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Cosmic debate

U.S. spends \$1 million at MSU while profs, experts ponder value of Star Wars

by JOE LAMPORT
uR-I Science Correspondent

Many months have passed since Ronald Reagan left Washington, D.C., but at least one idea his policy makers set in motion rolls along — although not as rapidly since the Gipper left office.

The Strategic Defense Initiative, nicknamed "Star Wars" when Reagan introduced the concept in March 1983, has had its budget trimmed recently. That has led critics to breathe a sigh of relief as they predict the program's demise.

Regardless of funding, the SDI debate has tapered considerably. Two years ago, SDI research conducted by the U.S. Air Force at the National Superconducting Cyclotron Laboratory on MSU's campus caused some protest.

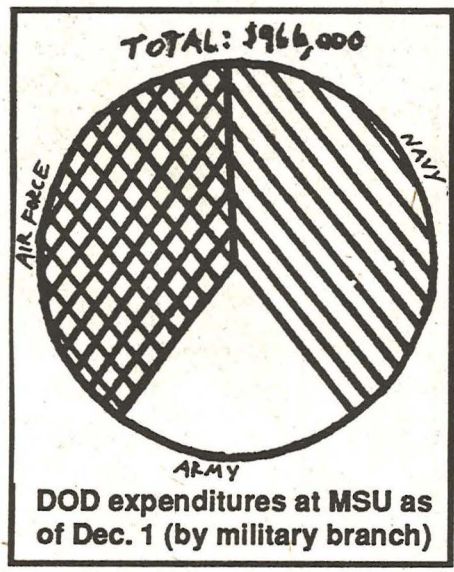
Today, the debate attracts little attention, although \$4 billion of the \$300 billion Department of Defense budget is spent on this issue.

"The issue has fallen off the map, so to speak," said Steven Koziak of the Center for Defense Information in Washington, D.C. "The big issue are ASATs — anti-satellite weaponry."

Still, MSU researchers receive about \$1 million annually from the U.S. Department of Defense, according to the University's Office of Contracts and Grants. That's barely a fraction of the defense budget, which represents 25 percent of the total budget.

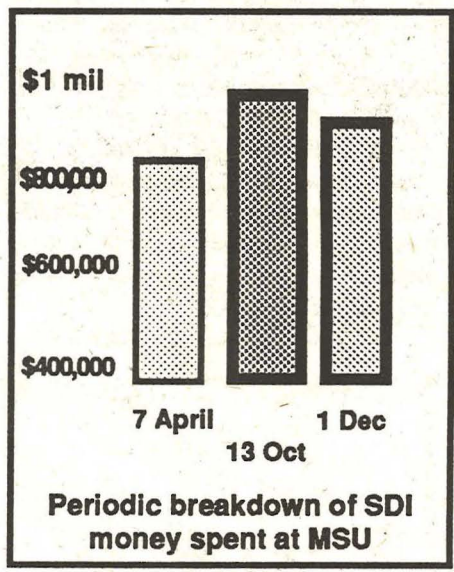
"To my knowledge, no one in physics at MSU is doing SDI research," said Michael Harrison, an MSU physics professor. But even if a scientist does study SDI, that right

should be respected, he added. Scientists ultimately decide what areas they wish to pursue, but SDI, like other defense programs, lures scientists to the research with large funding prizes. That's what mathematics Professor Sheldon Axler of the Peace Education Center in East Lansing



believes. "This is a way of pumping money into high-technology research," Axler said. "It's terribly inefficient. We have a huge diversion of funds in this country. We're producing things and throwing them down a rathole instead of producing things that are useful. It's a waste of resources and of talent (and) one reason why the U.S. is a declining power." However, John Cantlon, vice president for research and graduate studies, said scientists must have the freedom to pursue whatever area interests them, especially at universi-

ties. "Universities have to be places where you can pursue any ideas," Cantlon said. "If they're crummy ideas, the best idea in the world is to publish the data so we can see they're crummy ideas. If you can't consider ideas openly at universities, where do you?"



Cantlon said many groups oppose the many types of research conducted at MSU, from animal rights activists protesting the use of animals in research to anti-abortion activists protesting any consideration of the use of fetal tissue in research to political groups opposed to research funded by particular countries. Harrison agreed. "I think freedom ought to be respected," he said. In the event the public questioned his scientific endeavors, Harrison said he would not stop his research. "My vision of the truth would not be affected, and I hope it would be the

same for other scientists," he said. Cantlon said scientists are "their own entrepreneurs" when they experiment in their laboratories. But that's the ideal, not the reality, Harrison countered.

"The prospect of support may influence research direction," he said. Axler said the source of funding has a significant impact on the area of research.

"We have faculty on this campus and they're interested in funding their research," he said. "Getting grants is a very competitive thing. The existence of these grants changes the area of study — it changes what people work in."

That some fields receive more than adequate funding may not mean it's good science, he added.

"Does (the field) have a lot of money because it's good science?" he questioned. "I'm worried it's not such a coincidence after all."

And with somewhere between one-third to one-half of American scientists working on defense-related research, Axler said science does not benefit.

"This means the military is dictating scientific research, in a certain sense," he said. "I think that's very bad for American science."

Marvin Siegel, an MSU electrical engineering professor, has conducted research for the Navy and knows firsthand of the science vs. politics issue as it pertains to funding.

Siegel helped the Navy medical corps develop a "life detector," a device that will detect heartbeats and respiration from a distance. The

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device will help the medical corps determine which soldiers on a battlefield are worth risking lives to save.

"Typically, they only have 15 to 20 seconds to make decisions about the serious injuries and save who can be saved," Siegel explained.

But the device could possibly be used as an offensive weapon; perhaps, for instance, to locate snipers or hidden enemy guerilla in a battle zone.

"There are costs and benefits associated with all sorts of research," Siegel explained. "You have to weigh the good vs. the bad. Our primary thrust is trying to save lives."

Cantlon said applications of basic science, like the work Siegel did, do not take place on university campuses. He also said stopping research in basic science because of its possible future applications would be foolhardy.

"The adaptation of (basic science) for negative uses would very unlikely be at research universities," Cantlon said. "That's done at weapons laboratories (funded by the government)."

Cantlon cited U.S. Army plans to redesign its assault rifle as an example of how basic science may be applied negatively, at least by some standards.

"In that redesign, all sorts of basic science will go into that," he said. "Technologies can be used in multitudinous ways."

It's unlikely any "Mad Scientists" continue research at MSU, even though common stereotype says researchers do act a bit odd at times.

That's because internal and external groups of other scientists and non-scientists carefully review proposals for research, Cantlon said.

Despite the criticism of SDI from scientists — a voting majority of both physicians and mathematicians have declined to participate in research — there are still supporters.

"When you really nail (scientists critical of SDI) down, they agree the technology will work," said Baker Spring, a defense policy analyst at the conservative Heritage Foundation. "I don't think there's any question SDI is feasible as a defense against ballistic missiles."

Spring said funding decreases do not mean SDI is on its way out.

"The be-all and end-all of a

program is not money," he said. "It's the desire to deploy, and technology innovations that will decide (the program's fate)."

The Soviets already have made significant progress in SDI research and the U.S. may be behind, he said.

"The Soviets have the world's only ground-based ballistic missile defense system," he said. "In ground-based, they're ahead of us."

But SDI is more than an issue for science.

"We wouldn't have the START agreement (an arms reduction treaty) without SDI," he said. "The negotiation leverage remains unchanged. I think it's quite significant."

SDI will force arms reduction in the long run, Spring said, because it serves as an incentive for Soviet militarists to be more cost-conscious.

"It'll slow down the arms race (because) it's insurance for the START agreements," he said. "If one side cheats — typically the Soviet Union — SDI serves as insurance."

Spring said concerns over the militarization of space are somewhat ignorant.

"The fact is, space is heavily militarized now," he said.

But funding decreases do concern him, he added.

"I would prefer that it did not decrease," he said. "We should not abandon future technology."

The U.S. should be ready to begin deploying SDI hardware by 1992, according to the Strategic Defense Initiative Organization, the Pentagon group that oversees the program. But funding cutbacks may delay that date, perhaps as long as two to five years.

MSU scientists, like physics Professor Harrison and Axler, do not see SDI as a feasible system.

"It would not have worked," Harrison said as the program once touted as a 'Peace Shield' in advertisements. "The technical difficulties are insurmountable."

Axler echoed that view.

"Most scientists don't think it will

work," he said. "There's the scientific question, and it's got to work the first time."

The scientists said worse effects could be felt in the political arena.

"Politically, there are serious problems," Axler said. "It's destabilizing and a big waste of money."

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Club idea Too Hot to let go by wayside

Here's hoping the East Lansing Planning Commission, and subsequently, the city council — in their infinite wisdom — approve Too Hot Records' plan to open a non-alcoholic dance facility.

This effort is exactly the type of alternative business a university community (or any community, for that matter) should encourage.

These bold entrepreneurs have undertaken a great step with their outstanding gig in the basement of the Campus Town Mall, flanked by the equally necessary and commendable Faruk Art Gallery. It is crucial to the progressive minds in this community that as many unique and ambitious projects such as Too Hot, Faruk, and this proposed dance club get off the ground with the encouragement — and not obstruction — of the city council.

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Viewer Mail:

Womyn speak!

To the Editor:

Hundreds of signs were posted around campus concerning a curfew for men. The signs called for a curfew on all men on campus between 11:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. and a banning of groups of two or more males. You may not have seen the signs because they were powerful enough to be torn down immediately. A group of women took this action because men at this university continue to rape and assault women.

At face value such an ordinance may seem ridiculous. However, we must consider the restrictions constantly imposed on women because of men's violence. As women, we grow up with restricted freedoms. Early on we learn that it is not safe for us to go out alone at night. We implicitly know that if there is a man out at night we may be in danger. Seeing him in the company of other men exacerbates that fear. We also learn that if we are raped and assaulted it was because we did not take proper precautions and therefore it was our fault. These are not idle fears; the truth is that 38% of females will be sexually assaulted by the time they are 18 years old.

IT IS NOT OUR FAULT, IT IS THE FAULT OF MEN. Men rape women once every day on this campus. There is a 46% chance that a woman will be a victim of completed or attempted rape sometime in her life. This is a crisis.

Acknowledging these truths, does it really seem all that ridiculous to put a curfew on men? Maybe this isn't the answer, but we need to do something immediately. The administration created a task force to examine the comparatively minimal violence that men perpetuate against each other and property yet the greatest amount of violence has women as its victims. If the administration will not take this crisis seriously, it is up to us. What are you going to do about it?

—M.S.U. Womyn Against Violence

Lord no, Barclay!

Dear Editors,

I am writing in response to Dr. Andrew Barclay's article "Male Encounters are Normal".

I am here to say, male sexual encounters are not normal or natural.

Man is not equal to a dog in his sex drives. He is able to exercise self control. Any dog can have sex at the mercy of their hormones, but it takes a real man to exercise

Besides, you're speaking of sexual acts as purely a source of physical release. Sexual encounters encompass the total self: mind, body, and soul. That could explain why your male patient felt guilty over his liaison with his male friend. His mind and soul were in on the act, and told him that what he had just done was wrong.

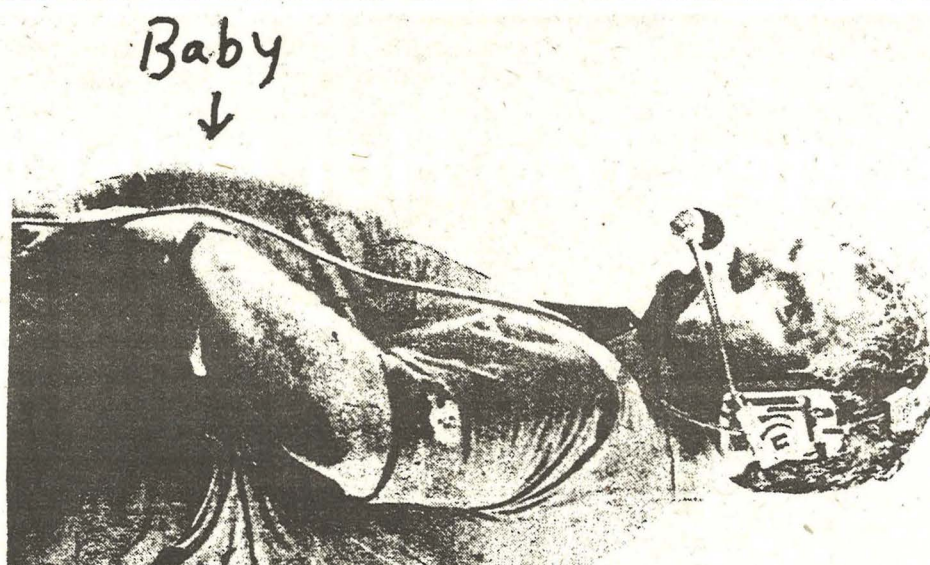
I'm not anti-sex. Within the boundaries of marriage it is a beautiful way to express love, exhibit trust, and have fun. It's like fire, kept within the necessary boundaries it provides warmth, light, cooks food etc... But release those same flames from the candle or hearth and they cause destruction.

Men can develop deep friendships and express their love and admiration for one another through healthy touch. Look at Italian families, they express themselves through men kissing men or hugging each other. Yet, you don't see men needing to seek counseling often that kind of touch has occurred. Think about it.

—Leslie Yuzenas
Senior, Education

Reader Response Card:

How we doin', Clem? Let us know by filling out this card with your comments, criticism, PRAISE, whatever. Just do it! Send it to 142 Gunson St., East Lansing, MI, 48823.



Geek of the Week

Well, George, we've had some fun with you in the past, but now it's time for your moment in the eclipse...that's right, you've earned our highest contempt with Geek o' the Week honors.

For your power play ruining MSU's already tarnished reputation, your inability to keep an eye on your players unless you're visiting them in the pokey, and your disregard for the university you claim to love, we invite you to eat some chain (and advise you to stop eating so many pizzas). Instead of giving it to the other team, you've been letting us all have it with a new version of "up the middle."

Yowee!

We'd love to see you go to the Jets, brudder.

If you go out there, we hope you find a nice home where you belong

— in Flushing.

Woosh, brudder!

Dr. Andrew
Barclay

U.S., among other things, is growing soft in the 90s

As anyone who has ever taken abnormal psych knows, anxiety or other emotional problems ultimately become attached to sexual responses and, in my case, I get so testy that no one wants to get close to me. Hence, no sex; nada, zero, forget it! My former response to a lack of bedroom bouncing was to repair to the bathroom with a well-thumbed copy of *Playboy* and "work out" my problems in a time-honored male way. But now that Hei has taken to filling his formerly-filthy rag with artsy pictures of his pregnant wife, I don't get it off in the same carefree way that I used to. I can't tell if he's getting old, I'm getting old, or it's getting old, know what I mean?

When unwanted thoughts, like these, break into my routine, it is serious because the bathroom is the last bastion of my sex life. During this previous holiday season, instead of nubile maidens prancing into my office, ripping off their ski pants to reveal crotchless underwear or santa's female elves bending over to look at me through their legs, all I could imagine was Ronald and Nancy Reagan in bed, calling each other "mommy" and "Daddy" as he would wave his withered pud in the general direction of her upper thigh. Now remember, I'm the guy who made a career out of watching John Holmes needing the help of four extra hands to hold his huge dong stiff enough to shove into some Panamanian chick who had recently been getting it on with a donkey. But Ronald and Nancy are yet another level of perversion, one that is only exciting to those who like their sex violent.

What bothers me is who is running the country? The low-life, anti-human, imperialists who were



The Good (?) Dr.

pulling the strings while Ronnie did his overly made up dance so well that room-temperature IQs making up Nixon's so-called silent majority went for it in a big way are still doing their obscene number. This in spite of the fact the Reagan administration was the most corrupt, disgusting administration in history. It figures he would be the most popular president in recent history but it's OK because caring more about making a payment on a BMW than presidential ethics is truly American.

Remember that George Bush, wimp-manique, was Reagan's Vice-President. Vice-President in an administration of turkeys who ran the country while using the Russians and Warsaw Pact nations to cover their corrupt profits. He watched the stupidity in Grenada where we invaded a sovereign nation to save a bunch of third-rate MEDICAL STUDENTS who were never in any real danger because the Cubans could have used them in Havana. Beautiful American kids died along with 150 steel-drum bands and brown women

and children, but, as George says, "You can't make an omelet without breaking a few eggs."

The American people stopped the war in Vietnam because we wanted to live in a happier, less threatening country where mothers could go to work without having to worry about sons and daughters having their tits and asses shot off. Did George learn anything from this lesson of history? Nope! Here's idiotic DRUG WAR crapola being used as a justification to invade Panama in order to depose the gangster our own CIA put in command.

I loved it. While the people of the Iron Curtain nations were taking responsibility for their own destiny by seizing power from the corrupt warlords who replaced the Nazis, what was Bush doing? He invaded Panama during Christmas Break, what a Grinch. All over America, parents and mates got to call an 800 number to find out if the red, white, and blue-wrapped box being shipped to their house was going to contain remains of a son or a mate. Merry Christmas

from the government. Hey, but at least George is trying to stop the drug killing in the streets of America.

Mr. Sensitivity was furious when he heard an American got kicked in the balls by Panamanian MPs who also threatened to rape an American woman. If he was so upset about the threat of our American women being raped, why didn't he send the army into the streets of America? Or maybe it was just the idea of brown guys doing it to "our" women that frosted his wick.

Bush is so manlike, you've got to admire him - invading Panama in the name of American women and a man whose balls probably resemble tapioca pudding. At least LBJ had the chutzpah to invent a "Gulf of Tonkin incident" to justify sending the troops to Vietnam. But heere's Georgie and the same idiots who brought us the Vietnam War. They never give up, do they? And here I had been hoping they dropped dead a while ago but they keep coming back, like herpes and syphilis.

Are you mad as hell? Not going to take it anymore? Fight back by making up for all the sex George Bush, his limp-cock advisors, and the dead Americans in Panama aren't getting. We used Poppers. Have you ever done Poppers? Oh! Poppers, you know, amyl nitrate. They come packaged in little cotton/glass ampules like spirits of amonia. When I was a kid, we felt an orgasm coming, we would quick pop one, snort it, and WHAM! Talk about the Earth moving.

Back in the 60's, this was our "scorched-earth policy." We took drugs as a "Stalingrad defense" against a totally corrupt administration poisoning our soul and using our bodies. If our minds were wasted, they were completely useless to the military.

So you're into "Taking drugs? Ooh, no, Nancy said to say, 'No'. No, thank you." Well, then, aren't we lucky to have the example of events in Eastern Europe. Hey, let's take to the streets again, shut all the bull-shit down like we did in '68. George, you dumb ass-hole, when that withered old crone was telling us to "Just say no," she wasn't talking about saying "No" to peace. And while you-all are talking about it, I'm going to duck out to the Velvet Fingers to pick up a couple of new magazines to replace my copy of *Playboy*.

The doctor is "in" to take your questions... send them to him at the uR-I's executive offices at 142 Gunson St., East Lansing, MI, 48823.

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The Provoc is chilling on p. 8 this week — check him out there! (We had to keep the young 'un away from Dr. Sex...he's still quite impressionable, you know).

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Born on the Fourth of July

Directed by Oliver Stone
Written by Ron Kovic

by EDWIN A. CHAVEY
UR-I Cinema Correspondent

Can Tom Cruise deliver without playing sidekick to a Hollywood legend? Can director Oliver Stone deliver another Vietnam film without giving us another *Platoon*? Do we really need another Vietnam film?

These questions and more can be answered by *Born on the Fourth of July*, the latest and perhaps most important film of the Vietnam genre.

In the latter half of the 1980's, America witnessed the resurgence of the Vietnam War as a popular film subject. The films which seemed to best define this resurgence were Oliver Stone's *Platoon* and Stanley Kubrick's *Full Metal Jacket*. In films such as these, we were given a glance into the everyday hell of the Vietnam soldier and, hopefully, we were better able to understand the troubles of many Vietnam veterans.

But still, the definitive Vietnam Vet of the 80's was Rambo. Needless to say, the crossed signals of the 80's could use a little straightening.

Born on the Fourth of July is important in that it concentrates on the man and not the war to achieve a greater understanding of the war's

effects. It is the true story of Ron Kovic, an All-American boy who goes off to fight for his country only to return paralyzed, hated and confused. After a difficult contemplation of his own patriotic values, he rises to the role of anti-war hero, the antithesis of his boyhood dreams.

Stone expands the boundaries of the Vietnam film. We are forced not only to question the Vietnam War but all war. We are taken full gauntlet from a pre-war "Gary Cooper" sense of heroism, through the realities of war and finally to an almost full reversal of one man's view of manhood.

Perhaps, the most important issue explored within the film deals

with this country's attitude toward the returning vets. This is a theme that has rarely been touched upon by the late 80's resurgence. It is handled marvelously in this film.

Films such as *Jacknife* and *In Country* explored the problems of Vietnam Vets as they exist to date. These films answer the question, "What are the problems?", whereas *Born on the Fourth of July*, with its early 70's perspective, goes deeper to explore the more pertinent question of "Why do the problems exist?"

As for the film as a cinematic achievement, simply stated, this film will go down as a classic. One need only see the first 20 minutes to know this. It is visually stunning. The acting is fresh and precise. Tom Cruise more than proves himself in his fantastic portrayal of Ron Kovic.

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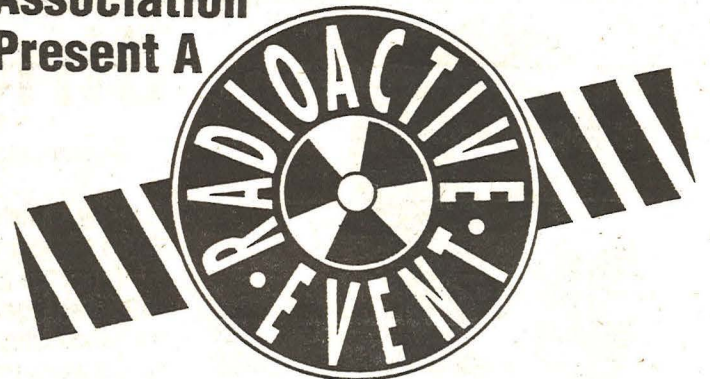
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by JOE SCHMIDT
uR-I Music Correspondent

Good news for progressive music fans: Despite howling winds and a hellish sub-arctic freeze, local combos **Radio Caroline** and **FAQ** managed to pull in a fairly good sized crowd for the second installment of Radioactive Wednesday, Jan. 10.

The new version of Radioactive Wednesday (a joint venture of SADD, B'Zar, WDBM and RHA) is hoping to catch on after failing dismally at Sensations. So far it looks like the event may thrive in a new environment. A strong schedule should draw fans to what is fast becoming East Lansing's best new music venue, finally offering folks a

chance to hear the bands that can't get the time of day at Rick's, which had previously held a monopoly on the E.L. music scene. Although marginal headway has been made by The Landshark, new music has languished for far too long.

Leading the comeback last week were local faves the Doe Boys, raised anew under the sign of Radio Caroline, who took the stage first and with Rickenbackers in hand, and quickly proceeded to produce the polished pop sounds that had made the Does one of this town's most popular bands. Old fans will be happy to learn that Radio Caroline does much of what its former incarnation did, but delivers it with a little more punch and variety thanks to the addition of two new members, guitarist-singer

Dave Richards and bassist **Joe Coyle**. Their set consisted of an hours' worth of old choice Doe Boys tunes, some brand new stuff, and a couple of covers (most outstanding was a take on the Birds classic *Eight Miles High*). Though it seemed a greater proportion of the audience had come to see K-zoo thrashers FAQ., Radio Caroline went down rather well and can next be seen at Ricks on the 27th of this month.

The punkers anxious to rock out with FAQ quickly took the dance floor and cheered the band on as they blitzkrieged through their own special brand of very loud, very fast and very obnoxious rock n'roll. Together for over four years, FAQ. was making its debut club performance in East Lansing and from all

accounts it seemed a success. Most of those standing close to FAQ. showed their appreciation by furiously shaking their heads to the music, while a more energized handful let go with spontaneous burts of slam dancing. Fortunately no one was hurt.

To FAQ's credit they showed in fleeting moments that they really knew how to play, but unfortunately judging from this performance, they seem intent on waisting it. Oh yes, both groups are receiving considerable airplay on WDBM, and will be releasing recordings of their own material sometime in the relatively near future. Stay tuned for details on both releases.



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Welcome back, drinkers of pond scum and returners of rotten X-mas gifts! They tried, but they couldn't get the ole Provoc softened up with all that holiday cheer — wait a minute, what do you mean enough with the holiday harrangue? Why you johnnie-come-scrooglies, take *this*...

While most of us got new Ninja turtles and real working ray guns to torture the cat with, guess what MSU chasing tailback Blake "Fun, Fun, Fun 'til the Judge Took My Freedom Away" Ezor got?

Give up?
Probation.

PROVOC FUN FACT: The electricity generated by one lightning bolt could power a city the size of St. Louis for one week, or all the hair dryers in a sorority house for nearly ten minutes.

Jingle Bells, you all smell

Powerful to the max, Buffy.

Hey, what's this with **The State News** Reader Representative?

Can't the guy find anything else to do? Then again, he'll probably have his hands busy with the four phone calls a week the paper gets (three of which are wrong numbers).

It's good to know that MSU's Independent-Except-For-The-\$300,000-We-Get-From-The-University-And-The-Real-Cheap-Rent-Too Voice is spending our money in the right places.

I mean, it is good to know, isn't it? Right?
Well, ISN'T it?
Aw, hell with youse.

As a mean-spirited tyke (not Teke; I've never had a girlfriend with an IQ of 30 or below, a corduroy hat, or puke in my bed), I find it incredible that East Lansing residents old enough to drive aren't up in arms over the big improvements planned by the city council!

Afterall, it isn't as if the city needs a new ordinance prohibiting parking on part of our property, the wonderfully generous and understanding council already allows us to park on a 3x3 square foot area next to our homes, between 1 and 1:15 p.m., if there is no snow, our car is brown without any decals or racing stripes, the engine does not exceed 60 cubic

inches, and we don't engage in any acts that would be deemed improper by both the Roman Catholic and Eastern Orthodox church.

Seems reasonable.

Needless to say, in about a decade (when I can drive) I plan to parallel park on the nearest reproductive organ of whichever city council member I can catch crossing the street too slow.

Assuming, of course, that they are so equipped.

It's great now that Penn State has joined the Big 10 (which is now the Big 11 with the invisible one).

Sure, it opens all sorts of options for those youngsters trying to buy booze; with the invisible one they can say they're Big 20 year olds, and give me my damn booze.

Now John Langeloh's felony case for running a blind pig moves to circuit court.

You might say it got kicked upstairs.

Maybe he should have punted, and taken the misdemeanor plea bargain.

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