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

REALITY TV



PRODUCTION—The ACTV crew is hard at work as they prepare for an onslaught of new shows for channel 11 this semester with hopes to reach new audience members.

—photo by Emily Macel, News Editor

TURN ON THE TUBE

ACTV Adds News to Lineup

By EMILY MACEL
News Editor

Junior Jeremy Rex spends around 12 hours a week in the studio editing, filming, directing, producing and teaching new members the ins and outs of the trade. He devotes his time to producing or helping other producers put together over half a dozen shows like "Gator Groove," "Critique This," "The Dean's List" and "Absolut Allegheny." Rex, along with his faithful crew, is seeking to expand ACTV's viewing range by adding shows like "Absolut Allegheny" and Allegheny's version of "The Man Show" to their repertoire.

By increasing the publicity, Rex hopes to reach out to new audience members. Bulletin boards and banners are placed around campus to keep the viewers informed. "Our main goal is to get our name out there to everyone we can. We want the entire campus to know who we are and what we're about," Rex said.

With several changes and even more additions, the college TV station that has been on the air for over six years is in a constant climb upwards. ACTV is taking the phrase "new and improved" to a new level with its plans for a bigger and better spring line-up.

Along with the expanding publicity, the group itself has had a tremendous influx. The skeleton crew of eight or nine people last semester has multiplied over five times with a new total of nearly 55 members. "We've just been recruiting left and right," Rex said.

Junior Andrea Chalmers sees this growth as essential to ACTV's success. "With such a large group of people with many different interests, lots of new ideas come up that we maybe haven't thought of before. It is always good to get input from many different sources to make sure you get a wide variety of ideas to better satisfy as many people as possible."

What's a TV station without a news show? "Absolut Allegheny," co-produced by sophomores Brendan Adams and Meredith Gallagher, is brand new this semester. "I feel this show gives students a chance to experience what media is like in the real world," said Adams of the show, which will provide students with news and information about events on campus.

"'Absolut Allegheny' is something we wanted to take shape since '99," Rex said. In addition to news, "Absolut Allegheny" will feature sports, weather and spotlights on groups around campus.

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'Listen to Your Body' Week Commences

By NEETU SEHGAL
Staff Reporter

The Counseling Center is encouraging students, staff and community members to "Listen to Your Body" this week, as it kicked off the nationwide body image awareness week this past Tuesday.

The week, which will showcase a number of events ranging from a film on how pop icons affect girls' self-image, to a mirror boycott and a "body fair," where participants will receive free massages, is sponsored nationwide by the National Eating Disorders Awareness Week committee.

"This is not just about eating disorders," said counselor Christa Brahler. "Everyone has some negative feelings about their body image, whether they have to do with dieting, weight concerns, appearance or other aspects. Any of these sorts of issues could lead to eating disorders later on. We hold this week annually to help people prevent themselves from traveling further down this road to eating disorders."

All events are open to men and women, from the college campus and the community. For each event attended, participants will automatically be entered in a raffle to win a prize, ranging from gift certificates to local merchants and free massages.

The drawing will be held on Thursday, Feb. 28, at the last event, the Body Fair. According to statistics compiled by the National Eating Disorders Association, five to 10 million girls and women and one million boys and men struggle with eating disorders, such as anorexia, bulimia and binge eating.

"Problems with body image affect everyone, but on college campuses especially because there are lots of students focused on achieving perfection," Brahler said. "People become too caught up in the 'ideal,' and the ideal that is portrayed by the media is often misleading."

In point, statistics from the NEDA show that fashion models, who many youth look up to as the ideal beauty image, actually are thinner than 98 percent of American women. Also, the average American model is 5'11" tall and weighs 117 pounds, while the average American woman is 5'4" and weighs 140 pounds.

Brahler said, "We hope that people will reflect more on inner beauty, and not the media's definition of beauty. People should be more aware of how the media portrays men and women. That itself is a preventative effort against eating disorders and body image issues."

The first event, "What a Girl Wants," at 7 p.m. tonight in Carnegie room 212, will feature a short film about how the media portrays girls through pop icons. The film includes perspectives from 11 girls about their view on how pop culture affects their lives.

At this event, participants will also be able to view the "Walls of Fame and Shame," collections of advertisements put together by the Ophelia Project that either project negative or positive images of women.

At the end of the week, members of the organization will select the most negative and most positive advertisements and write letters to the publications in which they were printed.

"Body, Books, and Booze" will be the subject of Anita Sinicrope-Maier's keynote speech on Monday at 7 p.m. in Ford Chapel. The founder of Pennsylvania's Educational Network for Eating Disorders, Sinicrope-Maier will address how dieting interferes with academic work, and how added to alcohol consumption, students today are facing a very widespread problem.

Following the lecture, Sinicrope-Maier will join a panel of other experts, including a nutritionist, a nurse and a person in recovery from a drug addiction and an eating disorder, to answer questions.

On Tuesday, Feb. 26, mirrors on campus will be covered with paper, encouraging students to boycott mirrors for the day and recognize inner beauty's greater worth.

On Wednesday, the community is invited to wear T-shirts inside out and dress the shirts with phrases and words that reflect on their inner qualities and strengths each person is most proud of.

A "Body Fair" will be held at Montgomery Gym on Thursday at 7 p.m., where participants can receive free body massages, participate in a yoga session and a dance movement workshop.

An art display focusing on body image issues will be displayed in the Grounds For Change coffeehouse on the second floor of the Campus Center and book displays will be present at both the library and the campus bookstore.

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THE CAMPUS Asks...

"Are you satisfied with the food service?"

—compiled by Audrey Courchesne, Assistant Photography Editor



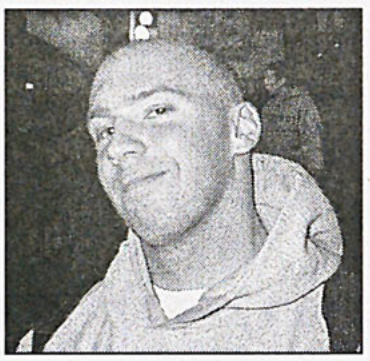
"I would lke to see the service hours of McKinley's extended so that the meal plan is available at all hours of operation."

—Doug McGill, '04

"Yeah, but not Brooks or Shultz. I tend to come to McKinley's for meals."

—Lisa Thomas, '05





"The food service is the 'BAUM'."

—Paul Gasbarro, '02

"No, it seems that their food company does not support the growing concern of sustainability of the food cycle."

—Meghan Thomas, '02



CRIME BLOTTER

•Sometime between Feb. 6 and 13 a theft occurred in the Campus Center. A burgundy colored upright Hoover Wind-Tunnel sweeper was taken from a storage room in McKinley's. Security has no suspects.

•Sometime between Feb. 8 and 11 a theft occurred in Ruter Hall. A Spanish-to-English dictionary, TV to VCR connector cables and a Dell computer keyboard were taken from the Language Lab. Security has no suspects.

•Sometime between Feb. 14 at 9 p.m. and Feb. 15 at 8 a.m. a theft occurred at Pelletier Library. A candy bowl was stolen from a desk. Security has no suspects.

•On Feb. 14 at 7:30 p.m. a theft occurred from the Pine Lounge in Brooks Hall. Four men are reported to have taken a black leather love seat. This incident remains under investigation by Security.

•On Feb. 16 at 1:30 a.m. an underage drinking incident occurred in the vicinity of Loomis St. Security cited a student, who will also be referred to Residence Life.

•On Feb. 16 between 2 a.m. and 7 a.m. a theft occurred in Baldwin Hall. A black IBM Think Pad laptop computer was stolen from a student's room. This incident remains under investigation by Security.

CAMPUS BRIEFS

•Students wishing to take courses at another school during the summer should have the courses approved for transfer credit prior to taking them. Please use the following guidelines:
1. Obtain a course description of the course you plan to take
2. Obtain a transfer credit approval form from the Dean of the College office, Bentley 117
3. Take the description and approval form to the chairperson of the department, into which you want to transfer the course, for his/her signature and authorization
4. Take the approval form to your advisor for his/her signature
5. Return the completed form to the Dean of the College office, Bentley 117

•As part of Religious Awareness Week, the Office of Religious Life will sponsor a series of events from Sunday, Feb. 17 through Sunday, Feb. 24

•Attention Seniors: Senior portraits will be taken free of charge from noon to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, February 19, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 20 and noon to 8 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 21 in room U209 in the Campus Center. To schedule your appointment, log-on to www.ouryear.com and enter Allegheny's school code, 709, which will provide instant access to scheduling. If you prefer to schedule via telephone, call 1-800-OUR-YEAR and mention our school code. Please remember, these portraits are free with no obligation! Proofs will be mailed to your home address with forms to allow you to order pack. Please contact the Student Activities Office with any questions at 332-2754.

•As part of National Eating Disorders Awareness Week (EDAW), the Counseling Center and Allegheny's EDAW Committee will sponsor "Listen to Your Body," a series of events from Wednesday, Feb. 20 through Thursday, Feb. 28.

•The Scholars' Weekends are just around the corner! In preparation for the upcoming programs, we will be conducting brief Training Workshops to review procedures for student hosts. Whether it's your first time hosting or you've hosted countless times before, we want you to feel as comfortable and confident as possible about your commitment to contribute to Allegheny's future by hosting prospective students. You may choose to attend ONE of the following Training Workshops: Wednesday, Feb. 20 at 6:30 p.m. in the Multicultural Center (3rd floor, Campus Center); OR Thursday, Feb. 21 at 6:30 p.m. in the Multicultural Center (3rd floor, Campus Center). You do not need to "sign up" for a session; simply show up at the session that best fits your schedule. If you cannot attend either training session, please let us know as soon as possible and we will make other arrangements to bring you up to speed. Thank you again for sharing your time and enthusiasm. You play a critical role in the overall success of Allegheny's future! We look forward to seeing you next week!

•Students are invited to find out more about the AmeriCorps Bonner Leader Program at an information session on Thursday, Feb. 21 at 5 p.m. in the Cultural Center (Campus Center, 3rd floor). The AmeriCorps Bonner Leader Program combines direct service in the local community, work-study, training in service and leadership, and financial compensation. There are two-year, 900-hour positions available and summer-only, 300-hour positions available in which students are matched with agencies working with the elderly, children, the environment, animals, etc.

•GAP is proud to sponsor two upcoming weekend matinees of children's movies. Monsters Inc. will be shown in Shafer Auditorium on Saturday, Feb. 23 at 2 p.m. Admission is $2, and prizes will be given away! GAP will also sponsor a showing of Harry Potter on Sunday, March 10 at 1 p.m. Children of all ages are welcome (0-99)!

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Student Remembered for Sincerity, Enthusiasm

By ABBY COLLIER
Editor-in-Chief

Charles F. Mahoney IV, a member of the class of 2003, died on Monday, Feb. 11 in the Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity house where he lived. He was 20.

Mahoney joined SAE in January 2000 and was elected vice president in April 2001. He was double majoring in English and political science and planned to attend law school.

"He was very excited because he wanted to go to Boalt Hall," said Assistant Professor of English Jennifer Hellwarth, who worked closely with Mahoney. Boalt Hall is the school of law at the University of California, Berkeley, Hellwarth's undergraduate alma mater.

Mahoney's mother, Debi, added that he was interested in child advocacy law because he wanted to help children and also considered being a judge.

Like Hellwarth, Assistant Professor of Political Science Sharon Wesoky, who was Mahoney's adviser in the department, remembered him for his intelligence and courteousness as a student. "Chuck, for me, epitomized what in general I appreciate so much about Allegheny's students— intellectual curiosity, respect, and a willingness to challenge acceptable social boundaries," she said. "I was consistently amazed by Chuck's especial intellectual growth while at Allegheny and his concern for social justice and for others. He will be missed greatly."

Mahoney took several classes offered by Hellwarth during his time at Allegheny, including Chaucer, Women in Literature and Topics in the Middle Ages.

This semester, he was working with Hellwarth on an independent study covering medieval penitence and conversion in Anglo Saxon texts. "He was interested in looking at the origins of misogyny in Christianity," she said, noting that he always wanted to read more.

Hellwarth added that Mahoney was also intrigued by gender formation and identity. "He was committed to women's studies and thought of himself as a feminist," she said.

As a student, Mahoney impressed Hellwarth with his enthusiastic desire to learn. "He had this very searching intellect. I've never met a student who was quite as interested in exploring issues as he was," she said.

Hellwarth also got to know Mahoney on a more personal level. "He often came in with a big smile. He had a great heart and a friendly demeanor. He made me feel good about my teaching and the material," she said, remembering how he would often compliment his peers in class. "He was a gift to a lot of people."

Professor of English Jim Bulman was Mahoney's adviser in the department and remembered him as a student during Histories of Childhood, a first-year seminar offered by Bulman in 1999. "He was earnest, dedicated, and very eager to learn. He seemed to have a real interest in what he was studying," Bulman said. "He had a real social conscience and was a pleasure to talk with. It was apparent to me that he had real leadership skills."

Assistant Professor of English Judith Rose said Mahoney was a "delightful" student and a hard worker. "He was really curious. He spoke a lot in class," she said. "He'd take chances in talking about things and bringing things up. He contributed in such a great way, he was so responsive."

Rose, after working in class with Mahoney, also developed a friendly relationship with him. "He was funny and ready to come in and have a conversation at any time," she said. "He was open to other people in a way that other students his age are not. He had a pretty big heart. I never remember him being unkind or malicious."

Mahoney was also a member of the football team at Allegheny and played the tight end position. He was a quarterback at Burgettstown High School, where he graduated in 1999 and also played basketball and baseball. "He liked the competition, he liked the mind game of it [football]," Mrs. Mahoney said. "He liked to be challenged all the time. He loved sports in general."

Friend and SAE President Sam Urick added that Mahoney "always wanted to play football on the side yard [of the SAE house]."

Mahoney was also the vice president of the National Honor Society in high school, as well as the vice president of his class in ninth, 10th, 11th and 12th-grade.

Most of all, Mahoney's friends and family remembered him for his compassion and sincerity, as well as his concern for others and his ability to lift their spirits.

"There are very few people that you meet in life that were very good people, and Chuck was one of the best," said senior SAE member Adam Kiefer. "He had a way of making people he didn't even know comfortable."

SAE President and junior Sam Urick agreed. "Not only was he well versed, but you could have a conversation with him about anything," he said.

According to sophomore SAE member John Avolio, "He just had a big heart. He really cared about each person he talked to."

Like Kiefer and Avolio, first-year and SAE member Chiko Patel mentioned Mahoney's ability to uplift those around him. "I could be having the worst day of my life, and I could go to the [SAE] house and Chuck would always manage to put a smile on my face," he said.

Junior Sara Myers mentioned how she first met Mahoney during their first-year seminar together, and that they were later partners in a French class. "He was the most charismatic, charming person I knew. And it was all so sincere," she said. "He was really funny, and he had this booming voice. He was just fabulous to be around."

Mrs. Mahoney also commented on her son's unique personality. "Chuckie had a very special personality. He was very enthusiastic," she said. "I think he genuinely cared about people." Her son, she added, was a compassionate person who looked out for others. "Even in grade school, he would always fight for the underdog. He never bullied anyone. That wasn't his style at all. He always wanted to help people," she said.

Mahoney's SAE brothers added that he was especially a fan of rock and metal bands from the 1980s, including Bon Jovi and Poison, and that he enjoyed playing cards in his spare time. "He played Egyptian Rat Screw like a champ," Kiefer said, referring to one of Mahoney's favorite card games. They also said Mahoney wore bandanas frequently, and that they do so now in his memory.



—photo courtesy of Maggie Sapovchak

The brothers said that Mahoney was a good, supportive leader, for his role as the SAE vice president required him to deal with the internal issues of the fraternity. "After Chuck spoke, people listened," Urick said. "He was adamant, and you knew it."

Mahoney's mother agreed. "You always knew where you stood," she said. "He did not like false pretense. Most importantly, she added, "he didn't want anyone to be alone."

A memorial service will be held in Ford Chapel on Friday, Feb. 22 at 4:30 p.m. in Mahoney's honor.

He is survived by his parents, Charles III and Deborah Calvarese Mahoney of Burgettstown; a brother, Joseph Mahoney, 16, at home; a sister, Kelley Mahoney-Rose, 30, of Bethesda, Md.; maternal grandparents, Joe and Ida Carpine Calvarese of Weirton, W. Va.; and several aunts and uncles. His grandparents, Charles and Eleanor Krizsak Mahoney, are deceased.

To view or sign the online guest book created by Maggie Sapovchak, a high school classmate in Mahoney's honor, visit www.personal.psu.edu/users/m/x/mxs611/chuckie/chuck.html. Or, to view or sign the online guest book of the SAE Pennsylvania chapter, visit www.paomega.com.

Little Competition in ASG Presidential Elections

By JONATHAN HOWELL
Staff Reporter

Allegheny Student Government Presidential Elections will be held today, Feb. 21 and tomorrow, Feb. 22 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. in the Campus Center lobby.

Current president John Hreha plans to run for a second term with Andy Devincentis, replacing senior Tamara Pavasovic as vice president. Hreha and Devincentis, who are so far running unopposed, are basing their platform on further alterations of the dinning services supplied by Sodexo. Because of the past accomplishments of Hreha's administration and the lack of any visible competition, Hreha and Devincentis may have a guaranteed victory.

Any student on campus can run for president as long as they have an accompanying vice President. A platform is mandatory, and includes a written background of each candidate, reasons why each candidate believes that he or she should be elected and the goals for each candidate if elected.

One of the major goals of Hreha and Pavasovic platform last year included dealing with ideas and concerns raised by students about Sodexho Marriott dining services, and many changes have been made. The new pizza counter in Brooks and the jukebox and dart boards in McKinley's are a few of the more noticeable changes of last year.

Under the expected Hreha and Devincentis platform, ASG will request further changes from Sodexho. The most notable change would include the "all day" meal plan, where meals under the plan would not be restricted to certain times of the day.

Another major part of Hreha and Devincentis platform includes raising the visability of ASG on campus. Hopes are that more candidates running for offices and a greater voter turnout would make ASG an organization more representative of the entire Allegheny community.

Apparently, the winner of the presidential elections this year will not be walking into an easy job.

In a survey completed by ASG class officers that dealt with the positive and negative issues facing ASG, many felt that too much time was spent on "petty" issues and not enough was accomplished. Another major concern that was raised by the survey was that there was not enough difference of opinion within the senate and, as a result, issues that may require further discussion were voted on and passed too quickly.

Regardless of the concerns voiced by the ASG senators, Hreha has no regrets about the past year and he remains optimistic about the future of ASG.

Hreha pointed to the ASG senators as improving the most within the past year. "They cared more about the job, so there was more participation and perfect attendance at most meetings, all of which had been a problem in past years," he said.

Hreha also said that he hopes Allegheny students will take into account the fact that he is an established member of ASG and can get things done faster then a person who would be new at the job.

For more information about ASG or the ongoing elections, e-mail asg@allegheny.com or phone 332-4364.

Dean Counsels ASG on Teaching Evaluation Process

By JULIE BELFOURE
Staff Reporter

Dean of the College Lloyd Michaels spoke at the Allegheny Student Government's weekly meeting on Tuesday, Feb. 5, for the first time in his 29 years at Allegheny.

Michaels was asked to speak about student evaluations of professors conducted at the end of each semester, which is a highly debated topic among students and faculty.

Many students were contacting ASG to find out about the influence of these evaluations. According to junior Micheal Cleary, "I think the teachers look at them [evaluations] in order to make improvements, but as I see it the school does not take them seriously." The conflict lies in miscommunication between students and faculty regarding the importance of the RSE.

Apparently, as the meeting reinforced, faculty members generally feel that the RSE counts for too much, while students feel it's insignificant. According to Micheals and Assistant Dean Richard Holmgren, certain facts were uncovered about the importance of these evaluations and how they are used in a professor's overall teaching evaluation.

Although the RSE records a student's experience in a certain class, the administration looks at these evaluations over a period of time. Also, the RSE measures student satisfaction, and not necessarily whether or not a student is actually learning. "We are always tinkering with teaching and wrestle with what constitutes poor teaching," Michaels said, for the RSE has gone through many stages to date and alterations are continuous.

Students said they are mainly concerned with whether or not a professor would be removed if he or she were consistently reviewed poorly by students.

"The RSE is helpful because it makes students realize how much they put into a class and how they have responded to a certain professor's teaching style," said junior Elizabeth Zehner. "However, I don't think that our comments are taken as seriously as the administration would like us to believe. I have been in too many classes with the same professors and seen no change after the RSE," she added.

Teaching evaluations are not based solely on the RSE, just as a student's evaluation during the college application process doesn't rely solely on SAT scores or class rank.

Criteria and evidence for teacher evaluations, which are listed in the faculty handbook, include self-evaluations, assessments by colleagues based on classroom observation, assessments by colleagues within the discipline, assessments by students through the RSE, letters from students and alumni and interviews with students.

Administrators supposedly take all of these elements into consideration, as well as a long-term review of a faculty member's performance, when conducting a complete evaluation. During the ASG meeting with Michaels in attendance, the floor was opened for questions concerning the RSE and its significance. One suggestion was that there be an RSE specific to each discipline. Questions also arose as to why laboratory professors are not evaluated at all and how students could go about making a change in the system.

However, in order to change the system it has to be fully understood, which is why the conflict emerged originally, and an understanding between students, faculty and the administration has yet to be reached.

'Not in Our House' Fights Harassment

BY DANIELLE DAGER
Staff Reporter

There are numerous forms of hate present in the world, ranging from racism, ageism, sexism and sizism. The Committee on Discriminatory and Sexual Harassment is a program on campus to make more students aware of the dangers of sexual harassment and the other forms of hate.

At the beginning of this year, the committee held a campaign for the incoming first-year students. The campaign, titled Not in Our House, was also geared towards encouraging respect and a sense of value to the diversity on campus.

"The Not in Our House campaign was really the brainchild of JW P. Heuchert," commented committee member and assistant professor of political science Howard Tamashiro. "It was patterned after a campaign that was run successfully at another school and it seems to have gotten some pretty good results."

Heuchert was the former chairperson of the committee. The position now belongs to professor of communication arts Dan Crozier. "With this committee we're trying to come up with practical things to foster tolerance and let people know what the issues are here on campus. We want to promote diversity here at Allegheny," Crozier said.

One of the committee's main goals is not only to raise student awareness but also to play an advisory role for students, faculty and staff.

"We want to provide students with an outlet if they feel that they are being harassed. We're trying to create a starting point. We have all of our members' phone numbers and e-mail addresses on our web site. They can contact any one of us if they feel harassed," Crozier said.

The committee is broken up into three subcommittees: programming, education, and outreach committees. The outreach committee primarily focuses on heightening the awareness of discrimination issues on campus and has worked to put some posters up around campus to raise awareness about different issues, including the date rape drug, Rohypnol.

The education committee is planning on working with RAs about what the committee is trying to accomplish and educating them about diversity and tolerance. They hope to have the RAs put up bulletins in their hallways displaying diversity issues. "We've been educating ourselves in the process of forming this committee and it really has been a wonderful and interesting experience," Crozier said.

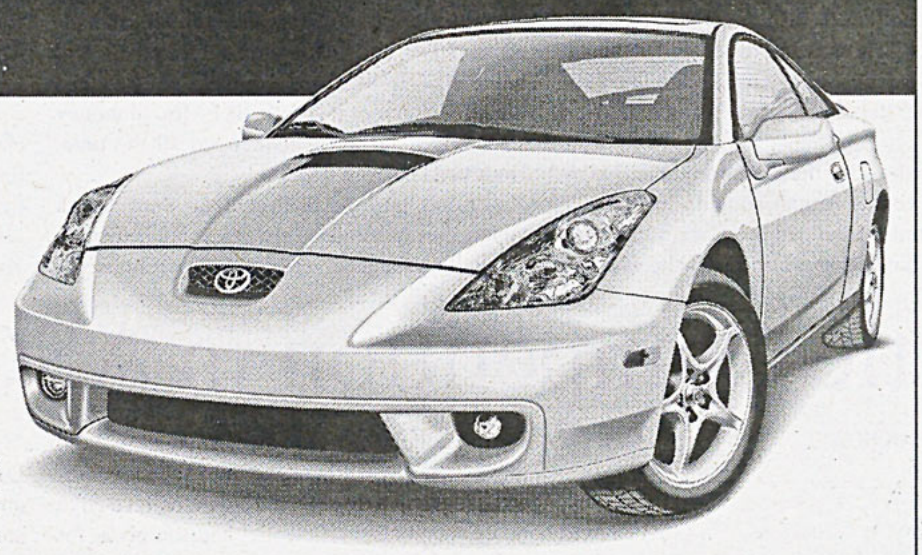
The committee tries to look at all forms of hate, but sexual harassment and racism seem to be the ones that come up the most on campus. The section on discrimination in the student handbook states, "The kind of learning that Allegheny College seeks to foster refuses to tolerate racism, sexism, religious bigotry and other forms of discrimination."

The committee is also hoping to have some events planned for the near future, such as some play readings. or it might sponsoring a film series. "We just need to get organized," Crozier said. "We just want to prevent harassment. It's a constant education process to realize how you treat people. You may not even be aware of the fact that you treat one person differently than others. It's just hard to get educated if you're feeling harassed. It's too distracting," he added.

If students have any questions, they can e-mail them to justice@allegheny.edu. Crozier can be reached at 332-4386.

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EDITORIAL

Scholars' Weekend: New and Improved for Prospectives

For students about to graduate from high school, choosing which academic institution they'd like to devote four more years of their life to can be extraordinarily difficult. Now, the Office of Admissions has attempted to make it a little less stressful.

After surveying prospective students who experienced Scholars' weekend in the past, the Office of Admissions decided to rethink the Trustee Scholars' Program, which recently underwent significant changes in its design for prospective students entering the 2002-2003 school year at Allegheny.

The program serves as one of the more decisive methods of recruitment by the College for accepted students who have received Trustee Scholarships, and nearly 120 attend the annual Scholars' weekends during the first week of March.

Because nearly half of the students at Allegheny receive these scholarships, the Scholars' Program certainly plays an influential role in securing the interest of undecided students, and the Office of Admissions has obviously taken this into account during its recent overhaul of the program.

Before, this weekend consisted of a one-on-one interview between a prospective student and a random faculty member, but such a short exchange relied too heavily on first impressions and did not give students ample time to absorb their surroundings, ask questions and take full advantage of their visit.

Now, these students and their parents will have a prime opportunity to mingle with a variety of faculty members based on their academic interests during a breakfast. This casual, comfortable atmosphere will ultimately provide potential students with the background they need to make a more informed decision.

The Campus is pleased to see the reevaluation of such an important event, which will now give prospective students an opportunity to more thoroughly assess all that Allegheny has to offer in relation to their interests before they make their final decision.

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Dispelling the Myth of the Liberal Media

Ray Reigadas

It's a popular misconception that the U.S. media has a liberal bias. Conservatives in the media always rant and rave about it. Pundits like Rush Limbaugh, Pat Robertson, Jerry Falwell, Alan Keyes, Larry King, everyone on Fox News, Ted Koppel, *The New York Times*, the *Washington Post*, Ann Coulter, Chris Matthews, Ollie North, George Will, John McLaughlin, Bob Novak, Cal Thomas, William F. Buckley Jr., and Pat Buchanan complain in their columns and on their radio and television talk shows that the conservative point of view is oppressed in the media.

As far as I can tell, the dreaded liberal media consists of Bill Maher (stuck in the television ratings graveyard that is midnight) and Bill Moyers, who can only be seen on PBS. I can only think of a couple liberal columnists, and I guess the Daily Show doesn't count as news, although I occasionally find it to be more reliable than CNN.

Let's face it, conservatives don't just control the media, they dominate it and then lie and complain that they never get to speak. Funny, I always thought their problem was not being able to shut up and listen.

This past summer, the supposedly liberal media gave us way more information (both true and questionably so) about Rep. Gary Condit's sex life than any human being other than him or his wife ought to know. Why? Because an intern, Chandra Levy, who he may have had an affair with, disappeared. If not for Sept. 11, we'd probably still be hearing everything about this sad story, except what happened to Levy.

Meanwhile, one of the top aides to Joe Scarborough, a representative from Florida, died in his office in July and no one paid any attention. If the liberal media wanted a scandal, this one has everything: a Congressman who resigns just 6 months after re-election, rumors of his infidelity, a suspicious death, a corrupt medical examiner, inconsistencies in the police report and even the victim's husband, who designs weapons for the Air Force. And yet the story received almost no mention outside the northwest Florida local news, who apparently are the only people who think it's news when a young woman dies of a fractured skull in the office of a U.S. representative with no witnesses, and under strange circumstances.

I'm sure that the fact that Condit is a Democrat, and Scarborough is a Republican has absolutely nothing at all to do with this disparity.

Of course, we all know that even though a corporation owns a news outlet, they can still be fair and unbiased, right? Not long after General Electric (GE) bought NBC, it announced the network should start a political action committee to strengthen its influence in Washington. If an employee failed to cooperate, it would raise questions about their "dedication to the company." I mean, even though GE owns NBC, certainly the CEO of GE could never pressure NBC News to do something so blatantly unethical as to wrongly call an election for his preferred candidate, right? Surely there's another reason that Jack Welch, then-CEO of GE, was in NBC's Election Center in 2000, asking how much it would cost to call the election for Bush (which they did) other than just because Welch

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Cloning Develops and Expands to Kitties

Kristina Wells

Did you hear about the kitty that was cloned? It's not a joke! According to *The New York Times*, scientists at Texas A&M University cloned a kitten this month. It's a cute little calico named cc, a shortened version of "carbon copy." Now people can clone their pets. Just think, Nibbles, Socks or Rusty — whatever cutesy name you've dubbed your pet — can live on and on in generations of cloned pets.

Ok, now that you've had your laugh, let's get down to serious business. Cloning will never be and will never deliver exactly what people tend to want and expect — that is, a perfect and identical copy of a person, place or thing. While cc bears some resemblance to its biological "mother," it has somewhat different markings because a cat's coat coloring can be only partly determined by its genes. The cloned kitten may not have the same personality as the original, so if owners are expecting an instant bond, they may not get it. This new pet may not even like you.

The scientists started out trying to clone a dog, but they failed in all attempts. Then they moved on to cats and produced 87 cloned embryos and only one yielded a live kitten, cc. Cloning in sheep, mice, cows, goats and pigs has a similarly low success rate.

From a political standpoint, cloning raises several ethical questions that will pop up in the speeches, debates and platforms of politicians across the country in upcoming elections.

As quoted directly from *The New York Times*: "Some people oppose any meddling in reproductive matters, whether human or animal. Others deplore the cloning of pets when millions of abandoned animals are left homeless or destroyed each year for want of loving adopters. And if a cloned pet turns out to be medically infirm, as some inevitably will, its suffering would be hard to justify. But there is some hope that similar cloning techniques may help save endangered wild cats or replicate socially valuable animals like search-and-rescue dogs. Some believe that cloned cats will have value in medical research as well. How much better is it to explore such issues in pets rather than humans?"

Here's the big question — how does one decide who (or what) will be cloned? When they finally make that step up to humans, who will they clone? Bill Gates? Britney Spears? George W.? Or maybe that kid who sits next to you in class? Will it be made available to all, or just those who can pay for it?

Do we (both the world and the United States) have the resources for a bigger population? Some would say no. Given that the current American economy is in recession and that Bush is trying to sock us with a multi-trillion dollar spending plan to up military spending, maybe it's not a good idea to bring in more animals or people. But, maybe we are getting a little carried away. This should be years away, right? Right?

Right now, the issue dividing Congress is whether

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Beware of the Ken Lay Bill

A note on this header: At the present moment the latest campaign finance reform bill is on its way to the Senate. Bills are usually named after their originators. If not for Ken Lay and his staff of financial wizards, it is doubtful that Campaign Finance Reform would have made it so far. So whoever tries to pat themselves on the back for this bill, be it Rep. Richard Gephardt, Rep. Marty Meehan, Rep. Christopher Shays, Sen. John McCain or Sen. Russell Feingold, I think that should just be kept in mind. At any rate, the Meehan-Shays bill is just as shady as Kenny-Boy and certainly deserves the honor.

Jason Peck

Rep. Dick Armey, from Texas, proposed an article to the Ken Lay bill that assured Congress it couldn't possibly violate the First Amendment. Congress rejected it. In 1996, Congress passed a law giving the president the power of line-item veto, meaning that the president has the power to pick and choose what is vetoed. There are limits on what can be vetoed under the bill, but Congress still nervously waits for the day when it comes before the Supreme Court, knowing that its unconstitutional status is already in the works. Now it looks like they've done the same thing. The House has overstepped its constitutional authority and knows it.

The problem with the bill comes with its provision that prohibits interest groups from criticizing or questioning congressional candidates in paid ads 30 days before a primary election or 60 days before a general election. Most people don't pay attention until a few weeks before the campaign, but the political junkies watch all the time. Therefore, the House believes it should cut off funds when most people will be watching. The big money argument has made another attempt and failed yet again.

On the outside, it would appear that the sole reason for doing so is to block out negative acts. This is where it really gets shady. The last time I saw a really negative ad was when the Gore campaign released information on Bush's DUIs, but this isn't what they mean. They mean you can't inform viewers on a candidate's position. Let's say, for example, that an interest group wants to inform viewers on Shay's and Meehan's violations of the First Amendment when they're up for re-election this year. It can't be done.

Who gains power from this bill? The incumbents for one. Remember, the bill prohibits questioning campaign ads. The candidates are free to talk all they want. Often times, TV ads will focus on personal attacks, but that doesn't matter. The fact is that interest groups no longer have the power to call a candidate's views into question. I'm sure that an institution like Congress, that has up to 90 percent of its members returning really needs the extra security. The aforementioned Dick Armey also tried to introduce a proposal that would immediately ban all soft money rather than wait a year so the incumbents could benefit now. It was also rejected.

The other winner is the media, who are exempt from such regulations, and can hardly be called to be objective reporters of the news. While I know some would try to give all sides equal access to news, others would no doubt take advantage of their power to give their unchecked spin. Conservatives: more power to Dan Rather. Liberals: more power to Rush Limbaugh. Unlike the War on Terror or abortion, this isn't a test of ideology; it's a matter of constitutional rights.

The bill is unlikely to stand before the Supreme Court, as it violates a court precedent in Buckley v. Valeo, where the Court ruled that ads which advocate the defeat or election of a candidate could be regulated, but ads that just mention a candidate couldn't. Congress may think that it closed an apparent soft-money loophole, but it just went against its duty to pass laws that comply with the document that makes their jobs possible in the first place. Money in politics has been compared to water: it will trickle down where it wants to go. I will write an article apologizing for this one if this bill actually achieves anything. For a while it might, but look at history. Every time someone tried to shut off a channel of money another one opened up. It's just that previous ones weren't quite so unconstitutional.

I wonder if the House would ever admit that the bill violated the Constitution if the Supreme Court strikes it down. If anything, I hope that if this gets struck down by Bush, nobody pulls the "Bush has sided with Big Money instead of the people" argument again. If this bill stands, it sides with the people who wrote it — the incumbents in Congress.

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Earth Matters: Whole/Organic Foods Anyone?

When was the last time you consumed a meal that was prepared from basic whole ingredients? I know that every food product comes from whole ingredients, but I'm referring to whole ingredients that haven't been altered, like raw grains and fresh vegetables.

Perhaps you believe that you are always eating these types of foods. Well, think again. In today's food market, it's rare to purchase something that hasn't been already prepared, genetically modified or infused with preservatives. Let me ask you this: is it natural to put a box in the microwave and have a piping hot meal four minutes later? Have you ever considered why tomatoes in the middle of winter taste more like a BF Goodrich than a vegetable?

Curt Stumpf

So where have we gone so wrong in our eating habits, and what consequences do these habits have for our health? The answers to these questions are rather complex, but just from simple common sense we can make a few assumptions.

Let's take a few things into consideration. Most food products we find in the grocery store are altered in some way from their natural state. Breakfast cereals are puffed and stuffed with sugar and preservatives. Aisle after aisle is dedicated to prepared meals in cans, microwavable entrees and refined sugar products. Produce is grown with pesticides and fertilizers, genetically engineered and shipped from California. We then dump these products into our bodies out of convenience and taste appeal.

The problem with this method of eating is that our bodies run on the fuel we put in them. Yet, today's culture continues to ingest fuel that is a low grade 85 octane instead of super 93. When we get hungry, we grab fast food or a sugary snack out of a machine. The results are noticeable; increased obesity, heart disease and overall unpleasant feelings due to indigestion and fluctuating blood sugar levels. Though reasons for these problems include genetics and other factors, food intake is responsible to a certain degree.

There is a simple answer to our current unhealthy diets — it starts with whole, and ends with foods. Whole foods are the basic ingredients that all other prepared foods are created from. These include raw produce and grains, meat and poultry raised free range and without hormones and other foods without preservatives. The surrounding area offers several alternatives to our unhealthy eating habits, including whole and organic foods.

Malady's meat market, located in the Park Avenue Plaza, provides local farm raised meats and poultry. Unlike most corporate farm products, Malady's meats are free of growth hormones and raised in a free-range atmosphere. Next time you're looking for a good steak, instead of purchasing a pre-wrapped steak from somewhere across the country, stop by Malady's and see what they have to offer.

Nature's Way, located on Park Avenue, is a great source of whole and organic foods. Nature's way carries whole grains, organic milk, and other foods, as well as earth friendly cleaning and hygiene products. They even provide organic and whole grain cereals and beverages.

Meadville has recently witnessed the birth of the area's first Community Supported Agriculture Program (CSA) through local farmer David Yoder. Full year memberships are available that provide a substantial amount of organic produce weekly at extremely reasonable prices. This produce is pesticide and herbicide free, and a special reduced rate is available to college students. For additional information on how to get local organic produce through the CSA, contact either Christopher or Kerry Bakken from the English department.

Another option for whole and organic foods is through the Frankferd Farms Organic foods located in Saxonburg Pennsylvania. Frankferd Farms supplies regular and bulk foods throughout the tri-state area, and is committed to quality organic food and environmental stewardship. Catalog orders to Frankferd Farms can be conducted through the Organic Buying Club, run by the EcoHouse. For additional information, contact junior Erin Leech at leeche@allegheny.edu.

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Unprepared and Chased by Nightmares

I leave my jacket at restaurants. I can't manage to save more than one-eighth of my paycheck. I go to the bar and forget my keys, purse, and, on occasion, my ride. Taking these character traits into consideration, I find it absurd that in approximately three months I will be thrust from the comforts of my college freedom and into the world with flailing arms and red-faced cries like a newborn.

Mandy Matson

For four years now my Uncle Donnie's words have echoed in my ears: "College is the best time of your life. Once you're in the real world you'll miss that responsibility-free lifestyle." The result of this advice is my carefree and ever-pleasant attitude. Despite fulfilling what my Aunt Joann, wife of the aforementioned Uncle Donnie, calls my "happiness quota," I'm finding myself a bit overwhelmed at the threshold I can't seem to pry my grasp from.

My decision last semester to pursue a career in the film industry had me feeling ahead of the game. Now, four months later with one untouched career plan looming in the shadows, it seems the game has caught up.

Perhaps I would be more optimistic if my predecessors had played better role models. After graduation my friend Paul took off for the beaches of Hilton Head with a 3.68 GPA and a bachelor of arts degree. He is currently employed at a surfboard rental where he answers to an overweight caucasian man who can't decide whether to band his hair together and overpower his bald spot or give up and let it fall out completely.

A girl with whom I shared a hallway my sophomore year became an alum after passing the LSATs and graduating magna cum laude. Without the funds to pursue law school, she has taken a position as a cashier at Big Lots located in the Meadville Mall downtown.

Obviously there are numerous Allegheny alumni who have found their niche in the working world and are making loads of friends, babies and money. There is a chance that I, too, will join their ranks. So after 17 years of schooling, countless hours of debate over which college is most attuned to my interests, and the overall act of busting my ass to get where I am, it's good to know that I have a chance of finding a career that will pay more than minimum wage and won't involve donning a paper hat or grease-stained apron.

I had a nightmare the other night that I was sitting at graduation in my underwear. What bothered me more than my near-birthday suit attire, however, was that the boy next to me, who bore a striking resemblance to Homer Simpson, leaned over and whispered, "You'll never get hired like that." What made this ironic was that he wasn't referring to my lack of clothing; he was peering at the resume I held in front of me which listed only my name, address and high school job at Mail Boxes Etc. The nightmare? That this isn't far from the truth.

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Taking a Closer Look at Historical Hypocrisy on the Home Front

For the past few months our crusading Secretary of Defense, Donald Rumsfeld, has frequently declared that the United States should do all it can to crush terrorism. I couldn't agree more, Donnie! Where do I sign up? But before I do, let me ask you this: Isn't it hypocritical for administration officials to be speaking so boisterously of crushing terrorism given the history of U.S. foreign policy? After all, if the gory details of our foreign relations are scrutinized it becomes painfully obvious that the United States has long been a leading supporter of international terrorism.

Blair Anundson

To equate actions of the American state with terrorism, a definition of terrorism is needed. I'll use the U.S. government's own definition of terrorism, as found in the U.S. Code. The Code finds an act of terrorism to be "any activity that (A) involves a violent act or an act dangerous to human life … and (B) appears to be intended (i) to intimidate or coerce a civilian population; (ii) to influence the policy of a government by intimidation or coercion; or (iii) to affect the conduct of a government by assassination or kidnapping." Now that we have an adequate definition of terrorism, and one that comes straight from the horses mouth, we can look at just a few of the many examples of U.S. sponsored terrorism.

Beirut 1985: The CIA, in an attempt to knock off a prominent Muslim cleric whom they disliked, arranges to have a truck bomb go off just outside of a mosque. The bomb kills 80 people and injures 250 others, mostly women and children, but fails to eliminate its target.

Nicaragua 1981-1990: Following the election of Ronald Reagan, the U.S. begins to fund groups opposed to the Sandinistas, the then popular leftist group that overthrew the U.S. backed and dictatorial "Somoza dynasty." Opposition groups, who came to be known as contrarevolucionarios or "Contras" for short, had been conducting small hit and run operations against targets throughout the country from the beginning of Sandinista rule, but were not able to conduct a full scale war against the Sandinistas until U.S. training, funds and weapons began to arrive in 1982.

A large part of the war against Nicaragua involved economic disruption. This included the disruption of the oil industry, and joint CIA/Contra operations succeeded in blowing up oil pipelines and mining the waters of oil-unloading ports. Economic disruption also included aerial bombings and machine-gun attacks on foreign shipping, which had the desired effect of scaring off many potential traders. Agriculture was also a target, and crops, grain silos, irrigation projects, farm houses, machinery, roads, bridges, and trucks were frequently targets of Contra raids.

The war also included ground operations, often against civilians and non-military targets. In 1984, the CIA was forced to disclose that it had prepared a manual for the instruction of its clients that encouraged the use of violence against civilians. The Contras apparently took this to heart, and frequently attacked health centers, schools, agricultural cooperatives and community centers.

During these attacks, it is estimated that the Contras raped, tortured, and killed around 8,000 civilians. An eyewitness report released in The Guardian from a survivor of an attack in the province Jinotega stated that, "Rosa [one of the local women] had her breasts cut off. Then they cut into her chest and took out her heart. The men had their arms broken, their testicles cut off and their eyes poked out." These are the same men that Reagan later called "freedom fighters" and "the moral equivalent of our founding fathers." Apparently believing that the founding fathers had indeed returned from the dead and taken the form of Nicaraguan Contras, Reagan continued to fund and support these groups throughout his presidency.

The Sandinistas brought this case before the World Court, who declared that the U.S. was engaged in an "unlawful use of force," a term often applied to cases of international terrorism this, by the way, makes the United States the only nation ever to be condemned for international terrorism by the World Court.) The Sandinista government also took their case to the U.N. Security Council and to the General Assembly, who both passed resolutions demanding that nations observe international law. The U.S. and Israel were the only two nations opposed.

Cuba 1959 to present day: The U.S. has consistently directed and funded campaigns of terror against the nation of Cuba since the beginning of the Cuban revolution in 1959. Throughout the 1960s Cuba was subjected to raids by U.S. funded exile groups, who carried out operations against oil refineries, chemical plants, railroad bridges, cane fields, and sugar mills and warehouses under the direction of CIA advisors. Attacks on Cuban fishing boats, the bombardment of Soviet vessels in Cuban ports, the harassment of ships conducting business in Cuban ports, and frequent assassination attempts against Fidel Castro were also part of this campaign.

In addition, various Cuban terrorist groups, primarily made up of Cuban exiles, have been harbored and funded by agencies of the U.S. government. Indeed, exile groups like the notorious Omega 7 have repeatedly bombed Soviet embassies and other buildings, as well as U.S. theaters hosting Cuban entertainment groups. Omega 7 was responsible for the bombing of a Cubana Airlines jet in October of 1976, in which 73 people were killed.

These acts certainly fit the definition of terrorism given in the U.S. Code. They are acts dangerous to human life, they are intended to intimidate the civilian population or influence the governments of these nations, and they sometimes involve assassination. As I stated before, these examples are but a few of many. So why isn't the U.S. considered a terrorist state?

Well, like so many things, it is all about how the action is "spun." When groups like al-Qaeda commit horrible acts to promote their cause, they are labeled as "evil-doers" or "murderers," and these labels do indeed fit them. When the American state performs these horrible acts, however, we are "protecting democracy" or "fighting the evils" of your choice, be it terrorism or communism. Men like bin Laden are labeled terrorists, and they certainly fit the bill. Men like Henry Kissinger and Ronald Reagan are never labeled terrorists and by all rights they should be. This is not a matter that can be shrugged off as a question of semantics or a difference in intentions. This is hypocrisy.

So what can we do about this? Well, we can arrogantly dismiss these facts as "commie propaganda" or some other such nonsense. We can quietly brush these truths under the rug in the tradition of all the great empires. Or we can fess up, apologize, offer reparations and demand that the American state start fighting terrorism and stop being a terrorist. This will not be done by our representatives in government, nor will it be accomplished by appealing to transnational bodies like the U.N. or the World Court. It can only be accomplished when ordinary Americans take action and demand that our government hold itself up to a higher standard. It really is up to us.

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owned the company.

And speaking of the election, it was often hard to tell the difference between the media and Bush's own public relations flunkies. Every time a story damaging to Bush came out, be it the illegal abortion for a girlfriend, insider trading, going AWOL during his National Guard duty, the DUIs or cocaine abuse, the question was not, "Is it true?" but rather, "Did Gore leak it?" Meanwhile, Gore couldn't order breakfast without the media twisting his words around, "misquoting" him, or just plain lying about what he said. Even the reporters covering Gore were biased against him.

During the first Gore-Bradley debate, reporters watching from the press room openly booed Gore. A Lexis-Nexis search turns up almost 14,000 stories about Bill Clinton's draft dodging, but less than 50 about Bush's military desertion. So, Clinton avoids military service, and it's a scandal; Bush disappears in the midst of his tour with the National Guard, and it's not news because why?

Conservatives can control the media from the White House, too. While I hope that people in the Bush administration aren't quite so stupid as to actually keep a physical list, it often seems like they do indeed have a press blacklist. And it doesn't seem to take much to get on Bush's bad side. Last year, one reporter pointed out that Bush seemed poorly informed during a press briefing on the bombing of Iraq. Press Secretary Ari Fleicher snapped,"The president's actions and his words are supported by all but the most partisan Americans."

According to some in the White House press pool, the *Houston Chronicle*'s Bennett Roth has had it rough in press conferences ever since he raised a question about substance abuse shortly after Bush's teenage daughters were caught drinking at a bar. Fleischer even later called Roth to let him know the question had been "noted in the building."

With Bush's war on terror in full swing, things have gotten worse. According to another White House pool reporter, press briefings have "a little sense of, 'This is wartime, how dare you ask those questions?'"

Now I'm not suggesting that the government and the media are going to go 1984 on us, or that there's a secret cabal of conspirators that rules all this, but there's a disturbing trend in the news to cater to one side of the political agenda. Just last year, executives from CNN met with House Republicans to see what he could do to give them more coverage on CNN. Shortly after Sept. 11, at least two newspaper columnists lost their jobs after writing pieces that were somewhat critical of Bush. MSNBC.com deleted a story that mentioned that Pentagon officials admitted intentionally bombing a Red Cross warehouse in Kabul. It seems to me that what we need in the media isn't a more conservative point of view; what we need is some objectivity and ethics.

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cloning technology should be used with human cells in an approach to fighting disease. No one here is saying that people should be cloned — at least, not yet — but that cloning technology can be used to make early embryos that can be used as a source of stem cells, the master cells that can be used to grow any kind of cell or tissue in the body. A doctor could take a tiny amount of skin from a patient and use it to grow that patient a new heart or a batch of replacement brain cells. No organ donor would be necessary, thus saving time, possibly money and almost certainly a life. Opponents say that this would be destroying a tiny human life through the harvesting of embryonic cells to save the life of someone who is ill. Proponents say that a bunch of cells is not a human life.

The House has already passed a bill that would ban all human cloning. Let's see how this develops.

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Last but not least, organic and whole foods are often located in certain sections of the grocery store. Though these products are often more expensive, they are worth the price for their increased quality and the health benefits. So, the next time you consider buying that flat of top ramen or another box of mac and cheese, take some time and a few extra bucks and treat your body to a healthy meal. You might be surprised at how much better you feel.

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ASG Rejects Bylaw that Limited Protest Money

By RAY REIGADAS
Staff Reporter

At the Allegheny Student Government meeting last Tuesday, its members and members of activist groups on campus debated a proposed new bylaw to the ASG constitution, which would have limited groups' abilities to attend protests.

Although the bylaw was ultimately rejected by a large margin, the larger issue of ASG's budgetary problems still remains.

The proposed bylaw, as read by Controller Andy DiVincentis, read, "ASG will not allocate funds for the purpose of protests. Organizations wishing to attend protests can petition the Finance Committee for alternative funding options."

In order to become law, a proposal must pass a vote by ASG for two consecutive weeks. It had been successfully voted on the week before.

The bylaw would not have prevented student groups from attending protests, but they would've had to pay for the trip themselves and would not be able to petition the general fund for money.

Members of the Finance Committee, which created the legislation, said that they were not eager to take such a drastic step, but as Treasurer Tina Wyland pointed out in the meeting, "We just don't have enough money in the General Fund for protests."

According to ASG, there has been an increase in student organizations on campus for several years and the general fund has remained at $10,000 per year — a mere fraction of the total sum of all budgets given to student groups. Also, during the past few years, there have been more requests for money from activist groups to help pay for attending protests.

Vice President of Finance Marcus Buckley also spoke at the meeting and was asked about the possibility of an increase in the general fund.

Buckley suggested that the College might raise the activities fee, which is currently $10 per student, although he stressed that there are currently no plans to do so at this time. "As far as I know, there hasn't been a proposal to increase the budget," Buckley said.

The proposal drew the opposition of a number of students on campus, in particular members of Students for Environmental Action and Amnesty International.

Students from these groups said that they understand ASG's budget crunch and that they were not asking for money from the general fund, but wanted the opportunity to do so if they could not secure funding through normal channels, such as fundraising, in the future.

Representatives from both groups spoke out against the bylaw at the meeting. First-year Mike DiSantis said that if a group can only pay for a protest out of its budget, then a group that depends on ASG's funding would be unable to budget for themselves in the future.
Also, DiSantis argued that not all protests can be planned months in advance, and that it would be difficult, if not impossible, to predict how much would be spent on travelling to protests ahead of time.

DiSantis confronted the assertion that protests do not bring anything back to campus, pointing out the panels and forums that SEA and Amnesty have held on campus, such as the School of Americas protest and an upcoming discussion on SEA's participation in the World Economic Forum protests in New York City.

Senior Colleen Unroe made the argument that such a limitation proposed by the bylaw would be counterproductive to Allegheny's stated goal of civic engagement, which is a major thrust of its involvement in Project Pericles, an initiative taken by several colleges to make social responsibility a central part of a college education.

Senior Dave Homans, the president of SEA, said that the bill was too vaguely worded, failing to actually define what constituted a protest and what did not. He pointed out that protests almost always are more than just a demonstration, and that in his experience there were also teach-ins, lectures and conferences at protests.

Also present at the meeting was John Hutto, the Mid-Atlantic Regional Director for Amnesty International. In a brief speech, Hutto emphasized the importance of protest in our society, explaining that every major change in America, such as lowering the voting age, the civil rights acts, and women's suffrage, were the result of protest movements.

The bylaw also had its detractors within ASG. Attorney General and senior Matt Meehan said that he "just wanted every student to have an equal shot" at getting money. Meehan also echoed a statement by Hutto about the constitutionality and legality of effectively limiting students' abilities to engage in protests and demonstrations. "It seems to me to be a blanket ban on one type of free speech," he said.

Some saw the debate over the issue as a positive event. According to Dean of Students Joe DiChristina, who was in attendance, "I loved the debate. That's exactly what student government should be."

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Allegheny's "The Man Show" is another new addition to ACTV. Co-produced by sophomore Ryan Olsovsky and junior Bart Plyler, the show intends to follow couples on dates and offer tips for a fun weekend.

"Critique This" is a film critique show that debuted in the Fall of 2001 and is hosted by junior Kelly Shaeffer and junior Tom Everest. "The first semester was really about getting the kinks out," Shaeffer said. Along with movie critiques, the show is full of entertainment and even a few guests. "We just flow with the show, it's a fun experience for sure," Everest said.

Unlike most of the groups and organizations on campus, ACTV receives no funding. The station, channel 11, airs only on campus.

"I think the station would have a lot of potential if it had funding. It could really go places," Everest said.

"Gator Groove," which is ACTV's longest running program, started in the fall of 1999. Produced by Rex, the show is a music video program that features hits from up and coming artists as well as student-produced music videos from the communication arts 300 class.

"@ Allegheny," under the direction of senior Jamie Williams, allows students to take a closer look at public figures brought in by the Centerstage Subscription Series. This show is in its second year of production.

"Critique This," "Gator Groove," "Absolut Allegheny" and "@ Allegheny" all air Thursday nights from 10 p.m. 12 p.m. "I think the lineup that they have this semester will be successful, just because there are so many different kinds of shows," Chalmers said.

Aside from these shows, ACTV is currently airing an Up 'til Dawn special twice daily. The station also aired Man of the Year, Orchesis, and the Playshop Theatre Production "Studpuppy." Early in March, ACTV cameras will be all over the scene at SAMS, March 2 in the Campus Center and the Up 'til Dawn Dance Marathon, March 6 in the Wise Center.

For more information about ACTV or a complete show schedule, e-mail Jeremy Rex at rexj@allegheny.edu or visit http://webpub.allegheny.edu/group/actv/.

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The counseling center will also be holding open hours for screening for people who think they or a friend may have a problem with body image or an eating disorder on Feb. 22, 26, and on March 1.

Students in need may also receive advice from a nutritionist and/or psychiatrist, and the center is able to make referrals for more intensive treatment.

A follow-up event, a Belly Dancing workshop, will be held on March 5 at 7:30 p.m. in the Montgomery Dance Studio. Advanced sign-up is necessary as space is limited.

Brahler said one main difference between this year's awareness week and years past is the number of campus organizations and staff members who have helped coordinate the event.

"I was very happy to have so many people offer to help out," Brahler added.

This year's week was assisted by the Ophelia Project Advisory Council, the Psychology department, Women's Studies, Pan-Hellenic Council, Inter-Fraternity Council, Athena House, the Athletic department, the Dance department and the Office of Public Affairs.

In addition, numerous faculty members have offered extra credit to those students in their classes who attend events this week.

THE CAMPUS
WEEKEND *Features, Music, Movies, Humor*

'8-Hour Drawings' Sparks Creativity

By SARAH JOSEPH
Assistant Weekend Editor

Ten artists from across the country had eight hours to express themselves on the walls of Allegheny's Penelec gallery last Saturday, Feb. 16 for the annual *8-Hour Drawings*.

The drawing began at 10 a.m under the watchful eyes of spectators and continued until 7 p.m. Each artist (or artists in the case of the two collaborative teams) was assigned a wall space of approximately 10 feet by 10 feet to draw on. The artists were not limited to any specific materials and that freedom made for some dramatically different creations with mediums such as graphite, erasers, chalk, reeds, tape, paint, rubber, and snap shots of spectators.

One of the most fascinating parts of the event was that the observers became a part of the work. Bruce Adams, an artist from Buffalo, N.Y., made this idea the center of his drawing, "Drawings from Pictures of People Watching Drawings."

Adams expanded upon a theme he has been working with, which focuses on the way people all over the world look at and interact with art. For him the camera is an interesting lens through which people often view art, so he incorporated the camera into his work by taking pictures of people in the gallery throughout the day. He then sketched a mural composed of the individuals in the Polaroids. Adams said, "The people became part of the history of my art."

Barbara Bernstein, an artist from Pittsburgh, spoke at the opening on Tuesday, Feb. 19, and explained how her work was quite different from Adams'. Unlike many of the artists Bernstein purposely tried not to premeditate what she would do. She pulled up to Allegheny with her car packed full of wire, rubber, trash bags and graphite, came in the gallery, looked at the space she had to work with and began creating.

In describing her approach to art Bernstein said, "I empty myself of emotion and just be [wherever I am]." Her black and white creation on one of the most difficult walls to work with, because of an air duct, is called "Avoiding the Collapse of Enclosed Spaces."

Adrienne Henrich from Murrysville and the collaborative team of John Lysak, from Cambridge Springs and his two students Thomas Hall and Derek Knizner, have their works side by side in the gallery.

The motive behind both of these creations is historical but they are very different approaches. Henrich, a professor at a Catholic College, was influenced heavily by an experience with her students, the Catholic Churchand memory. Her drawing, "Life in Memory," is not necessarily religious, but it deals with different memories everyone can have of the same person. The memory she based her drawing came from a young girl whom she never met, but learned of she investigated an abandoned shrine on the campus where she teaches with her students.

Lysak, Hall, and Knizner used mostly silk screens and concrete images to develop what Lysak called "a memorial to the last century." "Around Again" attempts to address issues of human rights violation, death and destruction.

These artists said that the main reason they decided to do such a negative drawing is because their drawing will only remain on the wall until the end of March, when it will be painted over and put out of mind like much of the sadness of the last century.

John Bowman and Ann Shostrom from State College and New York City, respectively, are a collaborative team who covered their space with graphite and "drew" or rather erased the entire drawing entitled "Heap."

Anne Lopez's work, "Twenty Five", is among the most colorful. She is from Pitts burgh . She used tape, acrylic and paints for her designs. Marilee Key's, who hails from Auburn, AL, mysterious work, "Reed Lines," is constructed of nails and reeds.

The seven walls created at the *8-Hour Drawings* exhibit, along with "Bonnie Ford Woit: Paintings" and "Robert Beckman: The Map Room,"are currently on display and can be viewed until March 26.

The Penelec gallery is open Tuesday through Friday from 12:30 to 5 p.m., Saturday from 1:30 to 5 p.m. and Sunday from 2 to 4 to p.m. and is located in the Doane Hall of Art.

IN THE MAKING



WORK IN PROGRESS—Adrienne Heinrich from Murrysville stopped to see how her painting was turning out during the formation of the *8-Hour Drawings* exhibit this past Saturday in the Penelec gallery.

—photo by Nory Sams, Photography Editor

Trustee Scholars' Program Gets Face-lift

By NICOLE GERAGHTY
Weekend Editor

This year the 2002 Trustee Scholars' Program has undergone important changes in its design.

"Scholars weekend has been a huge success, and is very important to us," said Associate Director of Admissions Jennifer Decker. "Practically half of the students here receive trustee scholarships."

In the past, eligible students had interviews with faculty members, however, this year Admissions designed something a little different. "We know that faculty interaction is very important to prospective students, and we didn't want to take that away from them," Decker said. Instead of having one on one interviews with faculty students will now attend a reception on the balcony of the Campus Center with their family where they can mingle with faculty freely. "It's more of a social gathering, " Decker said. Students will also be able to meet with a faculty member from more than one department.

Prior to their visit, each prospective student filled out an academic interest card rating their interests from one to four in academic departments. After the initial reception students and their family will sit down to breakfast with a faculty member of their selected academic interest. Three perspective students will be matched with a professor who has volunteered to meet them. " This way, not just the scholars are involved, but the parents are a parts of the process as well," Decker said.

The change in Admissions came after extensive research and response from prospective students. "We need to reevaluate and talk to faculty so we can get feedback from them and see if they feel the need for change," Decker said.

Besides the interview sessions, events for Scholars' weekend will be the same. Students will still host prospective students. 120 in all are expected to visit and Decker is quite pleased with the outcome. Training sessions for Scholars' weekend will be held Wednesday, Feb. 20 and Thurs. Feb.21 at 6:30 p.m. in the Multicultural floor of the Campus Center.

Decker is very hopeful about this new change in Scholars' weekend. "We are always trying to improve our programs," she said. "We are assured that this new program will work out based on our research."

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'Hart's War' Is Patriotic Disappointment

Hart's War" is the newest in a slew of American flag waving war films flagrantly preying off of America's new sense of patriotism. Right after the movie I was instantly inspired to stop at Country Fair and purchase an "I Support America" key-chain.

After sitting through "Hart's War" I am now convinced that any screenwriter/director could gain complete financial backing from a major Hollywood studio by pitching only two simple words, "America" and "war."

The movie starts off with Lt. Tommy Hart (Colin Farrell) being ambushed and tortured by the German military. He eventually cracks and reveals top secret information only to be imprisoned in a concentration camp. Once inside, Hart finds an intricate network of functioning American military units headed by Colonel McNamara (Bruce Willis). After some questioning, it is determined by Willis that Lt. Hart had buckled under the torture and is not allowed to reside in the officer's barracks — instead he must live with low ranked soldiers.

Once he has established residence in the soldier's quarters, two African American Tuskegee airmen officers are also placed under the same roof. Much to Hart's dismay racial turmoil rages between them and the other white soldiers. The most vocal racist winds up dead and one of the African American officers, Lt. Lincoln Scott (Terrence Howard) is put on a pseudo-trial (more for entertainment of the German officers than for justice).

Willis appoints Hart to the job of defending Lt. Scott. The only problem is Willis will not allow Lt. Hart to use the main arguments of his defense because it will give away special tactics used by the American's to escape their bunks during the night.

The film was basically your run



Movie Review
By JOHN RAUCCI

of the mill courtroom drama with an added concentration camp twist. The director, Gregory Hoblit (Primal Fear) couldn't decide whether he wanted to focus the morality of the story around race or wartime honor. When he finally does decide he actually makes the film worse by giving the audience a bunch of melodramatic plot twists at the end. These consisted of seeing what soldier had the bigger gahonies and who would die for the "true" definition of honor (commence flag waving now please).

The characters in the film were mind numbingly dull. Colin Farrell's Lt. Hart is a naïve, new kid on the block with the "why can't we all just get along" mentality that makes you want to vomit. The racism in the US army was way to strong for him to not fully recognize it for what it was; although we do gain a sense of admiration towards him because of his persistency in doing what was right despite the odds. Willis' character was generically flat , and I wonder if he realized this while playing the role because he did not change facial expressions once during the film's entirety.

The only real interesting aspect of the story was the parallel drawn between the way that the Nazi's dealt with Jewish men and women in their concentration camp and how America treated African Americans. Willis' character boldly tells the German officer that they were wrong for killing a few Russian soldiers simply because they felt the Russians were inferior.

Later on the officer highlights Willis' hypocrisy by pointing out how he wouldn't let the Tuskegee officers stray in the officer's barracks simply because of the color of their skin. But all together, the message felt like it was too little, too late.

Jim O'Rouke Shines with Rock and Pop in 'Insignificance' Release

Straight up rock and roll is not exactly dominating the airwaves right now. Instead, all I see is self-indulgent whiney people cashing in on the market of self-hate and selling it to teenagers everywhere. Only the most comfortable of upbringings could make suffering so romantic. So, with that said, what ever happened to just a good kick-ass rock record?

In order for me to get my rock and roll fix I would usually pull out a Velvet Underground album, or The Beatles, MC5, Iggy Pop (sigh). But just recently a record came out by Jim O'Rouke, titled *Insignificance* — a beautifully crafted record that combines rock with melodic pop.

O'Rouke usually lends his talents to other bands either through recording and producing or playing on an album here and there; he is lately known as the fifth member of Sonic Youth where he contributed a great deal on their last album, *NYC Ghost and Flowers*. His new full-length album blends great driving rock and roll reminiscent of the 1960s with catchy hooks while playing around with song structure.

Keyboards, vibes, cornets and saxophones get used on this album along with guitars, bass and drums to create driving songs that are all very catchy. Vibes and cornets are not common on rock records but it gets pulled off quite nicely on this release.

There is also a lap steel guitar and an acoustic guitar that make an appearance on the album. The opening song is a jarring blues song complete with softly sung lyrics and numerous



Music Review
By DON THOMAS

breakdowns that get carried with guitar solos. "Don't believe a word I say / and I bet you will anyway / I may be insincere," O'Rouke sings.

Keyboards with some sort of delay or echo pedal open the next song sounding a bit like birds chirping high up on a branch. The piano is the primarily instrument backed by drums and bass which then gives way to another rock song with pounding drums and O'Rouke singing, "I'm getting better everyday."

Not a fan of songs drenched in electric guitar? The song titled "Life Goes Off" is very slow and mellow with lyrics that sound like they are being whispered. The vibes and lap steel meander in the back ground playing off one another meticulously. I feel like I'm walking on a desert when I listen to it. Immediately following is another toned down song with emphasis on guitar picking. "I'd like nothing more then / To watch the desperation on your face," O'Rouke sings, guided by delicate open chord strumming.

The final song has a long instrumental breakdown and that sounds somewhat similar to jazz with its walking bass lines. "If I would die with these things gone / I will be frozen with a smile," sings O'Rouke behind music building up for another break down. The album ends with a dissonant building feed back, echoing his work with Sonic Youth.

On a whole the album is a great listen, mellow and rocking at the same time. WARC just recently got this album in rotation, so tune in and drop out with Jim O'Rouke. WARC's number is 332-5275.

Summer Programs Office Plans Ahead

By JASON PECK
Staff Reporter

While summer finds a majority of Allegheny students heading for home, Allegheny has always offered events and activities for those who stay in town. The newly established Office of Summer Programs and Conferences will now organize such events during summer 2002, while also providing new jobs for students.

According to Director of Summer Programs and Conferences and alum Liz Andracki '95, "I find it particularly gratifying to be in a position to help enhance the reputation of the College, expand its visibility and generate previously untapped revenue. I feel I've been given a very real hand in shaping the future of the College. It's a responsibility I take very seriously."

The goals of the summer programs remain the same: to encourage a diverse campus community and to provide a space where businesses, schools and organizations in the community can host activities.

These opportunities aim to benefit anyone in the community, from elementary and high school students and their parents, to faculty and counselors and Allegheny students.

Such opportunities provided by the Office of Summer Programs and Conferences include the Neuroscience & Humanities Summer Institute, the dance and athletics camps for children, aesthetic experiences for teachers and a wide range of performances.

The Summer Programs centerpiece event will be the Allegheny College Summer Music Festival, a celebration of music also sponsored by Allegheny's Music Outreach Program. Featured will be a residency by the Cavani String Quartet of Cleveland. Also on the planner are performances by Professor of Music Alec Chien, as well as guest artists Kenneth Cooper, Stephen Salter and others. The festival, which will last 10 days, will offer teaching and learning opportunities for musicians on campus and the community as a whole.

Events scheduled through the office for 2002 include a summer theatre workshop taught by Assistant Professors of Communication Arts Dan Crozier and Martin Marchitto, and Roberta Levine; soccer camps for boys and girls of various ages; a band camp for adult musicians.

Allegheny also plans to offer courses for alumni this summer, which include Professor of History Bruce Clayton's "Extra Innings: Baseball and American Culture," which will even include a special appearance by alum and pro-baseball veteran Glenn Beckert '62. Professor of English Jim Bulman will teach "Brush Up Your Shakespeare: Play and Performance," and Professor of Chemistry Glen Rodgers will teach "Traveling with the Atom."

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Mad About Meadville:
Stop by Gospel Book and Supply

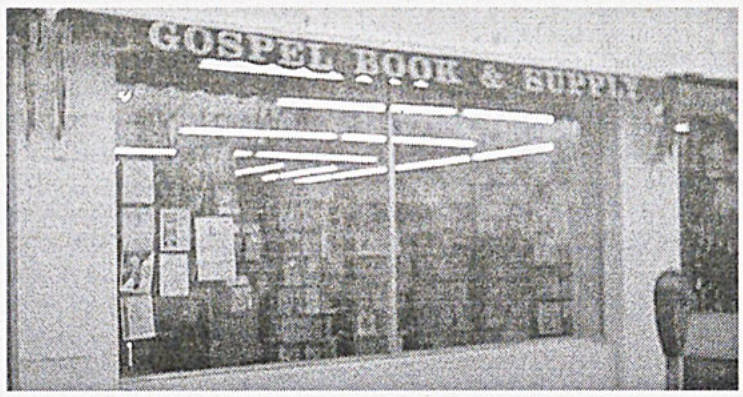
By JENNA NIGRO
Staff Reporter

On Park Avenue, right next to Nature's Way and its selection of herbal foods and medicines stands another store looking to improve your health, but this time, your spiritual health.

The Gospel Book and Supply store is a Christian bookstore. Owner Keith Watson said that his parents started the business in 1958. It began as a small store and changed location several times before its current location at 888 Park Ave. in downtown Meadvile.

Watson said the primary mission of the store is to "distribute the word of God through the printed page." He said that the store does a large portion of its business through Sunday School curriculum within a 60 mile radius. However, others find the store useful. "Christian bookstores are not plentiful. That probably makes it rather unique," Watson said.

The store boasts shelves of fiction, non-fiction and children's books. The most popular items are various translations of the Bible, Watson said, along with the fiction books. He mentioned that people tend to buy more fiction than non-fiction books that might actually help them more. He called it "one of the sadder trends in the Christian bookstore industry."



SPREAD THE WORD—The Gospel Book and Supply store is located at 888 Park Ave. in downtown Meadville.

—photo by Audrey Courchesne, Assistant Photography Editor

Watson also said that college students can find useful items in the store. "A few students from Allegheny came in recently looking for a book of daily devotions," he said.

Aside from books, the store sells a variety of other items. Cards, gift-wrap, candles, and mugs share the shelves with t-shirts, CDs of contemporary Christian music, videos, sheet music and posters. Many of the items share a Christian message.

Anna Marie Creighton said that she was looking for music to play in church. It was Creighton,s first visit to the store. "It's hard to find a store that has this selection of music," she said.

The Gospel Book and Supply Store is open Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays from 9:30a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Fridays from 9:30a.m. to 8:00p.m. The store is closed Wednesdays and Sundays. For more information call 724-6545.

Need to Relax? Visit the Meditation House Today

By CAM TERWILLIGER
Staff Reporter

Seniors Curt Stumpf, Kelly Mack, Isaac Kerns and junior Jessica Roberts are working to bring a little peace of mind to Allegheny and the Meadville community through the "Meditation and Mindfulness" house.

Located at 377 Sherman St. by College Court, the Meditation and Mindfulness house is a special interest house that concentrates on meditation and living a "harmonious" lifestyle.

"Our goal is to provide nondenominational, weekly guided meditations to members of both the College and the community. We also try to provide a relaxed atmosphere for anyone to unwind in at any point during the week," Roberts said.

During the guided meditations, which take place every Thursday at 7:30 p.m., a member of house presents a particular idea of meditation for those in attendance, and everyone shuffles into the "meditation room" and begins to meditate for around 20 minutes. The main idea of the exercise is to create a rejuvenating or enlightening experience by emptying the mind.

"We all try to take turns guiding the meditation each week. Each person adds their own 'flavor' to the experience," Roberts said.

The mood of each meditation depends on the leaders and the meditators, and what the housemates experience during the week usually has a profound bearing on how they conduct the meditations.

"I occasionally lead meditations. However, the students in the house are the primary leaders," said Director of Career Services Melissa Barnes, who co-advises the Meditation house with Director of Counseling Services Jacquie Kondrot. Barnes, who also has experience in meditation, yoga and various body therapies, will lead a shiatsu massage session within the upcoming months.

The designated leader, during regular meditations at the house, starts by offering some tips that help focus participants unfamiliar with mediation, while reminding the group about the importance of rhythmic breathing, visualization and clearing the mind.

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Listen To Your Body

A Series of Events: February 21-28, 2002

At each event that you attend, you will be automatically entered into a raffle for the prize drawing on Feb. 28th

Thursday, February 21st, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m., Carnegie Hall, Room 212:

What A Girl Wants

This short film, presented by The Ophelia Project Advisory Council, is an up-to-date look at how the media presents girls through pop icons like Britney Spears.

Monday, February 25th, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m., Ford Chapel:

Body, Books, and Booze: 3 challenges for today's college students

A presentation by Anita Sinicrope-Maier, MSW, and founder of Pennsylvania's Educational Network for Eating Disorders, followed by a panel discussion with a nutritionist, nurse, and person in recovery.

Information Table: *Post Office and Brooks Hall 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.*

Tuesday, February 26th, all day, throughout campus:

Reflection Day

Boycott looking in mirrors today! You will notice that many of the campus bathroom mirrors are covered with paper on which thought-provoking questions and positive affirmations are written. Reflect on your inner self.

Wednesday, February 27th, all day, throughout campus:

Inside-Out Day

Write your best inner qualities on the inside of your shirt, flip it out, & celebrate your inner beauty!

Thursday, February 28th, 7:00 - 8:30 p.m., Montgomery Gym:

Celebrate Your Body

This "body fair" will include FREE massages, a yoga session and a dance movement workshop. Also, the drawing for 5 fabulous prizes including gift certificates to your favorite places will be held here!

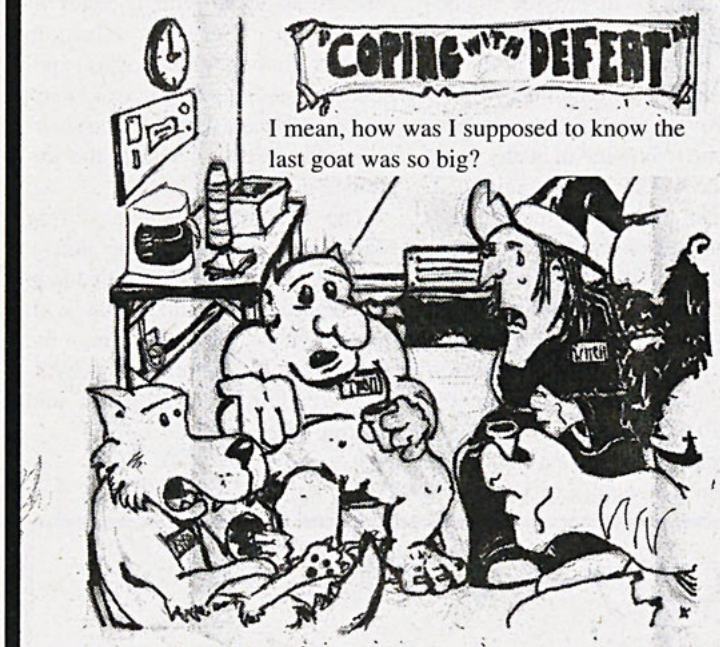
Events are part of National Eating Disorder Awareness Week. Sponsored by: The Counseling Center and E.D.A.W. Committee with assistance from The Ophelia Project Advisory Council, The Psychology Department, Women's Studies, Pan-Hellenic Council, Inter-Fraternity Council, Athena House, The Athletic Department, The Dance Department, The Art Department and Public Affairs.

Weekend Where@bouts

Band: Mr. Nimbus, ESQUEVES
When: Tuesday, Feb. 26, 9p.m.
Where: Club Laga
How Much: $6 adavance/ $8 day of show
Misc: all ages

Bands: Pikadori, My Hotel Year, The Imports, One Perfect Crime
When: Sunday, Feb 24th, 6:30 PM
Where: Mr. Roboto Project (722 Wood St, Wilkinsburg)
How Much: $5
Misc: All Ages. Info: http://www.therobotoproject.org

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A CARTOON BY CAM TERWILLIGER



A Fairy Tale Villian Support Group

UNPLEASANT THOUGHTS

—a column by Matt Meehan

Perhaps my favorite thing about the Meadville experience has to do with the Genesis Network, 88.3 on your FM dial. Just a few clicks away from WARC, and the National Public Radio station that barely comes through, even on a clear day, you will find the pinnacle of informed, balanced news coverage, broadcast near a sign on the road just past Perkins. This is perhaps the most intriguing aspect of the holistic educational experience that we often take for granted here in sunny Crawford County.

Where else but on our beloved local militia station can we learn the truth about our freedom? Who else has the courage to label not just the Democrats in government, but indeed the Republicans as well, to be base socialists? Who else could intimate to us that every scam, every kidnapping, and every sordid sex scandal are government plots designed to con us into buying more copies of People Magazine, the USA Today, and anything else advertised on the major "communist" news outlets such as CNN and Fox News? Why, none other than the beloved Alex, with his gravel-throated delivery and total disregard for fact, logic, and common sense.

I've been listening to quite a bit of these tirades lately, and I'm frightened to admit that, at times, I find myself agreeing with bits of it. While I've managed to resist the more extreme arguments, like when they insist that Fox's upcoming "Glutton Bowl" is a sign of the apocalypse (though I do expect a cosmic punishment of a lesser scope), there are times when I feel like calling the program and describing myself as the ever-popular "first time caller, long time listener." Overall, the net effect is a severe upsurge in my level of grizzledness, and a sharp decline in the amount of tolerance I have for anyone who makes a mint by going over the heads of the honest, hard-working men and women of my community.

So, you can probably imagine my disgust with the front-page article from Monday's issue of the *New York Times*, describing how American corporations headquartered in America are incorporating themselves, obtaining the charters that legitimate their ability to make unnecessary crap and abuse workers throughout the world, in Bermuda. This move is ideal because this popular vacation destination, a point on the spooky triangle in the middle of the Atlantic Ocean, has no income tax structure; thus, by incorporating in Bermuda, these companies are able to dodge millions upon millions of tax expenditures that they would have incurred had they incorporated in America. Yet at the same time, because their offices are headquartered in the United States, they receive the full protection of our courts, our infrastructure, our international trade policy, and our democratic system of government.

In fact, they probably receive more protection than the average citizen does, because they're huge corporations, which we all know are supposedly unable to fend for themselves. That's why we let them incorporate in Bermuda in the first place, because it's not enough to give these companies and their chief executives the largest tax cuts imaginable in an effort to stimulate the economy. This, in turn, creates jobs for which nobody is qualified because the money normally set aside for job-training programs goes directly to the tax cuts. But this is far better than squandering a surplus on helping those who have trouble feeding their children or affording the pills they need to live. They've probably never even been to Bermuda.

All of this grumping about taxes – something I've been accused of liking as much as spending in the past - is exactly what I'm talking about. If weapons didn't frighten me so severely, I'd be hard pressed to say that I'm not turning into a separatist gun nut. That "Don't Tread on Me" flag that's always for sale at the roadside stand in front of Sunoco keeps looking better and better in the back of the truck that I'm sure I'll ownsooner or later. But if it makes sense, if it feels right, then why not do it?

With that in mind, here's my next gripe: the occupation tax. This is something that hasn't rubbed off so well on me during my time at Allegheny. Everyone, seemingly regardless of net annual income, pays $10 for the privilege of working in Crawford County. They do this in Allegheny County as well, but it never bothers me as much when I'm at home because I always have my parents' food and booze to fall back upon. But up here, $10 can go a long, long way. It usually has to.

Now, consider this idea of a flat occupation tax, as it pertains to two individuals with vastly different annual incomes. For example, the work study student who makes $500 a semester, and the college administrator who makes $1 million a year. To the student, those $10 equals one percent of their annual take. One percent isn't that much, when taken out of 1,000. But one percent of one million is $10,000. That $10,000 could go a long way toward alleviating the budgetary constraints imposed by all the major companies who flee the country seeking a tax haven. Now, I'm no expert on the tax code, but I'm fairly adept at pinpointing instances of unfairness. And if the local occupation tax really is the same for everyone, then perhaps the president of the College should make a $10,000 contribution to the charity of my choice.

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

Capricorn (December 22 - January 19): Although you thought that the novelty of being surrounded by a crowd would wear off by now, you're still in an unusually social mood. Other people, whether they are amusing or annoying, are grist for your mill at the moment. Work these new best friends naturally into your schedule without demeaning or manipulating them. As long as you find time to spend with old friends while cultivating new friendships, no one's feelings will get hurt. Enjoy being on the inside of the circle for a change.

Aries (March 21 - April 19): Everyone can see that you're anxious, but you don't have to accomplish everything at once. The best course of action right now is to start slowly and pick up speed as you go. You have the concentration and self-control to move at any pace that feels appropriate, but attention to details is a must. Associates may find you self-absorbed, but it does get the job done. Stay focused on the first project you start before moving onto the next one.

Taurus (April 20 - May 20): You're doing just fine on your own, Taurus, so don't pay attention to anyone who tries to convince you otherwise. Do your best to ignore the pressure of good ideas that come from elsewhere. You're being edged away from your comfortable roots and into unfamiliar territory, but you have all the survival skills you need. Neophytes surrender too much in their pursuit of the cutting edge. There's nothing wrong with trying to cling to the familiar until you get your bearings.

Gemini (May 21 - June 21): You should know by now that you can't judge a book by its cover, Gemini. Actual appearance only hints at some unseen impact that is yet to be revealed. Even though you are perfectly in control, your metaphysical wrestling match looks a lot like a crazy dance to those who don't understand. For intellectuals, it doesn't get any better than this. Pass the hours away with people who get where you're coming from and want to go along on the next journey with you anyway

Cancer (June 22 - July 22): In a game that is this precarious, you have to work whatever angles you can find. Confusing rules might work to your advantage if no one else is clear about them, either. The Moon's current Sign blows up a friendly smoke screen behind which all Water Signs can hide. For the time being, you're innocent until proven guilty. Use your free time to prepare a defense in case you need one eventually. If indeed it does come to pass, the trial should be quick and virtually painless.

Leo (July 23 - August 22): A lot of time has gone by since you started a long-forgotten project, and now it's time to revisit your plans and see if they still make sense. Be sure to make an attempt to stay flexible just in case someone comes up with a different idea. This is a much more competitive game than when you were playing, and everyone is out for themselves. The needs of a loved one might throw your train

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THE CAMPUS

SPORTS

Scores, Schedules, News, Features

Lady Gators Advance; Battle Wittenberg Tonight

By LOU KLEIN
Sports Editor

There's a saying in sports that says offense wins games, but defense wins championships. The Allegheny women's basketball team knew they would have to step up the defensive pressure in order to advance in the NCAC tournament. The Lady Gators rose to the challenge with a dominating defensive performance Tuesday night to defeat Kenyon 73-60 in front of a lively crowd at the Wise Center.

"It was really one of our best games of the year," Head Coach Jennifer Reimer said. "We were very aggressive at both ends of the floor, and I was very happy about that." It was indeed a brilliant performance on the glass, as Allegheny (15-10) out-rebounded Kenyon 49-27. After allowing Kenyon to shoot nearly 50 percent in the first half, the Gator defense stifled the Ladies (12-12), holding them to only 28 percent from the floor.

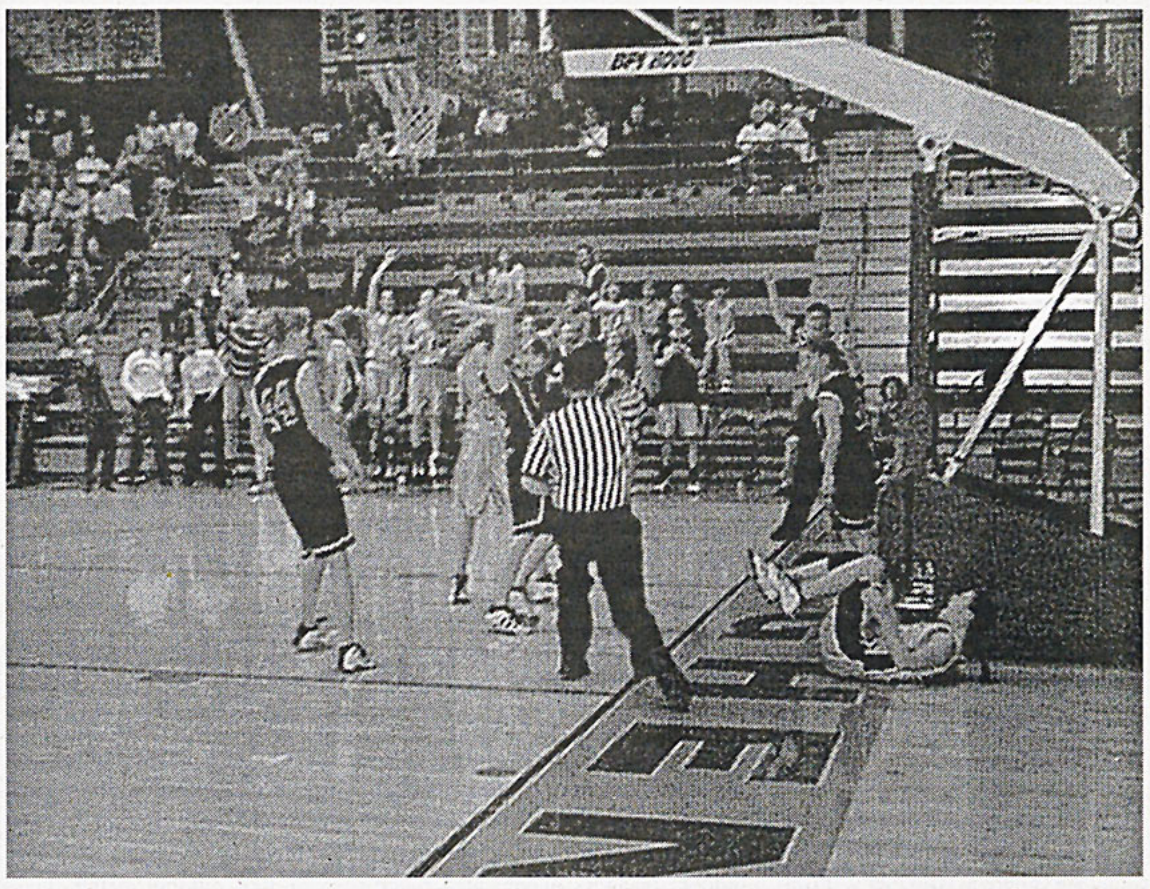
The Gators did not forget about their offense either. Allegheny hit exactly 50 percent of their shots in the win. Sophomore guard Jessica Kankoski powered the Gators once again, scoring a team-high 23 points. Kankoski was sizzling from the field, hitting 10 of 15 shots she attempted. She also added 10 rebounds, six assists, and a team-high of four steals. Senior forward Alyssa Hinkle recorded a double-double, compiling 10 points and a game-high 11 rebounds. Sophomore guard Jamie Parone had 13 points, while senior forward Brooke Bourdeau had 10. Kenyon was led by senior guard Sarah Fox with 23 points to close out her career, while junior center Cori Arnold chipped in with 13 points.

Both clubs played a solid first half, as the Gators took a 40-34 lead into the locker room. Just six minutes into the second half, however, the Ladies stormed back to tie the contest 44-44. Faced with this challenge, the Gators responded with baskets from Bourdeau, Kankoski, and sophomore guard Kristin Kramarik to stretch the lead back to six. Arnold then scored on a layup to cut the lead to four.

It was then that the Gators went on a decisive 9-0 run. Hinkle scored to extend the lead to six. Kankoski then hit a three-pointer, followed by a basket by Bourdeau. Kankoski closed out the run by scoring off an offensive rebound to give the Gators a 13-point cushion. Kenyon would not seriously threaten again.

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MOVING ON



COUNT IT — Gator sophomore Kristin Kramarik (on floor) sees her shot drop in the midst of a pivotal 15-2 second half run. Kramarik and the rest of the Gators defeated Kenyon 73-60 on Tuesday night at the Wise Center to advance to the NCAC semifinals tonight at Wittenberg.

—photo courtesy of Jason Stronz, Sports Editor

Beware of Disc: Frisbee Golf Readies New Course

By GABE HIGGS-HORWELL
Staff Reporter

This spring, when all of the snow has melted and the plants are beginning to bloom, Allegheny will have its very own golf course at the Robertson Athletic Fields. However, one won't need clubs or a cart to play this course, only a Frisbee. For this will be a disc golf course.

Disc golf, also known as Frisbee golf, was formalized in the 1970s and is based on the same concept as traditional golf. The golf disc, which is smaller and heavier than a normal Frisbee, is thrown from a tee to a target, which is the "hole" or "pin," in an attempt to complete the hole in the fewest number of strokes. The pin can be a number of targets. The most common form is a pole with an elevated metal basket for the disc to land in.

The sport is by no means new to the college community. The designer of the new course, Michael Schweizer, also designed a course two years ago. This course began below the Wise Center and made its way through the campus, ending at the flagpole in front of Brooks Hall. Schweizer, a junior, said that he designed the new course at the Robertson Field in an attempt to get money from the College to get real pins as opposed to the trees and light posts which served as pins on the old course.

He said that although the old course was great, it ran through the campus, and therefore posed a risk to those who were walking through the course. "I've been hit by discs before," he said, "and believe me, it's not a very pleasant experience."

Disc golf's roots actually stretch even further back at Allegheny. Maureen Hager, senior associate director of athletics and physical education at Allegheny, said she remembered kids playing disc golf in the mid-1980s on a course that they had made up.

The advent of the new course has a lot to do with increased student interest in the sport. "It all started my first year with just a small group of kids from Ravine Hall who played on the old course, and has gradually gotten bigger and bigger," said Schweizer. Andy Mollohan, a junior who began playing disc golf two years ago, said, "I play because it's a lot of fun. It's a great thing to do on a nice day."

Last year marked the first ever disc golf tournament at Allegheny. The tournament, which consisted of two 18 hole rounds, was directed by Schweizer and had a draw of 20 students.

Schweizer, who has been trying to get clearance for the new course from the intramural department for the last semester, said, "Overall, getting it all to happen has been tough." This is in part because the intramural department had to make clearances through the dean and the physical plant, which is currently making the pins.

Hager, who is also the current athletic director, said she thinks the course will be a good thing. "The whole thing is a result of Michael's persistence and resourcefulness. He was so well organized that making it happen was easy," she said.

The new course will start at the parking lot by the football field and wrap around the fields, with the 18th hole located by the soccer field. Schweizer said that the holes for the pins are already in the ground with metal sheaths in them. "All that needs to be done is to put the pins in", he said. Although the pins won't be the traditional basket form used by the Professional Disc Golf Association, they will be made with the same principle. The pins will consist of a wooden post with a circular black pipe attached at the same height of a regulation disc golf basket. "It's as close as you're going to get to real pins for the money that they're [the College] going to give me", Schweizer said.

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Gator Swim Teams Conclude NCAC Seasons

By JENNIFER TAORMINA
Staff Reporter

The NCAC held the 18th annual conference swimming and diving championships this past week. The event began on Wednesday, Feb. 13 and continued into Saturday, Feb. 16. Kenyon College hosted the meet at the C.T. Branin Natatorium in Canton, Ohio. Nine schools participated in this meet, including Allegheny's men's and women's teams.

Coming as no surprise to athletes, coaches, and spectators, the Kenyon Lords and Ladies obtained first place finishes with point totals of 1565.50 and 1604.50, respectively. This was the 17th victory for the men and the 18th for the women at the NCAC championships.

Denison placed second in the men's division, followed by Wabash, Wittenberg, Wooster, Allegheny, Hiram, Ohio Wesleyan and Oberlin. Denison also won second in the women's division, trailed by Wooster, Wittenberg, Allegheny, Ohio Wesleyan, Oberlin, and Hiram. Both Allegheny men's and women's teams were hoping to improve from their pair of fifth place finishes in 2001; however, after an inactive period of any meets for over 10 days, the Gators finished respectably in sixth place for the men and fifth place for the women.

Going into the NCAC championships, the men and women's teams both had a dual meet record of 3-5. The team also had many returning swimmers and divers with previous NCAC championship experience. Sophomore Kelley Anderson won the one and three meter competition in 2001 and senior Meloni DiPietro was the 200 yard butterfly champion in 2000. Senior Megan Campbell also had a total of three fifth place finishes from previous seasons. Junior John Hreha won first place in the one and three meter dives for the past two years. He also was a runner up in the NCAA meet last year. Ben Whittam was an All-NCAC performer in the 200 yard breaststroke two years ago. The Allegheny College men's 200 yard freestyle relay team claimed All-NCAC honors last year as well.

Although the men did not improve their score from the NCAC Championship meet last year, they finished sixth this year with a total of 634 points. Hreha garnered the Male Diver of the Year award for the third time in a row. He set a conference record in the 1-Meter dive with a score of 590.35 and qualified for the NCAA meet. Tom Erdos was voted Men's Diving Coach of the Year. It's the fourth year in a row in which an Allegheny College coach has won this title.

The men also had impressive finishes by many of its swimmers. Whittam finished fifth in the 200 yard individual medley with a time of 1:57.75. With a time of 1:46.23, sophomore Nicholas Girard finished seventh in the 200 yard freestyle.

First-year Matt Wilson won first place in the 100 yard breaststroke, coming in at 58.68. Whittam again received points for the Gators with a 6th place finish in the same event. His time was 59.43. Whittam and Wilson were at it again in the 200 yard breaststroke, finishing second (2:07.75) and third (2:08.37), respectively.

The Allegheny women improved on their score of 670 from 2001 and totaled 681.50 points to win fifth place at the meet. Anderson earned the Female Diver of the Year award for the second time after finishing in first place in both the 1 and 3 meter competitions. She defeated her competitors by an average of 70 points. Erdos was also voted the Women's Diving Coach of the Year Award. It was the fifth time an Allegheny coach has won.

The women also saw championship heat action. Sophomore Kristi Stone placed sixth in the 100 yard butterfly with a time of 59.93. DiPietro swam the 200 yard butterfly in a time of 2:11.16, for which she won sixth place.

Don't forget to be at the Wise Center this Sunday when the Pittsburgh Steelers take on Allegheny's faculty and staff in a charity basketball game. The action starts at 3 p.m.!

Indoor Soccer Season Underway

By JADYN OWENS
Staff Reporter

Women's soccer is not just a fall sport. As a matter of fact, it is a year round sport here at Allegheny. From January until April the women play indoor soccer at the Family First Sports Complex in Erie.

Although indoor soccer is not required, for the varsity soccer team, coach Jeff Groff encourages it. He is not directly involved when it comes to running the teams; he leaves that up to the captains. He does set up who plays on which team and registers the teams in Erie.

The women have two indoor teams: the blue team, which is run by Captain Jane Och, and the Gold team, with acting captain Randi Potter running the team. Both teams consist of nine players. Each team plays once a week, either on Wednesday, Thursday, or Friday, alternating each week.

The indoor soccer league is divided into divisions by age groups. Allegheny's division is the Women's Adult league. There are 12 teams in this division and at the end of the season the top four teams in the division compete in playoffs.

"We get to play Division II schools such as Edinboro and Mercyhurst and also kids who are in high school from the Erie area, varying the skill and competition levels," sophomore Katelyn Stroup said.

Because the clock never stops, indoor soccer is played at a much faster pace. There are many differences between indoor and outdoor soccer, however. For one, indoor has five field players and a goalie, while outdoor has ten players and a goalie. Players can also kick the ball off of the wall as long as they do not hit the ceiling or the net above the wall. If a player does hit the net or ceiling, the other team gets a kick from where the ball hit.

There is no offsides in indoor, but there is the "3 line rule." There are three lines set up on the field, one near each goal and the midfield at line. A player cannot kick the ball from behind one line near the goal to the other goal without the ball touching another player or the wall.

If the ball is kicked illegally, the other team gets a free kick. Also, while playing outdoors a player might get a red or yellow card for serious fouls, there is a penalty box for indoor soccer where a player must sit out for two minutes.

While most of the women on the team enjoy indoor better, some are still partial to outdoor soccer. "Indoor is a faster pace, less serious, and we get to make our own decisions because we don't have an actual coach," said sophomore Jessica Candiello.

"I like outdoor better, because first off you are outside in the grass playing soccer and there isn't anything better than that," sophomore Teresa Lettrich said. "It really shows team skills and how they work together. You have to be real smart to play outdoors."

As with any sport, injuries are also a factor that athletes have to deal with, but it is controversial whether or not there are more injuries playing indoor or outdoor soccer.

"Indoor is more about getting a touch on the ball, it is not as competitive as outdoor soccer, and I think that there are less injuries," Stroup said.

"Because turf is harder on your knees there are more injuries indoor. Also, there is more contact and the pace is faster indoors," first-year Ashley Kittridge said.

"Injuries are more likely to occur in indoor because it is a more physical and a faster game and also there are boards to slam up against. Plus it's easier to mess up your knees," Lettrich added.

CORRECTIONS

In an article published in last week's issue, the women's varsity lacrosse team was falsely identified as a club.

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Allegheny's Rollercoaster Ends on the Road

By JASON STRONZ
Sports Editor

The Allegheny men's basketball team more than doubled their win total from last season. The improvement put the Gators back in the NCAC playoffs after a one-year hiatus. Unfortunately, they carried a two game losing streak into the conference tournament after dropping road games to Oberlin and Denison last week.

"It is definitely not the way we wanted to enter the playoffs," said Head Coach Phil Ness. "We could have really used wins in those final games."

In the Oberlin contest, the win was within reach. The Gators had a lead with just less than eight minutes remaining in the game and trailed by five with 4:45 left on the clock. Chris Ikpoh's lay up at the 4:13 mark sparked a 15-6 Yeomen run to end the game. Ikpoh, a sophomore, had nine of his team-high 25 points in that span.

The first half of the game was tight, with the Yeomen grabbing a 38-35 lead at the end. Juniors Ryan Meerstein and Nick Catanzarite each poured in 12 points in the opening half to pace the Gators, and Ikpoh led Oberlin with 10.

Meerstein couldn't turn in the same type of performance in the second half and it hindered the Gators. He shot 1-of-6 from the field in the half and 1-of-2 from the line. Despite Meerstein's performance, Allegheny stood strong behind Catanzarite's 17 point and seven rebound half. The Yeomen also shut down the post presence of first-year Matt Majzlik. The Oberlin defense held Majzlik to zero points, allowing him a mere three shots.

Catanzarite finished with a game-high 29 points and 10 rebounds in the 79-65 loss, and Meerstein added 15 points. Majzlik had seven points and five rebounds and sophomore Eric Johnson had six points and six rebounds

The Yeomen were led by Ikpoh's 25 points and team-high seven rebounds. Junior Jon MacDonald added 15 points and Djorde Eremic, also a junior, had 14.

According to Ness, the loss to Oberlin was tough, but he felt that the season finale was worse. "We were in the Denison game right up to the end," he said. "They hit converted to many three-point plays that just sunk us."

With the Big Red up 62-59 at the 8:19 mark, Chad Boisselle converted on a three-point play. Two free throws from sophomore Joe Hines and a three-point field goal field-goal from first-year Clint Shepherd that seemingly put the game out of reach for Allegheny followed that. Shepherd hit two free throws to cap Denison's 14-3 run.

There were nine lead changes and five ties in the first 20 minutes, but the Big Red finished the half up 37-31. Catanzarite and Meerstein both had stellar first half performances for the second game in a row. Catanzarite had 11 points and Meerstein added 10. Unfortunately, Meerstein again cooled in the second half, finishing the game with 14 points.

Catanzarite again paced the Gators with a game-high 25 points. Meerstein, Johnson and Tyrell Smith each had a team-high five rebounds. Johnson chipped in with 12 points and Smith, a junior, added eight points in the loss.

Denison's scoring was spread out, with senior Charlie DeLacey leading the way with 13 points. Shepherd and junior Matt Warner added 11 each and Boisselle finished with 10. Junior Alan Bradshaw grabbed a team-high nine rebounds for the Big Red.

The Gators ended their regular season with an overall record of 11-13, going 6-10 in the conference.

Notes: Catanzarite led the Gators on Tuesday night with 25 points in a first round playoff loss at the College of Wooster. The 82-72 setback ended Allegheny's season. Catanzarite, who finished the year with 416 points, is only 14 points away from becoming the school's 16th 1000 point scorer.

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The enthusiasm demonstrated at the Wise Center was not lost on Coach Reimer. "It was really nice to have a supportive crowd there for us," she said. "Our crowds have been terrific all season, and it makes me feel happy for the girls. They work extremely hard, and they deserve and appreciate the fans rooting for them."

Now that they have advanced to the semifinals, the Gators will go on the road to face the top-seeded Wittenberg Tigers tonight at 7:45 p.m. Wittenberg (20-5) secured their spot against Allegheny by defeating Wooster 76-69 on Tuesday night.

Allegheny and Wittenberg split their two meetings this year, with each team winning on their home floor. Wittenberg upended Allegheny 93-71 on Jan. 5, and the Gators defeated the Tigers 78-69 on Feb. 2 at the Wise Center. "We knew that if we wanted to advance in this tournament we would have to beat Wittenberg at some point," Reimer said. "I think that as long as we have fun as play hard we will be right in the game with them."

Reimer was not concerned about the short layoff between games. "Right now we seem to have a lot of momentum building up for us," she said. "We've got plenty of time to be tired next week after the tournament is over."

Should the Gators win tonight, they will move on to the NCAC championship game Saturday afternoon at 4:00 p.m. The winner of the Gators/Tigers game will face the winner of Earlham and Ohio Wesleyan. The NCAC champion receives an automatic bid to the NCAA tournament.

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The holes will also feature tees marked by yellow bricks with the pars posted. Schweizer added that everything should be ready to go by the time the weather warms up. He plans to make maps of the course, and possibly post them on the Internet.

The sport, which is very inexpensive, requires only a disc. Schweizer said these discs could be purchased for around $10 or less. He said that they will be available for students to purchase through him or the school bookstore.

Later in the spring, the course should feature intramural tournaments. Hager said these would probably happen sometime after spring break.

If you are interested in writing for the Sports Section of *The Campus*, contact <kleinl> or <stronzj> for details.

LAST WEEK IN SPORTS

Saturday 2/16

Men's Basketball — at Denison 88, Allegheny 74

Women's Basketball – at Ohio Wesleyan 66, Allegheny 53

Men's Swimming – 6th of 9 at NCAC Championships

Women's Swimming – 5th of 9 at NCAC Championships

Tuesday 2/19

Men's Basketball (NCAC Quarterfinal) – at Wooster 82, Allegheny 72

Women's Basketball (NCAC Quarterfinal) — at Allegheny 73, Kenyon 60

THIS WEEK IN SPORTS

Thursday 2/21

Women's Basketball (NCAC Semifinal) – at Wittenberg 7:45

Friday 2/22

Men's and Women's Indoor Track — at Oberlin College "Last Chance Meet"

Saturday 2/23

Women's Basketball (NCAC Championship) — Allegheny/Wittenberg winner vs. Earlham/Ohio Wesleyan winner at Wittenberg 4:00

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train onto a different track -- or derail it altogether -- but still the play must go on.

Virgo (August 23 - September 22): You can't really afford to lose even a moment of your precious time right now, Virgo. Avoid distraction whenever possible, including the drama of a boyfriend, girlfriend or spouse. If you can wrap up your busywork soon, something more interesting will come your way. Keep this higher goal in mind even as the usual petty details try to drag you down. There are sure to be better times to come if you can only find a way to get through this unpleasantness first.

Libra (September 23 - October 22): Nothing stirs up the pot more than a bit of juicy -- albeit untrue -- controversy. A slight deviation or imperfection gets everyone talking, and you might very well find yourself under a lot of scrutiny. A small risk with the unknown takes you miles beyond safety and predictability, but you are well-equipped to deal with whatever crisis arises. No matter how hot the water you find yourself in gets, keep in mind that the master strategist leaves only the most subtle calling card.

Scorpio (October 23 - November 21): You have a lot of power, but you can't control everything. Small but annoying forces are working against you, and your frustration level is coming close to the boiling point. Money no longer sticks to your fingers, and it seems that luck has abandoned you for your neighbor or coworker. Try to go for one full day without spending anything. If you're looking for an easy way out, you'll have to look another time. Right now, you are required to face your problems one last time before trying to outrun them.

Sagittarius (November 22 - December 21): Always show your good side -- you never know who's watching. Everything is possible, but you don't have to try it all at once. In a world like this, Sagittarius has a hard time believing that anyone could be bored. Excitement has a way of finding you now. If you have to choose between something that is normal or something that is interesting, choose the latter. As long as your conscience is your guide, you can do no wrong.

Aquarius (January 20 - February 18): Could this really be happening to you? Don't be surprised if you wake from an erotic dream to find that your divine lover is just as human as you are. After the last few days, is this actually a problem? A little jolt of reality makes a good relationship even better. Before suggesting something new, make sure that your partner is in the mood to expand their horizons as well. Although you aren't afraid to take the leap, experimentation isn't for everyone.

Pisces (February 19 - March 20): Instead of repeating the offense, do your best to learn from yesterday's mistakes. While others are reading the blueprint, you're already thinking about uses for the completed design. When asked for a reason, you can't always explain, but in your heart you know that you're doing the right thing. If you can't convince your teammates that you're doing it for the good of the team, they'll just have to wait until you can show them real proof. It shouldn't be long now.

MEDITATION

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The house has a library of books concerning many established techniques of meditation, but the housemates usually improvise during their guided sessions. At the same time, information from books, meditation sites on the Internet, personal experience and favorite poems and literary passages all come into play during guided meditations.

The most common exercises include chanting meditations, visualizations and the "laying down" meditation, which gives those meditating a chance to simply lie down release all of their tension. Occasionally, a non-traditional "thinking meditation" (a favorite of Stumpf) is performed, where the group concentrates on a specific quandary or concept.

Though many people on campus and in Meadville are still unaware of the Meditation house, the number of people attending guided meditations has increased steadily over the last year.

Normally, between 10 and 15 people attend the meditation each Thursday. Though the majority of the group is made up of college students, members of the Meadville community attend as well.

SUMMER

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The Office of Summer Programs and Conferences is also in the process of hiring four students for the summer to assist with the everyday functioning of events for summer 2002. These students will work directly with the guest artists on campus and will receive a stipend and complementary on-campus housing. The office is looking for students with a professional nature. For eligibility, students must pick up an application from Andracki by Thursday, Feb. 28.

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Seniors...80 days to go!

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I hate fungus!

Sacamora celebration weekend!

Has any one seen a bare naked ladie laying around here?

I would like to say to everybody that Ricki is okay .

Is anyone turning 21 this weekend?

Silas got glashes!!!

Countdown to family weekend.

rejectione.

I love my brother!!

Good luck on midterms everbody.

Don't tell me this town ain't got no heart.

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