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Students Protest Against Human Rights Abuses

Students Cross Line, Processed for Criminal Trespassing at Georgia Military School

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Why would anyone endure a 16-hour van ride, hours of standing outside in a gray, cold drizzle, and missing an entire weekend of Meadville fun? On November 17-19, a group of 20 Allegheny students did just that, traveling to Fort Benning, Georgia to attend an annual protest against the School of the Americas.

The School of the Americas (SOA) is a U.S. taxpayer-funded military institution that trains Latin American soldiers in combat, counter-insurgency, and counter-narcotics techniques. Many of the more than 56,000 SOA graduates have gone back to their countries and committed human rights abuses, such as the assassination of Archbishop Oscar Romero, and the massacre of hundreds of villagers in El Mozote, El Salvador.

According to assistant professor of political science Shannan Mattiace, "SOA trained officers have been some of the most notorious abusers of human rights in the hemisphere." Mattiace, who specializes in Latin American issues, believes, "U.S. taxpayers' money should not be used to fund the training of such nefarious individuals."

On Saturday, there was a demonstration held just outside the entrance to Fort Benning, where the SOA is located. There were speakers, musicians, and a puppet show to help the thousands gathered to learn more about the issues. A non-violence training session was held later in the evening.

Sunday was the actual protest, in the form of a funeral procession and prayer vigil for those who have died as a result of actions of SOA graduates. During the vigil, protesters had the opportunity to cross the boundary line and go onto the property of the Fort Benning Military Reservation to actively display their disapproval for the school. Crossing the line, however, meant that protesters were criminally trespassing and could be subject to legal action.

Nineteen of the twenty Allegheny students who attended the protest crossed the line in an act of civil disobedience. Sophomore Erin Leech said that one of the most influential parts of the trip was when she crossed the line into Fort Benning. "Even though it is just a little white line, it symbolizes the torture the people from Latin American countries have gone through, the voices of the American people that have come to sing and chant, and the power of hope that we can change our country in small ways even if we have to risk our freedom," she said.

Of the approximately 3,000 demonstrators who crossed the line, about 1,700 were processed for criminal trespassing by the military police. The protesters were held in tents or buses for hours, scanned with metal detectors, photographed, and their name and identification information was entered into a computer database. Those who were processed were issued five-year ban and bar letters, which state they cannot re-enter the Fort Benning property for five years.

The events of the weekend illustrated the frustration of many Americans toward the idea of the school. The protest brought together people of all ages and beliefs from across the continent. These people included nuns from Oregon to students from Toronto, Canada. Some of these people have been involved in grassroots politics and protests for years while others have never experienced such an event before. Mattiace believes that this inter-generational contact is necessary "in this current period where the battle lines between the political right and left are often blurred."

Approximately 10,000 people were present at Fort Benning for the weekend’s events, with thousands of others gathered in support at other locations around the country. There was a unique atmosphere among those gathered, with everyone together forming a strong non-violent demonstration in support of human rights. "The spirit of the protest was so strong that even if we were not completely effective, we were still effective," Mattiace said.

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The Campus wishes the AC community a wonderful Winter Break... see you next semester!
**The Campus Asks...**

*Did you do Christmas shopping online? What sites did you visit?*

"Well, considering I don’t have much money I don’t think I’ll be doing much shopping anywhere...Period.”

—Scott Huckabaa, ’01

“I haven’t, but I would if I were to find something that I would want to buy. It would probably be from either Amazon.com or Outpost.com.”

—Chris Behm, ’01

“I haven’t done any shopping online for Christmas. I usually just browse but the only thing that I ever bought online was a CD from CDNow.com.”

—Brenda Smith, ’02

“No. But I have bought things online before. I usually go on Amazon.com and buy some books.”

—Deanne Dunbar, ’01

“Yes, I am going to shop online because it is a good pastime. I like to visit EBay.com, JCrew.com, and EddieBauer.com...they all have great stuff.”

—Lindsay Thelin, ’02

“I am going to buy my mom an apron online because I don’t have time to go anywhere and buy it. I usually just ask Jeeves and he tells me where to get what I need.”

—Robin Boldosser, 02

“I shop at...wait, I haven’t had money in years. If I did have money I would go anywhere that I could get cheap presents.”

—K. Casey Crytzer, 03

**Crime Blotter**

*Between Nov. 21 and 22, a teal-colored bike was stolen from a rack at Ravine Hall.*

*A purse was reported stolen from a car outside of Quigley Hall on Nov. 19. It was recovered a short time later.*

*A student reported a stolen Sony mini-disc player from Carnegie Hall between Nov. 21 and 22.*

*On Nov. 28, marijuana was detected in Schultz. The student has been written up and the matter has been forwarded to Residential Life.*

*A tape/recordation combination, tools and tire cover were stolen from a Jeep parked in the Ravine/Edwards parking lot sometime between Nov. 30 and Dec. 1. The loss is estimated at $250. Security has no leads.*

*Criminal mischief was reported between Dec. 1 and 2 after car tires in a college lot were found slashed.*

*A student carrying a cup of beer was stopped by Security and written up at 11:40 p.m. on Dec. 2.*

*Just in time for the holidays, Kim and Reggie Harris, as well as Terry Leonino and Greg Artzner (known together as Maggic), will give a magical and seasonal performance on Friday, December 8 at 7 p.m. in Ford Chapel. Titled “The Season of Light,” this performance promises to be an uplifting, thought-provoking and entertaining musical experience. With a diverse repertoire the group appeals to a broad audience while celebrating the common themes of each of the festivals. Sponsored by the Hillel, the College, the Friedberg Lecture Fund, the Office of Religious Life and Diversity Affairs. This performance is free and open to the public. Recommended for children age six and older. For more information, contact the Office of Events at 332-3101.*

*The Women’s Studies Film Series will present Grizzlyshark on Thursday, December 7 at 7 p.m. in the Grounds for Change coffeehouse. This new documentary from a young filmmaker features some of the best-known women (and some newcomers) in the zine world, from Bust to Java Turtle. Along with interviews, the documentary is framed by a “fuzzy industrial film” set in the sixties. Join us in the coffeehouse for this special presentation. A film by Kara Herold. (2000, 20 mins.)*

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- Little Caesars: 10% off menu price
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- Hairitage: 25% off first visit
- High Tech Computing: 10% off up to maximum discount of $5 (expires 12/31/00)
- Wendy’s: 10% off
- Subway: 10% off

Check out the coupons in Allegheny’s student directory for additional savings.

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Letters to the Editor

Napster Issues

Napster and other file-sharing programs like it have been crippling our network this entire fall semester. Due to the large amount of network bandwidth these programs take to seize, it can often be near impossible to get anything Internet-related accomplished.

Using an academic search engine like FirstSearch or ASAP was mind-numbingly tedious, leaving you grinning your teeth and staring at a "timeout" screen more often than not.

To the applause of many students and administrators alike, ASG voted to restrict the use of the programs to the hours of 1 a.m. to 7 a.m. The Internet at Allegheny suddenly became useable again.

But, like this country's election, the problem wouldn't be resolved cleanly. With things running perfectly well, ASG made the decision to expand the allowed hours. On Friday and Saturday, the programs can run our network into the ground from 7 PM to 7 AM.

Why was this decision made? First and foremost, the network exists as a very powerful academic tool for the students and faculty of this school.

Allegheny's network, contrary to what some people might think, is not here to provide us with high speed downloads of music files. Also contrary to what many might think, there are plenty of students who are still doing schoolwork at 7 p.m. on Friday or Saturday. Plenty of comping seniors and other hard-working students aren't partying on those nights.

Don't believe in doing work on the weekend? Think of it this way: I doubt that the many parents and alumni who are financing the very existence of our network would be pleased by the idea that academic uses of the network are being replaced in favor of mass sharing of media files.

Ask yourself if ASG made the right decision to assume that the desire of the majority of students was to expand the hours in which they wouldn't be able to use the Internet to its fullest potential.

First-years, sophomores, even juniors may think I'm full of it. But everyone, at some point or another, will have to make use of the network resource during these hours. Is it really fair for students to reschedule their study time because our network is, at times, slower than a modem?

Let someone know what you feel about the issue. Email ASG or the administration. Allegheny's students typically take a stand on what they believe in. Your academic future, in a way, stands at the center of this issue. Don't let it pass by unnoticed.

JUSTIN NAWROCKI
Senior

Student Life?

I just got back from my 9 a.m. class. It has not ended before 9:55 all year. My Thanksgiving break was not a break in any sense of the word. My notions of success are rapidly turning into delusions of grandeur. Sound familiar?

I thought education was for my social, moral and intellectual betterment. I am feeling a little cheated on that promise lately.

Learning goes on inside as well as outside of the classroom. Still, the classroom follows us home at night and invades our private life. It detracts from our social time, loving time, relaxing time, and even our Napster time. We as students should accept this predicament.

However, I believe that our activities teach us about living in a community. I think that students should follow their hearts as much if not more than their syllabi. Athletic and members of clubs devote countless hours to their activities. These are the things that make college special, but they are under assault by an ever-increasing workload, more assignments, more class time, more due dates... and that's just been killing me lately.

Lately, I have begun to wonder where this is leading me, if it's worth it, and if I could perhaps "learn" more somewhere else.
Avoid Holiday Rage and Remember the Spirit of the Season

Eric Reinagel is a columnist for The Campus.

Don’t Look Back: A Tribute to Change

Over Thanksgiving break I sat around with a couple of old friends, and we took time to reflect on how much we’ve changed and the stress we put ourselves through in the spirit of the holidays. Eric Reinagel is a columnist for The Campus.

Abby Collier

Somehow we got on the topic of high school reunions, and how weird it would be to meet up with those you thought you left behind forever. Right now, reunions with the forgotten only one year after graduating from college doesn’t seem far enough away. But a lot can happen in five years.

Change, at reunion time, is inevitable, obvious, expected. Fellow students you once knew will be engaged, or married, or they might even have kids. Others will just be completely different from who they were—or at least who you thought they were.

So when the first high school reunion rolls around, you’ll be looking forward to seeing how people have changed. You may see someone and think, “Wow, what happened to you?”, but maybe you won’t really think twice about it; besides, five years have gone by, and you’re not entirely shocked by something you subconsciously anticipated anyway.

But what happens now, when you go home right smack in the middle of your self-discovery? In the middle of your college career, at a time that offers so much change? Perhaps your attitude has changed entirely, simply because college gave you the opportunity to grow.

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FEAST

Am Korean. Yes, I am Asian and so are both of my parents. This simply means I grew up under the influence of Korean traditions and customs. This also means I didn’t quite grow up with Tony the Tiger, sunny side up eggs, and toast. Unlike all my white friends had moms like Mrs. Cleaver, who made these classic American breakfasts for their two kids and husband in their two story house with the white picket fence and Fido in the yard. I guess this is comparable to the stereotype that all Asians are good at math or know martial arts. Therefore, for the longest time I had a jaded view of my white friends and their families. Cut me some slack—I only saw white families on TV, and I never did see anything I could relate to.

While most of you may be sleeping in, only to eat a chocolate Pop Tart and Pepsi for breakfast, I’ll be down at Brooks with my USA Today, two glasses of OJ, a waffle with strawberries and whipped cream, some scrambled eggs, a potato with ketchup, and on some days I may even have bacon with cream cheese, or oatmeal to add some diversity in my Brooks breakfast dining experience. Sure, your mom may make a phatny omelet, and your dad may make the world’s fluffiest pancakes, but mamma Lee made a mean bowl of rice with soup and various side dishes. Does it make sense now? While you were out there eating hash browns, and Corn puffs, I was eating white rice, soup with kelp, spicy cabbage, and tofu. It was only later in life I ate Honey Nut Cheerios and raisin bran, and in college I even had honeywheat bread. I hope you all can give Brooks a try, because I’ll tell you that their breakfast is the best dining experience.

So, set the alarm clock a tad bit early and give it a try. In addition, it’s your most important meal of the day, and how could you possibly pass up free coffee, and those waffles. And hey, if you’re not there, don’t worry because I’ll be there eating enough for both of us.

John Lee is a columnist for The Campus.

We Need A Pub!

One of the chief stereotypes Allegheny has struggled to overcome, in the minds of both prospective and current students and faculty, has been a lack of options for entertainment and socialization. The administration downplays any complaints, but we have lived, eaten, and breathed Allegheny for the past three years and know that social space and options are extremely limited.

Earl Bartlett, Jeff Davidek and Brian Carfagna

The believe this lack of social space not only lessens one’s potential enjoyment of the Allegheny experience, but also contributes to a number of major administrative problems. For example, with an on-campus activity center, anchored by a pub, would significantly reduce the aforementioned problems while at the same time improving the overall quality of student life. 98% of those surveyed would like to see some kind of student activity center constructed on campus, with 96% of those stating they would like to see a pub included.

Many years ago, before it became a post office, bookstore, and home to the first department, Cochran Hall was the social center of the campus. It even had a bowling alley. After some time, that space eventually disappeared, leaving a permanent void on campus. Eventually, the college did make an attempt to revitalize the social options at Allegheny with the addition of the Games Room in the Campus Center. The Games Room, despite its inadequacies, was frequented by a substantial number of students up until its demise 2 years ago. The College moved the billiard and ping pong tables into the various dorms, further decentralizing social options on campus.

Although we are advocating the creation of a campus pub, we believe it is more important to address the lack of a common social space at Allegheny. We are asking the administration to form an exploratory committee that will further address this issue and encourage discourse throughout the campus community.

We hope the administration will take an open, unbiased look at the pending social problems and entertain our proposed solution. Allegheny prides itself in being unique and diverse, however, with the current social situation diversity is seriously compromised. As seniors looking back over the years, we realize there were a number of different reasons why we came to Allegheny. One of those reasons was to experience the freedom associated with independent living and decision-making. From a forward looking stance, we strongly believe Allegheny is heading down the same road as Grove City College, where students are not afforded the ability to enjoy college life to its fullest. It is virtually unfeasible that alcohol plays a major role in our culture. And to deny students access to specific areas of society and/or culture is to violate the very principles of liberal arts education.

The authors are members of the Class of ’01.
Allegeny in DC: A New Option for Summer Interns

By ABBY MILLIGAN
Weekend Editor

One of the biggest obstacles with having an internship, whether compensated or not, is affording to live. Allegheny students, worry no more. ACCEL has designed a new program providing summer housing at reduced costs for students interning in the Washington D.C. area.

The new program, called Allegheny in D.C., will enable approximately 10 students to live in subsidized housing at George Mason University at reduced costs. George Mason is located in suburban D.C., and its nearness to the city allows for a short and easy commute into the city by metro.

Director of Career Services Melissa Barnes said that the Allegheny in D.C. program came about when the College was the recipient of a generous gift from an alumnus. This contribution was specifically targeted to the ACCEL program. There is a great interest in internships offered in the D.C. area by Alleghenians and a consistent impediment among students has been cost, being that many of the governmental internships offered are unpaid. For these reasons, the Allegheny in D.C. program came to fruition.

Through the program, ACCEL will provide full or substantial funding to cover housing costs, which is $1,260 for 10 weeks. Accepted students with unpaid internships will receive full funding; those being paid up to $1,000 will receive $1,000 for housing; students earning $2,000 will receive $800; for those earning $3,000, $500 will be provided; for housing; for interning paying over $300, students receive $300.

This program is available to all Allegheny juniors, sophomores and first-year students. Those interested should apply to the Office of Career Services by Sunday, December 10.

HO HO HO HAPPY HOLIDAYS–The Office of Residence Life is sponsoring the eighth annual Stocking Project. For this program, the Allegheny community gathers gifts for underprivileged children. This year Lambda Sigma is assisting Residence Life with the project.

Get into the Spirit of Giving this Season: Help Needy Kids

By AMY ZADER
Assistant Weekend Editor

As Allegheny students struggle to get their finals over with this semester, they look forward to heading home for the holiday break filled with food, presents and, of course, a long month of rest and relaxation. But not everyone is quite as lucky to be able to go home to gifts, trees, and decorations. That is where the Allegheny community can come in and fill stockings for a needy children in the Crawford County area.

This year, Residence Life & Lambda Sigma are teaming up for the 8th annual Stocking Project. This project began eight years ago when a Resident Advisor in Brooks Hall came up with the idea as part of a hall program for her residents to participate in. With the assistance of Peggy O'Brien, secretary in the Office of Residence Life, the RA and residents filled stockings with small toys for needy children.

According to O'Brien, who has been the main organizer of the project over the past eight years, just a year after the stocking project began as a single hall project, it quickly expanded to more halls. O'Brien claims the project is now an entire college community effort, including faculty, students and administrators. "From the President's Office right down to the students, this is clearly an effort of the entire Allegheny community," O'Brien said.

Any member of the college community wishing to take part in the project has the option of choosing the gender and age range of the child. They can then buy gifts that a child of that age and gender may appreciate. This year, O'Brien has received about 300 requests from the Allegheny community for stockings to fill. About three or four agencies are receiving the gifts to distribute to local families. The Center for Family Services is one of the main agencies through which the gifts are distributed.

On Tuesday, December 12, the presents will be collected in Reis Hall for "Stocking Day." Members of Lambda Sigma, the sophomore honor society, will be wrapping the presents and Marriot will be providing cookies for anyone involved in the project. O'Brien claims that to have the rotunda in Reis filled with presents is a pretty special deal. She feels it shows how willing the college community is to help out.

This is the first year the members of Lambda Sigma have chosen to get involved. Last year, they worked on a different Christmas program, Toys for Tots, but have decided to join with Residence Life to assist in the stocking project this year. Members have been sitting at tables in the Post office during lunch hours this week to help in getting students to fill stockings.

According to President of Lambda Sigma, sophomore Jerry Zupan "we thought that this would be the best way to get the campus involved and find a way to a lot of presents to needy children." He feels this project will help show how much Allegheny students care, not only for themselves but for the community as well...It encompasses the true meaning of the holidays.

Also this year, the leadership hall in Baldwin is adopting a local family to help out. A local family with three children has recently gone through a great tragedy, so the members of this hall felt they should contribute to the stocking project by specifically helping out this particular family.

The deadline for turning in gifts is Tuesday, December 12, which leaves the entire weekend to shop. Anyone interested in participating is welcome and should contact Peggy O'Brien in the Office of Residence Life at x3865 for more details.

Shopping On-Line for the Holidays this Year

By DANA MACKOWIAK and JOSH MISNER
Weekend Reporters

There are only 18 shopping days left till Christmas! And you're stuck in Medville. Most Allegheny students have to associate the end of December with the worries of finals and not what Santa might leave under the tree this year. So what can you do? Shop online. Although it seems like the Internet is an excuse to not leave the house at all these holidays, it has definite advantages for college students stranded on campus until a few days before the holidays.

Dana did all her Christmas shopping online this year and can attest to the time and effort-saving benefits of finding gifts from the comfort of one's very own dorm or apartment. If you're interested in making purchases for the holiday season online, now is the time to take advantage of it and join the over 39 million Americans who have done their shopping online this year.

A good place for the first-time buyer to start is www.shopping.yahoo.com. Yahoo!'s comprehensive search engine guides you in finding just what you're looking for for everyone on your list, and the Yahoo! Wallet keeps track of all your virtual shopping carts from different websites so that checking out is quick and easy. Also, many sites are offering free shipping for the holidays. For example, www.amazon.com will pay shipping costs on orders over $100 placed by Sunday, December 10.

Some tips for shopping online are:
1) Do it early. Some websites can not promise delivery in time for Christmas if you order after a certain date.
2) Read shipping information and return policies. You might be stuck with unwanted presents if you don't follow the guidelines carefully. Shop from sites that provide a company telephone number and that e-mail a letter of confirmation for each order. Save or print these notifications.
3) Comparison shop for the lowest prices available online. The websites www.dealtime.com and www.mySimon.com have large databases that can help you save money.
4) Be sure to establish a secure connection with your server when sending credit card info. (Look for an unbroken key in the bottom left hand of the window.)
5) As always, Buyer Beware. Most services found through Yahoo! and other such sites are reliable, but check out www.consumerreports.org and read their tips for shopping online.


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—See all the Whos in Whoville with "The Grinch"
—Matt gives us a vocabulary lesson
—Weekend Whereabouts


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Low Provides Fresh Sound to Old Holiday Favorites

By KEITH BRYNER
Weekend Reporter

Low, who have been in existence since 1993 and boast the creative talents of husband and wife team Alan Sparhawk and Mimi Parker, have created a rabid fan base since their inception some seven years ago. With over fifteen different releases to their credit, Low are both prolific and genre-defining: the term "slow-core," meant to refer to the stripped down instrumentations and bare-bone lyrical quality that are Low's trademark, have now also come to refer to any number of up and coming indie rock acts such as Godspeed You Black Emperor! and Ida. Consequently, Low's distinct and mesmerizing sound is part Americana folk, part Joy Division, and part 60s singer/songwriter work (think Simon & Garfunkel). If you blend all that together and toss in a dash of Christmas, then you've got the perfect holiday release.

And, of course, Low couldn't just release an album of traditional Christmas songs. Instead, what we as listeners are privy to is an engaging hedgehog-podge of original work and a few Christmas standards to keep us satisfied. The record starts off with "Just Like Christmas," a sleigh bell ringing pop ditty that keeps you bouncing through the car ride to grandma's for Christmas Eve dinner. However, the record quickly segue ways into the somber and edgy "Long Way Round the Sea," lamenting a loved one who can't make it home for the holidays. Low then flow into "If You Were Born Today," a quasi-religious send up to the "reason behind the season." The records' original tracks wrap up nicely with "Taking Down the Tree," a musical denouement to the Christmas holiday completed by Sparhawk's languid tenor melding perfectly with Parker's own saccharine sweet alto.

Nevertheless, the real reason you would probably pay this record to hear some of those classic tunes of yesteryear reinterpreted in Low's own distinct style. And if that is the case, then you will have no reason to be disappointed by this effort. "Little Drummer Boy" (which is currently being used in a Gap commercial) is set awash in a sea of distortion, fuzz and booming bass drum to give the effect that you're listening to the song through a glacier. The blues standard "Blue Christmas" becomes more of a bar room ballad, like Bonnie Rait singing to herself after a few too many drinks on a lonely December night. Ultimately, the highlight of the record comes with "Silent Night," delicately picked out on acoustic guitar and made oh so precious by Mimi and Alan's dueling vocals.

So if you're in the mood to ditch your copy of the "Muppets Christmas" and graduate to some real artistic integrity for the holiday season, pick up Low's Christmas. This way, you can wow all your friends and relatives at home with your college artsy-fartsyness and then get grandpa to toss that old Bing Crosby tape right out the window. Thanks to Low, even hipsters can enjoy Christmas now.

Music Review

The Grinch’ Steals the Box Office This Season

By AMY ZADER
Assistant Weekend Editor

When I was a kid, ‘How the Grinch Stole Christmas!’ was by far my favorite holiday special. As soon as the newspaper came with a listing of all the specials, I searched to find out when the ‘Grinch’ would be on and I would clear my schedule to watch it. After all, what kid doesn't like Dr. Suess's sly, green Grinch and all the nameless faces of characters in the mystical town of Whoville? It is a lot more exciting than 'Frosty the Snowman' or 'Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer.'

So when I found out there was a movie version of ‘the Grinch’ new in theaters this holiday season, I decided I had to see what they could have done to the story to fit the big screen. Naturally, Jim Carrey fits well into the role of the Grinch with his ability to make animation come alive. However, in the movie his make-up and costume are so well-done that you can barely tell he is the Grinch.

For any of you planning to see the Grinch, don't expect to get the same story as the cartoon special on television. The movie is a lot longer with a deeper story line added in. In fact, as they are building the story, the movie seemed to progress quite slowly. I was expecting it to be Christmas Eve anytime while the plot was just thickening. Nonetheless, when it gets to be Christmas Eve, the story will be familiar for many of you who have seen the cartoon.

The scenes from the cartoon have been wonderfully recreated in the movie. The town of Whoville is alive with people in the Christmas spirit. The people have maintained the Dr. Suess look with their hair piled up on their head and their large noses. On top of the mountain where the Grinch lounges, viewers get to know him on a more personal level than previously shown. His home is intricate, and he makes use of a lot of the garbage that the people of Whoville have thrown away in interesting ways. The dog, of course, still plays his cute sidekick.

When the story gets to Christmas Eve, many of the same scenes from the holiday special can be found in the movie. The Grinch wipes out the town of Whoville of all signs of Christmas after he disguises himself as Santa Clause. He dresses the dog as a reindeer and takes the sleigh to the bottom of the mountain to attack.

The little character of Cindy Lou plays a larger role in this movie. Cindy Lou’s sickeningly sweet character can be a bit much, but adds to the idea of perfection that is supposed to be found in Whoville. The movie reveals that this town is not as perfect as we see every year on the TV special. It is not, in fact, the pure town that happens to be meanced by the Grinch.

Although it is somewhat different than the holiday television special, ‘the Grinch’ provides fun entertainment for the holiday season. Maybe you, too, will leave the theater with a sense of knowing the real spirit of Christmas, just like the Grinch.
Real Student Tells True Story

A Senior Project by Jackie Garcia:

ALLEGHENY AND ALCOHOL

by JACKIE GARCIA

Michael’s parents probably asked him more than 4000 times about the effects of alcohol. He received educational information and lectures all throughout his early school years. These lectures continued through high school and eventually extended to college. However, all this “alcohol talk” just didn’t sit right with Michael.

At the age of 25, Michael, an Allegheny College senior, is continuing his fight against alcoholism.

While Michael was growing up, he incessantly heard the phrase: “You know you have alcoholism in your family. You’d better watch out.” These words of caution soon became words of use. Because Michael was so determined to prove his parents wrong, he began to drink. And drink. And drink.

Michael remembers his first drink. He says he was about 4 or 5 years old. He says his dad offered to let him taste whatever beer was like. There was always beer around in Michael’s house. At that age of 6 or possibly 7, Michael split a beer with his older brother. He drank enough to feel the effects. Pretty soon, Michael would move on to drink cans of beer on his own.

In high school, Michael would drink with his friends, sometimes, he would go visit his father in college. Those visits always resulted in drunken nights and morning hangovers. Pretty soon, Michael would go to college.

In the fall of 1993, Michael entered Allegheny College. During orientation, Michael’s resident advisor forced him to attend every single event. His included an educational lecture on alcohol.

Michael’s second night at Allegheny may have set the tone for the rest of his college years. At that time, the guy met in his freshman seminar and orientation group had already been pre-stabilized as his core group of friends. This group of guys went party hopping that second night at Allegheny, and for the rest of the academic year. Michael was trying to be smart about his drinking. Michael’s father is a rehabilitating alcoholic. Two out of the four nights that he went out, Michael would get drunk.

Michael didn’t go to the bars too often before he turned 21. As soon as he did turn of age, however, Michael was at the bar every single night. He still goes to the bar every single night. Today is different though.

 logical problems,” continued Michael. “I know that most of my female friends who’ve experienced problems are able to talk with their close friends about their situations and seeking help usually seems to be the prudent course of action. However, with my male friends it seems that these subjects are taboo.”

Sue Plunkett, Director of Winslow Health Center, explained that many health professionals define someone as an alcoholic with one question — Have you ever been to Alcoholics Anonymous? “Whether someone put you there or you went on your own doesn’t matter. The fact that you were there matters,” said Plunkett.

Michael had been seeing Jacquie Kondrot from the Counseling Center for a little while by this time. She thought it was a good idea that Michael get help. Eventually, Michael stopped going to Stepping Stones. He said “if you’re not really into it, you’ll look for an excuse to get out. If you’re clean, you’ll look for an excuse to start using again.” Michael thought another patient was being critical of him, so he used it as an excuse to get out.

There was a 6-month period in 1998 that Michael refers to as his “worst ever.” All of his housemates were willing to go out all the time. Michael was lured into their extensive party life. Michael and his housemates would leave at about 7 p.m. to go to the bars. They would stay until 2 a.m. Before leaving, the crew bought a case of beer returned home to drink some

BEER, BOOZE, AND MORE BEER—Allegheny students are drinking more these days, despite efforts to increase alcohol education by the administration. —photo illustration by Jackie Garcia

More. Michael never made it to class. He was struggling with school and did not want to be there.

Plunkett characterized Michael’s behavior typical of an alcoholic. “For a lot of alcoholics, it is an issue of control. Trying to control alcohol and letting it control you.”

Dealing with housemates who drank all the time was one of the hardest things Michael had to overcome. Kondrot told Michael that “if he had the opportunity to get out of the house, he should.”

Michael knew that he “really needed to change his environment. His only good streaks were the summers at home in Chautauqua, N.Y. Michael thinks it’s because he was surrounded by positive reinforcement. He received the “good for you’s” he needed. At Allegheny, most of his friends encouraged sessions with Kondrot at the Counseling Center, but ridiculed any outside help. “I think they were just scared,” said Michael.

He continued, “I can’t tell you how many times I’ve had friends tell me that I don’t really have a problem. They think they’re saying it to put my mind at ease when really they’re just trying to give themselves an out. If there’s no problem then there’s nothing to talk about.”

Michael left school for the second time in 1999. This time, he left for the entire academic year. When he returned this semester, he came back “in a very positive physical and mental state,” said Michael. He was ready for a fresh start. Michael now lives alone. He said, “If I can get through it on my own, it’s better.” According to Michael, this outlook is not uncommon. Also, Michael admitted that although he probably drinks more than the average person...

ABOUT THIS ISSUE

This special four-page insert is Allegheny’s first Senior Comprehensive Project completed under the Journalism Writing Track in the English Department. The insert is devoted to alcohol and student life at Allegheny. Alcohol has always been a concern on college campuses, and this insert hopes to give students a sense of how alcohol has affected Allegheny’s campus. I hope it will help students to realize the real dangers and effects of alcohol consumption. I do not, under any circumstances endorse the prohibition of alcohol. Rather, I hope students will make more informed decisions regarding their lives, bodies, and education as a result of this senior project.

—Jackelyn D. Garcia, class of 2001
Alcohol Policy:

Federal law requires that each institution of higher education adopts and implements a program to prevent the unlawful possession, use, or distribution of illicit drugs and alcohol by students and employees, to be reviewed every 2 years.

Public intoxication by persons of any age is prohibited.

Alcoholic beverages may not be sold on campus, except by licensed vendors in accordance with state law.

Alcohol is permitted only in rooms/houses in which at least one resident is 21 or older.

The amount of beer allowed in a college-owned residence by a student who is of legal age is limited to one case per person, with a maximum of three cases per room/house.

Empty alcohol beverage containers are not permitted within the residence hall rooms/houses of students under the age of 21.

Common sources of alcohol (such as, kegs, beer balls) empty or full are prohibited except as part of an approved event.

Alcohol Policy:

After a first offense of the Alcohol Policy, the student will be required to use the interactive Alcohol 101 program.

After the second offense, the student will be placed on probation and a letter will be sent home to their legal parent/guardian.

In the case of a serious violation of the school’s policy, a student may be charged with a second offense without being charged with a first offense. They will then be sent for an alcohol assessment at the Counseling Center.

After a third offense, the student will be placed on suspension. In severe cases, it may be assumed that he/she has an alcohol related problem.

- Parts adapted from the Allegheny College student handbook.

Alcohol Education Increases

By Jackie Garcia

As a result of the review of Allegheny’s Alcohol Policy last Spring, the College is now more concerned with educating students about the dangers of alcohol and encouraging responsible drinking.

Since 1989, every institute of higher education is required by federal law to implement an alcohol program. A committee of students, faculty, and administration reviews the Alcohol Policy at Allegheny every two years.

Due to the recent review in the spring of 2000, most members of the administration and faculty have come to adopt the attitude of educating students before disciplining them.

“You won’t hear a Student Affairs person say students shouldn’t drink. We want them to behave responsibly so you can achieve your academic and social goals,” said Nancy Frambes, Associate Director of Student Activities.

Frambes also emphasized that the College is working to take part in a campaign called “Social Norming.”

There are many discrepancies in the terminology related to alcohol, such as the term binge drinking that this campaign hopes to clarify. “This movement hopes to get the facts out,” said Frambes.

According to David McNally, Dean of Students, “Social Norming is the only program, nationally, that appears to show some progress in [educating about] student drinking.”

McNally added, “My greatest concern is that people will develop habits that are destructive to their lives. I don’t know if students know just how much concern there is for their well being.”

Joslyn Nolan, Area Coordinator of Baldwin Hall, agrees with Frambes that the College is now focusing on responsible drinking and management. According to Nolan, alcohol is a rite of passage on any campus for first year students. Nolan didn’t deny the fact that people are going to drink. “I can’t control people’s behavior, the only thing I can do is react and be proactive about it.”

Resident Advisors are responsible for putting together at least five campus related programs for their residents. Alcohol is one of them. This year, Baldwin Hall, as a whole, put together what they called “Absolut Baldwin.” This program was intended to educate people on the dangers of alcohol by putting them in role-playing, alcohol related situations. These included soberity tests, Driving Under the Influence (DUI) situations, and date rape encounters. Nolan estimated that about 40% of the building’s residents attended.

As an area coordinator for the past year and a half, Nolan has actually had students come to him with concern for their friends’ possible drinking problems. Nolan attributes this to the fact that he encourages his resident advisors to develop relationships with their residents first, then set guidelines so that a line of respect is firmly established. “[Allegheny] is too small of a place to be really bureaucratic. We must tailor to individuals,” said Nolan.

Sarah Rathburn, Resident Director of Baldwin Hall, said that over her one and a half years of being involved with Residence Life, she has noticed a decrease in the number of alcohol violations.

Also this year is the continuation of combined efforts from Campus Security and the Meadville Police Department. According to Anthony Sabrino, Director of Campus Security, the number of complaints from Meadville residents has increased dramatically over the past two years.

According to McNally, neighbor relations prompted the coalition between campus Security and the Meadville Police, not alcohol violations.

Because of this, McNally said it has become more dangerous for students to walk down a street with a beer in hand. Exemplary of this is the consistency in alcohol related events every year. According to Sabrino, the number of incidents to date is 40 compared to an estimated 39 at the same time last year.

In an effort to increase alcohol education on campus, and to keep the number of incidents low, Frambes is currently working on an official revised alcohol plan for the College. As part of this plan, the Student Activities office will be sending out surveys to get feedback from the students as to what is working and what isn’t.

According to McNally, the College cannot get locked into one alcohol education program. He attributes this to the fact that each year, so much of the population changes that Allegheny must change as the audience changes.

“We’ve tried different educational programs designed to change with the student culture,” said McNally. “We can help students with information, money for programs, or whatever else they might need, but no student decides what’s socially cool or acceptable based on what I say. Students are the key to changing this.”
Disciplinary Standards To Change for Athletes

By JACKIE GARCIA

In the fall of 2000, Allegheny College's Athletic Department formed a committee of coaches and administrative personnel to establish one set of standards for alcohol violations by student athletes.

The purpose of the committee is to establish one set of disciplinary standards for student athletes who violate the alcohol policy. "In the past we've always asked each team to come up with their own policy," said Cathy Madigan, assistant athletic trainer and head of the committee. However, Madigan added that because of several incidents with Allegheny sports teams last year, the department felt a standard disciplinary policy was needed.

In the fall of 1999, the men and women's soccer teams were caught throwing a party where alcohol was present. The coach of each team was made aware of the incident, and the two teams received disciplinary sanctions.

Madigan explained, however, that some of the team members felt the actions taken by each coach were unfair. Because the two teams had different alcohol policies within their teams, the sanctions received varied.

Adding to the chaos was an incident last spring at a house where some football players lived. The residents of 605 Park Avenue threw a party one night and a living room floor collapsed.

Several students were injured and the Meadville City Police were called. According to Madigan, this incident increased the already existing tension between neighbors and students.

Also according to Madigan, these two incidents are what really prompted the formation of the committee. She said, "a lot of it is to protect the students and help appease the neighbors."

Since the formation of the committee, its first step has been to educate the student athletes. As a result, coaches this year were asked to talk to their teams about alcohol and being responsible. Moreover, this year every athletic team was required to attend a lecture on alcohol awareness. The guest speakers were Mike Green, a collegiate consultant on drugs and alcohol, and a Pittsburgh police officer. Green talked with the students about responsible drinking patterns while the officer discussed Pennsylvania laws and regulations.

William Ross, head coach for the track and cross-country teams, agrees with the increase of alcohol education among student athletes. However, he does not offer formal alcohol education for his team. Rather, Ross speaks to his team one-on-one.

"Coaches are all about life experiences and how they develop the person as an athlete," said Ross. "Coaches know best how to handle their athletes because they get to know them -- we're like surrogate parents."

Senior Alyssa Mack, and captain of the cross-country team, explained the dedication of her team. "There is no drinking policy for the cross-country team. There's just an understanding that there is no drinking during the season," said Mack.

She added, "There are also enough people on the team that are serious about the rule that if someone violated it, they would tell the captain." She continued, "We tell the freshmen about the no alcohol policy from the very beginning. Sadly, we tend to lose people year to year, but whether it's strictly because of alcohol, I don't know."

Madigan said the biggest concern for the committee is to come up with something fair. For example, how does one punish a team member fairly? If a student athlete is caught drinking, but does not receive much playing time, taking away the privilege to play does not suit the crime.

Therefore, the committee is struggling to come up with one set of fair standards.

1997 graduate Glenn Grafton said, "Students talk on this campus because everyone comes from different backgrounds and different places that alcohol is the one thing people have in common."

In 1997, there were 41 reported incidents compared to 89 in 1995. As a result, it may be safe to say that people were actively partaking in more parties during the mid 1990's.

Dr. John Anderson, a 1965 graduate, commented that while he was a student here, the social life was also very active. "There was a time to study and then a time to play. It generally involved alcohol at parties."

1975 graduate Paul E. Block added that other social options were available while he was a student at Allegheny. "I wasn't one that drank a lot until after graduation. I was an academic guru. I did, however, attend the events that the school had at the Campus Center (dances, concerts, and so on)."

However, Spencer Mell '97 explained to The Campus a few years ago that Allegheny's campus is only fun when you want it to be fun. "The social scene on Allegheny's campus is what you and your friends can make of it. That's how it was five years ago, and that's how it is today."

Josh Nolan, Area Coordinator of Baldwin Hall, thinks that people in general are becoming a little more aware and a little more respectful of themselves and their friends. Nolan has been here since 1999, one year after the Office of Residence Life began reporting all incidents violating the College's Alcohol Policy to campus Security. As a result, there were 122 cases reported in 1998.

However, Anthony Sabruno, Director of Campus Security, explained that this number is actually a fair estimate of incidents for the previous years as well. "It is safe to say that the number has stayed consistent (over the years)," said Sabruno. This proves to be true in 1999 when 120 total incidents were reported.

According to Madigan, Wittenberg just came up with an alcohol policy. Other schools, such as Denison and Earlham are currently working on one. These schools are using Allegheny as a model.

"I believe the education side of it has worked," said Ross. "Student athletes have a greater responsibility and should have a different set of standards."

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and universities have been reported to be sensitive to alcohol policies and statistics to the campus community.

In 1994, 46 incidents of state or local liquor law violations were reported, excluding drunkenness and driving under the influence.

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1997 graduate Glenn Grafton said, "Students talk on this campus because everyone comes from different backgrounds and different places that alcohol is the one thing people have in common."

"While I don't think that societal expectations of partying in college are an ill, in and of themselves, we must all realize that alcohol can take hold of anybody at anytime," said Michael.

Michael gives us these words: "Whether it [rehabilitation] works or not is really up to you. The effort must be there."

In an effort to extend his gratitude, Michael would like to note that "of the ten professionals he's seen, Jacquie Kondrot is probably the best person in her field of work. She was always very calm. She always maintained her tone, and she never scared or frightened me." Michael continued, "I can relate to her personality. She is easy to approach and not intimidating in any way."

Michael would also like to extend his gratitude to Dean McNally and Sue Plunkett.

*A student's name was changed to protect identity.
By JACKIE GARCIA

What Is Alcoholism?

According to the American Council on Alcoholism (ACA), a group dedicated to educating the public about the effects of alcohol, alcoholism, and treatment, alcoholism is defined as a primary, chronic disease with genetic, psychological, and environmental factors influencing its development. The disease is often progressive and fatal. It is characterized by continuous or periodic impaired control over drinking, preoccupation with the drug alcohol, use of alcohol despite adverse consequences, and distortions in thinking, most notably denial.

According to Christine Dye of the Do It Now Foundation, substance abuse officials say that alcohol is a multi-faceted drug. It is the only known drug that is both air- and water-soluble and which affects all the organs and tissues of the body.

The ACA estimated that 10% of the United States population, at some time, will have a problem with alcohol. This percentage includes people of all ages, socioeconomic levels, races, and creeds.

Screening for Alcohol Problems

The following is a written alcohol questionnaire used nationwide by professionals in determining whether or not a person may have an alcohol problem. Take the following test to see whether you or someone you know may have a drinking problem.

CAGE Questionnaire*

1. Have you ever felt you should Cut down on your drinking?
2. Have people Annoyed you by criticizing your drinking?
3. Have you ever felt bad or Guilty about your drinking?
4. Have you ever had a drink first thing in the morning to steady your nerves or get rid of a hangover (Eyeopener)?

Levels of Consumption

1. How many days in a week do you typically have something to drink? (quantity)
2. On days that you drink, how many drinks do you typically have? (frequency)
3. What is the most you had to drink in any one day during the past month? (maximum)
4. When was your last drink? (Most patients with a problem will know exactly)

If quantity x frequency > 7 drinks a week for women and > 14 drinks for men, or if maximum is > 3 for women and > 4 for men, then patient exceeds criteria for low-risk drinking.

*Scoring: 2 or more “yes” answers is a positive result for an alcohol disorder, but one “yes” answer indicates hazardous drinking.

-The above CAGE questionnaire was adapted from the Journal of American College Health.

The SEARCH Continues

By JACKIE GARCIA

Students Educating About Responsible College Health (SEARCH) is an organization at Allegheny that promotes college health awareness through social and educational programs. The condom Rose sales (condoms shaped into Rose-like petals), the annual Safe Spring Break and AIDS Awareness week events and most importantly, Alcohol Awareness Week events are among SEARCH’s educational programs.

To make it easier for students to make wiser, more informed choices, SEARCH provides a number of alternative social programs. These programs, funded through Allegheny Student Government, allow students to meet new people and have fun in a safe, non-threatening environment.

President of SEARCH, Lisa Coligan explained that during Alcohol Awareness Week, which took place between November 6-11 this year, her organization attempts to provide fun and educational programs for students. Set up in the Campus Center, SEARCH provides members with things like “beer goggles” (goggles that distort your vision) to be used with a scooter. Attempting to drive the scooter “essentially helps people see how poorly they really do function when they are drunk,” said Coligan.

The Alcohol-101 program used by Residence Life is also available in the Campus Center during the week. “This is a computer program that simulates a bar,” said Coligan. “You give your body type/weight and order drinks and the program gives you your blood/alcohol level each time you take a drink and tells you what can happen to you at each level.”

Unfortunately, Coligan stated that not many students take part in the activities provided by her organization during Alcohol Awareness Week. SEARCH members yearn to promote healthy and responsible lifestyle choices. To do so, the organization assists students in making mature, responsible decisions about their physical, spiritual, academic, and social health.

The Social Drinker vs. The Problem Drinker vs. The Alcoholic

There are generally three different types of drinking habits. The social drinker, the problem drinker, and the alcoholic. The following is a list of general behaviors, listed by the ACA and American College Health Association, performed by each type of drinker.

The Social Drinker-
Takes each drink and drinks it slowly. Does not drink to get drunk. Drinks on a full stomach or has food around while drinking. Does not drink and drive. Respects everyone around them, drinkers or not. Is aware of and obeys state and federal alcohol related laws.

The Problem Drinker-
Drinks to get drunk. Uses drinking to try and solve his/her problems. May experience personality changes. Drinks at inappropriate times, such as before a class or meeting. Harms him/her self, family, friends, strangers as a result of drinking.

The Alcoholic-
Drinks an increasing amount of alcohol and is usually intoxicated. Spends a lot of time drinking, at the sacrifice of other activities. Keeps bottles hidden for quick pick-me-ups. Makes excuses for drinking. Drinks alone. Denies drinking. Experiences “blackouts.” Loses interest in personal appearance or hygiene. Feels the need to drink before a stressful situation.

If the above symptoms sound familiar, you or someone you know may be in danger of developing a serious alcohol problem. There are many resources available, on campus and off-campus, where help is available. Visit these sites if you think someone is in danger.

Resources Available

On-Campus-
Counseling Center: (814) 332-4368
Winslow Health Center: (814) 332-4355

Off-Campus-
Alcoholics Anonymous: (814) 337-4019
Crawford County Drug & Alcohol: (814) 724-4100
Stepping Stones Treatment Center: (814) 333-5810

Valuable Web-sites-
American Council on Alcoholism: www.aca-usa.org
National Institute on Alcohol Abuse & Alcoholism: www.niaaa.nih.gov

*Nobody is immune to alcoholism. It is important to remember that alcoholism is an illness.

*Adapted from The American Council on Alcoholism
This past weekend, the Allegheny swimming and diving team traveled to Gambier, Ohio, December 2, to play the defending NCAC Champion Kenyon College. The game ended in a victory of 73-62, over the Kenyon ladies, featuring 10 ties and 14 lead changes. First-year student Jamie Parone led the Gators with 19 points. Other highlights included senior forward Stephanie Pollock tallying her second straight double-double with 13 points and 13 rebounds. Junior forward Michelle Popovec finished the game with 14 points and six rebounds, while senior Michelle Innocenti registered a season high 15 points, six rebounds and four assists. Parone’s 19 points are a career-high for her. She finished the game 4-of-5 from three-point range and 7-of-10 from the charity stripe.

This game, similar to many others this season, featured a diverse combination of players in all four grade levels. "Our rotation is going to remain varied. We will continue to see a good mixture of first years, sophomores, and juniors, as well as seniors," said Reimer. "Coaches love to have this kind of option to mix things up."

Prior to the Kenyon game, the Gators hosted Oberlin on November 29. This game began the women’s basketball North Coast Athletic Conference play and ended with a 76-72 win. First-year Jess Kankoski’s 19 points led the Gators. The women trailed at half by one at 39-38. However after senior guard Julie Piekkanski opened the second half with a three-point basket, and the Gators never surrendered the lead.

Contributing to the accomplishments in the second half was senior forward, Stephanie Pollock who scored 10-of-15 points in the second frame. Kankoski added nine rebounds along with her career high of 19 points. Piekkanski finished with 13 points and junior forward Alyssa Hinkle tallied 10 points, for a total of four Gators to hit double figures in scoring.

To recap the season thus far, the Gators began their season hosting the Allegheny Tipoff Tournament with Waynesburg College, Pitt-Bradford and Mount Union. The Gators came out first in the Tournament with two consecutive wins over Waynesburg, 70-48, and a close game with Mount Union ending at 58-56. While most Allegheny students were fighting the weather, DiPietro’s national qualifying time of 2:08.50 in the 200 butterfly. Junior Megan Bush also qualified for nationals with a 53.71 in the 100 freestyle. First-year diver Kelly Anderson was the only other woman who made nationals, in 1 meter diving.

The men’s basketball team has not been as successful this season as first hoped. Currently their record stands at 1-5. With 10 home games and eight away games scheduled, the men’s team hopes to turn the tables and end with a winning season. The men’s basketball team traveled to Washington and Jefferson College which proved to be the Gators’ third win at 71-59. Also the weekend after Thanksgiving, the Gators traveled to the University of Rochester for a couple Tournament games. The women had their first loss of the season to Elmira, 71-59, on Friday, November 24. Although the next evening the Gators won over Medaille, 82-45, bringing home one win and one loss.

The women’s games against Oberlin and Kenyon left the team with a winning record as they traveled to Hiram last night. The team also hosts a game this Saturday against our neighbors slightly south, Grove City College. Come and support women’s athletics at the Wise Center at 2 p.m.
### You Heard It Here

*Oklahoma versus Florida State for the national championship? The BCS needs to be redone. Miami was robbed at a chance to play for the national title. Oklahoma defeated two overrated teams in Kansas State and Nebraska. Who did Miami beat? The number one and two teams at the time of their games, Florida State and Virginia Tech, respectively.

By Arthur Pitt

*The most disappointing teams in the NFL this year are the Washington Redskins and Indianapolis Colts. At the beginning of the year, I believed that both were the favorites in their respective conferences to reach the Super Bowl. However, neither of them appear to be headed to the playoffs.

*Is it fair what Randy Moss is doing to the NFL?

*How about Allen Iverson? Talk about a quick turn around, Iverson has gone from the Grinch to Santa Clause in only a few weeks. His willingness to be coached and play with his teammates has made Philadelphia an early favorite to win the Eastern Conference.

*How crazy is major league baseball? A decent, and I emphasize decent, middle relief pitcher is now worth almost four million dollars per year.

*It looks like it is going to be a long, long year for the men’s basketball team here at Allegheny.

*Kobe Bryant appears to have surpassed Shaquille O’Neal as the best basketball player in the world.

*Who was that masked man playing quarterback for the Steelers Sunday? Kordell Stewart in a three month span has gone from the number one criticized athlete in Pittsburgh to the hottest performer in town. His second half performance against the Raiders might be the lift the Steelers need to win their last three games and go to the playoffs.

*The return of Kurt Warner will not be enough for the Rams to overcome their inept defense.

*It seems as if year after the year the Cincinnati Bengals have one of the top picks in the NFL draft but continue to be a lousy team. Franchises such as these are an enigma, because the talent appears to be there, but there is no production. The Bengals are toe-to-toe with the Clippers for the worst franchise in professional sports.

*Wide receivers in the NFL need to be tall to reach stardom. The Steve Largent mold is no longer a hot commodity. Defensive backs are now 6'2, 205 pounds, and can easily outrun and jump the 5'9 receivers—like Peter Warrick—who were stars in college.

*The best adjective to describe the Baltimore Ravens defense is frenzied. They are so quick to the ball and have weapons at each position. This team will be one that no one wants to run into come playoff time.

*If you watch college basketball please take the time to watch Seton Hall’s Eddie Griffin. He is a star in the making.

*It was recently reported that Vin Baker had Paul Westphal, coach of the Seattle Supersonics, fired. Is that what the NBA has come to? An overweight and underachieving player can have his coach fired instead of being released, himself?

*When will Michael Jordan suit up and play in the NBA again? The Wizards could certainly use him.

*Saints watch: 9-4, without their starting quarterback and running back. Jim Haslett should win coach of the year.

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### Final 2000 Intramural Flag Football Standings

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**The Champion of Intramural Flag Football is Coach Keshard.**

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Theta Chi Reps Help Reorganize Fraternity

By SHANNON HARBAUGH
Sports Editor

Consultants from the National headquarters of Theta Chi fraternity, Ryan Oliver and Jason Oller, are currently on campus "to help the guys reform the chapter to get them into the right direction," said Theta Chi National Representative, Dave Westol.

This reorganization stems from violations of the fraternity's national Risk Management and Standards policy. On Sept. 8, a 17-year-old female was found passed out, face down on Theta Chi's front lawn. When evidence was found that the woman had been inside the house, the questioning began, and eventually it was determined that policy violations had taken place.

Representatives from the national organization conducted the reorganization, a process that consisted of interviewing each member of the Fraternity. The interviews, according to Westol, were "based upon a lot of factors, including their grades, involvement on campus, the attitude of the individual, and information gathered from the other members."

As of now, 12 of the 31 men have been invited to rejoin the chapter. "I believe that all of them will indeed rejoin," said Westol. Keri Fadden, Greek advisor, said, "they can remain if they choose, but they still have the choice."

While the college is not involved first hand in the process, they do "act as a liaison because we are always here and are unbiased," said Fadden.

Among the 12 asked to rejoin, the national organization appointed sophomore member Brian Dulski as the leader of the chapter during the reorganization.

The remainder of Theta Chis had the option to appeal the initial decision. "We had a larger than usual number of appeals," said Westol, "which says a lot about these men's commitment to the chapter."

Dulski said the appeals process will have great impact on the fraternity. "The five guys who are appealing are vital and will determine the survival of this chapter. This chapter cannot be proactive until we are sure of what personnel we have."

Fadden added that, "It is difficult because the Nationals do not tell the members why they have been asked to rejoin or remain on suspension terms."

The appeal process involved each member to write his own appeal letter by Tuesday. The letter is then given to some members of the National's Risk Management and Standards Committee, who have 21 days to make a final decision regarding the status of a member. "Every member should have a decision by the end of December," said Westol.

The reorganization and suspension of members from the chapter leads to questions concerning the future of the fraternity and its members. Under the suspended terms, members are inactive and, upon graduation from Allegheny, each will then receive alumni status as usual.

According to Fadden, those living at the Theta Chi house are under a behavioral contract. Everyone will remain and finish the semester at their current residence, but because Theta Chi owns the house, those suspended must eventually leave. "We contacted residence life before this process began and found 20 vacancies," said Fadden.

After the consultants help organize the chapter this week, a follow up visit will be conducted in January. The purpose of this visit is also to better organize and assist the men in any processes necessary.

Dulski is optimistic about the results of the reorganization. "In the long run, the programs we can initiate will be beneficial because it gives us an opportunity to put into effect other activities that are not based on alcohol."

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protesters was something that I was losing hope in the existence of. Seeing their genuine caring and responsibility was something that I'll never forget," said sophomore Matt Gonzalez.

First-year Ben Houghton, who also attended the protest, agrees. He said one of the most intense parts of the weekend was seeing a variety of different people coming together for a common goal, and "being surrounded by so many people who felt passionately that the US is not an entirely just place." He says this "is something you don't see these days, and [it] was very heartening and encouraging."

For many of those concerned about the SOA, they do not believe that just protesting at the school once a year, as has been done for the past ten years, is enough to shut the school down. Last year, Congress missed shutting the school down by one vote. Mattace said that because of this growing pressure on Congress to shut the school down, "any attention that can be drawn to the institution may be decisive in swaying votes."

Looch also believes that taking such action as sending out letters and calling your local representatives are also effective and necessary for closing the school. She cites the education campaigns that the non-profit group, School of the Americas Watch, has done as being effective in raising awareness because not that many people know about the school and the issues surrounding it.

First-year student Jessi Swisher, who also attended the protest, said that there needs to be more emphasis on teaching people what they can do to take action outside of attending protests and crossing the line. Then, she added, "the American people have the chance for their voice to be heard. It is those people dedicated enough to write to their representatives that make a difference."

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ilar to the classroom setting because of the ability to gain feedback instantaneously. Asynchronous refers to formats of education where the facilitator and the students are in different places at different times, as with a discussion board. The benefits of this type of communication is the convenience of being able to respond at leisure to board posts.

Robert MacDougall, visiting professor of Communication Arts, regularly uses discussion boards to supplement class work. "Students who are reticent in class have a level playing field free of peer pressure and fear of being ridiculed for their ideas," MacDougall said. "Discussion boards provide a venue where they can get out their thoughts in virtual space."

One of the common complaints regarding distance education is that it separates the teacher and student. Kingston feels many students actually report feeling more connected through distance settings than with real-time, real-place education.

"Teachers tend to overcompensate for the lack of face-to-face contact by e-mail, chat, phone, and other methods," said Kingston. "This often results in better and more communication."

Though the college currently has no plans of beginning full distance education programs, some feel it would benefit those students who have trouble scheduling classes or need to take summer courses.

First-year student Andrea McMillen uses online discussion formats in her first seminar course and finds the medium to be quite helpful. "You are able to express your opinion without feeling pressure," said McMillen. "It's also easier to get your point across without appearing confrontational, as it might seem in a live class debate."

According to Kingston, Allegheny is well-suited for some forms of distance education. There is video conferencing equipment in Murray Hall, and the school is in the process of teaching all faculty WebCT, a program that helps professors put their courses online and start online chats and discussions. MacDougall and Kingston both also believe that online discussion allows students to teach each other.

"The best part about online education," said Kingston, "is the interactivity it starts between students. They begin to communicate with each other more, and the teacher becomes a facilitator. It creates a great learning environment."
Failing the Comp: Students’ Worst Nightmare

By JOHN PAUL MARCANTONIO
Assistant News Editor

4 a.m. Eyes Wide Open. Cold Sweats. Heart Racing. Head Pounding. Breath Short. Stomach Nauseous. All your eyes can register is that huge letter F plastered on the front of the story of your senior year. It’s just a dream, buddy boy; it’s just a dream.

Many of us hear the comp horror stories from our now graduated friends. “I heard that this one kid failed his comp because he forgot to cite one sentence!” “Yeah, well I heard about this one girl who got thrown out of school because she had four spelling errors in her comp!” People, they are all rumors...well, most of them anyway.

“The fear of the comp is a greater hindrance to completing the project than the project itself,” said neuroscience department chair Jeff Cross. “It’s just another paper folks...one that you have been groomed to be capable of writing. There is no need to convert it into a three-headed dragon.”

To date, only one student has failed their comp since the neuroscience department was established in 1997. The failure occurred last year and the reason that the student failed was because of an honor code violation. According to Cross, the student fabricated the data that was used for the statistical portion of the comp.

“The main reason for comp failures is that the students simply do not do the work,” said psychology department chair Elizabeth Ozorak. “We mentor our students intensively so any student who puts forth a reasonable effort is likely to pass.”

Ozorak also commented that while she does not have accurate numbers, the number of failed comps in the Psychology Department is “very few.”

During the 1999-2000 school year there were three students in the political science department that failed to pass their Comprehensive Project. Robert Sedgig, political science department chair, estimated that there have been seven failed comps during his six-year term.

“The most common reason that we have had for failing a student’s comprehensive project is the failure of the student to turn in any project at all. Some other reasons are insufficient research, lack of depth in research and analysis, and superficial coverage of the topic. While the political science department has no minimum length requirement, a few of the failures have been because the project was simply too short,” said Sedgig.

The mathematics department seems to tell a different story when dealing with comp failure. Ron Harrell, chair of the department of mathematics, said that no student has failed his or her comp during his stint as department chair.

“We have had failures in the past though. In the mathematics department, the failing student is given the opportunity to revise the project for a reduced maximum grade before the end of the semester. If they do not choose this option, the student must then register for the project the next semester that the student is in school,” said Harrell.

“There have been three cases since I have been at Allegheny where a failing student has chosen to return for an extra semester and complete the comp. In two of those cases the students returned to Allegheny to finish their project several years after the actual failure occurred, but the student involved in the third case has been out in the world for about 20 years. All she would have to do to graduate is to come back and complete her project,” said Harrell.

Once a failure has occurred, the options to complete a passing project vary between departments. Some departments do not allow the failing student to use any research from the failed comp, and the student must then devise a new topic with completely new research. Other departments allow students to correct the reason for the failure on the same topic and resubmit a complete comp.

“Usually a student fails a senior project because not enough work has been done, not because the design of the work was faulty in some way,” added Harrell.

Statistically, the average number of Allegheny students that fail their senior project each year is between 8 and 10, according to the Registrar’s Office. This equates to about 2-3% of the graduating class.

“The real reason is not hard to see:” said Registrar Benjamin Haytock.

“Most of the time it is not the senior project that keeps students from graduating. In most cases it is because the student has amassed too low of an overall grade point average, too low of a major GPA, or the student has not met all of their requirements needed to graduate,” said Haytock.

One might ask why Allegheny still insists that its students complete a senior project.

“It is a chance to finish the career here at Allegheny with a form of closure. The main reason is that it gives each student the opportunity to read, think, and analyze a subject on their own, without having to be led through the process,” said Haytock.

“This is the point of a college education. The student, hopefully, will learn how to think on their own while at Allegheny and the senior project is designed to see if our students have gained this skill,” said Haytock.

“It also gives the graduate of Allegheny a leg up in the job market. I have heard stories of graduates that come back to Allegheny and tell their professors as well as administrators that their senior project gave them and edge when interviewing for positions,” added Haytock.

Bush Closer to Presidency

By JACKIE GARCIA
Staff Reporter

Election 2000 is drawing to a close, and as each day passes, the American people see further evidence of George W. Bush becoming the next President of the United States. Allegheny students shared their thoughts on the anticipated win of George W. Bush.

Senior Shawn Aversa, who voted for Green Party candidate Ralph Nader, expressed the attitude heard most among students on campus when asked what they think about the presidential election, “I think as was most tastefully expressed in the movie Election, ‘Who cares about this stupid election’ anymore?” He continued, “I’m glad I voted for Nader so in the next election I don’t have to bear witness to another façade of American democracy where two political candidates duke it out for a position in our government. I don’t think either one of them should be rewarded.”

Senior Amanda Harris, who voted for Democratic candidate Al Gore, agrees with Aversa on the outlook of American democracy. “I feel very disappointed. I also feel that there was some sort of conspiracy. The whole [voting] process needs to be reworked because there are too many loopholes. For presidential elections, there should be one set of voting laws and one type of ballot to link everything together and avoid confusion.”

On the other hand, Bush supporters are happy with the probable outcome of Election 2000. Most students who voted for Bush agree with his stance on certain issues and believe he will make an excellent president. Sophomore Jypsy Bailey voted for Bush through an absentee ballot. “I’m disappointed that it took as long as it did, but I’m happy that Bush is most likely going to be our new president.” He continued, “I believe in his stand on education, his support for increased military standing, and other such issues, that’s why I voted for him.”

While some students have fierce opinions on who our next president should be, many are just disinterested and bored with the prolonged results. Erin Barr, a sophomore at Allegheny did not vote in the election but stated that if she had, she would have voted for Gore. She added, “I think this whole ordeal has been ridiculous and makes a mockery of our electoral system.”

Aversa agrees, “This is a lesser of two evils scenario and something must change.”

Registered Republican Stephany Hart ’01 is among those students who are happy with the apparent outcome of Bush as the next president of the United States. “I voted for Bush because I agree with his stance on economic issues and education. I think there are some definite positive and negatives that will come out of this election. It’s made people become aware of politics, and they’re starting to understand the importance of voting.” She continued, “But, I also think that it’s frustrated a lot of people, and as a result, they’ve lost faith in the whole electoral system.”

For other students, the seeming Bush victory hits close to home. Junior Meghan Thomas said, “I don’t know if there’s going to be a huge difference between Gore and Bush. It’s definitely a disappointment and I would rather see Gore in office because he has knowledge about environmental issues.” She continued, “I believe someone asked or proposed something to Bush, he wouldn’t really know what was going on, whereas Gore has a better understanding of environmental issues.” Thomas is an adamant Nader supporter.

Senior Sadie Little is also taking the apparent Bush win personally. “By Bush being president it goes to show that the world is not as far along as it claims to be. Because Bush doesn’t address gays and lesbians, women’s rights to abortion, or any minorities in general, in my eyes, they’re not important to him, so he’s being undemocratic.”

Whatever the true election results are, Gore, Bush and Nader supporters alike feel a disappointment in our electoral system. Perhaps Barr said it best when she said, “It’s time for a change.”

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**Unpleasant Thoughts**

—A column by Matt Meehan

Colleges always publish a lot of books, mostly dealing with scholarly topics. Allegheny is certainly no exception. But now it seems we’ve published a cookbook, as well, and that we’re selling it to students to give their relatives for the holidays. Well I want in on the action, mostly because I’m poor, but also because I think that there needs to be an Allegheny Dictionary to explain the unique way that people talk around here. I’ve been working on it for the past few days, doing research and talking to linguistic experts. Now, this work is still a bit premature for release to the general public, but I’ll give you all a quick peek anyway, because I love you all so very much.

**Definitely**

- Used to express certitude, lately used a whole hell of a lot. When used to describe plans for semester break, say “I definitely can’t wait to sit around in my underwear and eat chips all day.” When used to state, with certitude, that someone is “off the hook,” we say “that person is definitely off the hook.” See also “off the hook.” When stating your favorite time during which to read this column, say “I definitely enjoy reading your column while dropping a deuce.” See also, “dropping a deuce.” When stating, with certitude, that you found a surprise in your kitchen sink two days ago, say “I definitely found a dead mouse in my sink two days ago.” When wondering aloud regarding the makeup of Marriott’s Turkey Ham steak, say “I definitely wonder if it’s turkey, ham, or steak, and wish it would make up its mind.” When stating the name of a famous fictitious television pimp, as applicable to a class of yours, say “I definitely mentioned Velvet Jones in class today.” When defending your oft-ridiculed scrummiy physique in the presence of athletes, say “I definitely get paid to eat chips while you lift weights all afternoon, so I’ll go back to ignoring you now.” See also “fired.” When asked if it is really “all good in the hood,” say “Definitely,” unless of course it is not all good, in which case you say “definitely not.” See also “all good” and “the hood.” When answering inquiries as to whether or not your house is that one fraternity’s off-campus party house, say “Yeah right, I definitely wish I could get lucky that easily.” See also “get lucky,” preferably in a dictionary by someone other than this author.

**Random**

- Not arising out of any set pattern. Arbitrarily determined by mathematical laws governing chance. When asking if something was random, say “wasn’t that random?” See also “no.” When talking about an unannounced guest showing up at your door, say “he/she randomly showed up at my house.” When explaining why this is not, in fact, a random event, say “this person probably consciously resolved to visit you, and probably walked there under his or her own power, so unless I am wrong, and they were formed spontaneously out of various bits of free-floating matter, and this reaction had no observable root cause in this universe or any other, then it wasn’t really random, now was it?” See also “wise guy” and “stop punching me.” When inquiring as to why a lot of people you don’t know are somewhere in your immediate personal environment, say “what are all these random people doing here?” When explaining that people are not random, in and of themselves, say “humans are the result of a complex evolutionary process, and their overall biochemical makeup owes itself to the organizing properties of life, broken down to its most basic element, the cell.” It helps to carry a picture of the human genome, for use as a visual aid. See also “dork” and “give me back my lunch money, you jerk.”

As you see here, I have only defined two words thus far. But for now, that’s all I think we need. The real dictionaries can worry about all those other words that don’t appear in every other sentence that we utter, randomly or otherwise. The purpose of this dictionary is to preserve for posterity the linguistic quirks that are a vital part of the Allegheny experience, and to help us all to become a little more current in our verbal socialization. Do I think it will work? Definitely.

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**Shopping**

reviews if you’re unsure about a certain company’s track record.

If you follow these tips, your online shopping experience should be a success too. Still skeptical about trying it out? Some advantages of shopping online are that it is fast, simple, and convenient. You can do it from just about any computer with an Internet connection, you can shop around for the best deals, and you can still take advantage of great offers like free shipping. There is no pressure from salespeople working for a commission and convincing you to buy the most expensive item in the store. There are no annoying and lengthy lines in which to wait. If you know others who are doing their shopping on the Internet you can post a virtual wish-list on www.easycrregistories.com and send the URL (address) to everyone you know! Most importantly, you can avoid the hassle and crowds of shopping malls during the holiday season.

The web offers customers a wider selection of products than stores can possibly offer. Interesting, unfamiliar stores have web pages. While you browse through the various different products offered by these stores, you may discover an item that is suitable for that difficult person on your list. Imagine the time you will save when you buy items from many different stores online, time you can use for other purposes such as catching up on holiday decorating.

Because most stores are large and the shelving may be confusing, it may be extremely difficult to compare prices while in the store. Conversely, it is much easier to compare the prices of goods online. Luckily, prices are usually listed on one, clearly designed page. This immensely simplifies the comparing process.

On the other hand, you need to have a credit card for just about every site, and you may not receive merchandise in time to give it on Christmas, and the absence of an armful of packages may lead some shoppers to get carried away. (The average online shopper spent $518 each this year!) As an additional experience of driving around mall parking lots for hours trying to find a space, and then not being able to find it at the end of an exhausting day is a tradition too precious for many people to give up.

Top purchases made online in 1999 in the U.S. were software and books and magazines. Some websites we recommend to surf while American are:

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wanting to take advantage of the housing must have a written offer for an internship. Students must also provide specifications of the internship, including duration, number of hours that will be worked per week, payment, if any, as well as a description of the internship.

ACCEL has already had several student inquiries into the newly established program. This may be because Washington D.C. is one of the most popular cities for Allegheny student internships. Barnes believes that this is due to the notable number of students who are interested in careers in the federal government. Barnes also stated that only a few other colleges have programs comparable to the new Allegheny in D.C. program, one being Princeton.

Applications will be considered on a rolling, first-come, first-serve basis. This is so that students who are accepted for internships but cannot afford housing without assistance can accept the internship right away if they receive the needed funding from the ACCEL program, rather than waiting for a due date.

Barnes commented that the ACCEL Office is very excited to offer the Allegheny in D.C. housing opportunity. The office currently has other programs that offer assistance for those participating in Experiential Learning. As part of the E.L.Term, students can take part in three week long summer internships in Washington D.C., Boston, or New York City in which the College provides housing.

Another fund accessible to students is the E.L. Fund, which gives grants to help make proposed experiential learning activities possible.

Barnes feels that with the new Allegheny in D.C. program, more students will be able to experience exciting and beneficial summer experiences.

Students interested in finding a summer internship should go to www.accel.allegheny.edu to start their search. A large number of internships can also be found in the ACCEL Resource Library.

Applications for the Allegheny in D.C. program can be picked up in the ACCEL Office or by emailing OCS@allegheny.edu. Students seeking more information should contact Barnes, Joe DiChristina or Jim Fitch in the ACCEL Office.

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