

'Equus' causes stampede at Xavier

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It's all the rage across the pond and the play that everyone is talking about. We should only be so lucky as to be the first university in the U.S. to host this play. I know you're all on your seats with anticipation right now, and frankly, I am too.

Peter Schaffer's dramatic play about a boy who has a sick relationship with horses is coming to Xavier University, complete with a naked boy wizard and a really fat British man. The decision to allow the play was approved by whoever the hell is in charge of those kinds of things some time last week.

Daniel Radcliffe is putting his lucrative Potter paychecks on hold to come to Xavier to perform this play. And much to the disdain of people like Bill Cunningham (who got his alumni All Card taken away from him and he cried like a big baby), Radcliffe will be appearing in his birthday suit.

Radcliffe has to wait until after he turns 18 to start his run here because it's illegal to appear naked on stage in the U.S. when you're under 18. I guess they are more free in Europe, just in different ways.

Alumni who do not agree with Xavier's decision are apparently withholding their donations to the university and cancelling season tickets. But the head honchos at

Xavier really don't care because they are going to be making money hand over fist from this play. Xavier may see scalpers outside of the GSC for the first time.

But why would Xavier host this play? Clearly, there are people on this campus who are against animal cruelty, psychology, Harry Potter and being naked. The play doesn't really have any Jesuit ideals either. It's all for the press, and maybe someone on SAC has a thing for British boys. We are loving it here at *the Newswire*. Controversy not stirred up by Matt Finger gives us something to talk about.

Radcliffe will also be taking in the sights and sounds at Xavier while he is here. He will be lifting weights with Jason Love in O'Connor, eating with freshmen girls in the caf, working at "The Muskie" and going to the occasional practice with the equestrian team.

Richard Griffiths, who plays the psychiatrist in "Equus," will also be staying at the university, probably befriending the RAs and the workers at Victory Perk. The man does like a good cup of coffee with a lot of whipped cream.

We are still waiting to hear on who will play the infamous role of the horse in "Equus," but rumor has it that Charlie the unicorn will get plastic surgery to fix that horn because he believes that working



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Dan Radcliffe and Charlie the unicorn...future co-stars?



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with Radcliffe will really help his career. But can your star really get much brighter when you are the lead character in an absolutely disgusting flash video on a website that all the men who work at *the Newswire* watch regularly? They might hold out for a horse whose voice has broken or one that is an actual horse. Then that would cause a discrimination case and

give people something more to talk about.

When the news of this risqué play went public, there was an immediate frenzy to buy tickets that have not even gone on sale yet. Plans are for the tickets to go on sale after Easter break. The cost is about \$50 for students, \$75 for general admission (what, did you think Radcliffe was going to work

for free?) and \$100 for the front row. Children under 16 are not allowed in and all cameras as well as cell phones will be confiscated upon entrance to the Theatre.

The university is taking a big step by being a little controversial and letting the play run at Xavier. But that's just the way SAC is. After all, it stands for Students and Controversies.

Money for Kids!

Junior Jeff McMurray is accepting donations to his cause of adopting one of Angelina Jolie's children. He wants them to come potty trained and with good manners. Drop off your donation before 10 p.m. on Monday at the Publications House on Ledgewood Ave. If he remembers your name, he may even let you take a picture with the kid once he acquires it.

"American Idol"

Believe it or not, it is finally Brian Bowsher's week to truly shine. He will be making his "American Idol" debut, performing at 8 p.m. on Tuesday, April 9 on FOX. He will be performing "Killing Me Softly," "Cheeseburger in Paradise," "Unbreak My Heart" and "You Make Me Feel Like Christmas." To see what Simon, Paula and Randy think of Brian, be sure to tune in!



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Coincidence?

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Hey, readers! Not many big stories happening in the world of entertainment, so here is a quick run down of things I have found over the past couple of weeks.

First up, the much anticipated "Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles" opened on March 23. Many thought that the CGI animation would be a reason traditional fans didn't see the movie, but critics were wrong. "TMNT" swept the box offices and took top honors. Oddly enough, though, the evil villain, Shredder, ended up winning. I guess the writers thought it was time for the metal man to finally get vengeance from those pesky turtles.

My contact in Hollywood tells me that both Lindsay Lohan and Britney Spears are cleaned up and sober. From what I hear, the life changing moment for them came when they saw the hotel heiress herself, Paris Hilton, selling herself for coke.

In music news, "American Idol" contestant Sanjaya Malakar has already won the contest. Now

I know he is downright awful at singing and his songs sound like the death rattle of a wild gazelle, but the producers believe that to keep with the standards of "American Idol," the worst singer must win.

In other music news, the group Fall Out Boy has called it quits. They apologize for any pain and suffering that listening to their music caused. They say that they are tired of posing as musicians and are "done." Rumors keep coming that Alberto Gonzales fired them, though Gonzales denies everything.

It has been widely speculated in the world of entertainment that Matthew McConaughey smokes some pot, and by some pot I mean a good two or three pounds a day. Well, his illegal habit has finally caught up with him. He has recently been caught smuggling into the U.S. 25 pounds of Tijuana Gold as well as a kilo and a half of black tar heroin.

Continuing in football news, word is out that Chad Johnson is

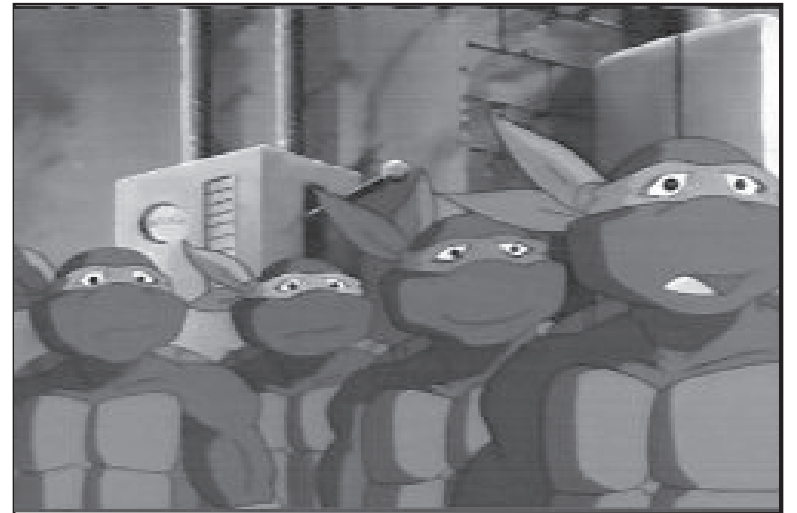


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now referring to himself in the third person. Many speculated that it is because he is a self-absorbed, arrogant athlete; instead it is because he has reached a level of Buddhism that allows him to separate himself from his body.

Dr. Phil has finally admitted that he is not really a doctor. Actually his first name is Doctor and his last name is Phil. One would think he is sorry for lying to people, but he

just loves money so he will continue with his show, pretending to be somebody.

Finally, Angelina Jolie has decided that she wants to return all of the children she has adopted. She claims that she is tired of them and wants new toys.

That's all for this week. I'm off to find a way to keep this April Fools Joke going.

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