

Editorial

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Well, the year has begun and once again we at the X-Press are well under way. Actually, we are struggling feverously in order to just get this first issue out. Most of the staff are still on vacation, and those that are not, are running around the office in a state of general confusion. Many of the staff members are new to the paper, including myself, so we are relying on the sainthood of some former staff members to hold our hands and guide us along.

When we entered the X-Press office for the first time this summer, we were confronted by a huge, terrifying beast. This beast loomed in the office, hidden in the dark corners with the junk that had accumulated there. That beast turned out to be even scarier than we had expected. It was the computer we purchased a month earlier. We purchased this new computer system in order to bring us to the forefront of the most modern technology in the newspaper business, but unfortunately our minds seemed to be elevated only to the technological level of the mechanical pencil. To tell the truth, some of us had trouble even turning the beast on. After many grueling hours of practice and numerous blessings from our tour guide, we think we finally have this beast mastered (at least that is what we keep telling ourselves).

Yes, we are still the "X-Press"; we are still in the magazine format (contrary to many rumors) and we still have much of the same contents as we had previously. If you read through this issue you will see some introduction to a few of the features we will be having in the X-Press every week, but with the skeleton crew we had, and the difficulty in reaching people who were enjoying some rest and relaxation, we were unable to give a good look at what is to come. You will just have to look in our next issue (September 19th) to see for yourself. If anybody has any ideas for features they would like to see in this years paper, just drop us a line in the bottom floor of Main (that is the building on the cover, in case you

are new here) or better yet, join us here each week for our staff pizza party, its free. There has also been some changes in the paper this year including a new cover format that will hopefully help everyboby to recognize the paper and to aid some of the slower students to realize what the name of their paper really is.

In all seriousness, I would like to welcome everybody to our humble paper and give a very special thank you to Kristine Suzuki, last year's editor, who helped the paper take a new and brighter course, one in which I am glad to follow and a very special THANK YOU to Saint Jim McGrath, who without, we would still be too scared to go near that dark beast that loomed in the corner. Your many hours of help are truly appreciated.

We all hope this paper is everything you want it to be and if it is not, just tell us and we will do our best to improve.

Oh, by the way, welcome back.

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