The "Les Misinformed" Story: For Real

During the summer of 1978, three writers dreamed of success. One sought his fortune at a local hospital giving free tongue depressors to the needy. Another swam in rivers of grease at a popular fast food establishment, while the third drew little pictures on pieces of paper for a living. It took the death of Federico Hattoum's pet hamster to tear them from their lucrative jobs and bring them together.

For most of their first gathering in years, the writers mourned the death of poor Sparky. He had been a friend, a companion, a rodent to them all.

As the last of the onlookers walked from the grave, Frank Schurter, Javier Grillo-Marxuach and Federico Hattoum swore they would avenge the death of furry little Sparky, who had died while surfing in a blender. First, they agreed, they would get plastered.

The night went on and on as the three companions drank pitcher after pitcher of Fuzzy Navels, the preferred drink of hamster mourners. Just about when they started looking attractive to each other, all three heartbroken writers felt an incredible surge of energy through their bodies. As a result, their muscles locked rigidly, forcing them to bolt back against the chairs. Frank Schurter described the sensation best in a Rolling Stone interview years later: "It was some weird #$%@!," he commented. Following twenty seconds of this supernatural feeling, they fell limp to the ground.

When they awoke in a Pittburgh area hospital, they had the same thought in their minds: write a soap opera so intense, so complex, so silly that everyone and anyone will want to see it.

From that moment on, they worked tirelessly on their master project. All three quit their jobs and found an apartment where they could live, eat and sleep what they would soon call "Les Misinformed". After minutes of actual writing time, and about two rewrites, they finally had realized their dream. Soon thereafter, they got their old jobs back and did nothing else of consequence for the rest of their lives. But, at least Sparky's death was avenged.

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Scotch 'n' Soda and Frank Schurter
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Presents



3 Guys on a Mackintosh
Present

Les Misinformed

THE SERIAL SENSATION

a serial in 3 parts by
Federico Hattoum
Frank Schurter
Javier Grillo-Marxuach

The Thrilling Story of Sex, Betrayal, Love, Betrayal and Sex in a Big-City Advertising Agency!

Featuring: GIGANTIS, The Fire Monster

Disclaimer: This play is not actually a parody of 'Les Misérables.' We're not that clever.

Scotch 'n' Soda would like to thank all of you who were brave enough to see any or all of the Les Misinformed episodes. Thank you.

Be on the lookout for more Scotch 'n' Soda productions next semester. Thank you.

Scotch 'n' Soda would like to thank everyone who helped with the three productions of Les Misinformed. Actually, we would like to thank everyone and anyone who has ever done anything remotely related to the theater in general.

Ever.

This means you.

Les Misinformed/Part III

directed by
Federico Hattoum

Cast in Alphabetical Order

William Bord.....**Nick Harrigan**
Charles Ground.....**Christopher Hirt**
Tad Biffington.....**Russell Lehrer**
Clark Watcher.....**Nathan Loofbourrow**
Andrea Doria.....**Carmel Lurito**
Sara Bellum.....**Cathie McAuliffe**
Planestra Smith.....**Sidney Neill**
Announcer.....**Jim O'Connell**
Stellaria High Priestess of Purity.....**Jan Ruocco**
Special Mystery Guest .....**Mick Sutter**
Dr. Enigma Villmaster.....**Adam Walden**

(Note: The part of Tad Biffington normally played by Mick Sutter, will be played by Russell Lehrer, leaving Mick Sutter to play a mystery role. Get it?)

The Dover Brothers' Incredible New Product Commercial Endorsement

by Javier Grillo-Marxuach and Frank Schurter

Benjamin.....**Javier Grillo-Marxuach**
Richard.....**Frank Schurter**

Technical Support

Assistant Director.....**John Zimmerman**
Use of Swivel Chairs.....**The Tartan**
Poster/Program Design.....**3 Guys on a Mackintosh**