

I do not agree with a word you say, but I will defend to the death your right to say it. - Voltaire

Campus Is Artist's Canvas

By ABBY COLLIER
Weekend Editor

An area on campus will soon be turned into an innovative gallery of sorts, thanks to a groundbreaking artist and a mysterious benefactor.

An anonymous donor hired artist Danny Lane to visit the campus from April 9 through 11 in order to get feedback from students and faculty and to explore the possibilities for the proposed site, the Senior Circle. Lane gave a lecture and participated in a public forum to begin the designing process.

Located behind Cochran Hall and the Montgomery Gymnasium, the circle was constructed during the summer and ensuing fall of 1999. On the east side of the campus, it serves as an intersection between Quade Walk and the north-south pathway beginning on East College Street.

Lane is not only an artist, he's a philosopher, one intrigued by "the science of life." Inspired by the many facets of human beings—how

they live, experience, and enjoy—he is also a staunch advocate of the power of perception.

"Perceptually, if nobody told me anything," he said, "and I walk out there when there's sun, what do I perceive of it? That the sun revolves around me."

Egotistical? No, not really, because Lane believes individuals, each in their own minds, are at the center of the universe. "Who else has your viewpoint?" he said. "It's only you who takes responsibility for your life."

Lane, who also believes our sense of self-consciousness derives from second-hand information, wants to give his viewers a more personal experience. "A lot of art is about first-hand experience," he said, "that's why I got into it." For Lane, "it's about making something happen on the inside of the individual, taking somebody through and letting them have the experience through the action."

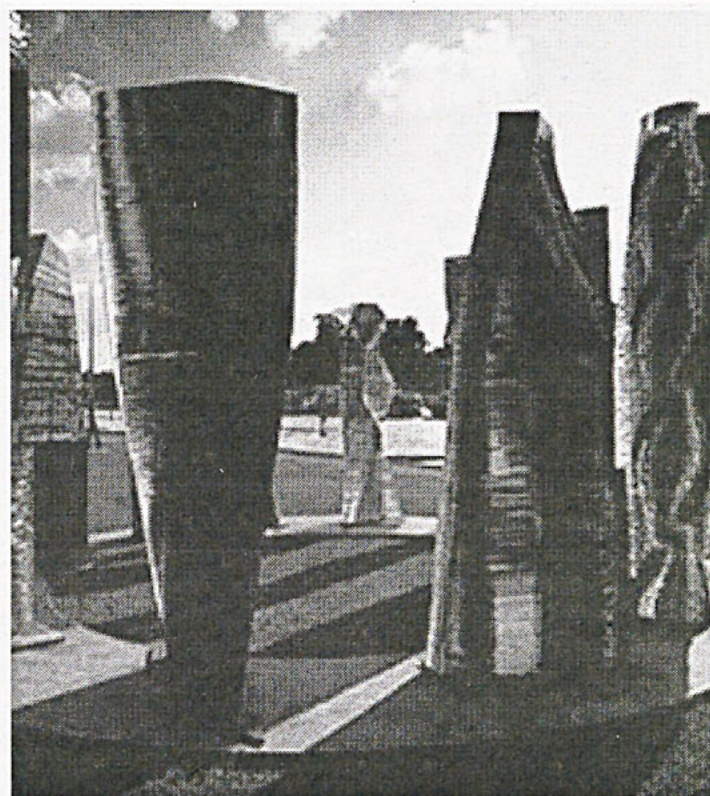
If Lane makes a successful proposal to the College, he might just

create this experience for the Allegheny community.

He was discovered by the donor during the Twentieth Century Arts Fair in Armony, New York. The donor was interested in commissioning Lane to design a piece for Allegheny. The fair exhibited one of Lane's latest works, "Pantheon," first displayed at the Henley Music Festival in the UK. This work consists of several standing glass sculptures connected to a circular steel disk with steel post-tensioning rods.

Each sculpture of this piece, "like an entity unto itself," takes about one day to build. A large piece like "Pantheon," Lane said, takes anywhere from six to eight months to finish, which includes designing the piece, cutting each piece of glass, and construction. "It's very delicate, very detailed work," he said.

Born in Urbana, Illinois, Lane moved from Virginia to Germany before settling in London, where he set up his first studio in 1981, and participated in his first exhibition in 1983. He works primarily with glass,



LANE'S LATEST—The "Pantheon," one of Lane's recent pieces, sparked the interest of an anonymous donor in his work. The donor hopes Lane can create something similar for the Senior Circle.

—photo courtesy of Danny Lane

steel and cast iron, and studied with stained glass artist Patrick Reyntiens in the UK and painter Cecil Collins at the Central School of Art in London. His work is displayed all over the world, in cities such as

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Comp Sci Department Preps For Staffing Bugs

By ERICA ERWIN
News Editor

Due to staffing concerns, the computer science department will have to reallocate classes next year, shuffling the four courses regularly taught by retiring Associate Professor Mary Bivens to other computer science faculty. Bivens's planned departure next year triggered an unsuccessful search for qualified candidates to fill the position.

Chairperson of the computer science department Professor Robert Cupper attributed the difficulty in finding successful candidates to the increasing demand for highly trained computer scientists. "We, like many other schools, compete in a very active market," he said. "There aren't enough Ph.Ds to go around." Increasingly, Cupper said, graduates with computer science degrees are taking high paying jobs instead of

going to graduate school. "We used to have 40 percent of our computer science students go to graduate school. Now, we're lucky if we get one percent."

To compensate, Professor of Mathematics and Registrar Benjamin Haytock will teach two computer science classes instead of one, and the department will not participate in the First Seminar program, allowing professors more time to teach computer science courses.

"I feel it is the duty of every department to participate in the FS program, but when push comes to shove any faculty member can teach an FS course," said Cupper. "A faculty member from another department cannot teach Computer Science 210."

In addition, the department will temporarily bring in Professor Jim Tomayko from Carnegie Mellon University to teach an experimental electronic course, taught through

video conferencing.

The reorganization will allow the department to offer the same number of courses it did this year.

Cupper said he and the search committee would rather "tough it out" than hire an unqualified candidate in the interim to fill the position. "We feel that if we hired a potentially available candidate that we'd probably take a quality hit," he said. Cupper added that, as of now, the search is "actively suspended," meaning the department has stopped reviewing its current applicant pool but is still accepting new applications.

The department did extend offers to two candidates, Cupper said, both of whom decided to go elsewhere for various reasons. "They went elsewhere because of personal preferences, the climate, the town, to be close to their families," Cupper said, adding that the salary offered by the College was not a deciding factor

with the candidates.

Confounding the staffing problem is the influx of students interested in majoring in computer science. "We're all facing the same problems," said Cupper. "There's an enrollment boom, but the staffing stays static." Translation: more students plus the same number of professors equals crowded classrooms or dis-

gruntled students closed out of classes.

The ceiling for faculty in the computer science department has been set at four, a number Cupper says is a "bit shy," given the enrollment. "Allegheny is a bit more stringent in that respect," he said. "Years ago a staffing plan was set with ex-

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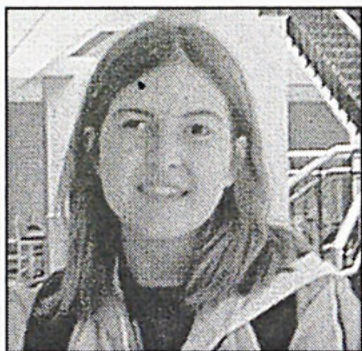
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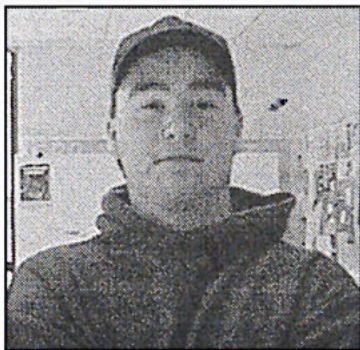
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—compiled by Erica Erwin, News Editor



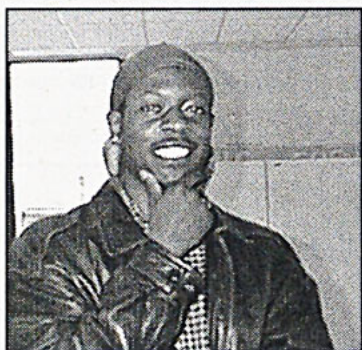
"I was actually sleeping because we worked with GAP all day. I wasn't down on Loomis having fun."

—Vanessa Brauin, '03



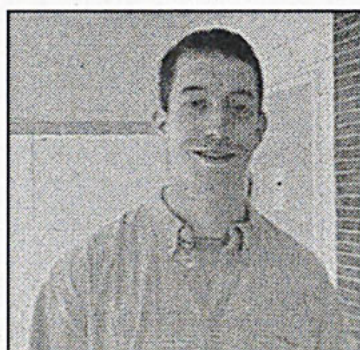
"I was sleeping...I comped all day. Comps suck."

—Cliff Francis, '01



"I was in my room sleeping...I was partying 'till 12."

—Kevin Moreland, '02



"I was curled up on someone's couch in a house...I'm not sure where."

—Mike Wilson, '01

CRIME BLOTTER

On March 27th or 28th a criminal mischief incident occurred. The left brake light of an automobile parked on North Main Street was shattered and radiating inward, suggesting that it had been struck with a blunt object and not another automobile.

On April 6th at approximately 9:00 p.m. a resident advisor reported receiving terroristic threats. The threats had been left on the RA's voice mail by a student who had previously been written-up.

On April 6th at 10:50 p.m. an underage drinking incident occurred. A student who had exited Baldwin Hall was observed on Prospect Street throwing beer cans on the ground. This matter will be handled internally.

On April 7th sometime between midnight and 1:31 a.m. a vandalism incident occurred. The security escort van in Lot #11 had the words "Rent A Cops" spray painted on it on both sides in silver paint. The cost of the damage has not yet been assessed.

On April 7th at 1:31 a.m. an underage drinking incident occurred. A student in possession of alcohol was observed on North Main Street by a security officer. This matter will be handled internally.

On April 7th at 1:56 a.m. an underage drinking incident occurred. An ambulance was called for a student in Baldwin Hall who had been consuming alcohol. The student was given a citation for underage drinking.

CAMPUS BRIEFS

•The Office of Religious Life will offer a full slate of Holy Week services for the campus community at Ford Chapel. On Holy Thursday, April 12, a Maundy Thursday communion service with stripping of the church will be held at 7 p.m. The annual Good Friday prayer service will be held at noon on Friday, April 13, and an Easter Service of the Resurrection will be celebrated on Sunday, April 15 at 10:45 a.m.

ing.

On April 7th sometime in the afternoon a theft occurred. A hose was stolen from McKinley's. It was later recovered and returned.

On April 7th at 7:45 p.m. an underage drinking incident occurred. A student was seen with a beer on Prospect Street. This matter will be handled internally.

On April 7th at 10:40 p.m. a criminal mischief incident occurred. A male non-student was upset and punched through a window in the Baldwin 3B men's bathroom. He suffered multiple lacerations and was taken to the Meadville Medical Center for stitches. He will receive a citation for criminal mischief and will not be allowed back to Allegheny College.

On April 7th or 8th a burglary occurred at Brooks Dining Hall. The suspect entered through an open window, removing a tub of chocolate marshmallow ice cream, a tub of mint ice cream, and Fruit Loops cereal. The total cost of the stolen food was \$45.

On April 8th at 12:03 a.m. an underage drinking incident occurred. A student was found unconscious behind the Fiji house. Security arrived and performed rescue breathing until an ambulance arrived. As of April 9, the student was still in intensive care at the Meadville Medical Center. The student will receive a citation for underage drinking.

On April 8th at 12:50 a.m. a student was accused of setting off fireworks. Security confiscated 15 bottle rockets from the student. This matter will be handled internally.

On April 8th at 1:13 a.m. an underage drinking incident occurred. Security responded to a noise complaint at Caflisch Hall when a student threw a whiffle ball at the security sports utility vehicle and proceeded to provide the security officer with a former student's student ID. The student was given a citation for underage drinking.

On April 9th between midnight at 6:00 a.m. a criminal mischief incident occurred. The back door window of Cochran Hall was broken. Security is investigating as to whether other damage may have occurred.

On April 9th at 3:15 p.m. a security was notified of a lightning strike. A tree in the yard of a college-owned house on Sherman Street was struck by lightning. The strike sent bark flying and caused the tree to smolder. The college plans on removing the tree from the property. The two eyewitnesses to the strike were shaken, but seemed to be recovering fine.

On April 10th a theft occurred. Approximately 45 photocopies were stolen at one of the copy machines off of the Activities Room in the Campus Center. Security has no suspects.

•As part of the College's Celebrate Asia! 2001, Shizumi Manale, a popular and highly respected Japanese artist, will offer the celebration's keynote performance on Monday, April 16 at 7 p.m. in the Montgomery Dance Studio (2nd floor). Manale will deliver presentations titled "Shizumi's Theatre Miyabi" and "The Art of Kimono as Fashion."

•Terrence Bense, assistant professor of environmental science, will deliver a lunchtime lecture titled "How Will We Eat? Coping Strategies of Philippine Farmers During the 1997-98 El Nino" on Wednesday, April 18 at noon in the Cultural Center (Campus Center, 3rd floor). The event, part of Celebrate Asia, is free and open to the public.

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Survey Says Utilities Main Off-Campus Concern

By NEETU SEHGAL
Assistant News Editor

Utilities are the main concern of students living off-campus, according to a recent survey conducted by Allegheny Student Government.

On a 5-point scale ranging from "strongly agree" to "disagree," most students reported that their rental properties were not energy efficient, citing drafty doors and windows and plumbing problems.

The survey researched student experience living off-campus, compiling the responses of approximately 200 students living in 41 rental properties in Meadville. Twenty-one landlords were also reviewed.

Noelle Pecora '02, former ASG

director of student affairs, said that the idea for the survey came from discussions in the Campus Life Committee.

"We wanted to somehow provide a tangible way for students to be more aware of what living off campus and what choosing a house to live in is all about," Pecora said. The survey results will be published in the form of a directory that gives students, the college and the city of Meadville, a better idea of what student housing needs are and how housing can be improved to better address these needs.

Students filling out the survey answered basic questions, such as what their monthly rent is, average utility costs, number of bedrooms

and bathrooms in the property, reasons for moving off-campus and into that property. They also were asked more specific questions concerning relationships with landlord and neighbors, cleanliness of property at move-in, landlord efficacy, and happiness with rental, among others.

Most students said that properties were not clean at the time of move-in and are not secure against theft and burglary.

"I don't understand how some people survive in their houses all year long," said Pecora, regarding having read some of the individual student accounts of off-campus living. "I was actually kind of surprised, though, that overall the feedback was not as bad as I had expect-

ed it to be."

Most students "somewhat agree and disagree" on issues relating to the appearance of their property, friendliness of their neighborhood and landlord attentiveness to problems.

Ann Horowitz '03, who is moving off-campus next year, looked at about five different places before deciding on a house on Baldwin Street. "Each time we talked to a landlord, they would say the place was wonderful, newly-renovated, beautiful. And each one of them was nothing like what they described. They were horrible."

She said she is moving off campus because she does not like all the rules that dorms have, a desire for a

private bathroom, and because she is vegetarian. "I can't get anything decent to eat on-campus," Horowitz said.

The ASG survey also tallied the top 10 reasons students leave campus. Forty percent of students move off because they want to be able to cook for themselves, while 35 percent of students named "wanting to get away from Residence Life." Thirty percent of students said they "didn't like dorm life."

ASG and Residence Life are currently discussing the possibility of distributing the directory including all survey results to all sophomores and juniors, since those two classes are the ones that would be moving

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Walking Tour of Campus Now Available on CD

By ERIC REINAGEL
Staff Reporter

The 5-foot icicles have dropped off Allegheny College's buildings weeks ago and have since melted into the sprouting grass. Birds jump around the limbs of bare trees, warbling their tunes, and the rock near the cement walk by Bentley Hall with the Latin phrase "Spes sibi quisque" meaning "Everyone is his/her own hope" is warmed by the rising sun. This is a rock that has sat there pretty much ignored for the 124 years since the sophomore class of 1880 put it in place. But that small stone wasn't always ignored.

Back in the spring of 1877, the sophomores were looking for a way to leave their mark, but they had no money for a monument. A class

committee, led by Ida Tarbell, picnicked all around the area until they found this stone. It was the perfect monument and they were sure the only prank their rival class, the freshman could do to it was white-wash it. But one morning they found it rolled to the bottom of the ravine.

The stone was too heavy to carry up, and the sophomores feared they had lost their monument to the ravine. But a mechanical minded member of the class was able to make a sling attached to pulleys and winches to haul up the stone to its proper place.

The remainder of the school year sentinels of sophomore kept watch from Bentley. They fired off warning shots with a rifle to scare off freshman who tried to retake it in the middle of the night. After com-

mencement the Latin inscription seen today was inscribed, says Allegheny's historian Jonathan Helmreich.

There are many more stories like this about the present and past landscape of Allegheny College. Helmreich, a retired history professor and former undergraduate, along with others is working at making these stories more easily available.

Helmreich has become the first official Allegheny College historian. He works here on a volunteer basis because he says, he simply loves the work. Helmreich has designed for

this spring a walking tour of Allegheny's landscape on CD that takes approximately an hour to complete. The History and Heritage Committee also has plans to accompany the CD with a pamphlet or a map of some kind. Professor Amelia Carr, a member of the History and Heritage Committee, says the compact disc isn't readily available at this point, but they hope it will eventually be offered at a number of locations. Interested people can now contact Helmreich for the compact disc or make an appointment for guided tour by him personally.

Helmreich says, he became interested in documenting Allegheny's landscape when a number of gifts, such as trees, were given to Allegheny BY former Director of Admissions and Director of Development Bob Simmons.

Professor Carr is also guiding an independent study that is building an online version of Helmreich's tour. The three students working on it are David Rodriguez, Noralen Curl, and Aimee Nash. Carr says that while the website does work with Helmreich's tour it is being designed

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Summit Aims at Enviro Policy

By BECCA SCIBEK
Staff Reporter

On March 27 the Campus Life Committee (CLC) hosted an Environmental Policy Summit to bring together various groups and individuals involved with making Allegheny College more environmentally sustainable.

Professor of Environmental Science Rich Bowden opened the session by outlining the numerous yet distinct environmental work currently in existence, including the ER task force, SEA, environmental speakers such as David Orr, senior comprehensive projects, increased recycling efforts, and the soon-to-be-installed composter. CLC is exploring these efforts and collecting information about campus greening in an attempt to create an environmental policy and operational plan for Allegheny.

Bowden opened the floor for input and comments from all in attendance, commenting that each individual and group present sees the needs and challenges differently, and each perspective offers valuable insight into understanding the factors which impact greening the campus.

Comments revolved around the purposes, benefits, and practicality of setting up an environmental policy.

Associate Dean of Students Joe DiChristina mentioned that doing so requires evaluating the goals and values of

Allegheny as an institution. Just as other Allegheny policies dictate respect for people, formulating an environmental policy can help us move toward respect for our natural world, added Dean of Students Dave McNally.

Although an environmental policy would not necessarily make radical, immediate changes, formally stating a policy would embed values of sustainability and respect for nature into the culture of the college.

An environmental policy could benefit Allegheny in terms of publicity and student recruitment. The College must be a proponent of "walking the talk," says Bowden. "As an academic institution, it important to show the message as well as teach it." Director of Public Affairs Mary Norton suggested that this would be a selling point for environmentally conscious students, and also provide a positive new media perspective for Allegheny.

The CLC plans to continue their efforts in developing an environmental policy, and discuss what the next step should be. One possibility is the formation of an Environmental Advisory Council to provide a forum for information exchange between environmental interests,

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Administrative Pro New College Veep

By EMILY MACEL
News Reporter

You may have seen him walking around campus. He tries to make eye contact with everyone that he sees, but he notices that many of the staff and students wonder "who is this guy?" It's Marcus Buckley, Allegheny's brand new Vice President of Finance and Administration. Even though he only started here a short 3 weeks ago this Boston-born man has much experience with administration and has many ideas in mind for Allegheny College.

At least the sudden move to Meadville was not too much of a weather shock. Living in the North all of his life, Buckley spent 35 of his 50 years in Boston, and the other time elsewhere in Massachusetts or Vermont where, until now, he was recently living. His family has been supportive of his choices. He has a wife of 29 years, Sue, and two children. His daughter and son currently attend the University of Chicago and Vermont Technical College, respectively.

With a degree in English from the University of Massachusetts, Buckley found that working in administration was just the logical progression of his career. "As they say, with a liberal arts education, you can do just about anything," said Buckley. Along with his education, his background will surely aid in his

career here at Allegheny. Buckley explains that he has been in the administration field since he was first hired in 1970, straight out of college. He worked at several colleges such as Penn State University, Old Dominion University in West Virginia, Boston University, Simmons College, and Green Mountain College. His positions have been wide-ranged, including director of housing, business manager and chief financial officer.

Since he has started his position at Allegheny, Buckley said that he has been, "thoroughly impressed by the quality of the faculty, staff and students." Though he is still unfamiliar with much of his surroundings, he tries to get around campus as much as he can and meet the staff and students. "In my field it is easy to lose contact, so I am determined not to let that happen," he said.

Buckley was not in the market for a job change at all, but Allegheny had always been a school of interest to him. At first when he saw the position was open he didn't apply, because he was content with his Vermont job and surroundings. But with a change of heart, he decided to apply in mid-October of last year, and by December, he was called back.

Buckley already has strong views of how his administrative position will aid the College. "I view everything as support in the mission of the College," he remarked. "The nice

thing about Allegheny is it's seeking to go up to the next level and I will do my part to bring it there." Whether it is through financial, administrative, facilitative, Buckley plans on playing an active role in Allegheny's decisions. "Some days I'm the quarterback, others the coach, some the head cheerleader,"

he explained, but overall he wants to open paths of communication so that nothing is mysterious.

With the walls of his office still bare, Buckley has jumped right into his position, which, as he explained, is not an easy thing to do in the latter part of a school year. "I really hit the ground running. I wish I would've

started sooner." Because of the helpful staff and faculty, he is starting to feel more at home. The adjustments to a new place are, as always, never easy. Buckley added that he is "still trying to find all the buildings of the campus, but I am here and available. I plan to do my share to help to take the College to the next level."

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off-campus because they have completed the two-year college residence requirement.

Pecora said ASG is hoping that after reviewing the results of the survey, the College will either create a position or give responsibility to someone holding a college position

to be an off-campus student advisor. "We want someone to act as a liaison for students off-campus," Pecora said. "Someone students can ask what to do in certain situations, and someone who can intercede on the student's behalf with the landlord and possibly even with the housing

inspector."

"We were very happy because we got responses from more than 200 off-campus students, and there are about 300 students total who live off-campus," said Pecora. "So the directory really covers a fair amount of off-campus housing."

TOP TEN REASONS STUDENTS MOVE OFF-CAMPUS

According to ASG's Off-Campus Housing Survey

1. They are able to cook for themselves.
2. They wanted to get away from Residence Life.
3. They didn't like dorm life.
4. They wanted more space.
5. They wanted more freedom and independence.
6. They believed it was cheaper.
7. They wanted more privacy.
8. They believed it would be a good learning experience.
9. They believed it would be cleaner.
10. They wanted to be more comfortable.



STAFFING

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plicit numbers, and the only way to change that is through New Initiative funds."

The New Initiative program provides funding for innovative projects and proposals, something the computer science department took advantage of to establish its new major in applied computing.

"It's a personal struggle for me because I have nearly 40 advisees, and I will not compromise advising. If you're my advisee, you're going to come to me at least once a semester for 30 minutes, and the discussion will go beyond what classes you're taking next semester," said Cupper. "Also, there are 20 student theses in this department between

three people; there are two people on every committee."

Cupper is reluctant to prescribe the hiring of more staff, however, until he is confident the boom of students interested in computer science will continue. "I have no interest in bringing someone here and two years later saying we don't have the enrollment to support the position," said Cupper. He likened the fluctuation of interest in computer science to the stock market, adding that "my 30 years here have been a roller coaster."

Despite the pinch in staffing, Cupper is confident that his department is graduating top-notch students. "We cannot be screwing up

everything if a graduate is making more than I am in ten years or if employers of our more marginal students call and say, 'We love him, can you send us ten more like him?'"

"Like everyone else, I'd like better facilities, and maybe that would help attract faculty," said Cupper. "Would a more modern building make a difference? We desperately need to get our intro courses out of the library basement and here into Alden, and the state of the classrooms is abysmal. Would fixing them up help? Who knows."

Though students may have to contend with longer waiting periods to get into a class or larger classes, Cupper is confident that the staffing

stress won't have any long-term effects. "It's not going to discourage kids from becoming computer science majors," he said. "Students who want to major in computer sci-

ence will always find open hands and an open heart in this department."

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Comp Sci Battles Staffing Bugs Bravely

Recent trends in the job market for computing professionals have placed Allegheny's computer science department in a tough position: the best of the best can make much higher salaries in high-tech fields than they can in academia. Though the department's enrollment is expanding, the number of faculty is remaining static.

The department could have hired a less-qualified candidate to replace the departing associate professor Mary Bivens. It has instead decided to "tough it out" according to department chair Robert Cupper, until the "right" candidate comes along (see article, page 1).

Obviously, students in the already-expanding department may be disgruntled by the large classes and scheduling problems caused by the lack of faculty expansion. We hope anyone upset by the inconvenience will remember that the department made the best of an unenviable situation rather than hiring someone relatively unqualified.

We hope that in the future, this important and increasingly popular department will continue to develop as more students become interested in the field, and that Cupper and the rest of the department will find a qualified colleague soon. In the meantime, we urge patience, cooperation, understanding, and even gratitude; the department obviously takes its students seriously and cares about the quality of their instruction.

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Letters to the Editor

Thefts Disappointing

It has come to my attention that some of A5 decorations have been stolen from the campus center. On Saturday the decorations were still up, but within the next 24 hours, most of the lanterns had disappeared. They were literally being ripped off the ceiling. There were attempts to pull the ball in the center down, however, it was not successful.

I'm not writing this because it costs A5 some money to purchase these decorations or that these decorations are of high value. Rather, these acts of dishonesty really upset us. We purchased these decorations for Celebrate Asia!—for no other purpose than just to make the place to look appropriate according to our theme and attractive to members of the College and the Meadville community. As soon as we put them up, they became public property, but that doesn't make it okay to take them. Taking the decorations without permission is stealing!

If any of you come to the CC, please look up and see what effect the missing lanterns have on the decoration scheme as a whole. I am not really sure of the purpose of whoever decided to steal the paper lanterns. What would they do with them? Take them back to their rooms and hang them up? Or are they just having the fun of stealing something that does not belong to them? Whatever their reasons are, their acts of ripping and stealing these decorations down are very immature and

simply pathetic.

The other reason why I decided to write this is because what was stolen is far more than just those paper lanterns; it is the efforts of those who came and put so much time into decorating the CC and making it look nice. It is just unfair to them that their work is wasted only one week into April. This is a college and these things shouldn't happen here! I'm very sorry for what happened and I hope that similar incidents do not occur in the future.

Thus, I hope my letter serves as a message to increase the awareness among others. I really hope the campus community can work together to prevent this from happening again to our organization or any other organization on campus. And if any of the thieves read this letter, please be aware that if you are caught, you will be subjected to disciplinary actions from the college.

Finally, I've decided to take all decorations down soon rather than trying to fix it. It is disappointing to do this so early into the month, but I think it is the right thing to do. If you have questions or comments about my decision, please email me.

CHI NGUYEN
A5 President

Weekend Alternatives

College life is what we make it; of course if you are drunk most of the time then it doesn't matter. I couldn't help but notice that living on campus last Friday and Saturday was like living on an older kid's version of a playground.

First I want to admit that I am not immune to criticism either. Last year I drank myself silly way too many times. How many times do you need to wake up in your own vomit, to wake up in the world you destroyed the previous night, before you realize that it is not worth it? Trust me, I nearly lost my life to it.

I also noticed last Sunday was especially quiet, the birds were out and the students were either studying or recovering from a hangover. I realized that it is hard to find stuff to do on the weekend that does not involve alcohol. In fact I am surprised that the movies sponsored by GAP are on Wednesday nights, when most students are studying. On Friday nights, there are few alternatives to drinking. It almost appears like GAP is encouraging all of the drinking that goes on during the weekend by not providing the movies on Friday nights. I know that Anime is a possible alternative but I believe there should be several options that don't involve drinking.

I decided to volunteer at the coffeehouse on Friday nights as an alternative to drinking. I have also talked with several of my friends about starting something called Club Allegheny, that would offer good dance music and a place that students could enjoy college life without drinking. Before I start preparing the paperwork, I want to know if anybody is interested in such a program. Please e-mail me at radforc@allegh.edu.

CURTIS RADFORD
Sophomore

Fight to Legalize Ecstasy Ridiculous

"I spent the next ten years reading, tripping, and building," said forty-seven-year-old Rick Doblin, Harvard Ph.D. and head of the Multidisciplinary Association for Psychedelic Studies, about the lifestyle that took him to where he is today. These do not sound like the words of someone who you would go to for help with your mental, marital, or physical problems do they? Well, do not fret, because he can't help you in the way he wants to just yet, but Doblin is working on it. You see, Mr. Doblin is aggressively working to get MDMA, or Ecstasy as it is known today, approved for prescription use on all types of ailments.

John Reilly

Doblin arrived on the Sarasota, Florida campus of New College in 1971 with the confident feelings, hopes and ambitions of every normal college student. Soon af-

ter though, he found himself tripping on a nightly basis. This was, in many ways, as the Rolling Stone Magazine article describes, "a typical college education of the early Seventies, and it had a typical ending." As a result, Doblin had to drop out of the school after just one semester. "And that's not the worst of it," he said. "There were three semesters in a year. I barely last three months."

He claims that all of the time he spent under the influence of various narcotics was not for the normal reasons of "getting high." "I thought there was a link between the things I was doing with psychedelics and certain types of altruistic social consciousness and action," said Doblin. This led him to pursue a new use for MDMA.

The many illnesses and disorders that Doblin feels can be remedied by MDMA vary widely. He feels that because MDMA fashions of sense of well being and promotes compassion and introspection without such side

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What's In An Apology

My initial impression of the incident with the United States hitting a Chinese plane and presumably killing their pilot was, "Why don't we just apologize?" I heard time and again that all China wants is an apology. Why doesn't that boob, Bush, just apologize? After all, we killed a man and we don't even have the decency to say we're sorry. Then again, I should have known better then to trust the television to give me an accurate report.

Eric Reinagel

After reading the *New York Times*, I feel I have a better understanding of the situation and agree with how the United States is handling it. Both President Bush and General Colin Powell have said they're sorry for the incident. Bush also sent his condolences to Ruan Guoquin, the wife of the pilot. What China wants is for us to say we're completely wrong. I don't think we are.

We were eavesdropping—okay spying—on China and our plane got in trouble and needed to land. We have every right to spy because we were in international waters. China insists we are wrong for spying on them. As if China doesn't have spies in this country right now. They want us to stop this surveillance work, but Powell insists that we can't stop it and it's important for our national defense. China's demand for us to stop spying is ridiculous. I would hope that if the same thing happened and a Chinese plane needed to make an emergency landing we would allow it and not expect them to stop spying. Spies are necessary for every country to make sure allies and enemies alike are behaving.

The Bush administration is making a strong point with this situation. We're not going to back down. They're willing to risk a \$100 billion trade relationship with China to flex their muscles. That's some serious flexing. But seriously I think this is a sign that the Bush administration won't back down from a fight, they might even pursue one.

I don't think we're going to war with China, but before Bush gets out of office, I think we'll be at war at least once and it probably will be about oil. There's no easier way to pick up the economy then to start a war, and right now the economy is slowing down and the word recession is being whispered.

Monday's *New York Times* featured an article titled "Rebuilt City Starts to Feel Effects of Slowdown." For many this article might have hit close to home because it was about the "Steel City," Pittsburgh. Everywhere across the city jobs are being cut, unemployment is up 0.4 percent since last year. That's not much, but the article goes on to report that new jobs just aren't being created.

Similar trends are occurring nationwide. The Labor Department reported that employers got rid of 86,000 jobs in March, the largest drop in one month since November 1991.

This isn't good news for anyone about to graduate now or in the near future. I, for one, am not excited. "The M.A.'s and Ph.D.'s coming out of our universities are used to having jobs before they graduated," said Wilbur S. Harmon, vice president for human resources at ANSYS, one of the few dot-coms in the 'Burgh still hiring. "Now they are graduating without jobs." The best option right now for many might be to advance right on to grad school. Personally I'll worry about this next year. Why worry about something until you have to? But best of luck to everyone who is decomped.

Why this slowdown now? Well I'm not an economist, but I can sure pretend to be. Bush is scaring the country. With such a close election, we have about half the country that doesn't want him as the president. It seems like as soon as the Florida election gave Bush the vote, the economy began sliding. The economy doesn't need to keep growing, but some stability would be good. Bush needs to instill confidence throughout the country. Let's hope he can do that, and jumpstart the economy, without starting a war.

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Criticism of Bush Entirely Undue

Recently, there has been enormous criticism of the policies and actions of President Bush by Democrats, environmentalists, and media outlets. However, much of this criticism can be undermined by a discussion of the facts.

Brandon Meyer

Like every incoming president, Bush has a right to push his agenda. Many critics contend that Bush does not have a mandate because of the close election. However, President Bush received 49 percent of the popular vote. In 1992, Bill Clinton garnered 43 percent of the popular vote to become president. Yet, there was little opposition to his mandate. Why should President Bush receive greater opposition to his mandate when he tallied a greater percentage of the popular vote?

Bush's mandate includes his right to appoint conservatives to key posi-

tions in his administration. Attorney General John Ashcroft was nominated and then confirmed by a majority of the Senate that found his views did not conflict with his task of upholding the rule of law. When was the last time anyone in the mainstream media complained about former Attorney General Janet Reno being too liberal? As to the other conservatives appointed to the Bush administration, they are a reflection of his policy stances expressed during the campaign.

Additional criticism has been placed on Bush for cutting US funding for overseas abortions. There has been little mention that President Bush simply reversed a policy of the Clinton administration that had been the status quo prior to Clinton's presidency in 1992. Thus, Bush's action is not as controversial as it appears. Bush is upholding the policies of previous administrations and the Republican party. Its remarkable that Clinton's action to provide funding did not spark as much controver-

sy itself when it was taken.

Perhaps the most controversial actions of President Bush's first 100 days in office were his refusal to sign the Kyoto global warming treaty and his unwillingness to reduce carbon dioxide emissions. In each of these areas, Bush has made the right decision based on common sense and his concern for the well being of the domestic economy and livelihood of American workers.

While many environmentalists have been quick to blame Bush for not signing the Kyoto treaty, many have lost sight of the fact that the treaty was rejected by a vote of 95-0 in the United States Senate. Not one Senator, Democrat or Republican, Liberal or Conservative chose to vote in favor of the treaty. Many of the constituencies within both the Democratic and Republican Parties have also spoken out against Kyoto's ratification. Most prominent of these constituencies is the AFL-CIO, a key interest group of the Democra-

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Decomp—A Return to Normalcy

As wee little first year cool kids, we heard all the myths, horrors, and legends of those seniors that comped. There was the guy that typed five pages a day to finish his comp in a week. There was also that other person that turned in the ridiculously long 100-page comp and still failed.

John Lee

As first year students, we cannot fathom writing 60 pages only because we still had problems with our five page position papers. Growing up at Allegheny has lead us to write longer papers, and learn to research. Also growing up at Allegheny, we have walked by signs that say "decomped" often scratching our heads and wondering, "Hhhrrrrmm, I don't think I know what that word means, but whatever it is, it must be good." (To be decomped is to have submitted your comp to your readers, and to have completed your oral without passing out.)

Going through the years at Allegheny, no one ever hears about what happens to those seniors after they are decomped. Sure there is what seems to be a permanent tattoo of pearly whites on one's face, along with much joy and happiness. Also, the feeling of handing the completed comp to your reader's hands sends shivers up your spine, leading up to eruption of incessant laughter, joy, and feelings beyond orgasm. One leaves their reader

with their chin up high, and knowing they had just turned in a masterpiece that they had worked on for what seems forever.

Just like all highs, there is coming down period. One suddenly feels as if there is nothing left to accomplish, nothing left to prove, and nothing left to do. Basically, one becomes perpetually bored. All the hours spent typing, researching, and proofreading have all come to a sudden halt. This sudden halt renders the decomped senior to really struggle with their desire to do work, find work to do, and to really begin to wonder if successfully completing their comp was really a big deal in the grand scheme of things.

It is only after being decomped, one realizes that in the grand scheme of things, the comp was highly overrated and sensationalized. It is really just another paper that we at Allegheny have to complete in order to graduate. While there is a huge burden lifted when one is decomped, there is also a feeling of disbelief that "comping" is now something of the past that we will forever remember, or quickly forget.

The feeling of having nothing to do is definitely an unnatural and strange feeling for most seniors, but at the same time very comforting. The sudden halt from non-stop work, to absolutely no work is a shock to the mind and body. Sure there are times of happiness, and a sense of accomplishment, but as more time passes, the more one realizes that they have finished comping, and their

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Taxing Times: Bush's Proposal Confronts Traditional Practices

Since before the 2000 Presidential campaign, Congress has been debating a major tax cut. The reason for a tax cut is a simple; our federal government has generated more revenues than necessary. This surplus, even by stringent calculations, can no longer be considered as "projected." It will be massive, nearly \$5.6 trillion over the next ten years, according to the Congressional Budget Office.

Nick Rossmann

Prior to the year 2001, the debate over the distribution of the surplus

had been fervent. Republicans wished to institute tax cuts while Democrats wanted to keep some of the money in Washington for other uses. Most of Congress was against a tax cut. The fear was that a tax cut would trigger inflation, and therefore, wasn't worth the risk to a prospering economy. But over the past three months, the US economy has slowed. American companies are declaring that business is waning and the economy needs help.

Federal Reserve Chairman, Alan Greenspan, has taken action over the past three months, issuing numerous interest rate cuts in an effort to strengthen the economy. President Bush has called for an even bigger step, an across the board tax cut for

every American. Greenspan has concurred with the President that an immediate tax reduction could drastically boost the economy.

As recently as a month ago, the Democrats in Congress stated that they would never pass a tax cut, labeling it "risky." Now, even the Democratic leadership agrees that the American people need a tax break to stabilize the economy. The only question now is the size of the proposed cut.

Bush has asked Congress for a refund on the American people's hard earned cash by instituting a \$1.6 trillion tax cut. In comparison, the Democrats' plan calls for a very small \$300 tax rebate for all Americans. Democrats believe that

the American people's hard-earned money should be used for government programs. This money will do more to help the economy if it is put into the hands of the American people.

The pundits on the mainstream television networks want the American people to believe that a tax cut will not help the economy, but the facts show much differently. Our last two major tax cuts, by Democrat John F. Kennedy and Republican Ronald Reagan, put money back into the hands of the American people, provided an immediate boost to the economy, ensuring a good long-term economic performance.

Bush's plan also responsibly calls for \$2 trillion of the national debt to be paid down, without penalty, over the next ten years.

The Democrats want to pay down the entire debt now, but they ignore that the government would be heavily penalized for retiring its debts early. Democrats also declare that the surplus should pay down all of the national debt and drown Social Security and Medicare in too much money.

They also mistakenly think that Bush's budget plan will hurt Social Security and Medicare by taking money from those programs. The President's budget does not touch the money flowing to these programs. His budget plan strives to modernize and reform the programs, making them more efficient and beneficial to their recipients.

Bush's tax cut will come in four forms: a cut in marginal tax rates

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effects as metal and perceptual distortions, it can be useful in the field of psychotherapy. It can, as he stated, "be used in any situation in which people have to confront difficult, emotionally-challenging issues, in which avoidance is likely and insight will be helpful." For example, in such cases where individuals have trouble recovering from a trauma such as sexual assault, the drug could diminish the effects of post-traumatic stress disorder.

Not only would the drug be useful to those living, but also to those who might not be for much longer. The feelings of depression, anxiety, and sorrow that terminally ill patients face when speaking to family members could easily be subdued by taking MDMA, he mentioned. Also, couples whose marriages have seen better days might benefit from MDMA, as well as those who are not specifically diagnosed as having a mental disorder, but often visit their therapist for a refill of Prozac. Ultimately, Doblin believes that MDMA can "help us to study love and acceptance, to open a scientific window on processes that are a central part of human nature."

Speaking of human nature and our ever-present desire for money, existing penalties for selling Ecstasy should also be of note. Effective May 1, the United States Sentencing Commission, under the instruction of Congress, will implement an

emergency amendment that will increase the penalty for selling Ecstasy. How much jail time will be served is determined by the weight of the drug. For example, prior to this new amendment, being caught with three kilograms (11,000 Ecstasy pills) would result in a five-year jail sentence. After May 1, the same sentence will be issued for persons caught with just 200 grams, or 800 pills.

Take another look at the penalties for selling Ecstasy. Done? Okay, why do you think the government has implemented these regulations? Because they just want to take away another fun thing for the American people? No, because they know it is harmful and can do mental and physical damage! Doblin even said himself that he has had many "bad trips." What struck me most was when Doblin claimed that MDMA could be used in "any situation in which people have to confront difficult, emotionally-challenging issues." Any situation? So those terrible feelings of hopelessness and emotional turmoil that males and females both feel when they break up with their boyfriend or girlfriend constitute taking Ecstasy? For me, a "difficult issue" can range from trying to select classes for next semester to aggressively trying to make the combination to my mailbox work in Cochran. Does this mean I can take Ecstasy when any of these problems are

bothering me?

If there are certain ingredients or components of Ecstasy that could possibly be medically beneficial to some people then that is great. However, preceding the mere mention of legalizing this drug for medical purposes should be numerous years of research. The problem is, and will always be, what will be considered the required medical criterion that allows for the issuing of Ecstasy. As I said before, what I believe might qualify as an "emotional or difficult issue" could be the total opposite of what someone else thinks.

I can just see it now. A hospital room filled with people, all of whom are gathered around a dying relative or friend who is tripping on Ecstasy. Down the hall, in the psychiatric ward of the hospital, a help group for traumatized rape victims is dispensing Ecstasy pills as part of their usual meeting procedure. The same course of action will transpire for the marriage crisis meetings across the street, later that evening. When the now-high but "cured" parents return home, they give their daughter, who is a emotional wreck because she has just been dumped by her boyfriend, a few Ecstasy pills.

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lives can return to normalcy.

There are many ways that decomped seniors cope with the sudden halt in something that sucked away so much time each day, whether it is drinking (root beer that is), sleeping the week away, or simply just sitting on their couch wondering what there is left to accomplish. Decomped seniors deal with the sudden lack of work to complete, physical and emotional stress, and long hours in front of a computer screen. For some, we actually miss the crazy lifestyle that we led for the past semester, while others are relieved. Nonetheless, there is a change

in lifestyle both physically and mentally when one is decomped. It is something that we will all have to deal with in our own way.

Now knowing all this, all you underclassmen will understand that decomping does not necessarily mean big celebrations everyday, or trips to the bar every night, but rather there is a down time, and the sudden halt in comp production is something to cope with in an individual fashion.

John Lee is a columnist for The Campus.

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tic party. Taken as a whole, this much opposition to Kyoto displays a consensus against its ratification. For all of you environmentalists, don't blame Bush for an action which many within the American political community and government support.

It's important to explore the effects of the Kyoto treaty. It would require the United States to cut their emissions of carbon dioxide to levels below what they were 10 years ago. This comes at a time when many scientists admit uncertainties as to how much of an impact human activity has had on global temperatures. Now, I know that many environmentalists would dispute this fact, citing the United Nations Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) study. However, the same study concluded, "it should be clear...that current data and systems are inadequate for complete description of climate change." Additionally, Dr. Fred Singer of the Science and Environmental Policy Project points out that "the evidence against a warming trend is overwhelming. Weather satellite observations, the only truly global measurements, independently confirmed by weather balloon data, show little if any rise in mean temperature. The well-maintained network of U.S. stations, after removal of urban heat-island effects, shows no appreciable rise since about 1940! Non-thermometer data from various 'proxies' like tree rings, ice cores, ocean sediments, etc., all show no warming trend in the past 60 years." Thus, large amounts of spotty data and flawed analytical models fail to support the predictions of global warming. This also demonstrates the lack of scientific consensus for a threat that is only perceived to be real.

The most severe effect of Kyoto Treaty would be on the U.S. economy. Kyoto would lower living standards, diminish rates of technological innovation, and increase financial strain. Right now, gas prices are around the exuberantly high price of \$1.50 per gallon, the highest price in years. Under Kyoto, we could see gas prices soar upwards to \$4.00 a gallon and beyond. Excessive environmental regulation under Kyoto would also cost thousands of people jobs. No wonder Big Labor and the AFL-CIO have opposed Kyoto. Another significant consequence of Kyoto would be higher taxes for all Americans. Americans are already taxed at unprecedented levels for an immense government that strikes out at the initiative of the American people. Part of the reasoning for higher taxes under Kyoto would be to redistribute wealth from the United States to other countries that would not suffer an equal burden of regulations under the Kyoto agreements.

Central behind President Bush's other environmental actions is his belief in the need for common sense regulations. President Clinton made many last minute environmental regulations in haste with little regard for their effect on the economy. I am confident that President Bush will uphold his campaign pledge to make the environment a priority, but not at the expense of the United States and the general welfare of its citizens.

I applaud President Bush's actions for the first few months in office. He has proved himself to be a strong leader with convictions who stays consistent with his beliefs in the face of opposition.

Brandon Meyer is a columnist for The Campus.

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London, Paris, Shanghai, Ankara, and Cairo, as well as in states like Ohio, Florida, New York and Massachusetts.

During his lecture on Monday, entitled "Glass Sightings," he began emphasizing the importance of travel, encouraging those present to "be out of your own back yard. There's a tendency for most people to go for comfort as opposed to adversity," he said.

Adversity, from Lane's point of view, presents an invaluable challenge. "I set up situations for myself where I challenge myself and say 'try to get out of this one,'" he explained. This attitude came about at the beginning of Lane's career, when he designed furniture out of wood and glass, making "objects that are like pieces of sculpture but came undercover as being functional."

Lane, who "went from one disaster to the next," started to really learn

how to handle glass by making glass boxes for flowers. "It was soul destroying compared to my ambitions," he said. "I had the ambition to make things in glass," he said, "but it wasn't easy."

And only after Lane stopped listening to the interests of others and started pursuing his own did "things start happening." He moved from glass flower boxes and furniture to large glass sculptures. Soon afterwards, he was aware of the fear element involved in working with a sharp, breakable material. "We're nervous with glass as a material. There's psychological implications," he said.

Also, working with glass forced him to address his goals. "Is the goal of a human being perfection?" he asked, "or are individual qualities a result of overcoming difficulties? Strong people arrived there through adversity," he concluded. According

to Lane, imperfection, in fact, brings out the "other dimensions of the material." Working with rough edges of glass and rusted steel, Lane shies away from a manufactured appeal.

He has experimented mostly with float glass, which has a blue and green tint, cutting the ends in very fine points and shapes to create a "prismatic" effect. "Fracturing the edges brings out a tremendous light," he said.

Now preparing to make a proposal to the College to activate these elements, Lane will pay particular attention to the tentative site, Senior Circle, which he felt was a promising area. "If it's going to be, it's potential already exists. Artistic process," he said, "is an artist's relationship to the unknown."

During his visit, Lane had to consider how this site is used for its "echoing" effect, theatre-in-the-round and yoga, as well as by performance and coral groups. Also, the circle will eventually designate those seniors who made gifts to the college through the Senior College Gift Program, launched by the Class of 2000. Those students who made substantial contributions will have their names sandblasted onto the edges of the circle's granite seats.

Keeping all of this in mind, Lane started sketching ideas for the site and took plenty of pictures. To formulate a design, he "creates an imitation of the zone" by presenting the piece on a smaller scale, before committing to full-scale material, which is transported piece by piece.

Lane then heard from a group of about 20 students during a public forum on Tuesday in the Grounds for Change coffeehouse. Students dis-

cussed how they wanted to preserve the open space of the circle, the view of Brooks and the echo. They also expressed a concern about the possibility of vandalism.

Although vandalism remains a concern, Lane explained how glass, when in compression, is 15 to 20 times the strength of concrete. He also briefly mentioned another practical concern, snow removal, as well as the inherent slope of the site itself.

"If work is addressing a site or a problem," he said, "you really need to have a conversation with that space."

During the forum, Lane presented some of his ideas to students regarding his tentative design. He suggested maintaining symmetry by constructing some sort of a gateway for all four openings of the circle, or to widen the granite seats and construct a backing of some kind.

Art Department Chair Amara Geffen was pleased with the proceedings of the forum, impressed by Lane's openness and willingness to listen to feedback from the Allegheny community. She also believed the Senior Circle has the potential to really connect the campus by providing it with a focal point.

"It has the potential to become a site marker of sorts that announces the intersection of the arts and student activities," she said, establishing "a hub that will reinforce the College's efforts to give more prominence to the arts on campus and reflect the importance of the arts in human life and the liberal arts."

Aside from Senior Circle, however, Lane mentioned the possibility of other probable sites on campus, such as the grounds of Pelletier li-

brary, during the forum. After touring the campus, which is divided by North Main Street, he observed how the east side, as a "new space," has "less tradition" and "is still raw, it hasn't been defined. This side of the road," Lane continued, which consists of the Art and Computer Science departments, "is the frontier."

No matter where Lane would end up constructing his piece, however, he said he has to keep the future in mind, estimating that the College eventually intends to spend around \$15 million on new buildings.

"We're creating the future," he said. "We have to work in cooperation and perceive the vision the college-makers have." But, he said, "everyone's quite keen on it [the piece] being where students are around."

Most importantly, Lane would like the piece to present itself in time, without force. "There's a lot of pressure to make this happen and make it happen now," he said. "It's really something that needs to happen organically because it needs to be here."

Lane, who has never developed a piece specifically for a college, believes any fear involved brings out the best in his work. "Humility is a really big issue. It involves a combination of confidence and humility that you think would be adversarial, but it's really not," he said. The individuality of the piece, he added, "comes completely through me. Once you get connected to your work, there's no turning back."

To view more of Lane's work, visit his website, www.dannylane.co.uk.

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to stand on its own.

"I think the web is an important information tool," says Carr. "It's a great way to help keep alumni connected to Allegheny." The web portion of the tour should be completed by the end of the semester, but probably won't officially launch until the fall, says Carr.

Carr started this project because her class, Art 222: Nature and Society got her thinking about Allegheny's landscape. Beside the efforts made by the French Creek Project, Carr says, not enough of local history is written down. "This kind of information should be made available to those who want it," says Carr. "But right now it's hard to find out about Allegheny history."

Carr says the college plans on hiring an archivist next year to help the college organize and document

the college's history. There is a lot of good Ida Tarbell memorabilia for example, but the college has no consistent plan for it, says Carr. The archivist would help give direction to future projects, says Carr.

Carr is also having Curl check into the possibility of turning Allegheny's 121 different species of trees into an arboretum. An arbore-

tum, is basically an official garden that is noted for its diversity in plants. "An important resource we have here is our landscape," says Carr.

By making Allegheny an arboretum we would take a leadership role and would show people that we want to be noted for our landscape, says Carr.

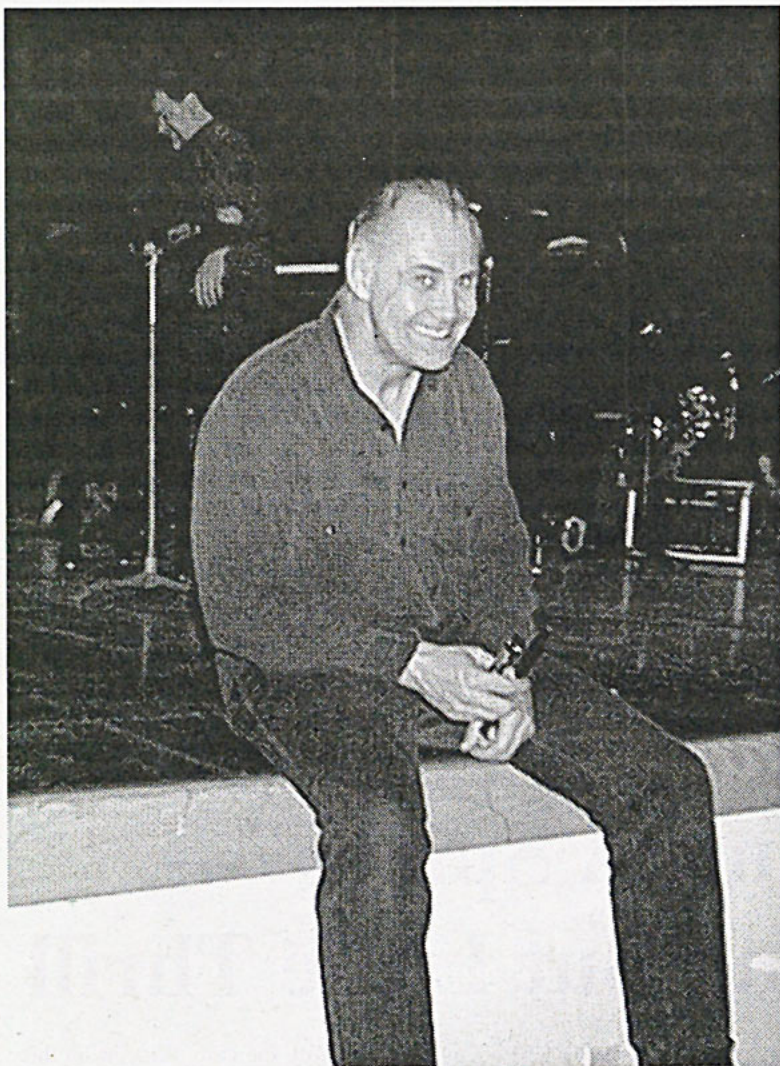
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as suggested by Environmental Science Professor Eric Pallant. Once a policy is drafted, it must be approved by the President and Trustees before being adopted by the College.

Representatives were present from the Campus Life and Finance and Facilities Committees, Public Affairs Office, Physical Plant, the Center for Economic and Environmental Development, Meadville Community Energy Project, Students for Environmental Action (SEA), Environmentally Responsible (ER) Task Force, and Environmental Science department.

WEEKEND

Features, Music, Movies, Humor



SAY WHAT?—Performance poet Marc Smith, accompanied by the Original Uptown Poetry Slam, came to Allegheny Tuesday night as part of the Centerstage Series, incorporating poetry, music, and audience participation into the show.

—photo by Amy Zader, Assistant Weekend Editor

Poetry Slams Allegheny

By AMY ZADER
Assistant Weekend Editor

On Tuesday, April 10, an intimate crowd gathered in Shafer Auditorium to participate in a slammin' interactive performance, encompassing all aspects of entertainment from poetry to music to comedy. As part of the Centerstage Subscription Series, performance poet Marc Smith brought his 'Original Uptown Poetry Slam' touring group show to Allegheny.

Earlier on Tuesday, the Poetry Slam cast held a free, open-to-the-public workshop on poetry performance.

The show opened with Smith walking through the audience, informally talking with the crowd. As the lights went down, he began performing and soon the other members of the ensemble stood up from various places throughout the auditorium, each making their own introduction as part of their opening performance to the show. The ensemble cast came complete with a jazz band on stage, improvising and accompanying the performers.

Then Smith got onstage and gave a brief introduction to his show. He described it best when he called it 'organized chaos.' There really is no effective description of the entertainment, except that of 'performance poetry.' The performers did not act out the poetry, they did not sing or rap it, and it certainly cannot be described as a poetry reading. With unexpected audience interaction, Smith described the show as "a good way to keep people on their feet." His performance featured poetic works with heavy influence stemming from the rhythm and blues and hip-hop genre.

And keep us on our feet, he did. Smith was constantly seeking audience members who were willing to participate in one way or another. The highlight of the show included the opportunity for four audience mem-

bers (2 men, 2 women) to get up onstage and share their poetry with the audience in a male vs. female competition that was judged by other audience members.

Throughout the two and a half-hour performance, the middle-aged Smith displayed his humor, enthusiasm, and charisma through audience and performer interaction. His good-natured humor with his cast was evident as he joked that the hefty piano player could afford to lose a few pounds by jumping on and off the stage. Although it may have seemed as though he could have put some audience members on the spot with his everlasting interaction, he managed to do so in a way that allowed us all to feel comfortable with him as well as the rest of the crowd.

Smith began his innovative approach to poetry with Poetry Slam performances in Chicago bars in 1987. Over the past decade, this new performance style and literary movement has exploded in popularity, with Smith being one of the founding fathers of Poetry Slam competitions in the country. Today, Poetry Slam performances, competitions, and festivals are popping up in cities all over America as more people catch on to this integration of poetry, performance, and entertainment.

Before forming this touring group, Smith worked in Chicago as a construction worker, writing poetry in the side when he had time. Interestingly, many of Smith's professional touring performers hold positions in Chicago where they work with at-risk youth when they are not travelling on the road. In the profiles taken from the program, the bios of the performers indicate that they are involved in teaching performing arts to teens at a community level. Not only are these performers great entertainers, but they are also social justice advocates who take the time to give back to their community.

Students Make Art Form Out of Procrastination

By RUSSEL ADKINS
Weekend Reporter

At this time of year, a quick glance around the Gator's Den computer lab in the basement of Pelletier Library reveals a somewhat startling sight. Bloodshot eyes, drooping heads, and obvious frustration are everywhere. There is no mistaking that early April is truly the home-stretch, laden with comp deadlines, and from the scene at the library, the workload has begun to take its toll.

As the clock approaches 4 a.m., the building begins to empty, students filing out as they finally complete the projects that have left them completely exhausted. The looks on the drawn faces leaving the lab are more exhausted relief than satisfaction. These students are simply relieved to be done with their work; any enthusiasm seems to have been drained out of them hours ago.

"I just want to go home; I don't even care at this point," said Bob

Kane, a junior communications major. Kane was one of the die-hards working deep into the night, toiling away on a project for a communication arts class that he says should have been completed long ago. "I'm here right now because I didn't do this all semester when I should have," said Kane, putting into the words the expressions that could be seen throughout the room.

According to experts, the greatest enemy of the college student is not a heavy workload or unforgiving professors, or even the toll of dining hall food on the digestive system. Procrastination is a college student's arch-nemesis, a highly seductive but treacherous trap for one to fall into. It is the black widow of college life—life is fun while work is put off for more pleasurable endeavors, but when the work catches up, things can be unbearable.

Procrastination is in the air at Allegheny, too. A close look around at the disgruntled, exhausted expres-

sions and hurried gaits of students around campus suggest that there is something more to the discontent than dreary weather or the normal stress of a high workload. A late night trip to a computer lab anywhere on campus reveals that the culprit is indeed procrastination.

"At this point, total frustration has set in, and I all can think of is how stupid I was to wait until now to do this. I had all semester," said Kane. "I know so many people in the same position as me, who just put it off more and more," Kane added. "We're paying for it now."

Kane is not alone in his frustration, and camaraderie seemed to form among the night owls at Pelletier. At midnight, a call to the group rang out. "I'm making a 'Townie run', anybody want anything?" Referring to the Country Fair at the bottom of North Main Street, senior psychology major Rayeann Gretz was preparing for what was to become an all-night race

to complete the first draft of her comprehensive project. A few barely audible responses called back, most referring to the long night that lay ahead.

Elsewhere, senior Ross Crowder was in Quigley Hall, working feverishly to complete the first draft of his economics comp. Crowder, however, was in the midst of a torrid 52-hour marathon to meet his deadline, and was too exhausted and strapped for time to comment when he was encountered at Quigley.

Later in the day Crowder, fighting the effects of sleep-deprivation, revealed that he was finally finished. "I'm going to bed for a long, long time," he said.

The consequences of procrastination hit hardest around midterms and finals. First-year student Michael Mazurek echoed Kane's sentiments, saying "For the first part of the semester, I seemed to have a lot of free time, and then it all piles on me at once. I think maybe if I spent some

of that free time doing work instead of screwing around, things might not be so bad now."

Mazurek also said his sleeping habits have suffered from the sudden increase in his workload. "I haven't

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Beau Is A Horse, Of Course Of Course

By ERIC REINAGEL
Staff Reporter

Somewhere in Florida, the wind whispers through palm trees, the sun shines on the sand and a 75-year-old man sits still remembering when he had a reason to wake up in the morning.

Jim Strickler, 75, knows every morning why he's getting up. At his Norrisville home, about 10 minutes outside of Meadville, he has someone waiting for him every morning.

Beau waits for his father to wake up. He lies on straw placed over a rubber mat in an unheated dark stall. But Beau doesn't mind the freezing morning air; he actually likes the cold and loves to roll in the snow,

says Strickler. Strickler, in a stained, brown Carhardt and an orange winter hat that shows his white hair through a small hole over the right ear, walks through a small, fenced-in area with a pail of water and armful of hay.

The frozen ground has a muddy path leading to the stall. One of Strickler's three outdoor cats, a black and white named Mindy, follows closely behind. Opening the door to the stall, light floods over Beau's brown body that sharply contrasts against his blonde mane and half-chewed blonde tail. As Strickler tosses in a pile of hay, the horse rises up. Standing tall, Beau comes up to about Strickler's shoulder. Strickler is not a giant—Beau is

a miniature horse.

"About 25 years ago I saw the first miniature horses at the Crawford County Fair and I fell in love with them," said Strickler. "I fantasized through the years that I might own one," he said. But the lack of land prevented him from actually following through.

This dream was put on hold as Strickler worked. After graduating from Grove City College, Strickler worked at Sagerstown High School. His wife Joan worked there for 36 years before she retired. Strickler also spent 21 years at Meadville Master Antenna, Inc., organizing local programs for cable television. He retired from his position there 15 years ago when he had open-heart surgery.

Even after this ordeal, Strickler refused to sit still. He started teaching again in the communication arts department at Allegheny College and has done so for about 10 years. He is currently teaching two courses on Tuesday and Thursday: an introduction to communication arts

course, and a public speaking course.

"I don't want to watch television all day," said Strickler. "I always want to be active. I always want to be doing something."

The first piece of his dream was put in place with the purchase of 65 acres 10 miles outside of Meadville in Norrisville, a town with a white church and country houses. Most of the 65 acres is overgrown with trees behind the house, but there was enough space for a field of flowers. Growing flowers for Strickler started as a hobby, but for 15 years now it has also helped pay the bills. "It's something I've always enjoyed," he said.

Strickler's greenhouse, attached to his miniature barn, is now a myriad of green stems, and plastic flower holders line the floor. Only the tiniest of paths is left among the plants. During the spring, the operation will bloom to over 8,000 perennials, 1,200 mums and 450 roses. Besides selling them out of the house, his wife Joan also sells them at the

Meadville Market House.

With enough land, the fantasy of horse ownership became a reality when a friend of Strickler's found Beau in a bad situation. Beau's owner had four horses, and a heart problem forced him to sell them. Strickler said he was very fortunate to get Beau for under \$1,000, estimating that in today's market he would sell for around \$7,000.

Strickler has always been used to taking care of horses. When he was 16 years old he had draft horses. "They're more than I can handle now," says Strickler. "With a smaller horse it's logical. Someone could use it as a large dog. You own a horse, but you don't have all the responsibility of owning a giant," said Strickler.

But Beau isn't just a family pet. Strickler calls him a family member, his "buddy." The Stricklers never had children, and pets filled that void, said Joan. "At times it's like raising a youngster," he said. "He's

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"Along Came A Spider"— Great Acting But Little Thrill

By JOHN RAUCCI
Weekend Reporter

Have you ever walked out of the movie theater feeling somewhat dumbfounded, wondering if it's just you or if the ending made absolutely no sense? That's how you'll feel after Paramount's newest release, "Along Came a Spider." Before I get into the review, I want to say that from now on a grading scale will be incorporated into the end of my review to give a broader generalization of how I feel about the film.

Movie Review

The film was based on a novel by James Patterson, as was the other recent movie "Kiss the Girls." Both films use the same character of Alex Cross (Morgan Freeman), who is a forensic psychologist/police investigator/underwear model (just kidding) in the Washington D.C. area. "Along Came a Spider" is a prequel to "Kiss the Girls," but the timeline between the two is not important to either of their plots.

At the beginning of the movie we see a botched police sting operation where Freeman loses his partner. Yes, you guessed it, they use the old, "watch your partner dangle off the edge of a cliff as the cords slowly snap away and all you can do is watch as she plummets to her death" cliché. Needless to say, Freeman slumps into a depression and wants nothing to do with police work anymore until a new case pops up that draws him in against his own free will.

The new case involves the daughter of a senator being kidnapped from an exclusive D.C. private school (no, it's not Georgetown). Cross gets a phone call at home from the kidnapper (Michael Wincott), who talks to him in riddles and leaves the girl's shoe in his mailbox, which

leads to his involvement with the case. Wincott, in this role, is genuinely creepy.

He then meets up with CIA agent Jezz Flannagan (Monica Potter), the woman in charge of the security at the private school. The two unlikely partners team up and find themselves in a complicated web of plot twists that take more implausible, reverse "switheros" than Oprah Winfrey's diet.

Morgan Freeman, as always, is phenomenal. Greatly under-appreciated by most audiences, he has the ability to take any character and breathe life into them like no one else. With the character Alex Cross, he brings out a "seen it, done it" attitude that creates a sage-like respect to the already complex character. Cross's scripted part calls for him to be in his 30s, but Freeman, kicking it real in his 60s, plays the part with a coolness that makes you forget how wrinkly he really is.

I was surprised to see that New Zealander Lee Tamahori was the director of the film. Mostly because his first film, "Once Were Warriors," is an amazing emotional experience, and while "Along Came the Spider" was decent, I feel like Tamahori has taken a drastic step down from the work he is capable of accomplishing. If you have yet to see "Once Were Warriors" mark it up on your "next to rent" list.

Overall, the film was a suspense thriller that lacked in intensity. Although the little girl was kidnapped, at no time did I feel like I was on the edge of my seat; she just never seemed to be in any real danger. In "Silence of the Lambs" I felt pity for Buffalo Bills' victims because I got to see the pain on one of the captured girl's faces as she awaited her death. In "Along Came a Spider," the few times we actually saw the victim she was an unlikable little brat. In the film's defense, I would recommend it to most audiences, simply because I was so caught up in the tangled plot and Freeman's great acting that it was easy to excuse the fact that the "thriller" was simply not thrilling. My rating = B-

Sitar Players Perform in Quigley

By ERIC REINAGEL
Staff Reporter

Shafaatullah Khan's fingers jump around the skin of his tabla (Indian drum) like a spider. He sits, legs crossed, on a red Oriental rug. A green blackboard is behind him. A necklace that looks like a lock hangs off of his chest, almost touching his tabla as he leans into the drum. The tones of the beat bend up and down as he hits the tabla with the back of his hand, then his palm. At points, he raps the rim of the tabla with a small hammer.

To his right sits a tawny man in a light pink robe keeping the rhythm on a keyboard. To his left sits a tawny woman. Her nostril is pierced with a diamond, and she lightly strums a small sitar. She watches Khan's fingers play out the melody and smiles, revealing a missing molar as he speeds up the song.

Classical Indian performer Shafaatullah Khan performed in Allegheny College's Quigley Auditorium for about 50 people Friday night. Khan played the first set on tabla and the second on sitar. The sitar belongs to the lute family and it's long hollow neck is made from teakwood and a seasoned

gourd which resonates the sound. There are six to seven main strings held up by one bridge, and from 11 to 19 strings (depending on size of sitar) held up by another bridge. The meandering sound of the Indian instrument can be heard in the background of the Beatles song "Norwegian Wood."

The show lasted for almost three hours. Junior Chi Nguyen, president of A5, said she thought the show was a little long and repetitive, but she still found it very interesting. Professor Anne Rubenstein also agreed that the show was interesting. "I've sat through longer," said Rubenstein, as she laughed. "Improvisational music has to take it's time to develop, so I was trying to be patient. It may have been a little repetitive at points, but Beethoven is repetitive too."

There were few pauses in the music. The songs lasted upwards of 25 minutes long. Khan said the songs have various melody segments and rhythmic segments like American music. "Keeping the song intact, you work around it," said Khan. "When the sitar improvises the tabla keeps the beat." The improvisational nature of the music is why the songs are so long, he said.

"Improvisation doesn't have a limit to how much your mind can create."

Khan has been able to master three instruments, the sitar, tabla and surbahar. He learned to play at an early age from his father Imrat, a legendary master. "I've been playing since I was born," said Kahn, laughing. Imrat actually trained all four of his sons, who are all individually established on the international circuit.

Indian music runs deep through generations of the Kahn family. "My father, my grandfather, my great grandfather have all played," says Kahn. Khan represents the eighth generation in a family whose lineage traces back 400 years to 16th century India.

Learning to play classical Indian music from a master in India is a little more involved than just paying for a lesson, explained Kahn. The student must perform services for the master, like doing his errands. This is done out of respect for the master. "The master becomes a fatherly figure," said Kahn. "By making the master feel good by doing their errands you get the best from them."

Khan currently teaches sitar, tabla, and vocal classes from his

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Monday, April 16th, 7:00 p.m., Dance Studio (Second Floor of Montgomery Gymnasium)

"Miyabi" and "The Art of Kimono as Fashion": Presented by keynote speaker Shizumi Manale

Wednesday, April 18th, 12:00 p.m., Cultural Center (Second Floor of Campus Center)

"How Will We Eat? Coping Strategies of Phillipine Farmers During the 1997-98 El Nino": A lunchtime lecture presented by Assistant Professor of Environmental Science Terry Bense

Thursday, April 19th, 9:15 p.m., Bentley Lawn

Luau Festival: A performance by the Hawaiian Entertainment Dance Troupe

Friday, April 20th, 10:00 p.m., Grounds for Change Coffeehouse (Third Floor of Campus Center)

Dance Party: Club Asia

Saturday, April 21st, 7:30 p.m., Shafer Auditorium

Schumann Fantasy Op. 17 & Schubert "Wanderer Fantasy: A musical performance by Professor Alec Chien

Monday, April 23rd, 7:00 p.m., Grounds for Change

Move Night: Bandit Queen

Wednesday, April 25th, 6:00 p.m., Campus Center Lobby

Martial Arts Exhibition

Friday, April 27th, 5:00 p.m., Cultural Center

Closing Ceremony: Slides show of Asian arts

WEEKEND WHERE@BOUTS

—compiled by Sarah Butler

Friday 4.13

Aloha, Pikadori, the Fireworks and the Stars, Last Day on the Force, and lo @ Mr. Roboto Project-Pittsburgh, PA 7pm \$5

Left Undone @ Newport Music Hall-Columbus, OH 8pm \$9adv/\$10d

Saturday 4.14

On the Outside, McCarthy Commission, + more @ Millvale Industrial Theater-Pittsburgh, PA 6:30pm \$5

The Sarcastics, Ragweed, Utility Toilet, and The Bowersox @ The Duquesne Eagles-Pittsburgh, PA \$3

Godsmack @ The Bryce Jordan Center-State College, PA

Battle of the Bands @ Club Laga-Pittsburgh, PA 2-10pm \$6adv/\$8d

The White Octave, lo, Tabula Rasa, and The Logan Wish @ Mr. Roboto Project-Pittsburgh, PA 7pm \$5

Sunday 4.15

Vitamin X and Crucial Unit @ Mr. Roboto Project-Pittsburgh, PA 7pm \$5

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home outside of Philadelphia on a weekly basis and also a Sunday class in Princeton, N.J. Kahn says he has about 20 to 40 students, and the accompanying performers for the Allegheny show were both his students. "I like to present my students when they are promising," said Kahn. For one of Kahn's students, it was the first time he played the tabla in front of an audience.

A5 sponsored the concert as part of Celebrate Asia Month. The theme for this year is the artistry of Asia. Nguyen said the group is trying to get a diverse group of artist to represent as many different Asian cultures as possible.

Nguyen said she was happy with the turnout for the event. She said they should also have a good turnout for the Kimono Fashion Show with Japanese artist Shizumi Manale on Monday at 7:00 p.m. in the Montgomery Gym. Nguyen says Manale actually came last year and they enjoyed her so much they invited her back. Manale will be performing the Japanese tea ceremony along with other Japanese customs.

UNPLEASANT THOUGHTS

—a column by Matt Meehan

In these uncertain times we live in, it's nice to know that somebody hates you. His name is Cliff Yablonski, a grizzled Vietnam veteran with a particularly bitter personal website located at www.somethingawful.com/cliff/ihateyou. According to the site's preamble, Cliff Yablonski hates you. He hates you whether or not he's ever met you before, and couldn't hate you any more if he met you in person, because that's "not humanly possible." Mr. Yablonski's site is filled with pages and pages of pictures of people that he hates, most of whom are residents of Appleton City, a place that nobody I've talked to has ever heard of. Perhaps this is for the better, because I doubt it's a very safe city, what with all the bad vibes going around.

The Cliff Yablonski website provides a perfect example of the changing scope of popular culture over the past year. Last year's most talked-about personal website belonged to a Turkish man named Mahir Cagri, a Speedo-clad Casanova who offered infinite kisses to any American woman who would "come stay his house." With each click of the mouse, Mr. Cagri's Internet home exuded warmth and love. It was a creepy, disturbing brand of love, but it was love nonetheless. But this year the tide has turned. A sagging world economy has ruled out the possibility that anyone could afford to provide hospitality for curious women from around the globe, as Mahir undoubtedly would have. This economic drop-off has left many people bitter, especially in the already somewhat disturbed veteran population. By learning the basics of HTML and spreading his bitterness throughout the world via the information superhighway, Cliff Yablonski has volunteered to carry the torch of bitterness that we angry types will rely upon to guide us through the uncertain postgraduate years.

Judging from the number of beer-guzzling party pictures on Cliff's website, I'd be willing to wager that he would have a field day at Allegheny, casting off-color barbs at anyone who crosses his path. But fortunately for all of us, he has his work cut out for him in Appleton City. He apparently spends his days making life miserable for the many Goths and Ravers that live nearby, taking time out only to express his hatred for the gas station attendants, high school students, and other associated "freaks" that he encounters. By night he enjoys getting drunk and breaking bottles across the faces of local zoning board members who won't let him paint his house blue. But he swears that he doesn't have a drinking problem. He also denies that it's his responsibility to update his website for those who are brave enough to e-mail him and complain about the lack of new material. In fact, the only thing that he does not deny is that he hates everyone and everything, except for a couple of friends that he mentions occasionally, and NBC's "Law and Order."

While I agree that "Law and Order" is a pretty cool series, I have some concerns with the accuracy of Mr. Yablonski's page. First of all, how could someone who claims to hate everyone have any friends? Do people feel bad for him? Maybe his "friends" are just employees of the Veterans' Affairs Bureau paid to keep him drunk enough that his post-traumatic stress disorder won't act up again. And how does somebody as old and out of touch with reality as Mr. Yablonski know so many Goths and Ravers. Granted, both groups try to accept people's differences and find some common ground on which they can all relate, but I'm sure they'd draw the line at someone as narrow-minded as Cliff Yablonski. I mean, the guy beats and robs everyone he meets, and manages to get away with it. And where the hell is East Appleton? Luckily for Mr. Yablonski, only a high level of personal hatred could foster the level of ignorance necessary to ignore these obvious holes in his logic.

But these hang-ups of mine don't really matter in the larger sense of the issue. What's important is that someone is thinking about you. He may not be thinking very nice things about you, and he doesn't know you personally, but that doesn't matter. It should serve to justify your existence just knowing that your very presence on this planet so enrages someone that he made a website to prove it. While Cliff Yablonski will probably never extend to you the warmth and hospitality expressed by Mahir Cagri, he counts on you just the same. He needs people that are different from him; or else his mission of hatred would have no easy targets. After all, if everyone on earth were a right-wing lunatic like Mr. Yablonski, the world would be a very boring place.

Today's Horoscopes —Information courtesy of www.swoon.com

Aries (March 21-April 19): Something you either can't afford or don't want to do alone warrants a push to enlist participation. Make your pitch to those most aligned with your interests, tastes and temperament. You're apt to heighten social satisfaction now that you recognize seeds of compatibility and conflict. A dilemma will be resolved in your favor.

Taurus (April 20-May 20): You're are a holy, high-tech terror. Well, maybe not all that, but you have the ability to pull relatively cyber-illiterate colleagues to safety when they're sinking in soups of their own making. Keep honing your computer genius. As much as you're impressed by role models and heroes, be content to be you. Champion your own voice and style.

Gemini (May 21-June 20): Not everyone can be as brilliant as you

are. And if you're half as humble as you are smart, you'll be patient, courteous, kind and understanding in teaching someone who lacks all the privileges conferred by membership in your elite class. The only reason to look down on someone is to learn where to target your helping hand.

Cancer (June 21-July 22): Someone needs to be taken down a few notches, and you're going to be elected for the job. Accept the results. You command the tact to say it in the least injurious way -- and the respect not to get cold cocked for saying it. You'll choose the right words when the time comes.

Leo (June 23-Aug. 22): Seems like the bestial plans always turn to Pam. Look for a minor situation that won't require heavy-duty handling - unless it goes unattended and becomes labor-intensive. If you let

that happen, you're going to feel some serious labor pains, because it'll be the birth of the blues. Not to worry -- if you nip it in the bud.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): First impressions are difficult to reverse, so don't even form them until you feel adequately informed by your own experience and that of others. Assessing people for friendship/romantic potential is an esoteric art. Even years of practice doesn't diminish the individual character and mystery of each budding relationship.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Look at your personal life and evaluate it for strengths and weaknesses. What resources and attributes would you like to adopt? One of them is literally at your fingertips today. Waste no time getting this self-improvement comeback show on the road.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Get in

touch with an inner child by getting in touch with an external one. Time you spend with a needy youngster today could create a lasting memory for both of you because you've lost so much of your childhood innocence and optimism. It's never too late to reclaim it!

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Don't be railroaded, intimidated, waylaid or otherwise jerked around. Life's too short. Demand what belongs to you. But don't get too heavy-handed or pushy. Ignore politics at your own peril. The key to your success today will be to epitomize the voice of logic and sweet reason.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): All those years of hard work, agony, turmoil and torment finally are paying off because you're getting some professional kudos and congratulations you've deserved for a long

time. You're wise to save money in advance of some incidental expenses that will strain your budget. Medical costs may be involved.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You bask in the sunlight of a recent success. Be proud that you worked with extraordinary commitment and didn't allow yourself to get disabled by the darkness of the journey. Sing "We are the champions" and bake yourself an apple pie, you American Dreamer. A volunteer position may choose you as much as you choose it. Be receptive to good fits.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20): If you think you need advice, think again. Friends will always be inclined to say what you think they want you to hear. You're perfectly well equipped to counsel yourself on this one. Just be certain your decision puts needs before wants. That's at the the crux of most tough decisions.

Sports Scores, Schedules, News, Features

Hiles and Scott NCAC Athletes of the Week

A pair of Allegheny College sophomores, baseball player Kevin Hiles and pole vaulter Jeremy Scott were named North Coast Athletic Conference Athletes of the Week on April 3.

Hiles, an outfielder for the No. 4-ranked Gator baseball team, was baseball's Offensive Player of the Week, while Scott, a 6'6" All-American in the pole vault, last year, was track & field's Field Athlete of the Week.

Hiles batted .615 (8-for-13) in five games last week, scoring seven runs and driving in nine, helping the Gators to a perfect 5-0 record for the week. He added a double, triple and home run to go along with three sacrifice flies. On the season, Hiles is third on the team in batting with a .340 average (16-47), with 16 runs and 13 RBIs.

Scott took first place in the pole vault competition at the Wooster Invitational, clearing the bar at 16'0-3/4" to better the competition by over three feet. Scott's mark was a stadium record at Wooster. Scott's vault was his second NCAA Championship automatic-qualifying height of the season.

He won the Emory University Invitational with an Allegheny school-record height of 16'4-3/4".

Hiles and the Gators return to action Saturday, April 21, when they take on Kenyon at 1 p.m. at Robertson field. The track and field teams travel Saturday April 14 to the Western Pennsylvania Intercollegiate Championship at Geneva, beginning at 9 a.m.

—courtesy of the Office of Public Affairs

INTRAMURAL SOCCER



DOWN 'N DIRTY— The Amazons and the Phi Psi's battled in the mud on Wednesday, April 11. This is only the second week of intramural soccer, with 21 games remaining.

—photo by Amy Zader

Sports Highlights

- The women's lacrosse team picked up its first win of the season, defeating Medaille College 18-1 on Monday, April 9, in non-conference action.

The Gators were led by K.C. Hartwig's five goals and one assist, while Robin Lill added five points on three goals and two assists. Lauren Martin and Devin McCue also added a pair of goals for Allegheny, which improved to 1-3 overall.

Stephany Hart tallied her first win of the season in goal, making four saves. The women's lacrosse team hosts Denison, at 11 a.m., this Saturday, April 14.

- The women's tennis team is in the midst of a ten match winning streak, continuing after their return from a spring break trip to Hilton Head, Souct Carolina, with victories over Mercyhurst, Macalester, Savannah A & D, Ohio Wesleyan, Clarion, Wittenburg, and shutting-out Kalamazoo, Villa Julie and Hiram. Check out the women's tennis team travels with the men's tennis team to Wooster this Saturday, April 14.

- Good luck to the men's and women's track and field teams in their meets at Geneva, Slippery Rock, and Baldwin Wallace coming

up before their conference championships on May 4 and 5.

- The women's softball team is next in action, following the women's lacrosse game at Robertson field, where they take on Kenyon at 1 p.m., Saturday, April 14.

- Since their three wins over Hiram last weekend, 8-1 and 3-1 on Saturday and 19-9 Sunday, the baseball team has been on a winning streak. Tuesday, April 10 they traveled to Brockport St. and picked up two other wins, 9-4 and 6-3.

Cheer on Gator baseball at their games against Kenyon on Saturday and Sunday, April 21 and 22, at Robertson field at 1 p.m.

- The golf team placed fourth out of eight at the Tournament: Bob Raymond Invitational at Armco G.C. (Par 70), only 21 behind I.U.P.

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Allegheny Track At Grove City

By REBECCA RITTENHOUSE
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Both the men's and women's track and field teams traveled to compete in the Grove City Invitational two weeks ago, April 3, to run against close rivals Grove City College and Carnegie Mellon University.

The women's team placed first with 177 points, ahead of Grove City with 104 and Carnegie Mellon with 57. On the men's side, Allegheny placed third with 78 points, behind Carnegie Mellon with 92 and Grove City with 185.

In the field events, first-year Lindsey Hayes placed first in the high jump with a jump of 4'10" and junior Meghan Radkowski was second jumping 4'8".

In the pole vault first-year jumper Kerri Nigito jumped 7'6" to win first place and a new stadium record. First-year Kiz Donick was second also jumping 7'6". In the long jump, sophomore Jenn Surace was second with a jump of 15'6", and first-year athletes Missy Maceyko and Kelly Anderson were sixth and seventh jumping 13'6.5" and 13'5" respectively.

In the triple jump, junior Erin Switzer placed first, jumping 31'6" and Maceyko was fifth with a jump of 28'1".

First-year athlete Amanda Rosage placed first in the discus throwing 97'2" and second in the shot put throwing 32'11". Senior Ilda Oropeza was fifth in the shot put with a throw of 28'8.5" and in the discus. Donick, Switzer, and Oropeza took second, seventh, and eighth place, respectively.

In the javelin, junior Bethany Singer took first place with a throw of 116'1". Sophomore Tiffany Bennet took second, throwing 101'4", Radkowski was third with a throw of 99'7", and junior Lindsey Thelin was fifth with a throw of 90'1".

On the track, the women's 4 x 100 relay team placed first in a time of 51.73. In the 1500m run, junior Tara

Trent was second in a 5:04.14, sophomores Lisa Weed and Nicole Morandi were fourth and fifth in times of 5:12.27 and 5:16.14, and first-year runners Nory Sams and Leigh Seserko were seventh and twelfth running 5:27.08 and 5:39.53. In the 100m hurdles, Surace was second running 17.39 and Shaughna Loncar was sixth with a time of 18.83. In the 100m and 200m dash, Switzer was second in a time of 13.11 and 28.09 respectively.

First-year runner Brooke Woods placed first in the 400m dash running 1:02.49 and Kelly Geer was second running a 1:05.56. In the 800m run junior Jen McGuire ran a 2:27.54 placing first and Weed was fifth running 2:48.99.

In the 400m hurdles Hayes was first with a time of 1:09.39 and Loncar ran a 1:17.85 placing third. In the 300m run, first-year runner Chelsea Benson was first running 11:10.65, Sams was fourth with 11:54, and Seserko was seventh in a time of 12:07.61. In the last race for the women, the 4 x 400 team was second with a time of 4:28.76.

For the men's team, first-year athlete Greg Wisser placed fourth in the high jump jumping 5'8". Junior Chris Arabia was sixth in the shot put throwing 32'8.5" and Wisser was seventh throwing 28'7" and fifth in the discus throwing 100' even.

Sophomore Eric Wagner jumped 16'10" placing seventh and was fourth in the triple jump jumping 39'9". First-year athlete Luke Pelger was eighth in the long jump with a jump of 16'2". In the javelin Wisser was fifth with a throw of 125'11", senior Dave Jirousek was sixth throwing 118'11", Arabia was seventh with a throw of 103'8", and first-year athlete Rob Ahlin was eighth throwing 99'6".

The men's 4 x 100 team was first running a time of 45.15. In the 1500m run junior Dan Princic placed first with a time 4:10.22, first-year runner Corey Drabert ran

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NHL Playoffs-Some Familiar Faces

The fight for the Stanley Cup began last night. This is the time of season when every hit is that much harder, every shot is that much faster and the game, well isn't always about who's the prettiest out there, but who can get the puck in the back of the net. Let's take a look around the league at some of the first round match ups.

I'll start with this areas favorite series Pens vs. Washington Caps. These teams have quite the postseason history. They are meeting for the seventh time since 1991. Pittsburgh has won five of the previous six meetings, but the teams split their four meetings this year, each being decided by a goal. The series will be tight and high scoring. Bondra will need to continue his dynamic play this season (leads the team with 45 goals). The biggest help the Caps have given themselves is the pick up of veteran Trevor Linden who will help them a lot in the locker room.

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Pittsburgh at the trade deadline did little to help their cause. Instead picking up a veteran goaltender like John Vanbiesbrouck, who will retire after this season, they went for youth. Pittsburgh goalie Hedberg has only played nine NHL games and he hasn't looked particularly sharp in these performances. He might be the man for the future, but he's not the man now. This is a problem and this experience could hurt them. The Pens can't let the Caps get to Hedberg early. Hopefully the kid doesn't know enough to be scared. I think Mario and the crew will rise to the challenge and will match goal for goal. I'm calling Pens in seven, but don't expect anything more out of them for the playoffs.

Buffalo vs. Philly should be a hard hitting series with goose eggs on the board for most of the game. These cities will be cheering about icing and offside calls. Philly's rookie goaltender Roman Cechmanek has emerged as a dominant force this year especially against the Sabs. Roman has recorded four wins against Buffalo this season, shutting them out twice, and only allowing a goal in the other two meetings. Philly also beat the Sabs in the last game of the season to gain home ice advantage over the Sabs.

The momentum is definitely in the Flyers favor even with the crucial loss of big center Keith Primeau. The key for the Sabs is to get their confidence back. They have been studying advice tapes all week long, Hasek, a former teammate of Roman on the Czech Republic team has been giving them all advise, they now need to light the lamp. Buffalo trade deadline pickups Donald Audette and Steve Heinze should be able to help here. The key for Philly is of course beating the Dominator who led the NHL with 11 shutouts and won the William Jennings Trophy along with backup Marty Biron for letting up the least amount of goals in the NHL. John Leclair also needs to get his skates moving again. He's been sitting out all season with an injury and needs to contribute big time with the absence of Primeau. This is a real tough one to call and a bounce of a puck one way or another could decide it. I'll call Sabs in seven.

Battle of Ontario features, the second seat Ottawa Senators vs. Toronto Maple Leafs is an easy one to call. Sens in sweep the season series and they'll sweep the playoff series as well unless Toronto learns on how to play hockey again, real fast or Pat Quinn sells his soul for the win. The later is more likely to happen. Toronto couch Pat Quinn will be gone at the end of this series. Toronto loves their hockey and won't tolerate this dismal tailspin their season has taken since the all-star break.

Finally the first place N.J. Devils take on the last seed Carolina Hurricanes. The Canes will put up a dogfight, but they have to be exhausted already just trying to make the playoffs. I expect the Devils to continue rolling, just as the regular season and will win in five.

OK let's move over to the West Coast. A coast that has plenty of upsets brewing. Colorado vs. Vancouver will not be one of those. I have to stop and laugh at this series. It really hurts when you lose your best forward, Marcus Naslund right before the playoffs and you have no goaltending. Aves in four.

Detroit is going to be very sorry they didn't finish first or even third. The seven seed Los Angeles Kings are tough. They have a potent offense, led by Ziggy Palffy and Felix the cat is back in form. Detroit will need to play some good defense to keep the shots limited on either the shaky Chris Osgood or the inexperience Manny Legace. Despite the home ice advantage. I see the Wings falling in six.

It wouldn't be spring without the Dallas Stars playing the Edmonton Oilers. The Oilers defiantly have a chance for the upset, but the battles uphill for them. The Stars have a great defense and Eddie "the Eagle" Belfour doesn't give up much when the shots get through. Oilers need to get in this guy's head early. Every game he wins in the playoffs, he gets better so Oilers will need to get up early in this series. But the problem is the Oilers have won a game in Dallas in four years. Stars will spill the Oilers in six.

Finally the San Jose Sharks vs. St. Louis Blues is another rematch from last year. The Sharks deflated this team that was expected to win the cup last year. Expectations were once again high for St. Louis, but injury after injury has set the team back. Finally they have a full squad, but not enough time to gel. The key for the Blues is to rattle young goaltender Evgeni Nabokov, a man who will most likely win the Calder Cup as rookie of the year. I don't think they can and the Sharks will upset Blues in 6.

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a 4:24.58 placing eighth, sophomore Devon Halley was tenth running 4:29.11, Jirousek was eleventh in a time of 4:32.98, and sophomore Chris McNamara ran a time of 5:14.97 placing fourteenth.

In the 110m hurdles, first-year runner Ryan Barnes placed second running a time of 16:03 and Wisser was sixth running a 18:16. In the 100m and 200m dash sophomore Joe Yarkovich placed first and second with a time of 11.25 in the 100 and 24.13 in the 200. Also in the 100m dash, Pelger and Arabia finished fifth and seventh.

In the open 400m dash, first-year runner Matt Niederst placed first in a time of 53.40. In the 800m run, senior Brett Zook ran a 2:02.97 placing second, Jirousek was eighth running a 2:07.21, and first-year runners Jason Springer and Anton Martz were ninth and thirteenth. Junior Darrell Voll placed second in the 400m hurdles in a time of 59.30, first-year runner Brian Kollar was fourth running a 62.36, and sophomore Chris Miwa ran a 66.70 placing ninth. In the 500m run, first-year runner Jason Betts placed first in a time of 16:19.33. First-year runner Deforest Carter was sixth running 16:36.87 and senior Rob Shaw was seventh running a time of 16:43.64. In the 4x400m relay the men were third in a time of 3:38.68.

BUSH

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for every American, the abolishment of the estate tax, the ending of the marriage penalty, and the doubling of the per-child tax credit. The combination of all four will boost the economy, return current and future surpluses, institute much needed tax reform, and provide for long-term prosperity.

The marginal rate cut will correct current tax code inequalities and see to it that every American pays their fair share in taxes. Democrats and the liberal media would like you to believe that this is a tax cut "for the rich." But, Americans with the lowest income will receive the greatest percentage rate cut.

Moreover, it is only fair that those Americans who pay and contribute more in taxes should get a large cut. It is ludicrous the way the current tax system stands. Today, the top four hundred taxpayers contribute the same as the bottom forty million.

No one should believe the hype that the tax cut would not help his or her family. The average tax relief for a family of four with two children will be \$1,600, a significant amount of money for any American family.

Next, the President's plan calls for the abolishment of the estate tax. The current plan calls for the aptly named "death tax" to be phased out over a ten-year period. The estate tax unjustly penalizes individuals who will money or family businesses to a family member at their death. The President's Agenda for Tax Relief cited how hurtful this is to family businesses. Nine out of ten family businesses that are affected by the death tax fold within three years. The House of Representatives already passed a

bill to abolish the estate tax.

Opponents think that eliminating the death tax could mean the end of charitable donations, because people often donate their money to charities in their will so that no more of their hard-earned money can be taken by the government. The truth is that charitable giving is greatest when the economy is booming, which the President's tax cut plan will ensure. People will now contribute while they are living since the President's plan also increases the amount of tax-exempt money that can be donated to charities.

President Bush's plan also calls for fixing the marriage tax penalty, which often unfairly taxes married couples more than if they were single. The Bush plan would expand the tax-deductible amount for a married couple. Also, he intends to double the amount of money a family can deduct from their income taxes for each child to \$1,000. These two portions of the tax cut will make things easier for American families and reinforce our values.

It is obvious that President Bush's tax plan is fiscally responsible. The plan addresses all of the major issues facing America today, from paying down national debt, to protecting Social Security and Medicare, to cutting taxes for every American. Ultimately, the President's work will provide for a short-term economic boost today and economic stability for our generation to lead America tomorrow.

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Players' Paths to Pro Ballclubs Vary

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(U-WIRE) CHICO, Calif. — Decisions, decisions, decisions.

What is a highly touted high school baseball player to do?

Sign a professional contract and get paid to play the sport he loves? Or, accept a full ride scholarship and not get paid to play and also be expected to pass classes along with winning games?

Most players' goals are to get to the major leagues. Those who have made it to the major leagues traveled roads as different as the personalities in a clubhouse. Some got to where they are today by accident.

San Francisco Giants' pitcher Kirk Rueter had no intentions of one day pitching for the Montreal Expos and then the Giants, or going as far as having the second longest winning streak to begin a career in the majors with 10 wins.

"I wanted to go to college for four years and then go out and get a job," the left-hander Rueter said.

Which he did, graduating with a degree in finance from Murray State in Kentucky in 1992. The job he landed was as a starting pitcher in the Expos system.

Rueter is a rarity amongst his peers in that he graduated from college. He is one of two Giants on the club's 40-man spring training roster to have graduated. The other, outfielder

Armando Rios, graduated from Louisiana State University. Teammate Jeff Kent also didn't have any intentions other than attending college. His only problem was deciding on where to go following high school in 1986. His options were UC Berkeley, Stanford University and Fresno State.

He chose Berkeley because it was ranked No. 9 in the nation in 1986 and had an opportunity to start his first-year season.

In his sophomore season, Berkeley reached the College World Series. "I didn't play my senior year of high school baseball which was a good thing," said Kent, the 2000 National

League MVP. "I was willing to trade a baseball scholarship for an education. That was my goal.

"I had no dreams of playing major league baseball, because I always wanted to go to college and to be a professional somebody - not necessarily a professional baseball player."

Playing major league baseball, however, is the dream of many high school baseball players. Some eagerly jump at the opportunity to get paid to play and attempt to rise through an organization's system.

Robb Nen, San Francisco's closer, was one. "I just wasn't into school back then," he said. "The one thing I wanted to do was play baseball. So when I had the opportunity to go, I signed." Nen was drafted in the 32nd round of the 1987 draft by the Texas Rangers. He spent seven seasons in the Rangers' minor league system as a starter, compiling a 13-16 record before he got his first call to the majors in 1993.

Looking back at the long road to becoming one of the game's top closers - he has the second most saves in the National League since 1998 with 118 - Nen now emphasizes getting an education to kids he talks to.

"It's a tough game," he said. "It's tough to stay (in the system), and it's tough to get to the big leagues, so it's nice to have something to fall back on."

There's a flip side.

Now teams offer to pay for a college education for players drafted out of high school while playing. James White, a 1998 Chico High School graduate, took advantage of the opportunity after being drafted by the Pittsburgh Pirates. Oakland Athletics' outfielder Jeremy Giambi thinks this is an opportunity not to be missed.

"These days, with the money they are giving the kids, it's hard for them to turn it down," Giambi said. "When you get asked to come and play for \$3 million and they pay for your education, I think anybody in their right mind should do it."

Giambi didn't have that opportunity. He was offered to sign

as a non-drafted free agent out of South Hills High School in West Covina, but opted to attend Cal State Fullerton. In 1995 he helped the Titans win the College World Series, claiming the national championship.

But teammate Terrance Long was in that position - to at least make some good money out of high school.

After being named to Baseball America's High School All-America Team following his senior season where he hit .608, Long made up his mind: If he didn't get drafted in the first round, he would go to college.

"I got drafted in the first round and had the chance to get some good money and had a good chance to help my family," said the 2000 runner-up American League Rookie of the Year.

"Everything worked out for the best."

Then there are players like Jason Giambi, Jeremy's older brother, who were drafted out of high school but were drafted in a low round and chose to go to college. In 1989, the Milwaukee Brewers drafted Jason in the 43rd round.

"I was still a tall kid, I hadn't put my weight on yet," said the 2000 American League MVP. "I needed to grow into my body. Being in college really helped me. Not only in the development of my skills, but also the growing up process that went along with it - being away from home, living in your own apartment and paying your own bills."

No matter the road they chose to travel, each of these players have been successful along their journeys and now they play for the defending National League and American League West Champions. With their different journeys, what they share in common is the importance of getting a college education. Those that didn't finish want to.

"Baseball's been an uphill battle every year, with no breaks," Kent said. "But I do have the desire to go back." Some who never went, wish they did. "Not as far as the baseball standpoint, but to just live the college life," Long said. "I always wanted to experience that, it just didn't work out."



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very difficult at times and other times very well behaved." Also, "Beau doesn't follow the credo that you shouldn't bite the hand that feeds you," said Strickler. "I seem to be his pet target when it comes to this bad habit." Strickler says he has tried everything, but he thinks he'll never break his high strung little stallion from nipping.

In any case, Beau's difficult disposition hasn't stopped Strickler from taking good care of him. He even bought three goats, Fibber, Molly and Tonto to keep Beau company. Horses are very social animals, says Strickler. But the goat's idea of socializing was chewing on Beau's tail, says Strickler. Strickler had to line the fence between the two with chicken wire to put an end to the mischief.

Looking at Beau now, it's hard to imagine how he was crowned the 1997 Crawford County Fair grand champion of all miniature horses. His tail is mangled, his "hay belly" hangs low, and a thick brown coat makes him look plump. Strickler says he will have to be worked everyday in the summer to get him in shape for this year's fair. We'll see how Beau likes that.

STUDENTS

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had a decent night's sleep in a week, and it's hard for me to even concentrate on what I'm doing because I'm so tired," he said.

Far from being rare cases of procrastination misery, the anecdotes of these students are backed by statistical research. Procrastination is a widespread problem on college campuses, with researchers at Carleton University in Canada estimating that as many as 70 percent of college students are academic procrastinators.

"Crooked Thinking"

As for the causes of procrastination, the Virginia Polytechnic Institute web page lists two general reasons. The first is called "crooked thinking" and entails three possibilities. Some students with "crooked thinking" are perfectionists, waiting until all of the latest material on a topic has been gathered before beginning to work. Some feel inadequate, hoping to put off the pain of what they believe to be an inevitable failure. Finally, others fear their assignments and are overwhelmed by them, and hope to avoid discomfort by putting them off.

Human behavioral patterns are the second cause. Very simply, procrastination is a cycle that tends to feed off itself. Procrastination leads to more procrastination, because like any habit, it is difficult to break.

Regardless of the causes, according to researchers, procrastination is a disorder that can have serious consequences. The Student.com Internet site outlines studies that have been conducted on the dangers of procrastination, including one at Case Western Reserve University in Ohio.

The results of the Case Western study show that while procrastinators experience low stress levels and good health during the early part of a semester, they can expect to see a rapid increase in stress and an increase in health problems as a semester goes on.

Any student who has experienced colds and the flu during midterms or finals can attest to this fact. Students had no trouble recalling illnesses they had during high-workload periods.

Said junior Justin Lauterbach, "During my sophomore year, I got the flu during finals, and it really messed me up. I had to put off tests and everything else for three days while I recovered." Lauterbach attributed his illness to long-periods of study and sleeplessness due to procrastination.

Kane had a similar story from the fall 2000 semester. "I had a week where I pulled a couple of 'all-nighters', and I wound up getting pretty sick," said Kane. "It was really the worst possible time for it to happen, too, because I still had a lot of work ahead of me. But it's pretty hard to get things done when you're in bed with the flu."

Kane also said that he has experienced problems in his academic performance due to his procrastination. He explained that on several occasions he has run out of time on a project and not been able to complete it as well as he would have liked. "There have been times when I wasn't able to proofread, or had to cut a paper shorter than I wanted to, or times I just didn't study enough for an exam, all because I waited too long to get started," Kane said. "The times that I've worked on a schedule, I've done a lot better in the end."

Kane has this advice for any would-be procrastinators: "Don't let yourself get in a habit of procrastinating, because it's all a big snowball effect. Getting thrown off schedule once can lead to problems for a long time in your school work and your health." Experts do provide hope, however, and the Virginia Polytechnic Institute lists 10 tips from their website (see insert) to help habitual procrastinators, and in some cases stop procrastination from ever starting.

Tips to Stop Procrastinating Now

1. **Rational Self-Talk.** Those old excuses really don't hold up to rational inspection.
2. **Positive Self-Statements.** Incorporate a list of self-motivating statements into your repertoire of thoughts.
3. **Don't Catastrophe.** Jumping to the conclusion that you will fail or that you are no good at something will only create a wall of fear that will stop you cold. Recognize that your negative predictions are not facts.
4. **Design Clear Goals.** Be specific, and figure out a timetable with realistic goals at each step.
5. **Set Priorities.** Write down all the things that need to be done in order of their importance.
6. **Partialize the Tasks.** Big projects are overwhelming,

so break them down.

7. **Get Organized.** Have all your materials ready before you begin a task. Use a daily schedule and have it with you all the time.
8. **Take a Stand.** Commit yourself to doing the task. Write yourself a "contract" and sign it.
9. **Use Prompts.** Write reminders to yourself and put them in conspicuous places. The more we are reminded, the greater the likelihood we'll follow through with our plans.
10. **Reward Yourself.** Self-reinforcement has a powerful effect on developing a "do it now" attitude.

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Deb—This time it's only feathers. Next time it'll be a leg. Follow instructions or you'll never see da boid alive again!

Sparkles has an earring, drinks wine coolers, tans, and is a woman's studies major....HMMMM!!

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If I could just have one wish it would be to fluster the mitigator.

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PJ I didn't really mean to run over you the other day.

Corey-Please come play.

Manchester Groupies-I miss you!

It is time...for you know what.