left)

Portrait of Paul V. Galvin who hangs in the library (lower left)

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Student Loan Changes

WASHINGTON, D.C. (CPS) - When it returns from its holiday recess, Congress seems likely to make minor modifications in the way banks disburse student loans, but a decision is still pending on the federal financial aid budget.

But the seventh month battle by the higher education community to thwart administration proposals for sharp cuts in financial aid may have been delayed last month when Congress approved a budget resolution calling for $9.7 billion for student aid for the fiscal year beginning Oct. 1.

The resolution translates into modest increases in most federal aid programs, and a modest cut of $800 million over the next three years in the Guaranteed Student Loan (GSL) program.

The resolution was a defeat for the administration, which had sought $2.2 billion cut in the $6.8 billion student aid budget for the current fiscal year.

The cuts will be much less drastic or draconian than what we were facing at one point, and some trimming will be necessary," says Dennis Martin of the National Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators.

The resolution requires the GSL program to save $100 million this fiscal year, but, Martin thinks it can be done without changing the eligibility requirements for GSL loans.

One likely change, Martin says, is that banks will be required to disperse student loans in two segments during the academic year.

Current students get their federally-guaranteed loans in one lump sum at the beginning of the year.

Issuing loans in two installments will save the federal government interest subsidy funds. Additional savings will result when some students drop out of school in the middle of the academic year.

Martin endorses this proposal. "Anything we can do to cut costs without making fewer students eligible for loans is something that deserves a good look," he says.

Other modifications are likely in the formulas used to compute the amount of interest subsidized by the federal government, and in the rules governing the participation of state loan agencies in the program.

Martin says there is no indication that publicity surrounding the administration's proposal to slash student aid budgets has prompted students to forgo applying for federal aid, as some officials feared might happen.

Fewer students sought aid in 1981, when the first in a series of proposals to cut federal aid budgets was unveiled.

"Apparently, students are now more sensitive to the fact that the administration's proposals are not the end of the budget process," Martin says.

Martin however, expects the administration to propose aid cuts again next year.

How to Cope With Stress

SALT LAKE CITY, UT (CPS) - Students entering school this fall will encounter stress periods much the same as those they've had before, and will probably endure regular "academic calender stress" periods before they finish college, University of Utah study reveals.

"Students are away from home, many for the first time, and dealing with pressures and responsibilities they've never had before," explains study co-author Neal Whitman, a researcher with the university's Department of Family Planning.

At the same time, though, students experience less serious stress because they have greater control over their lives than their non-student peers in the real world, according to the summary study of over 150 major stress reports.

"Stress is directly related to how much control you have over your life," says Whitman, "and let's face it, a college student has a lot of control. Going to college itself is a matter of choice. You control your time and decide what classes to take and how to study."

Still, college has plenty of pressures and stresses, many of which affect students at certain times and places in their educations.

Last spring a Michigan State study reported that students - like their counterparts with full time jobs - often become frustrated, apathetic, and burned-out.

Law and medical students, with more intense schedules and greater focus on jobs, tend to feel more stress than liberal arts majors, the Utah study says.

A recent Louisiana State study showed that medical school often proved "hazardious" for many students who are unable to handle the stresses and pressures that come with the degree.

"The job market is the most significant trigger of stress for students," says Whitman, "particularly for exiting and professional students. And we have also found that there is an academic calendar of stress" that typically applies to students during college.

Such stressful periods include arrival and moving into dorms, midsemester and midterm blues, Thanksgiving and Christmas vacations, the winter doldrums, and spring fever," the study shows.

"Those are all very identifiable and predictable times of student stress," agrees Peggy Bar, vice chancellor for student affairs at Texas Christian University and former president of the American Personnel and Guidance Association's College Counseling Division.

"All of us on college campuses are very familiar with those periods of time, and try to do as much as we can to help students deal with them," she adds.

Stressed-out students do things like "rush through exams, arrive late to class, and turn in hastily written research papers" because they have lost control and direction of their educations, researcher Whitman says.

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**Human Rights**

Amnesty International is holding a 25 km. walk-a-thon on Saturday, Sept. 28 at 10 am. The Nobel Peace Prize-winning organization will use the money raised to help fund their work on behalf of Prisoners of Conscience — people who have never used or advocated violence. For more information, contact them at 407 S. Dearborn, rm. 575, Chicago, IL 60605, PH. 427-2000.

**Tournaments**

This week's HUB Rec. Center tournament is chess. Next week's will be bridge. Both cost only $1 to enter and start at 12 noon on Tuesday of that week. All of our tournaments have prizes, so stop by in the Rec. Center and give our tournaments a try.

**Alternate Realities**

Alternate Realities will hold its first regular meeting on Wednesday in the HUB (Crown Room) at 12:10. This organization functions as a service for experienced gamers as well as beginners who wish to learn about the numerous games available.

**Get Physical**

A co-ed aerobic and conditioning class will be offered for the faculty, staff and students of IT, beginning Sept. 16 and continuing to Nov. 26. Class meets every Tuesday and Thursday noon-12:45 pm in the weight room of Keating Hall. The instructor for the class is Dennis Hiller, Fitness Coordinator for ICO. She has taught aerobics for a number of years and has a master's degree in Exercise Physiology. The class fee for 10 weeks is $30. Registration will take place the 1st and 2nd day of the class. Come dressed and ready to workout. Class limits: Minimum 10, Maximum 30.

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**SNTA Meeting**

The SNTA (Student National Technical Association) will have a general meeting Tues, Sept. 17 at 1 PM in Coleman Lounge.

**Physics Colloquium**

Charles Owen, of IT's Institute of Design will speak on "Computers in Design" on Wednesday, Sept. 18, 1985 in Rm. 217, Siegel Hall at 4 PM. There is also a pre-colloquium social at 3:30 in rm. 202, Siegel Hall.

**Co-op Sign-ups**

Students interested in participating in the Co-op program beginning in the spring semester may sign up for on-campus interviews with the following companies in Furt Hall, rm. 403 or call the Co-op office at 381-8059.

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- Wed., Oct. 16 — LTV Steel — Requesting EE, ME, METM, min. 2.7 GPA, permanent residents
- Tues., Nov. 5 — Dow Chemical — Requesting ME, CHE, ECE, with power option, min. 2.7 GPA
- Fri., Nov. 22 — U.S. Naval Sea System Command — Requesting EE, CHE, CE, MECH, METM, US citizenship, 2.0 GPA.

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**NASA**

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After all of the research is complete, the structure will be given to NASA for use in its station.

It's Product Design class, composed of fifteen first semester students, is designing "commercial" products for the station. The Systems, Human Factors, and Environmental Design classes are also developing structures which will be used in the station.

Furthermore, since the structure will be expanding over the years in size and staff, IT's students may be involved in further developments.

Owen stated that the students have been included in the program early so it is very probable that their ideas will have a major impact on the production of the station.

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The garden was planted behind the library because the garden has been discouraged.

Another million dollars is being spent to buy approximately 100,000 books for the library. The library was built behind when it moved to its new location on the University of Chicago campus. 3.1 million dollars is being used to buy out the former space in the library so it will own the entire building. There is also a plan to computerize the card catalog and convert the outdated Dewey Decimal system to the more modern and widely used Library of Congress system. The amount of space in the library open to students is being expanded, particularly on the lower level. Next year there will be a classroom downstairs for special classes and the books now stored in the closed stacks downstairs are being made accessible. Later, in the semester, a collection of rare books dating back to the 16th century that were collected by the late IIT president Frank Gneauske will be exhibited on the main floor.

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graduated from the University of Illinois and is well versed in the areas of computer technology and civil engineering.

Although these changes seem drastic, Dr. Saxena explained that the department lost five professors within five months in 1979, and Civil Engineering is still alive at IIT. When asked if he thought that new personnel changes would have any major effects upon the department, Dr. Saxena replied that he foresaw no drastic changes on the department.

Stress

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Students to cope with stress by organizing and planning their time, the Utah study suggests. "Do a little planning, get organized, and take time to think about what you are doing," Whitman recommends.

Students should also eat, exercise, sleep, and time to talk with family, friends, and peers about the stresses they feel. "And get involved in helping other students," Whitman suggests. "It's a real irony, but the students doing the helping—whether it's tutoring, crisis counseling, or participating in group sessions—get the best help themselves because they see that stresses can be managed." A group of Yale students last year even formed their own "Stress Busters" massage service, which for $20 provided "non-sexual, legitimate" body massages to help students relax and unwind during finals.

And Boston University researchers recently reported that students can have clearer complexions if they learn to relax and control stress, which they say causes the body to produce a hormone that may produce acne-related hormones.

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High Speed Fun on the Outer Drive

by Conrad Pilgrim

(Last week, we left our friends in the North side. Ed was in school and I was driving, he and his two friends were suddenly faced by a crazed Mexican with a knife. We now rejoiined the action.)

Rogers opened the car door and got in. He opened the window, holding the leg of his pants in his hand like a camera, and he landed on Rogers' legs off the hood of the car. Before he closed the door and heard the bang shut it hit one of my legs. I was the last one to get in as I closed the door and ran away as fast as I could. I heard a shot as I made a desperate U-turn and went on my way. I had to fly off Rogers too. I was relieved that we made it to the back seat and screamed "Go, Go, Go!"

I heard another encouragement, but jammed the pedal to the floor and took off to the sound of squealing wheels. In the rear view mirror I could see the menacing figure of the Mexican climbing into a car at the curb. Very soon we were being pursued.

"Jesus Chri$t!" I screamed, seeing the lights of the car behind me. "What the hell is going on?"

"I guess Rudy came back too, said Rogers. He sounded almost calm. Ed was struggling around in the back seat.

Somehow, I made Lake Shore Drive without stopping. I was still at least one light, but only slightly. I passed a bus and a Subaru. I didn't hit anyone. I could see the car behind us, everything in its headlights, gaining rapidly. I groaned inside when I realized it was one of those Ford GT's, a monostable event with a 5.0 liter engine and a turb. There was no way I could outrun that mother on an open stretch. I had an engine twice as big as mine, and he had a gun. The only chance I had was to lose him in traffic, relying on the small size of my car and a lot of luck.

So I hit good old LSD at 55 mph with Ed looking in the back seat. "I'm still coming," he said. And there he was, holding this .357 and laughing at me. That bitch, and I thought my parents were trying to come. Then he shot the wine bottle out of my hands.

I was still on the Drive and accelerating rapidly, trying to put some distance between me and that black GT 5.0. I threw my car between a Saab and a station wagon full of nuts, somehow reaching the far left lane. I heard the funny crack of a bullet passing the car. Rudy was still on my tail.

Where the hell was I going? I thought. Back to it? Snarling, I ripped the IIT tag from my rear view mirror so as not to give my destination away. I heard Rogers saying "Yeah, Rudy never could take a joke." There was no sound from the back seat. Ed had forgotten all thoughts of cutesy and joy.

My speedometer read 65 mph as I changed lanes, hoping for a break in traffic. No break came and I was forced to cut off a car in the middle lane. The GT was close behind, and I could see Rudy in it, pointing the gun out the window, his beady little eyes looking for a clean shot. I drove a Dodge Omni, a fun little car with a 2.2 liter engine and a stick shift. Ordinarily, I get plenty of acceleration, enough to squash cars that try to pass me, but right now I was sweating, wishing for a tank of nitrous oxide or something that would help me lose this Mexican Monster that was chomping up my tailpipe. Core? Hell, I had a radar detector, a wonderful device when it beeps you have three seconds to brake down to the speed limit before the cop can bust you! At 25 miles over the speed limit in heavy traffic, this becomes impossible. I was praying for no cops, because I was doomed if there were any. Suddenly I slammed smoke, glanced over, I saw that Rogers had lit the hash pipe and was greedily drawing in the smoke. What the hell are you doing? I screamed, zooming past a van and ducking into the right hand lane. "Hell, Rogers said, holding the smoke, "I think it's only fair. I mean, I got this stuff from Rudy, anyway."

"No problem," said Rogers. He turned on the radio.

So I drove south like a son-of-a-bitch, listening to Lynyrd Skynyrd and waiting for some 1050 grain lead-jacketed bullet travelling at 2500 feet per second to shatter my rear window and destroy the brain of myself or one of my friends.

It was about this time that we reached that corner I was describing in the first paragraph. Our speed had peaked at 75 mph; I was in the left lane, but slowed down some to take the turn. Ed was thrown against the right back seat, and I myself left the persuasive grip of centripetal force as we slipped around that corner. I stopped the wheels from turning by locking the brakes, and we slid helplessly toward the Texas car. I realized he had his turn signal on: he was moving away from me, changing lanes to the far right, I shifted through the space he just occupied and managed to regain control when I too had entered the far right lane, in front of the pick buggy who was cursing me. Then I was away, gaining on him even while braking, both anticipating the traffic ahead and the second part of the S-curve. I noticed that the GT had just got around on the turn, and lost even more ground on the next.

I was keeping an eye on me slowing, because we were reaching the detour. Suddenly, I had to stop with RSA. Before I could look back behind me and see that the dev drug dealer was about five cars behind me, stuck in traffic with no hope of a closer shot. I took a quick bit from the pipe as I waited for the light to turn green. Then we were off again, and I managed to gain even more ground on him in the turn ahead. Fate has been kind to me, and by the time I got back on main Lake Shore Drive I figured I was safe. The GT was far behind me.

I was taking no chances. My speed passed 60 as I took the turns in front of the Field Museum. With the radio going, though, I didn't hear the frantic beeping of my radar detector. Ed screamed when we heard the siren behind us. My mind turned to jelly, I saw the flashing blue lights on my tail. No light from Rudy's flashing pan into the cop's eye. It wasn't fair.

The cop was really close behind us. There was no mistaking that he had his beady little eyes focused on me. I was already on one ticket, and I really was a little crazy, so I did a stupid thing; I turned into the museum's parking lot at 60 miles per hour.

The cop didn't make the exit, and he sped past me.

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Tech News Players of the Week

Horst Stange Sec. Mechanical Engineering

Horst is the starting goalie for the soccer team. Horst has appeared on a number of occasions and has demonstrated his ability to save shots and maintain a clean sheet. His consistent performance has been a key factor in the team's success.

Liz Skrzypczak - Senior - Mechanical Engineering

Liz has been a valuable asset to the volleyball team. Her defensive skills and serves have been instrumental in the team's victory.

Volleyball Victory

The IIT women's volleyball team was victorious in its home opener, defeating North Park College in a three-set match. The victory was crucial in regaining confidence after a disappointing loss at the University of Illinois-Chicago earlier in the year. The team played well, with every player contributing to the final score of 3-0.

Volleyball Schedule

September 17 Trinity College A 7:30
September 21 Scarlet Hawk Inv. 9:00
September 24 Nat'l Col. Ed. 7:30
September 29 Lewis 7:30

Tennis Splits Matches

The Scarlet Hawk women's tennis team opened with an impressive victory over North Park College. The team showed resilience and determination, defeating their opponents in close scores.

Tennis Schedule

September 16 Aurora College H 3:00
September 18 N. Central H 3:00
September 20 Univ. of Chicago 2:00
September 23 Northeastern 2:00
September 25 North Park 2:00
September 27 Lewis Univ. H 3:00
September 29 Concordia H 3:00
October 2 UIC 3:00
October 7 Wheaton H 3:00

I cried as I drove. I took the highway to the airport, and as I pulled onto the street, I realized that I had made a terrible mistake. I had lost sight of all the things that had brought me joy. And now, as I drove home, I knew that I had to make things right.

I had to go back to my apartment in Bridgeville, trying to piece together reality from the fragments I remem- bered. I realized that if I could just get through one more day, I could start over someday. But for now, I was alone, and I knew that I had to keep going.

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