

Sidewalk graffiti shatters inaugural sense of community

By C. ALYN VAUGHAN
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Last Saturday was intended to be a celebration of community and of Richard J. Cook's inauguration as Allegheny College's 20th president.

Cook's inauguration was the climax of a week-long celebration that included a day of community volunteer work, a "Salute to Meadville," and other community events.

But for some, the day's inaugural celebration was marred by epithets of hate. As Assistant Professor of Classics Craig Champion walked to Murray Hall to get his academic robes for the inaugural procession, he happened to look down at the sidewalk. There he saw gay-bashing graffiti that he found profoundly disturbing.

The graffiti apparently had been scrawled in response to the National Coming Out Day events that were

held last weekend. Those events included a Gay Pride dance and a parade.

Champion said he was looking forward to a "day of optimism for the college." Instead, seeing the graffiti was "saddening and depressing," and shattered any sense of close-knit community. "The Neanderthal mentality of writing things in chalk is startling," he said. "This is an act of cowardice." The graffiti included remarks like "Fucking Faggots," "Go to Hell Faggots," and "Fags burn in Hell." The graffiti was scrawled mainly around the sidewalks next to Murray Hall and some of it was already erased by Monday morning. Other epithets have been embellished since they were first written. (See photo page 3.)

At a time when the college is celebrating "community," the scrawled graffiti revealed that the community is not at all as unified as it appears.

Professors and gay and heterosexual students interviewed said that the graffiti proves that some sectors of the college community are actually quite closed and intolerant of those who are different.

The acts spotlighted the issue of what can be done to raise awareness about discrimination and acceptance. "When such acts are performed, we must ask serious questions about what we have to do to create a community where everyone counts," said Associate Professor of English Sonya Jones. "There has been much

progress over the last five years, but this act shows how much work still needs to be done."

Allegheny's new president, Richard J. Cook, condemned the epithets, as did Allegheny Student Government President Gary Pennell. "We need to be a respectful community," said Cook. "The thing that works the most is when a community comes together and says that this is not acceptable. The most powerful statement that could be made...is being intolerant to intolerance."

Pennell said that, although he is not gay, he supported Coming Out Day. "I found it really offensive that there were things scrawled in chalk," he said.

According to Director of Public Affairs Charlie Pollock, Allegheny prohibits discriminatory behavior which includes, but is not limited to, the use of slurs, epithets, demeaning jokes or derogatory stereotypes. Remedies include informal resolution or a formal complaint brought to the college's Discrimina-

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ASG bylaw fuels heated argument

By PHIL SECRETAN
News Reporter

A ambiguous bylaw that will force Allegheny Student Government (ASG) members to "directly interact" with the larger student community is sparking animosity within the ranks.

ASG President Gary Pennell said the bylaw was necessary because members were not as involved with the student community as they should be, despite the government rule put into effect last April.

Former ASG Vice President Johnny Six said, "The amendment was created to cancel out apathy." The amendment was passed the day that Pennell and Vice President Ryan Yoder were inaugurated.

"Very few members have done their representative hours for this month," said Pennell. "It is nearly November and with fall break coming up, there is not much time left."

The bylaw controversy is part of a larger question about the role of ASG in student life. Last year, a *Campus* editorial criticized ASG for not enforcing attendance at its own meetings. *Campus* reporters covering meetings noticed that a large percent of members either were absent or sent proxies.

"Attendance is good, but people come late and leave early," said Pennell. "I would like to see 40

voting people in the crowd every week." ASG senators are required to attend all assigned faculty committee meetings in addition to all ASG Senate meetings.

The bylaw has fueled a dispute between ASG members, some of whom say apathy is not a problem. The dispute signifies a possible rift between the elected senate and the ASG cabinet.

"I think that some cabinet members expect senate members to do more than they are doing right now," said junior cabinet member Christen Miller. "We put in at least five hours a week."

During the meeting last week, a

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Staying A-float



The Multicultural Affairs float, sponsored by A5, ABC, and Union Latina, proceeds down N. Main Street in Saturday's Homecoming Parade. The float won second prize in the contest.

—Robin Marjoram photo

Students apply for and receive unnecessary government assistance

By JESSICA A. BAKER
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*Rose attends Allegheny and sports a large diamond ring. She is comfortably cared for by a parent who can afford an Allegheny education.

And she is applying for food stamps.

According to one friend who wished to remain anonymous, "I asked her, 'Are you going to wear that diamond ring when you go to apply for food stamps?'"

An undisclosed number of Allegheny students apply for food

stamps every year. Some do it for legitimate reasons. Others do not.

Catherine currently lives with a woman who is applying for food stamps. Although she knows some of her friends need the assistance, she knows just as many who "cheat" the system because it's there. "They're eligible for food stamps, but they don't consider that they may not need them," she said.

It moves beyond a legal question, in Catherine's eyes, to one with serious moral implications. "I have friends who honestly need assistance; those who don't take away from the people who do."

According to the Crawford County Board of Assistance, students can qualify for food stamps if they live off-campus, work no more than 20 hours per week, or currently hold a work-study position. In addition they must meet one or two financial asset criteria, fill out a general government form and go through an interview.

Jon and his house mates do not need governmental assistance either, but thought food stamps were a way to avoid the dining hall. Ultimately, they decided it was not worth the hassle and never applied.

Jon does admit that the largest

deterrent was the stigma attached to public assistance. "I didn't want to be on welfare. It would almost be degrading myself to be on food stamps."

Although there are countless numbers of students who "abuse" the system, there may be as many who legitimately need the aid they receive.

Michelle is completely independent from her parents and pays for all the expenses she incurs at Allegheny. Although she receives financial aid, it simply was not enough to pay the bills and put food

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NEWS BRIEFS

• Lambda Sigma congratulates Assistant Professor of Political Science Robert English, who has been named Lambda Sigma Professor of the Month for October. Nominations are accepted each month from Lambda Sigma members as well as from the Allegheny community.

• The October edition of "First Generation," the College's video magazine, will feature stories on President Richard Cook, Make a Difference Day, Allegheny Improv and highlights from Latino Heritage Month. It will air on local cable channel 23 on Friday, Oct. 18 at 6 p.m., Monday, Oct. 21 at 6:30 p.m. and Thursday, Oct. 24 at 5:30 p.m. For more information, e-mail <mkeecy>.

• In June, Paula Coyle Wurst '80 left her position at Allegheny as associate dean of students. She is remembered for her commitment to students, her passion for justice and her efforts to build community on campus. She now works for CITY YEAR in Boston as a community service team leader.

In honor of her service and commitment to Allegheny, a number of campus community members have made donations and purchased a bench in her honor. The bench is located on the Campus Center lawn, Highland Avenue side.

• The Dean of Students Office is

in possession of a hood that was left at Matriculation. The discipline is white and the school colors are burgundy and white. The manufacturer is Oak Hall Cap and Gown in Roanoke, Va. Stop by the Dean of Students Office to claim the hood.

• Best-selling author Martin Yate, author of *Cover Letters that Knock 'em Dead* and *Resumes that Knock 'em Dead*, will speak at Slippery Rock University on Thursday, Oct. 24 from 11:30 a.m. until 1 p.m. The Office of Career Services will provide transportation. Call x2381 by Friday, Oct. 18 to register for a ride.

• On Thursday, Oct. 17, Campus Ministry and the Office of Career Services will sponsor the visit of Joanne Baille '94 from the Lutheran Volunteer Corps, a full-time volunteer service organization that focuses on urban justice. Baille will not be interviewing for positions, but will be available to answer questions about the organization. She will be in the Post Office with literature in the morning and in the Campus Center Walker Room for a noon presentation. Students should call Brenda Armstrong, x2800, to schedule an individual afternoon appointment.

• The class of 2000 will be selling T-shirts later in the year to promote class spirit. Class officers are

promoting a "Design a Class Shirt" contest. All entries should be mailed to Box 1349 by Tuesday, Oct. 29.

• The stage manager of "Our Country's Good" is looking for seven students to fill positions of costume shifters, make-up aide and scene/prop aides. The crew will be needed from Thursday, Nov. 7 through Sunday, Nov. 17. Anyone interested should contact Kirsten Richter at 337-2723, or e-mail <richtek>.

POLICE
BLOTTER

The following incidents were reported to the Office of Security and/or the Office of Residence Life for October 4-14.

Theft

• A camera from *The Campus*, reported missing in August.

Criminal Mischief

• A student wrote in the wet cement of the new Allegheny College sign, Main Street.

Indecent Exposure

• During a lesson where students were to dance with mixed partners, eyes closed, the female student opened her eyes and discovered her partner exposed.

SEA and Amnesty support eco-justice

Students for Environmental Action (SEA) and Amnesty International (AI) are sponsoring Environmental Justice week Oct. 22-27. The main goal of Environmental Justice Week is to educate students and faculty about environmental justice. The week will focus on three areas: Chester, Pa.; Burma (Myanmar); and Nigeria.

Chester, Pennsylvania, located southwest of Philadelphia, has the largest African-American population in the state, the highest infant-mortality rate and the highest percentage of low-weight births in the state, has a lung cancer mortality rate about 60% higher than overall rates for Delaware County, and 25% of the population lives in poverty.

Since the 1980s, Chester has been the dumping ground for many toxic industries and waste processing facilities, dumping deadly poisons into the air, on the land and in the water.

Burma, a once democratic government, is now a place where murder, kidnapping and rape are everyday threats. Several years ago, a militaristic regime called the SLORC (State Law and Order Restoration Council) overthrew the elected leader and government and changed the name of the country to Myanmar.

Under the SLORC, the Burmese who make an effort to stop the injustice and environmental degradation are quickly dissolved by being arrested, tortured or killed.

The revenue of this country comes from big-name multinational corporations, like Pepsi Company (which owns Pizza Hut, Taco Bell and others), Mitsubishi and others. These corporations are attracted to Burma because of the cheap slave labor and the absence of environmental regulations.

In recent years, the people of Nigeria have been speaking out against the government's support of environmentally destructive corporations, such as Shell Oil Company. A large percentage of Nigeria's revenues comes from multi-national companies like Shell Oil, but little of the money reaches the people.

Oil production is wreaking havoc on the peasants' environment, polluting the water and air upon which they rely, and destroying the lands they farm.

Efforts to speak out against this environmental injustice have been stifled by government-sponsored execution of environmental rights activists.

To find out more about these issues, stop by the Environmental Justice Week booth in the CC lobby Wednesday, Oct. 23 and Thursday, Oct. 24, or stop by the post office to find out more about arresting your friends (Mock Arrest) for just \$1 to support Environmental Justice Week. E-mail <sea> or <amnesty> with questions.

The Campus Asks...

Have you ever wanted to kill someone in the computer lab, and why?

compiled by Ben Wyrick



Yes, the solitaire freaks really get under my skin. When it is 3:00 a.m. and I am trying to finish a paper that is due at 8:00 a.m. and the person beside me is moaning about what pattern to put on the cards I really believe that killing them is a logical solution to the problem.

Dina Ciabattone
Class of '99



I don't know about wanting to kill anyone. Then again, it's early in the semester. Ask me around December when I've heard all the stupid Jim Carrey sound bytes I can stand. People seem to find those things perpetually funny because they play them over and over again!

Luke Ballard
Class of '97



Yes, well, maybe not kill, but seriously maim them. When I'm writing a lab report and the person sitting next to me clicks onto their sound byte, which is something like Amish Paradise (Weird Al, right?) and doesn't even bother turning it down. Maybe if I don't maim them, they'll leave the computer lab and get hit by a large public transportation vehicle while crossing the street.

Jeanette Morris
Class of '98



Being a computer science major, I know how violent computers can make people. I have personally witnessed several maimings and two murders of programming group partners, while watching Dr. Cupper pull the rest of his hair out in Alden's computer lab.

Greg Kapfhammer
Class of '99



When guys have naked women up for their screen savers. Pornography is demeaning to both men and women, and having it on your computer in a public place just promotes sexual violence and low self-esteem in women.

Jill Hodgeman
Class of '98

Teenage mothers gain assistance/ education at Thurston House

By JENNIFER M. NAGEL
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It is a white cottage-like house in some need of a paint job, similar to many others on the street. A slate welcome plaque hangs by the wreathed door.

On the inside, tulip wallpaper and a country-cottage border flank the living room. Hand-woven rugs line the hardwood floors.

Comfortably unkempt in appearance, various objects are scattered across the oak furniture. Baby wipes, rattles, a bottle of evenflo, *Childbirth* magazine. On the sofa, a pink diaper bag rests against an overstuffed backpack.

Flo pulls a towel from the diaper bag to catch formula before it dribbles down her daughter's chin. Flo is 17 years old. She looks like a typical teenager with her long brown hair, sweatshirt and jeans. Her face reveals a lack of sleep. Her daughter Brittany is six months old.

Flo and Brittany are spending their afternoon at Thurston House, a federally funded haven for teenage parents in the Meadville Area. Accessibly located near the Meadville Vocational School and Meadville Area High School, the house provides academic support, parenting and child development education, child care assistance and counseling services to these parents.

Debbie Gifford runs Thurston House. She says that the house's main goal is "to keep students in school and get them to graduate." She adds, "Once you are a teen parent, you are always a teen parent, until you graduate."

Melissa turned 19 yesterday, though she admits she looks like a 13-year-old. Her daughter Michaela is one month old. In one week, Melissa will begin leaving Michaela in day-care, so that she can return to the 11th grade at Meadville Area High School.

Having reservations about leav-

ing her daughter in the care of strangers, Melissa has spent a considerable amount of time shopping for adequate day-care services.

Living in her own apartment, which her fiancé, Michaela's father, visits frequently, Melissa does not have the option of leaving her daughter with a family member during the day. Like many young mothers, she depends on welfare checks to make ends meet.

Flo also receives other forms of government support. "Financially, you have enough that you need and nothing more," she said.

Aaron and his wife, Tonya, who is six months pregnant, are dependent on governmental support in the form of welfare, medical cards and food stamps. He says: "There is no way that we could have this baby without a medical card. The cost of having a baby is around \$6,000."

Many would say the price is actually much higher. Flo and Melissa both attest to being exhausted from

getting up in the middle of the night when their babies cry. They also say that looking after a baby and doing homework is not a viable mix of activities. This may not make graduating an easy task.

Toni Hunter, a Thurston House staff member, said, "It seems like the younger the girl gets pregnant the less likely she is to graduate." Last year, Thurston House watched its highest number of teenage parents graduate.

Tonya and Aaron are both 16 years old. She is in the 11th grade at Cochranon High School. Her husband is in the eighth grade. Their July 11th civil marriage was the result of an agreement reached between Aaron, his step-father and Tonya's father. Tonya and Aaron dated for 6 months before she found out she was pregnant.

Jackie is a 17-year-old senior at Saegertown High School. Her husband is 26 years old. They were already engaged when she became

pregnant nine months ago and had a small church wedding not long ago. "He wasn't upset about my being pregnant," says Jackie, "but I was scared to death about what my family would say."

Few teenage mothers plan their pregnancies, but many do not use birth control reliably. Flo, Tonya and Jackie all used birth control pills "off and on." Flo said: "I was happy when I found out. He (my fiancé) always wanted a baby ever since he was a little boy. I actually think he planned it."

Though she readily accepted her pregnancy, Flo was not as prepared for the 48 hours of labor she experienced. "I was in so much pain. I went in there thinking it would be the worst and that's what I got," she said, "but after I had her I just was concerned that she was okay."

Melissa had a much better experience with her 4-hour labor, but she admits to experiencing after-effects.

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Anti-homosexual messages question campus-wide tolerance

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tory Harrassment Committee.

Some gay students said that the graffiti frightened them, in addition to offending them. "It is always dangerous to be out in a community that is not very open," said sophomore Amanda Danielson, who is openly gay. "My guard is up."

Students' feelings on the subject of homosexuality range from apathy to tolerance, from acceptance to hostility. Some students interviewed said that they did not think that homosexuality should be openly practiced, even if it is accepted on cam-

pus.

One student who wished not to be identified said, "I don't have anything against the individuals, but I don't think it (homosexuality) is right."

He went on to quote the bible saying, "The wicked shall be turned into hell, and all the nations that forget God. Chapter 9 verse 17. If we pass that gay rights bill we're forgetting God."

Sophomore Tamara Cousins said homosexuals "should keep it in the closet, no one has to know they're homos." She went on to say that

homosexuality is a "sin, not meant to be."

Another student named Mike said, "Homosexuality doesn't bother me but I do get offended when someone pushes it on me and makes me wear stickers and pins." He also said, "If you're gay, you're gay, but don't go looking for attention from everyone on campus. They should let people come to them."

Mike said that Allegheny is overly receptive to homosexuals and if the college sponsors a Coming Out Day, then it should also sponsor a Straight Day. Other students dis-

agree.

Danielsen said that she thinks the majority of students are apathetic towards homosexuals. "There are some that understand gay rights and there are some that don't care because they are not affected by it," she said.

Champion said that some people who are strongly against homosexuality may resort to "underhanded tactics" of expressing themselves because they fear the repercussions of being politically incorrect. Junior Mike Mattot agreed. "That's why it was done in the middle of the night," he said.

Mattot said that the college was doing what it could to promote a sense of community. "The college is doing what they can to confront problems and to promote understanding," he said.

But Champion said that while he

had previously thought the college was doing a lot to raise awareness about the homosexual community, he has changed his mind about its efficacy. "I thought enough was being done to raise awareness, but not after this," he said.

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Students and alumni were shocked to find messages like these scrawled on the sidewalks mainly near Murray Hall last Saturday morning.

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Allegheny introduces new computer scheduling software

By NATALIE WEAVER
Assistant News Editor

Allegheny students will register for classes for next semester via *ScheduleBuilder*, a new computer registration application on the NeXT system.

When a student opens the application, a list of departments appears in one of the windows. The student can click on a department to see the course listings. To schedule a class, it must be dragged to the student's scheduling window.

Once a student has chosen his or her courses, they are approved by the advisor. The student must meet with his or her advisor, at which time the schedule can be approved on the computer as well. The student automatically receives an e-mail of the schedule for confirmation after the advisor approves it.

There are other advantages to the new application as well. When a student schedules a course, prerequisites and course descriptions are automatically listed.

"As an advisor [the feature] is very helpful because I don't have to know the whole catalog," said Associate Professor of Biology Ann Kleinschmidt.

ScheduleBuilder immediately notifies students if they are scheduling classes with time conflicts, and a calendar-style list of course times is also available. Students can also list alternates to their courses on the program.

According to Registrar Ben Haytock, there also will be a change in the registration sequence as a result of the new system. The Registrar's Office will attempt to schedule all seniors first for their highest priority course in the order of their random number.

Next, seniors closed out of their first choice are scheduled into their first or second alternates for the first choice, respectively. Juniors, sophomores and freshmen will schedule in the same manner.

Because of the new scheduling order, students will need to prioritize their courses, which can be done on *ScheduleBuilder*. Also, signature courses should be listed last since students are already guaranteed entry into these courses.

According to Haytock, the new process will be "more fair for everyone," because fewer students will be closed out of all or most of their classes. Also, more students will get into their first choice course.

ScheduleBuilder also has advantages for faculty. For example, advisors have access to their students' schedules on the program. Kleinschmidt said this feature makes it easier for advisors to keep track of their advisees' schedules.

Instructors can sign students into courses requiring a signature using another application called *John-Hancock*. The professor can access the list of courses as well as students attempting to get into them on this program. The instructor can select a

students' name in order to sign him or her into a class.

Educational Computing Services' Senior Applications Developer Charles Fleming, who co-wrote the new software with Senior Applications Developer Judy Halchin, said that response has been positive so far.

"I can't think of anything negative to say about *ScheduleBuilder*," said Kleinschmidt, who tested the software last semester. She added that its creators have been very will-

ing to make changes in order to accommodate students and faculty.

Hannah Davidson, a freshman who used the new program to register for this semester, said the process took less than 10 minutes, and her schedule was ready the next day.

Freshman Katherine Dorosz said the program is an improvement, because everyone told her she would hate arena scheduling. Kleinschmidt agreed that having fewer freshmen at arena was beneficial.

In order to avoid waiting in line

for a computer during scheduling time, Kleinschmidt advises students to "get their schedule done as soon as possible." The application can also be run from advisors' offices in order to partially alleviate crowding, she added.

Because different classes schedule during different times, Fleming said finding a computer during scheduling time will not be any more difficult than usual.

Students intern to gain valuable experience

By JANET MACKEY
News Reporter

Instead of just attending classes, Elise Radina '96 traveled to area elementary and high schools talking with children about "good and bad" touches and dating relationships. She received academic credit towards graduation for this work that is commonly referred to as internship experience.

Better still, Radina, who designed a major in international women's studies, said her internship with Crawford County Women's Services, a non-profit group aiding women, helped her get accepted into Miami University's graduate school program of student counseling—with an assistantship.

"Allegheny, as a liberal arts college, prepares students for grad school only, while the internship gives a student hands-on experience and training," she said, adding that the internship made all the difference.

A number of Allegheny students and administrators interviewed for this story said an internship broadens students' education and gives them a leg up on the competition.

Students with internship experience are a commodity in the job market, said Melissa Barnes, Director of the Office of Career Services. "Internships are becoming almost expected by employers," said Barnes. "The job market is competitive and students who have done internships are considered much better candidates."

While academic study is vital, students become more marketable due to the experience they gain from the internship, she said. "You've been broken in and learned the ropes of being a professional," said Barnes, adding that students who intern know how to conduct themselves in a professional environment.

Having an internship on your resume tells future employers that you have initiative, said Kathy Greely, who served as visiting environmental science internship coordinator last year. She said that one in every three majors in the Environmental Studies/Science department complete internships. Internships are valuable because the student is able to relate

what is studied in the class room to actual "hands-on" work, she said. This enhances the student's overall learning experience.

Students at Allegheny can find an internship in one of three ways: ask the prospective department for a list of available internships, find internships themselves, or go through OCS and find an internship usually offered in the summer. Students can also attend semester or year-long programs at other affiliated schools that offer a more extensive range of internships.

For example, the internship component of American University's Washington Semester Program is the main draw for students, said David Brown, dean of the Washington Semester and World Capitals Programs. Having an internship "tells something about the student, that they are a go-getter; that they went out into the world and did something else," he said.

Brown commented that having an internship is the first "quasi-work experience when looking to hire college graduates. Students seem to know this, and whether schools offer internships is a factor for some students to attend."

"Students from all over the world come to AU for the intern program," said Assistant Professor of Journalism at American University Wendy Williams.

Program participants are guaranteed to receive an internship from the 2,000 that are offered by the program. "American University has ten internship placements for every one student," said Williams.

Several students interviewed for this story have said that their internship helped them to get into graduate school or focus on a career.

As a freshman, Radina heard about internships from a senior who had one at the time. Four years later, she interned with Women's Services.

One of Radina's supervisors at Women's Services, and Instructor of Communication Arts Julian Halliday said without interns work would not get done. He said, "If you get smart people [interns] they will do good things."

There are many internship possibilities outside of Meadville.

Chemistry major Nicole Gill '96

spent two summers ago at the University of Southern Mississippi, in Hattiesburg. Part of the reason she went was to decide if she wanted to go to graduate school and because she wanted "to see chemistry through a hands-on approach."

She performed lab research in exchange for \$2,000 and room expenses. She also received six hours of academic credit from the University of Southern Mississippi, but did not pursue academic credit through Allegheny because she said she didn't need it to graduate.

She found out about this researching position from the internet, and she is glad she did. Gill now attends graduate school at the University of Southern Mississippi in chemistry.

Now is the best time for students to find internships, said Brown. "People want help and don't want to pay for it in an era of downsizing."

Internship programs grew out of campus protests in the 1960's. Students at the time began questioning the relevance of higher education, Brown said. In response, universities established the interning system to offer an education more relevant to the world outside academia. Since the sixties, interning has boomed.

Interning today creates a network of opportunities and professional contacts, Brown said. Success stories from the Washington Semester Program allowed students to work with several congresspersons, a top female with the Central Intelligence Agency and 1988 Democratic Presidential Candidate Michael Dukakis.

Many students at area colleges intern. Edinboro University currently has 160 students completing internships, said Debbie Rodgers, staff member of the university's internship office. Interns at Edinboro receive 3 to 15 credits for an internship, she said. At Allegheny, a student may receive a maximum of 8 credit hours toward graduation.

If a student wants to complete an internship in the summer and receive credit towards graduation at Allegheny, it will cost \$400 per credit, Barnes said. She said many students complete internships in the summer and do it for the work experience rather than for the credit.

Thurston House aids teen mothers

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"I used to wear a size zero to size four," she says glancing down at her petite frame, "but now I fit into a size 11." She gained nearly 50 pounds during her pregnancy, which she says came at a time that she didn't expect.

Tonya excuses herself to leave the room momentarily. Aaron moves into her chair, which seems more comfortable than the one in which he had been sitting. "I hate that I don't understand what kinds of pain she's going through," Aaron said, glancing at Tonya as she leaves the room. "All night long I can feel the baby kicking my back."

Melissa and her boyfriend have been together for five years. Her boyfriend, a high school football player, cooks, cleans and changes diapers. Melissa says she is "doing what I always wanted to do." In the future, she wants to start a home day-care service. Right now, she thinks Meadville Area High School should provide these services during the school day.

Currently Meadville Area High School's enrollment is 924 students. Twenty-seven of these students are pregnant. Flo and Melissa both say they feel accepted by their peers. "Some of my friends bring their baby pictures to school," Flo says.

Melissa has taken her newborn to school to show her friends.

"I'm the kind of person they (my classmates) like to pick on," Jackie says, "but now that I'm pregnant, they don't do it as much."

Young men often have a different experience. "The guys around school are always like, 'Your life is ruined,'" says Aaron. "I know in the future I'm going to have little or no time to myself."

Currently, Aaron is deciding between continuing with school or dropping out and getting his Graduation Equivalency Diploma (GED). "Half my family thinks I should drop out, get my GED and get a job," he says. "If I [tried to] graduate at this point, I'd probably end up driving my kid to kindergarten on the way high school."

He continues, "The only depressing part of having a baby is that your entire teen social life is ruined." His wife nods her head slightly as if she is listening, but her eyes remain distant. "I'm just afraid it'll end up like I was throwing my whole teenage life away," she says.

Flo adds, "If I could go back, I would have been more careful, but once you have a baby, you can't say 'I would have changed things.'"

Perspectives

EDITORIAL

Brush up your computer etiquette

Night Study is perhaps the place on campus most visited by Allegheny students. Many students refer to it as an unpleasant second home. If not Night Study, most students have another favorite computer lab that serves as a place to most efficiently and effectively get their work done.

Unfortunately, computer labs often fail to provide a conducive place for doing course work. The fake orgasm scene from *When Harry Met Sally* is very humorous, but not when the first chapter of one's comp is due in six hours. While it may be a rather funny, welcome study break the first time one hears Meg Ryan panting and screaming, there is no reason to hear it twenty times in one night. The same holds true for Beavis and Butthead sound clips, and the Smurfs' theme song at 3 a.m. Most computers are equipped with ear phones that are very simple to use.

Sound bytes are only one of the many disturbances in which students engage that may disrupt their neighbours. While working on research papers, most students do not like to see Anna Nicole Smith's breasts popping out of the printer. Computer pornography is a hotly debated topic and students should realize that photographs of naked bodies make offend some people when displayed in a public place. If one feels that they must net surf for nude pictures, they should at least do it at a time of low traffic in the computer lab so as to not disturb others.

This time of the year is also quite stressful on students, due to the demand for computers to finish mid-term papers. Lines for computers are growing longer every night. If one is playing Risk or Yahtzee and there is a line for a computer, one should give up on the conquest of the Ukraine and let the comping senior have a computer.

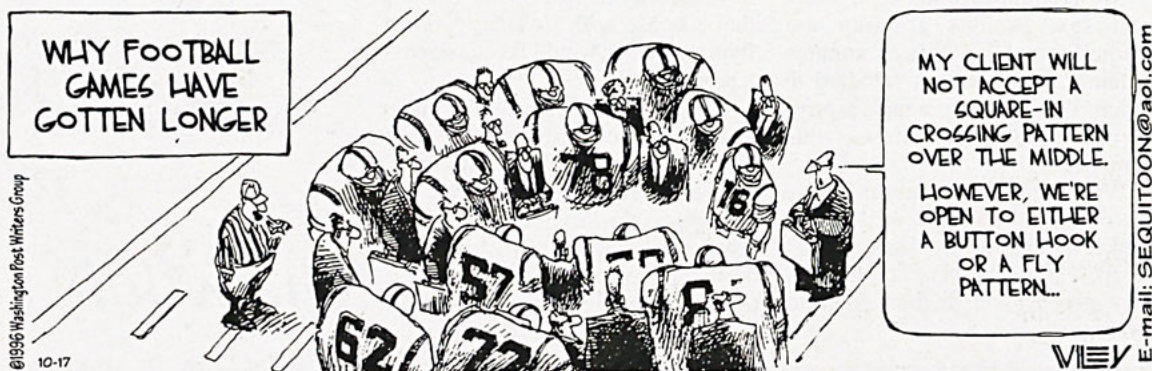
Finally, if a printer is out of paper, fill it with paper. Do not send it to another printer. People do not like to fill a printer and print out someone's twenty page paper before they receive their own work.

Most of these points should be common sense to a student of average intelligence. Computers may be great toys that are fun to use, but students should remember that the computer labs are primarily for academic purposes.

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Letters to the Editor

Anti-gay graffiti condemned

The Discriminatory Harassment Committee learned today that on Friday night one or more members of the Allegheny Community scrawled vicious anti-gay graffiti on the walkways near Murray Hall and the David Mead Field House, as well as on other campus sidewalks.

Irwin N. Gertzog

Committee members are appalled by this behavior and condemn it in the strongest possible terms. There is no place at Allegheny for people who hide behind the dark of night to promote their mean-spirited beliefs—beliefs grounded in ignorance and prejudice.

Discrimination based on sexual orientation is a flagrant violation of college policy, not least because it threatens the integrity of our learning community.

The person or persons responsible for the graffiti may never be forced to answer to their behavior, but it is important that we make it clear to the few bigots among us that they are a small minority, that their maliciousness is a reflection of their character and that their cowardly actions will never be countenanced on this campus.

Irwin N. Gertzog is the Arthur E. Braun professor of political science and chair of the Discriminatory Harassment Committee.

Balchus beats down Barber

I'm normally not alert enough on Thursday mornings when I first pick up *The Campus* to be startled by anything I read, but Jeff Barber's letter to the editor last week woke me up quickly.

I hope that his letter was intended purely for shock value and did not represent a serious contribution to the ongoing debate over the place of the Greek system on campus.

First and foremost, however, I'm curious as to the basis for Mr. Barber's arguments. Since "The Allegheny Social System According to Barber" allows for only two classes of people, I, as a member of the lowly independents, consider Mr. Barber's comments to be directed at me. I took great offense at being shoved into a category and judged.

Kristen E. Balchus

Now then, Mr. Barber, do take time to show my primitive and ignorant mind the truth of my state. You, a Greek, are better than me, a non-Greek? You sacrifice more of your precious time and energy in the name of your college experience than I do? You will have a large and loving family to return to while I will have nothing and nobody? Really?

I challenge you, Mr. Barber, to prove these high and mighty statements. Prove that you are better than I am. Prove that your friends are truer and closer to you than mine are to me. Prove that your four years here will be happier than mine solely by our different reactions to the same choice.

And I also challenge you, Mr. Barber, with your own words: "If you don't have any proof, then keep your mouth shut."

Kristen E. Balchus is a member of the class of '99.

BobbyB beats down Barber

Don't let the name fool you, folks. While my real name is, in fact, listed below, the truth of the matter is that years from now, or even days, you'll have forgotten it.

Unfortunately, I am not Greek, so according to Mr. Barber's letter last week ("It makes [Greeks] a part of history, not just another nobody who attended classes here") I am "nobody." My friends, however, call me "Know."

And notice I say friends, not family. Based upon the letters of

Ms. Dillon and Mr. Barber, as a non-Greek the best I can hope for is to have mere friends. So, for now, I'll play the game by their rules.

Robert Bazylak

Ms. Dillon writes that "[being Greek] is more than friendship—it is loyalty to your family, and your fraternity is your family here." Barber seemingly agrees, adding that "[Weaver] does not know what it is like to have friends who treat you like family. ... I am going to have a whole fraternity to call my family."

It therefore seems that family is for Greeks and friends are for non-Greeks. Apparently, then, my long-standing question of what Greek life could give me that I could not find elsewhere has been answered: family.

Philanthropy? Don't need to be Greek. Social life? Still don't need to be Greek. Career connections? Try again. Friends? Already got 'em. Family? Hmm....

You know what? I have that, too. And the funny part is that Ms. Dillon seems to agree with me. "[Greeks] bond like normal people," she wrote, "by talking and spending time with one another." So, then, Greeks are unique in the fact that they have family in the way that they bond like us "normal people" by "talking and spending time with one another?" Uh, OK.

Contradictions aside, I talk and spend time with people, both men and women, whom I not only con-

sider to be close friends, but my family here at Allegheny. So why can't I, a nobody, have a "family" at Allegheny? Oh yeah, I forgot—I'm not Greek. Exclusion, anyone?

As for Mr. Barber, he adds that "When I come back in 10 years, I am going to have a whole fraternity to call my family." Again, the Greek notion of family is admittedly foreign to me. How can someone feel that a group of total strangers is his family?

From my perspective, I know those friends whom I consider family by who they are and what they do as individuals, not by a label that (continued on page 13)

An appalling lack of hookers: finding beauty in our booty

My column last week on stairwell sex, besides granting me Warhol's so-called "fifteen minutes of fame" and setting a standard to which I will never again aspire, begged a question that was left unanswered.

Where on campus can the horny, the concupiscent, the little-head thinkers—as though looking for cheap, easy sex were a philosophy—go to assuage their frenetic hormones?

J. Eric Bischof

The question illuminates a seldom-broached problem here at Allegheny: the appalling lack of prostitutes on campus. One wishing to solicit sex on a Friday night has nowhere to turn.

The absence of hookers seems odd, as there are organizations on campus representing the interests of many diverse groups. Just about every student can find a club that serves his or her interests.

Gator Activities Programming, that virtual isle of enthralling entertainment in the sea of boredom and monotony that is our fair college on the hill, seeks to provide something for everyone. However, among all the psychics and second-run movies, they have never sponsored a "Hooker Night."

Residence Life has done its best to cover up the Hookergate scandal of last year, when four ambitious sophomore girls tried to start a "Hooker Pride House," only to have it turned down by one vote. Instead, Residence Life accepted the proposal for the "Incense and Hallucinogen House" (more commonly known as the Meditation and Mindfulness House), causing an uproar on campus.

Marriott, to salvage some of the immense respect it lost when it made the Snapple board plan illegal, could start a hooker bar somewhere in the food court. But there would doubtlessly be a big commotion when Marriott decided to make hookers shop or munch only.

Even Allegheny Student Government, whose main purpose is to serve the interests of the student body it represents, has never at one of its weekly meetings debated the merits of having readily-available prostitutes for student use (though I have a feeling that if there ever was an ASG presidency that would consider the idea of hookers on campus, this is the one).

So without the help of ASG, GAP or any other campus organizations, there is only one place to turn: the Greek system. Most students are familiar with the former Pennsylvania state law and prevailing myth that the college cannot

have sorority houses on the grounds that a house with so many women living together would be considered a brothel.

I think Allegheny should have sorority houses, provided that they will consider themselves brothels.

I have read recently that the "Greek system may seem like endless parties and pranks ... but it is definitely not, it is so much more." One can see enormous potential in this statement.

I am willing to embrace this concept of the Greek system's being "so much more." Especially if this so much more includes a five dollar lap dance, a \$10 Koppa Koppa Feela, a \$15 buck-naked pinning and the special \$25 leather bondage package (as I have also read that sorority sisters bond in many ways).

Think of the vast number of possible philanthropy projects such an endeavor would create!

When sororities are brothels there will be nary a day when a Greek, hitherto ostracized by an oppressive independent college population, will have to pick up the paper and endure a negative caricature of him or herself. Henceforth, the paper will have only good things to say, commending the Greek system for the service it provides the community!

I would like to see the day when the only time we hear the term "run-out" is when the sisters-cum-hookers describe what has happened when a supply of flavored body oil has been depleted.

And wouldn't the advertisements for Greek Sing be so much more enticing if they promised live nude dancers? Who would turn down a chance to see his favorite Kappa showing off a little theta and alpha while dancing to "Do You Love Me?"

Surely our recently-inaugurated president, Richard J. Cook, would like to do something momentous to put himself in good standing with the trustees and the college community at large. Why not sponsor the First Annual Dick's Cook-Out—a combination picnic and Meet Allegheny's New Hookers Night?

Many will scoff at my idea, writing it off as inane and contrived, as a way to get a few cheap laughs. Some may say that I could be writing about more important things, perhaps using my writing talent for something more meaningful. Others will say that combining sex, sarcasm and slander to achieve commercial humor is cliché and a waste of time.

I can live with that.

**With many thanks to Lori DiStefano and David Brennan, who gave me the inspiration for some of the "humor" in paragraph five.*

J. Eric Bischof is a columnist for The Campus.



The wildly strange fantasies of Dr. Love

Call me Love. Dr. Love.

Yes I've made myself a doctor—a doctor of love. You see, after my last column I wasn't sure whether or not I'd do another one because I write for Arts and Living every week. (That's a plug. Hey if Dennis Rodman can do it on Letterman, I can plug my articles into my own column.) My first column was well received, though, so I decided to do another one. Just remember you encouraged me. I am not responsible for the consequences.

Willie Berkovitz

Anyway, I was trying to come up with another idea that I could ramble about when I came to a frightening realization. I've been giving out a lot of romantic advice lately. The scariest part is that some of this advice has actually been asked for!

Yes—people have asked me for advice on romance! The four deadliest words in the English language are "What do you think?"

If you want to keep your sanity and respect for the people around you, never ask them for their opinion or what they would do in your situation. You see the problem is *they might actually tell you!* So remember, take my advice, never care

what anyone else thinks. Remember, I'm just here to help.

And yet again, I digress. Friends and acquaintances were all asking my opinion and advice on certain things in their love lives. I won't go further into that because I'm sure you people don't want to hear the lurid details.

I guess the main problem I have with this is that if there is a person out there who knows anything about love, romance and good relationships, it isn't me. Coming to me for romantic advice is like Mickey asking Goofy for help on the bar exam or letting the Marx Brothers do your taxes.

However, I'm starting to feel different. I'm starting to feel like a love guru. Maybe I can be the next Dr. Ruth Westheimer. In fact, maybe Dr. Ruth, Dr. Joyce Brothers and I, Dr. Love, can all team up. We could have a show called *Tag Team Therapy*.

For my new show I will grow a cheesy mustache like Geraldo, lose and gain 50 pounds every week like Oprah and cry through my red, jewel rimmed spectacles like Sally Jesse.

If you can't see where this is leading, I can—*my own talk show*. I'll wipe up the floor with that wimp Jerry Springer. I'll have Maury canned so fast he'll think he was his wife. Ha, with everyone watching

my show and following my advice *I could take over the world!* Yes! Oh wait, I'm sorry. Was that out loud?

Well, since romantic advice seems to be my forte now, I think maybe I'll give you, my faithful readers, a few pointers about love and marriage. It's an institution you can't disparage. Ask the local gentry. Oh wait, that's not my advice. This is:

Women: If you want all the pluses of a relationship without all the hassles, just hook up with some guy, tell him you'll call them, and then don't! It's just that simple. Just leave the guy hanging. The best part is that he'll be waiting by the phone for a call that will never come!

Men: If you want to end a relationship with a woman without all the crying, say to her, "I think that we should just be friends." That way, she'll still be around if you ever want to start anything with her again, but you'll be free to see other people.

That's my advice. Remember, I'm just trying help you people. If you use this advice and it doesn't work, don't blame me. You were stupid enough to listen to me.

Well, I have to go. I need some romantic advice. Maybe I'll start talking to myself.

Willie Berkovitz is a columnist for The Campus.

Politicians are the product of our own misconceptions

Politicians are human beings.

No, really—they are. And when I found out, I was just as shocked as you are.

Gail Giewont

I admit that sometimes they don't seem too human. Frequently, Congress looks more like a soap opera than our country's legislative body. They can spend days, weeks or even months debating almost pointless issues.

While doing so, they make personal attacks, yell and sometimes sing songs or read poetry. Actually, when you think about it, it's almost like the O.J. Simpson trial without any conceivable end.

While we expect the utmost stability from our political figures, that is rarely what we receive anymore. Bob Dole surprised us when he

wore a t-shirt and shorts, didn't he?

I don't think that the American public knew how to respond. How dare he present a different image to us! It was worse when he tripped on the campaign trail, though. I think even the most staunch Republicans felt a little uncertain when they saw that and began questioning whether Dole's age had finally caught up with him.

We can't have a president who's going to fall every once in a while, can we?

Even worse, sometimes politicians change their minds. How unfair is that? We vote them into office, and we expect them to maintain the same positions. That's not asking too much. When they suddenly and inexplicably decide to believe something else, don't we feel betrayed? What kind of people, if that indeed is what politicians are, would do such a thing? Even the president of the United States seems unsure

sometimes. Well, actually, a lot of the time.

Above all else, politicians are caught in scandals far more often than "real" people. Think about it. Nixon had Watergate, Kennedy had Marilyn Monroe and Bill Clinton alone probably has, with all his alleged affairs and Whitewater being only the first to come to mind, more scandals to his credit than the entire British royal family. This man is the central symbol of our country, and he certainly doesn't seem to live up to our expectations, does he? Doesn't that make you angry?

If it does, maybe it shouldn't. Sure, I think better role models exist, but the American people elected the man into office. The American people elect all of the politicians and, afterwards, criticize their every move. We complain about their policies, we scrutinize their histories, and we ridicule their follies.

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"The future will be better tomorrow."

—Dan Quayle

Fishing for an accurate definition of the cheerleading mystique

The appeal of the game is rapidly waning. It's halftime at the football game on Saturday afternoon. As players flee the field, spectator interest is sinking perilously low. On the verge of disappearing, it must be salvaged. Something radical must be done. But what?

Phil Secretan

Cheerleaders of course. What a wonderful invention they are. Under the guise of innocent fun they bounce pertly over to the center of the pitch. The stadium spectators are roused back to life.

Short-skirted and pretty, a dozen grinning girls frolic energetically about the muddy field. Like the whales at Sea World they effortlessly dazzle the overwhelming audience.

With all due respect, the halftime dancing team is stealing the show. The touchline cheerleaders and the

football players themselves were just precursory foreplay to this crowning spectacle.

Chanting and kicking, they perform pom-pom gymnastics with delicate finesse. Their thrilling display of exertion would tire most footballers out. But just why are they doing it? And perhaps more importantly, for whom?

As a countrywide pastime, cheerleading has cunningly evaded the eye of scrutiny. Originating in the late 1800s, the first cheerleaders were men. As proud volunteers their role was well defined: "to raise the spirit of the supporting crowd."

But in the boundless world of cheerleading things soon changed. Males were replaced by fitter, younger females, while ribbons and costumes were colorfully introduced. Elaborate dancing became the primary objective and can-can kicks grew tantalizingly higher.

In a race to be the best, skill and dedication became elementary requirements, and quietly in the back-

ground so did another attribute: a girl had to be pretty or the beauty police would reject her.

Come rain or shine cheerleaders bravely staged their outdoor show, but the exposure to all types of weather failed to disrupt one astonishing trend; all the while they were wearing less and less.

In stadiums across the country cheerleading was evolving, but nobody stopped to ask themselves why. Could a pastime this provocative still be classified as innocent fun, or were there darker forces discreetly at work?

Indeed to paraphrase more bluntly, was America surreptitiously weaving sex into its national game?

Answers to this question are polemical and plentiful, but perspectives depend entirely on the type of person asked. Loosely speaking, most people comfortably slide into one of the three main pools of opinion on cheerleaders.

In pond number one feminists describe cheerleaders as conforming

to traditional gender roles. In other words, they accuse them of being terribly submissive and exploited by men.

But surely this charge cannot hold true if all they engage in is good clean fun? Alas, all is not so simple, explain the feminists.

Cheerleader dancing, they claim, is closer to strip club revelry than performance art. And they wear so little that they must know what's going on.

But splashing defensively in the second pool, family traditionalists refute allegations of underlying sexual motives. Cheerleaders perceive themselves as serious sportswomen.

Calling it a sport of dedication and practiced skill, they cite national competitions as the zenith of nurtured talent and the monumental highpoint of the cheerleading year. And the reason they're skimpily dressed is to enable agility—a valid set of points from the morally unflappable.

Restricted under their vast pile of

pads and absent at halftime, footballers get little opportunity to observe cheerleaders, which means most of the "watching" gets left to spectators.

Cheerleading, like football, perhaps wouldn't exist if it weren't for the crowd. And it is deep in this rowdy third pool that the real nature of this pastime can be stripped and found.

The constraints of censorship and good taste make it difficult to relay some spectators' views, but next time you're at the football game, ask around. Or, failing that, just observe inauspiciously the boisterous crowd and make your own mental note of its rich composition.

You won't be surprised. Voyeuristic men who are predominantly heterosexual—what do they think of cheerleaders? Well, it would seem that in the eye of the spectator, sexual undertones can be abundantly found.

Phil Secretan is a columnist for The Campus.

The 700 Club—God is just one pledge away

Sometimes, to scare myself, I watch the 700 Club.

If you haven't heard of it, it's a show that expounds hatred and bigotry under the guise of Christianity.

Mike Matott

It's part of the Christian Broadcasting Network, which formerly had a cable channel called CBN that is now known as the Family Channel. I'm sure you've heard of the Family Channel. They broadcast the Three Stooges twice a day.

The three stooges (Pat Robertson, Terry Meeuwsen and a black man with white hair whom I want to call Tom) are the hosts of the show. Usually it's only Pat and his perky female co-host Terry, but their black friend shows up from time to time, especially at fund drives to offer some cheery words.

Through a bit of web-searching I was able to get some interesting information on the 700 Club.

Terry Meeuwsen is the typical conservative woman. A happily married mother of four, this former Miss America has just released an entire album of inspirational songs. I'm sure every woman aspires to be as successful as Terry.

It must be a great sacrifice to have to tear yourself away from your family in order to nod at the incredibly ludicrous things Pat Robertson says to his viewing audience.

And yet, she manages to do it. This woman smiles approvingly as Pat Robertson makes comments that imply that a woman's proper place is in the home raising her children. I don't suppose that the 700 Club is broadcast out of Terry's home?

Pat Robertson is the ringleader of this ultra-conservative bunch. He's written a number of books that supposedly illuminate why our world is in such a mess and what we have to do to stop it. He made a bid for the presidency in 1988, but fortunately for those of us who like the First Amendment, he failed.

Now, Pat devotes his time to the wonderful mission of the 700 Club: making money. I saw over the summer a week-long pledge drive that was aired twice a day. Pat Robertson and his two co-hosts, I mean co-hosts, pleaded for money from the viewing audience so that they could advance their "Christian" agenda of lobbying Congress for such things as prayer in school, tuition vouchers for Christian-affiliated schools and opposition to immigration, welfare and equal rights laws.

I watched, fascinated, as these people actually prayed to God for money. They had their hands over pledges, thanking God in one breath for those pledges and asking him for more in the next.

I was absolutely horrified.

I've had quite a falling out with my Catholic roots, but I still find it blasphemous that anyone could be so base as to pray for financial reasons. Then I took a long look at The 700 Club and realized that that was all it was—a corporation set up to take people's money in exchange for prayers.

Religion with a set price tag.

They even had categories that labeled you for how much you gave. The basic 700 Club, the 1000 Club and the Founders Club. They all had dollar figure ranges attached to them. I'm surprised Pat didn't throw in a special dispensation to heaven for anyone that contributed more than a million dollars.

I've known a number of good Christians. I'm familiar with the Christian ideology. I do not think that Pat Robertson and his group of fanatical followers constitute "good Christians." There is nothing more un-Christian than intolerance of others.

One final thing for you to contemplate: "Before removing the mote from your neighbor's eye, remove the beam from thine own."

Mike Matott is a columnist for The Campus.

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And yet, we're the ones responsible.

Personally, I have tripped before and no one made a judgment on my capacity to do a job. As far as I know, I've never done anything particularly unlawful or morally questionable, but I'm sure someone could find something.

Sometimes, after a good deal of reflection, I change my mind on an issue. Every once in a while, I make a mistake. Why am I allowed this privilege that we deny our leaders? Why do we want them to be more than human? Do we really want all our politicians to be as stiff and inflexible as Al Gore?

I guess not. We make fun of him too.

Gail Giewont is a columnist for The Campus.

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Mary K. Ritke, assistant professor of biology, would like to gratefully acknowledge "the mostly melodic chorus of over 800 voices singing 'Happy Birthday' greetings" to her at Allegheny's Greek Sing. She heartily thanks you with these words, "I was quite moved by this warm gesture."

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Apathy lingers as problem for Allegheny Student Government

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heated debate erupted over whether mandatory hours could be accumulated by direct interaction with students, or whether they can be notched up simply by performing general tasks for ASG, which some say are already time consuming enough.

Speaking at a later meeting, Co-Director of Public Relations Shannon Piccirillo said, "It was as if everyone was trying to squeal out of what they have to do."

Since he clinched a narrow last-minute election victory in February, "Raging Bull" Pennell has repeatedly advocated his wish for the ASG to become more involved with the student body.

Some members said the debate indicated a real interest in the student community on the part of ASG.

Sophomore Senator Johnna Resek said that, "Even though there is animosity, it is helping raise

issues that need to be raised."

Pennell maintained that, unless a new amendment is proposed and approved, members still will be required to participate in two hours of representative activities every month. These activities include meetings with hall councils, ASG sponsored groups, and fraternity or sorority chapters.

But the issue of practical enforcement of hours is both practically complicated and ethically questionable, say some ASG members.

"There seems to be a lack of trust," said Senior Senator Liz Yanelli. "It's almost as if you have to

police students into doing their hours."

While some ASG members are very active, Vice President Ryan Yoder noted that, in spite of the discussion about responsibilities, "Very few people turned up to pomp on the ASG Homecoming float."

There is also persisting speculation that a rift has emerged between the elected Senate and the ASG Cabinet, who were selected by "Bull" and Yoder at the end of the Spring semester.

Said one Senate member: "There are a lot of hard feelings among older folks. Some of those putting in effort have been slapped in the

face."

Disagreements over the amendment have also prompted some to question the leadership of President Gary Pennell and Vice President Ryan Yoder.

Senior Senator Kate Salynski said, "People had a low opinion to begin with when Bull and Yoder were elected, but this has confirmed it."

ASG has been involved in several new projects this year. Shuttle buses to Cleveland and Erie airports have been organized, and a float was constructed for Homecoming Day.

Some Allegheny students abuse system for free food

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Michelle began receiving food stamps late last year and relied on food stamps through last May. During that time she received \$119 in stamps per month.

Currently she is working 30 hours per week and no longer receives food stamps. Yet, before she applied for the assistance last year, she often stole food from McKinley's in order to eat on a regular ba-

sis.

Similarly, Darryl plans to apply for food stamps this week. As his financial situation became increasingly difficult and he could not make ends meet, food stamps became a necessity.

Although he admits the stigma is an issue, he is more concerned with the issue of dependency on the government. He believes dependence on governmental systems is not a positive thing.

He is willing to compromise this ideology in an attempt to avoid more serious dependence, such as welfare, later.

Both students receiving aid out of genuine need are becoming increasingly angry with those students abusing the system.

Michelle often tells students who question her about the process that they can try, but they may eventually be caught, particularly if they are wearing diamond rings in

an office full of single mothers.

**Names in this article have been changed to protect anonymity.*

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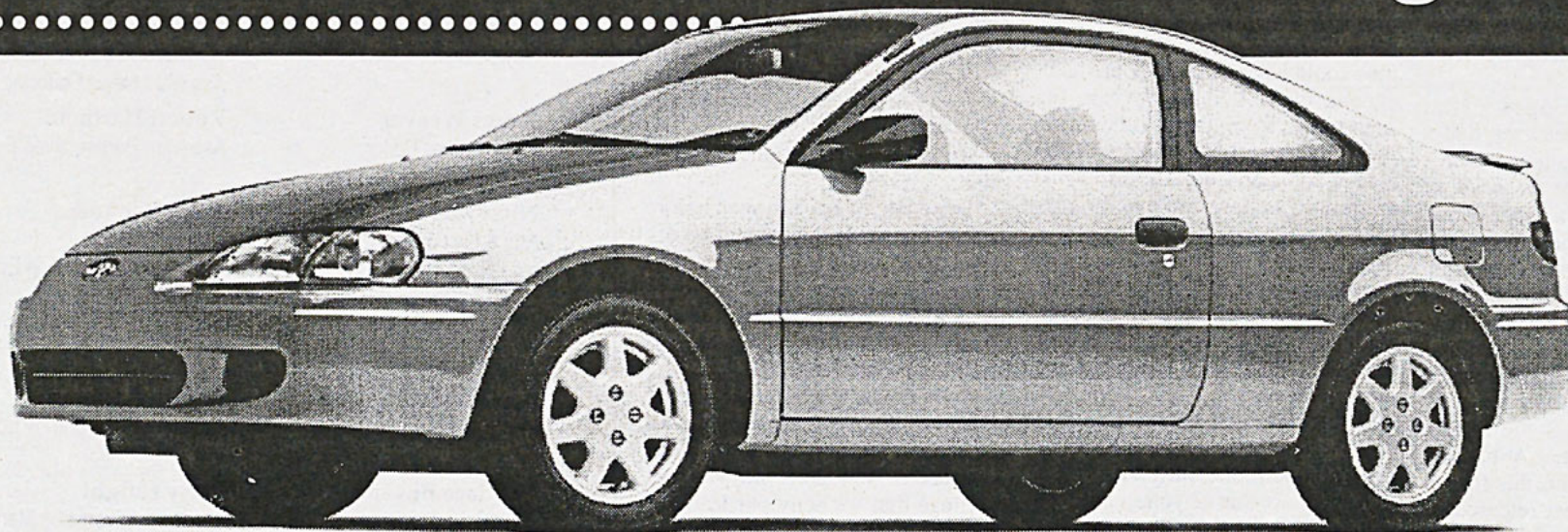
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Arts & Living

Female puff is on the up

By SANDRA LEVCIK
Arts & Living Writer

Smoking may be harmful, but how does this affect the way we think about those who still do it? After speaking with a few Alleghenians, I discovered that there's more to smoking than the haze that meets the eye. I also discovered that many people felt uncomfortable discussing (on record) their views about smoking.

"I do feel more comfortable around people who smoke, or at least who are comfortable with my smoking habit," says junior Ellisa Keith. Students explained that tension sometimes is created when some members of a group are into inhaling and some just aren't.

"Girls who smoke are just plain foul," one freshman said as he put out his cigarette. His honesty revealed a double standard when it comes to males' smoking habits.

A sophomore woman said she had no biases against her female friends who smoked, and was shocked to find that many people on campus had different sets of standards for male and female smokers.

She noted that she could "see how people can get started on cigarettes. They are great stress relievers and a lot less harmful than other bad habits, as long as it's not carried to an extreme. A person should be able to smoke as long as they're not hurting anyone else."

But what other detrimental effects accompany smoking besides the recognized health hazards?

"I find smoking to be unattractive mostly because of the cigarette smell," notes a junior male. "Not only for the smell, but also for the underlying notion that if people cannot respect themselves enough to avoid a useless and harmless act such as smoking, how can they respect others around them?"

Some such views may be directly related to women. As one senior female non-smoker put it, "I think it makes guys think they are cool and girls think they are sexy, but they are both wrong."

"The day my girlfriend would smoke would be the day she'd be out on the street begging for me to take her back," a junior male claimed, even though he admitted to having friends who chain-smoked.

Was it that he found smoking unattractive and gross in general, or was it just that he did not expect women to engage in such "dirty" behavior? After speaking with several female smokers on campus, the issues became even clearer.

The image of smoking as dangerously sexy and provocative is not as long gone as many would believe. Ads for Virginia Slims and Misty's usually feature a stunning woman eagerly inhaling while hoards of good-looking men pursue her.

The National Center for Health Statistics' Office on Smoking and Health believes women of reproductive age continue the habit because advertisers have become more focused on directing cigarette advertisements toward women and because the teen women smokers of



CIGAR-"ETTE," LADIES?—Allegheny trends appear to support national statistics which show that female smokers are on the rise. Student responses indicated that many view women who smoke more negatively than their male counterparts.

—photo by Dan Garfinkel

the 1970s are now the middle-age smokers of the 1990s.

Why is it sexy for some, yet foul for others when they fulfill their nicotine addictions?

"I was at a party once where a guy told a girl that she was sexy just because she could blow smoke out her nose," one freshman female who considered herself a "social smoker" confided in me.

Jason Dittman, a junior environmental science major, commented, "The only real turn-off I see in girls who smoke is sometimes when they blow smoke out their nose, although it can be kind of sexy depending on my mood."

Some reported viewing men who smoke as stressed-out intellectuals

escaping from their fast-paced worlds.

"You see a guy smoking and you think to yourself, well, he must have had a really hard test today, whereas, when you see girls, you think either that girl is really stupid and her breath must really stink or you imagine her as a dangerous femme fatale—habitually having a smoke after she's finished with you in bed," said one anonymous male.

Although these expressions and attitudes could be isolated instances, they also could be the symptoms of a recent rise in female vs. male smoking.

In 1987, smoking among women was on the decline, as only 29.6% of women were smokers. The decline

continued until 1991, when women began lighting up in record numbers, with no major decline since.

According to the Center for Disease Control, 80% of young female smokers report at least one indicator of nicotine addiction. In previous years, the CDC has developed projective programs to try to reduce the number of young women of reproductive age who smoke to 12%, but so far, none have been successful.

According to recent statistics, there has been no real slowing of incidence of female smoking nationwide, which may give us more time to ponder the issue of whether female smokers are being given a fair drag.

Welcome back, Martha!



A message from Brooks Hall "checker" Martha Hall—"A special thanks to all students who sent get-well wishes and cards while I was recovering from my broken leg and for all who contributed to the monogrammed blanket. It is beautiful! You're all great! Love you all!!!"

—photo by Ben Wyrick

Allegheny sounds thoughts on loud music

BY WILLIE BERKOVITZ
Arts & Living Writer

The sounds or thumps of a stereo turned up to its breaking point resonate in the halls of any dorm on campus. Who listens to music this loud and who are these people bothering?

Cort Anderson, a sophomore who lives in Schultz Hall, says that he usually listens to his music very loud. When asked if he thinks that loud music and noise are a problem, he says, "I don't think that it's a problem as long as your stereo is bigger than your neighbors'."

Anderson says that he likes his music very loud because it helps relieve stress. He says that if he fails a test or does badly on a paper, he can just go into his room and relieve his stress with a loud dose of Pink

Floyd, Led Zeppelin or Metallica. Anderson says that his RA, who lives next door, other people in the dorm, and even someone from the Health Center has complained about his music. He has lowered the volume on such occasions. "If someone asks me to turn it down, I will," Anderson said.

Anderson claims he has been bothered by others' loud noise or music. "I just put up with it, though, because I know I play my music loud," he said, "If I don't want to put up with it, then I'll go to the library. Unless it's quiet hours. Then I'll ask them to turn it down."

Anderson added that the sound insulation is a lot better in Schultz Hall than in Crawford, where he lived last year. He suggests that when the college builds new dorms they consider investing in good acoustic insulation.

Joe Langenhan, a junior who lives in Caflisch, says that he also plays his music loud. "Sometimes," he qualifies. He says that he listens to Skaa, and "It sounds better loud." Langenhan says that last year, he was sometimes asked to turn it down, but not this year. He encourages those who like loud music, "Don't let them repress you!"

Sophomore Tim Edwards, Anderson's neighbor in Schultz, likes his music loud, too, because "it sounds better." He says that he'll listen to "Beethoven, or anything" loud. He says that he's never personally been asked to turn it down, but was present when a Residence Life representative lectured his neighbor about playing music too loudly. He says that he's never really been bothered by anyone else's noise, but one time: "Cort woke me (continued on page 11)

Killer lions and carnage compensate for clichéd script

By LUKE BOGER
Arts & Living Writer

It started out as a sad day for me in the Meadville Cinema. I went into the pitch black Theater #3 and announced to the darkness that I was about to sit down, hopefully in no one's lap. The lights did go on soon; I had just arrived too early. Anyway, the point is that Theater #3 is no longer the Beatles Room. They still play some cool music which I deem as "groovy," but I do miss the Beatles. Oh, well, we must move on. Let's now just call Theater #3 the "Groovy (Movie) Room." Yes, I like that.

Film Review

Showing this weekend in the Groovy Room was *The Ghost and the Darkness*, directed by Stephen Hopkins. After seeing the preview for *Star Trek: First Contact* for at least the thirtieth time (I think Paramount has put it in their by-laws to have that preview in all of their films), the movie began. That's when the two little kids in front of me realized that this wasn't *D3* and left.

I went into this movie not knowing what to expect. The reviews I had seen on it were less-than stellar, with Roger Ebert giving it half of a star out of four. On the other hand, a friend's parents had seen it, and had thoroughly enjoyed the film, calling it "Jaws on land." *Jaws* on land would have been kind of funny, actually, now that I think about it. In *Ghost*, however, there are no sharks, just lions.

It is 1898, and Val Kilmer is Lt. Col. John Patterson, an Irishman hired by British government offi-

cials to build bridges. Patterson has always wanted to go to Africa, and promises his wife that he will be back in time for the birth of their son, expected in five months.

Once in Africa, Patterson sees the thousands of Hindus, Muslims and Africans who were hired to do the work on the bridge, and knows that his work is cut out for him. It's really silly to keep going about the plot, because the story line is weak. I'll just get to the point of the film.

Loosely based on a true story, the movie centers on two lions, which come to the camp, and working together, kill the men, first one by one, and then in all-out attacks. The men call them "The Ghost" and "The Darkness," because they do not kill like lions normally do, and because they seem to be doing this killing for the fun of it. They are pure evil to the workers there. Of course, they must be stopped.

Enter Michael Douglas, as hunter extraordinary Remington. I really don't want to talk much on the plot and sub characters, because it would come across very dull. Basically, this is about Remington and Patterson trying to kill these lions. It's that simple. Also starring in the film is John Kani, who plays Samuel, the African head honcho of the camp and my favorite character.

I think it is interesting to talk about what kind of movie this is, and why so many critics would give it a bad review, and why I will not.

First of all, this movie is corny. The script is silly, although the acting is fine (I couldn't believe I accepted Val Kilmer with an Irish accent). The whole film comes across as one of those old 50s movies with the macho hunters who kill lots of stuff, but still have sensitive sides, etc. You get the point.

The thing is, though, this is sim-

ply an amusing movie to watch. It's pure popcorn (not to be confused with cop-porn), and that should be all one expects.

Visually, this is an exciting movie, and it didn't let me down in that respect at all. We don't go to see films like this for the plot. We go for the carnage. And boy, do we get it. These lions devour people like I devour the "Country Toast" at Perkins (it's only \$1.10).

You do not want to see this if blood, cracking bones and lions biting heads and eating people bother you. But, come on, you know you love it!

There was one scene in particular, involving a dream, that really messed me up, but I'll let you see it. I don't want to ruin the surprise.

I must say that I did feel kind of bad for the lions that were killed in the film. I guess that is just proof of my undying love for kitty cats and furry creatures everywhere. Of course, my cats at home don't rip off my face.

So, here's my take on *The Ghost and the Darkness*: ignore the critics (except Yours Truly), and just go see this. Some aspects of it are the ultimate cliché, but bottom-lined, it's a lot of fun. There is some beautiful cinematography of the African plains at times, as well. Like I said, though, beware of the blood—there is a lot. It really is a brainlessly corny movie that has a lot of excitement.

When they're done a certain way, I've always liked things that are so dumb that they're good, and this fits into that category. Maybe the film takes itself too seriously, but I'm not so sure. Decide for yourself. Kilmer and Douglas both seem to know how cheesy the whole thing is, and are having a good time. While watching it, I was thinking

that *Ghost and the Darkness* is the type of movie that is fun the first time, but wouldn't be good twice. Thinking about it more, though, I think that I would like to view it another time. Check your brain at the door for this one, and you'll like it. It won't hold up on video.

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Descendents' album is All that

By J. ERIC BISCHOF
Arts & Living Writer

Artist: Descendents
Album: *Everything Sucks*
Overall Grade: A+

If the title of the Descendents' first studio album in ten years is correct, then the album itself is a notable exception.

Music Review

The Descendents broke up in 1986 when vocalist Milo Aukerman left for college. The remaining members, drummer Bill Stevenson, guitarist Stephen Egerton, and bassist Karl Alvarez went on to form All, the best pop-punk band today or ever.

The idea of All started as a concept by the Descendents: in Stevenson's words, "the total extent, as set forth by the Basemaster General himself." The Descendents' main goal was the quest for ALL, or anything that was ALLular, particularly coffee and food.

Ten years after their break-up, Milo is back with the three most ALLular musicians of all time, and the Descendents have been reborn (All has not broken up for the reunion—they will have a new album with their vocalist Chad Price in the spring).

Everything Sucks is everything one would expect from a Descendents/ All album. It follows the typical arrangement of songs: most are catchy pop-punk tunes about girls loved, lost or both interspersed with one-minute punk rantings about coffee or boredom.

These latter songs break new

*As a film, this gets 1.5 happy faces, but out of sheer entertainment value, it gets a 3.5 out of 5.

Pluses: blood, action, suspense, turmoil, choo choo trains, cool lions.

Minuses: Clichéd, tired script (although I rather enjoyed the stupidity); not for the faint at heart; no Perkins Country Toast at movie theaters.

ground on this album in "Eunuch Boy": "Don't laugh at him 'cause he can't piss straight/ He can't even masturbate."

Their love songs have lyrics so cheesy that only the Descendents could have written them: In "We" Milo sings, "I don't know what the future holds/ All I know is you're there with me/ That's all I need."

They briefly tackle politics ("Hear about the president?/ He used to smoke pot/ He never broke the law/ 'Cause he never got caught") and alienation. But these songs cannot compare with the sheer number or blatant mushiness of the song that proclaims "She loves me/ It's not just in my head."

The strongest songs on the album are the "songs about girls" (as Stevenson refers to them), such as "I'm the One," and "We," along with a childish anthem about not wanting to grow up, "When I Get Old."

It's hard to imagine any pop-punk band standing out in a musical scene in which Bush and the other Nirvana clones sell millions of albums, but the Descendents and their, well, descendents All, have always done just that.

Drummer Stevenson is one of the best drummers around. Alvarez's bass lines are never just rhythm filler; he jumps all over the fretboard, and along with Stevenson, carries all of the songs. Egerton avoids over-used power chord clichés; his riffs are always unique, relying often on dissonance and usually doing just what a listener wouldn't expect next.

These tight musicians once again come together under a great punk vocalist to create another collection of flawless punk songs. *Everything Sucks* does not.

Mazzy Star shines again after prolonged hiatus

By IAN BAUM
Arts & Living Writer

Artist: Mazzy Star
Album: *Among My Swan*
Overall Grade: B+

After one semi-hit, and then a prolonged absence, Mazzy Star finally has returned with a new album. With their slow, melodic music and melancholy lyrics, they show that they can make a good follow-up to an impressive debut. The music to *Among My Swan* is written to complement the lyrics rather than work against them. It could exist without words and not sound empty, though.

Music Review

The album opens with "Disappear." This song demonstrates their skill in using the tools of a full band to produce a simple,

full sound. You easily see these songs being played with only guitar. Instead, they use the mixture of rhythm guitar with heavy distortion, and lead guitar with a very clean sound, all backed up by a simple bass line and drum beat and Hope Sandoval's lonely childlike voice, to create a unique sound which grabs you and drowns you at the same time.

"Take Everything" is a song about jealousy and feelings of rejection. The title comes from the chorus where the singer is offering everything she has to an unknown ex. This ex has found someone else before the singer is ready to move on. The music for the main part of the song is very simple. It consists mainly of acoustic guitar with a basic drum beat. The choruses add a lead guitar with a slow drawn-out melody.

"All Your Sisters" is an incredible mixture of classical guitar with the lyrical work of Sandoval. The music is very original, but still re-

mains simple. The lyrics are dark and sinister. The chorus, "Gonna

put something in you/ Make the devil surprise" clearly demonstrates the anger and emotion that the singer is feeling.

The album closes with "Look On Down From the Bridge." The music is mostly a church organ with an electric guitar playing a few sections. The lyrics are sad and lonely, and delivered to give the sense of resignation.

After their fifteen minutes of fame, Mazzy Star disappeared from the music scene. By refusing to change their sound to attract more commercial appeal, they've maintained their integrity, as well as a good sound. This album is a mixture of all the necessary elements for a complete sound. If you liked their first album, you most likely will like this one too. This definitely has potential to attract new listeners. All in all, I feel it is a worthwhile investment.

This Weekend at Meadville Cinemas...

First Wives' Club (PG)

2:15, 4:30, 7:15, 9:30

The Chamber (R)

2:00, 4:25, 7:00, 9:25

The Ghost and the Darkness (R)

2:10, 4:30, 7:10, 9:30

The Mighty Ducks III (PG)

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Prisoners in *The Chamber* get better reception than two kings

By JON CANTWELL &
FRED HEMMINGER
Arts & Living Writers

Notice the new column name this week: The Front Row Kings. We are not bragging, we are just wondering what you, our readers, were thinking when you elected us as sophomore and senior Homecoming kings. Well, enough gloating about our week of fame that will never occur again in our lives.

Front Row Kings

We saw *The Chamber* this week. Many of you may recognize the title because it was a popular book written by John Grisham. Both of us read the book before seeing the film, so this will be a truly informative article.

The movie opened in the town of Indianola, Mississippi, in the year 1967. As a viewer you must recall that this is the period of civil rights movement and that the South was surrounded by racism.

The action begins as we see Mr. Kramer, a Jewish lawyer pressing for civil rights, leaving his home with his two five-year-old sons. They arrive at Kramer's law office, and within moments of their arrival, they are killed by an explosion.

We then meet Sam Cayhall, played by Gene Hackman (*Hoosiers*), who is accused of planting the bomb in connection with the Ku Klux Klan.

Following three trials, Cayhall is convicted of the crime and sent to death row. After 14 years in the state penitentiary known as Parchman, Cayhall fires his attorneys because they have done nothing to help him.

Adam Hall, played by Chris O'Donnell (*Batman Forever*), from the law firm of Kravitz & Bane, decides to take up the case. The only catch is that Sam Cayhall is Hall's grandfather.

Coincidentally, the day he decides to approach Sam and offer his services, Sam is notified that he is to be executed in 28 days. Adam does not tell Sam that he is his grandson, but Sam recognizes his voice because it is similar to Adam's father's (Sam's son). We later learn of the hardships the Cayhall family has had to face over the years.

After acquiring the case, Adam files endless petitions and appeals to the various courts of jurisdiction. In the end, it is up to Adam's last appeal to determine whether or not it will be Sam's last day.

Jon's pick— Have any of John Grisham's books-turned-movies ever failed? I know some of you are starting to get scared because this is the second movie I like in a row.

Have no fear though, I am sure Fred did not like it. What a critic! Damn theater majors, looking for artistic merit! I, on the other hand, am ignorant of what constitutes artistic value and watch for entertainment value, unlike my esteemed colleague.

Those of you who actually read our column: stop nagging Fred and realize he is too cultured for some of these films, although he is obsessed with *Pocahontas*, which is filled with artistic merit!

Back to *The Chamber*, I thought that the director of this film effectively chose the most important scenes from Grisham's book, which was over 600 pages long.

I had to laugh, though, when they were inside the Death Row cells and watching perfectly-recepted televisions. All I get is the Christian Channel through my antenna, yet some death row inmate gets perfect reception. Wonderful, isn't it? I tried to notice if maybe it was just cable TV, explaining the reception. If they did have cable, then this is a hint to Residence Life. Come on, if death row inmates have cable, how about us?

Usually, I would laugh and say that the entire idea is unrealistic, but

those of you from Pittsburgh who have seen the new city jail, which is often mistaken for Duquesne University dormitories because of their close proximity, know it is more-than-likely to be true.

So this week, not only do I recommend that you see this film, but also I encourage that the dormitories be equipped with cable TV. And because of my non-cablized room and inability to get to a TV during the day, I ask all of you sports fanatics: "Did the Penguins win last night?" I missed the sports report on the Christian Channel today.

For *The Chamber* I give you eight Snapples, and for the cable TV situation on campus I give those involved the number of Snapples that I get with my meal equivalency, zero.

Fred's pick— It's a Grisham movie: it can't be bad. I would rate this slightly lower than the other movies based on his novels, but it still was entertaining.

I had some apprehensions about O'Donnell in the leading role, for obvious reasons. I must also quote one of my good-friends at this time, "The movie has to be good, Chris O'Donnell is so sexy." As she said this, I wiped the drool off of Kerri's chin and laughed to myself. I laughed because she did not know of all the times that I have been confused for Chris O'Donnell.

Okay, so maybe it was over a year ago and O'Donnell's silver hoop earring for *Batman* resembled mine. Maybe it was only two or three times that I was told I looked like him, but a guy can dream, can't he?

The point I am trying to get at is

that O'Donnell actually did a good job with the role. After fifteen minutes, I had forgotten that in the last movie I saw with him, he was wearing tights and running around in rubber armor with fake nipples.

I am actually at a loss for words right now. (I'm sure those of you who know me are probably on the ground in shock.) I usually use this section of the review to go off on some tangent that has nothing to do with the movie, but my partner has taken over that job for me.

As far as the accusations that I am too much into artistic merit to be a true Front Row Fool, I have one

defense: I found *Showgirls* to be entertaining.

If you are wondering why neither Jon nor I bothered to talk about the movie this week, it is because it was actually a good movie, so there was not much for us to rip on.

I have grown so accustomed to making fun of cheesy action movies that I do not know how to write a review of a good drama. There is hope in the future, though. Stallone has a new movie premiering. His movies are all uncanny: same role, different special effects. As for *The Chamber*, I give the movie and my long lost twin brother seven Snapples.

Dorm music makes noise

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up at 10:15. It was all right. I had to get up anyhow."

Students are not the only ones bothered by loud music. The staff of Winslow Health Center say that this year they have been bothered by students playing music with offensive lyrics, dribbling basketballs and playing a guitar in the hall above them. "It's very annoying," one worker commented. Sue Plunkett, a nurse at the center, says, "During the day, people need to think. If they were sick, they wouldn't like it (the noise)." The staff said that the problem has been improving, thanks to the help of the RAs and RDs, and other Residence Life staff.

Alvin Anthony, an RA in Schultz, says that this year noise has been a "big issue." His hall is one with which the Health Center was having problems. He says that one of the causes is that this is the first year his hall has consisted of all

males. He says that he doesn't like to make generalizations, but, "Guys are going to be guys. Girls are traditionally quieter."

Anthony says that he combats the problem by having a loud hour from 6-7 p.m. During this time, his residents can be as loud as they want. He says that he's never had to write anyone up, but he has given warnings.

The Admissions Office, also located in Schultz Hall, has not been too concerned with decibel levels. Gayle Pollock, Dean of Admissions, says that noise "happens on and off. It's no big deal. We say something to the RA and the RA talks to them."

Pollock says that the situation is no worse now that the hall closest to Admissions is all-male. "It's just loud music that sometimes a problem," she says. "It goes in cycles. For a few years, it'll be quiet; then, it'll be noisy."



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Michigan bound is dirty

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I always called him James, not Jimmy, but I haven't talked to him recently.

Kianna makes my mid-mornings enjoyable.

Congratulations Madonna—I know you will be the best mom ever.

Personals

Come out, come out, who ever you are.

Jeff—
You are no better than the fur on my dog's ass, let alone me.
—GDI

I yearn for the days of large legged bathtubs.

loads, loads, loads...

Mistress Domanatrix Ma'am,
Try and miss me this week.

A—
Your Irish, Mexican & deaf friends are welcome any time!
—C

Personals

Hey Queen—
Thanks for a fun weekend!

Buddha's Karma is run out. The party's over, fat boy.

Ronda—
When is your indictment?

Orchid—
Sorry we can't go to Mexico.

—L

Conroy—
Keep your mouth shut before we shut it for you.

Send your personals (messages, that is) to Box 12.

Personals

Congratulations Dr. Clark on your selection as Professor of the Month for September from Alpha Delta Pi!!!! Thanks for being such an awesome professor!!

Tiger—
Congratulations...your hard work paid off! You'll always be first place to me.
B

Andy—
Where's Raggedy Ann?

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Horoscope

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17, 1996

HAPPY BIRTHDAY! IN THE NEXT YEAR OF YOUR LIFE: Take stock of your professional and personal life before setting new priorities. Exciting career opportunities will arise in the coming months. Meditation will help you make wise choices. Consult a corporate headhunter if searching for a more challenging position. Fresh financial gains accrue early in 1997. February and March feature fun and romance. Submit a manuscript or artistic creation next June. A coveted prize or bonus could have your name on it!

CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY: playwright Arthur Miller, actress Margot Kidder, motorcycle stunt performer Evel Knievel, movie star Rita Hayworth.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): The emphasis now is on accumulating savings. Instigate small economies. Make sure you have adequate coverage for your household and personal needs.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Someone's behavior is confusing. Take off those rose-colored glasses and see people as they really are. If bored at a social event, slip out early and go home. A phone call will bring delight.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): It takes time to do things right. An unconventional approach may not work. Welcome new ideas even if they come from the inexperienced. Take the initiative in reconciling with a parent or sibling.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Promote harmony at both home and work. Productivity rises when you and your co-workers are in sync. Your charm works wonders with new associates. Business travel proves lucrative and fun.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Creative and artistic projects are favored. Do some comparison shopping before purchasing a computer or other elec-

tronic equipment. Buy on time if necessary.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): An excellent time for buying and selling real estate. Avoid clashing with your mate or partner where financial issues are concerned. Romance will suffer if a loved one thinks that you are unsympathetic.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Seek common ground when dealing with a difficult child. Encourage the sharing of ideas and interests. You and your romantic partner are on the same wavelength.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Let a false start or verbal slip work to your advantage. Others will be awed by your ability to put Humpty-Dumpty back together again! Confide in close friends.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Financial matters and influential people demand your attention this morning. Use your razor-sharp mind to pull off a master stroke. Romance needs more time to mature.

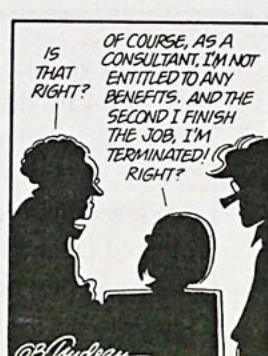
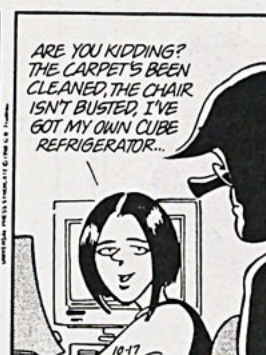
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BY G.B. TRUDEAU



Letters to the Editor continued

Boger beats them all down

Alright everybody, why don't we all just put our Greek and independent egos aside for a second and look in the mirror. I am sick and tired of hearing whining from those of you who are so high up on your horses that you believe the only things that are worthwhile are the things that you believe in so self-righteously.

Luke Boger

"Greeks are so great or so bad because of this; and independents are so great or so bad because of this." Practically everything you're saying is based not on fact or knowledge of people different from you, but on arrogance, conjecture, spite and self-defense.

So many of these letters to the editor lately have been nothing but insulting, juvenile and self-important, making nothing but rash generalizations about groups of people. These prove nothing, but give us a prime example of the depth to which the human mind can sink.

This letter comes after last week's letter by a proud member of the Greek system, which was written in response to a letter from a proud independent. Both of these

were hotheaded attacks on the acts and lifestyles of the other.

However, last week's was the proverbial straw that broke the camel's back. It was one of the most insulting and narrow-minded pieces of "literature" I have had the displeasure of reading.

The letter, and some others before it, bore insults to all people—both independent and Greek. It made me sick and I want it all to stop here.

If you have a problem with another individual, confront them. E-mail them, I don't care. Don't arbitrarily debase everyone else simply because of another's ignorance. That is weak. Besides, I don't read papers to keep up on the petty bickering and arguments of others.

Simply because someone else showed their closed-minded view on things, I was attacked because I am not Greek.

I refuse to sit here and be told that I am not getting everything out of college that I should because I am not a member of one particular thing. I refuse to be told that I am not important, or that my friends care nothing about me and I don't care for them.

I refuse to be told that my friends cannot be part of my family because I am not contractually obligated to them. I refuse to be told that you are better than me, because you are in a sort of club or brotherhood of

which I chose not to be a part.

You are no better than I am. You are not part of history. You are the epitome of conceit.

The fact that you are or are not in a fraternity or sorority or anything else doesn't make you better or worse than anyone else, and proclaiming that it does is contradicting yourself. Anyone who says outright that they are better than someone else, and gives the specific reason why, certainly has an aspect of their personality which leaves something to be desired.

If I say, "Greeks are stupid and obnoxious bastards, because they're not independent, don't think for themselves and do nothing but hurt society," and then a Greek responds, "No way, Greeks are awesome because they are tied to one another and belong to and care about something; independents are just jealous and are stupid bastards," where exactly did that just get me?

Nowhere. Both of these are rash, ridiculous statements, and draw false conclusions and accusations about all parties involved.

This, however, is what has been going on here in the past few weeks, and I've heard similar statements from other people. Who cares?

This "war" between some independents and Greeks is stupid and unfair to yourself and your peers. Those who take part in this volleying of words are promoting a kind of

segregation that is evidence of some of the worst sides of human nature, and they should be ashamed of themselves.

We all make our own choices and should be respected for them. What happened to individuality and the open mind? For those of you "GDIs" that view everything Greek negatively, and Greeks who say that there is nothing else worthwhile, take a long, hard look at yourselves.

I chose not to go Greek because I would feel confined and uncomfortable in the limits they set. I would rather only be answerable to myself and determine who my friends are in a different way. That is my choice. It's not the right choice for everyone, but it's good for me.

I may not agree with everything the Greek system entails, but that as well is only as it applies to me. I also understand that many people who do go Greek feel very strongly about what they are and have a strong devotion to their chapters. I can respect that.

I am friends with many people who are part of the Greek system and they love it. That's great. We all should have something to really care about. There's nothing wrong about that either. I've met a lot of jerks who are independents and I've met a lot of jerks who are Greek. I've met a lot of good people from both groups as well.

What does this prove? It proves

they share. If and when I return to Allegheny after graduation, those friends and "family" who I visit will know me because of who I am, not solely because of a shared label, and I will know them in the same way.

It is those relationships between separate individuals that I believe makes a true "family."

But, even if I can feel secure in having a "family" at Allegheny, I'm still at a social disadvantage because the Greeks are simply better than me.

Mr. Barber writes, "You are just another student. I am a student, and a member of Phi Gamma Delta. That separates me from you. That means I want more from my college experience. That means that I am willing to do more than you. That means I am better than you."

No, it means you're judgmental and illogical. As much as I can appreciate some healthy egocentrism, this is a tad too overindulgent, wouldn't you say?

What you are, Mr. Barber, is different from those who choose not to go Greek. Difference, however, does not justify passing judgment.

I also wanted more from my college experience—so I joined WARC, GAP and *The Campus*, among other organizations. Does

that it doesn't matter what you choose to be as long as you stay true to yourself. It doesn't matter what you are or do or don't belong to, but who you are. You make yourself what and who you are. You are the only thing that has ultimate control over what you do with your life. You respect your choices, so respect—or at least try to understand—those of others. Why do we have to labor to be fair to one another?

This letter is not anti- or pro-anything. This is about the acceptance of differences and the right to be whatever the hell you want. This is about an issue that we shouldn't have to consider.

So, independents and Greeks alike, if you think you're better than anyone else simply because you do something they don't, I have only one thing to say to you: Get over yourself. Some of you sound like Nazis.

For those of you who aren't a part of this and don't condemn all members of any given circle of people, I commend you. I think it's a very sad thing when people who are supposedly smart enough to get into college need to be reminded that not everyone has the same desires or needs, and that doesn't make them superior or inferior to anyone else.

Humans can be so frustrating.

Luke Boger is a member of the class of '99.

that make me better than those who didn't join the same organizations as I did? I don't think so.

If you feel that going Greek made you a better person, more power to you. If you feel it made you better than those who chose not to wear letters, you're wrong.

Mr. Barber also adds that he tells freshmen to join a fraternity by saying that "it's the most positive thing that they can do on campus."

How's that? By becoming "better than others?" Being a "somebody" instead of a "nobody?" By passing irrational judgments on those who don't make the same choices as you did? Hmm. Sounds inviting, but I think I'll pass.

Before this ends, I feel the need to make a brief disclaimer: I do not claim to understand the Greek system well enough to discuss its merits, or lack thereof. What I do understand, however, is the message conveyed by the Greeks in last week's issue of *The Campus*. It is solely those letters upon which my responses in this letter are based.

But then again, my opinions shouldn't really matter to anyone, should they? After all, I'm nobody.

Robert Bazylak is a member of the class of '97.

Clarification of gay legislation

I would like to address the article entitled "Allegheny community supports gay rights legislation" from the Oct. 10 edition of *The Campus*.

Mike Matott

I think it is wonderful that *The Campus* chose to focus some attention on the gay rights issue on the day preceding National Coming Out Day.

However, there are some corrections and clarifications that need to be made concerning the article. First, the Defense of Marriage Act (DoMA) has not only been sent to President Clinton, it was signed on Sept. 21.

The job-bias ban mentioned in the article is officially known as the Employee Non-Discrimination Act (ENDA) and did not originate as an amendment to DoMA. It has actually been sent around both houses of Congress a couple of times over the past few years. Very rarely has it ever made its way out of committee.

The nondiscrimination act was placed as an amendment to DoMA by Sen. Ted Kennedy in order to either bring about some good from DoMA's questionable purpose or else serve to prevent its passage.

The removal of ENDA from

DoMA basically killed its chance of passage and removed any barriers to DoMA's passage.

In response to Gene Hong's comment, I must say I like Gene, but I hate his religion. It is his choice as to how he treats me and other people, but he must remember that not all of us believe in "sin" or in the Christian church.

I would ask Gene how he would feel about a bill that restricted the Christian church but not Christians themselves. Would he be so accepting of that?

I must respond to John Whitaker's statement that, "Unless those who have different sexual orientations are not considered a group under the Constitution, then why are we wasting our time with it? Let the 14th Amendment do what it's supposed to do."

I have to say that to this date we are not considered a protected minority by the Supreme Court, so we do not qualify for protection under the 14th Amendment.

For those people who believe that bills protecting gay civil rights would be giving gays special rights, you don't realize what rights you take for granted.

How would you feel if you were arrested for "soliciting" when you hold hands with a boyfriend or kiss him in public? How would you feel if you were assaulted by a gang of people and you couldn't have them prosecuted under anti-discrimination laws with much tougher penalties than normal assault charges?

Discrimination happens to homosexuals and there is no national law to protect them. We are not seeking special rights. We want equal rights.

Finally, in response to Tennille Jenkins' column, I think it is commendable that Tennille detailed her own homophobic feelings. It is wonderful that someone is willing to admit how uncomfortable they are with this subject.

However, I have to take some offense at her use of the word "tolerance." It is a step in the right direction to have tolerance, but true acceptance should be the goal.

After all, how would you feel, Tennille, if I said I "tolerated" you because you were black? I don't think you would take that very well—nor would I ever say it.

Mike Matott is a member of the class of '98 and of the Steering Committee of the Committee in Support of Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual People.

Baz keeps beatin' down Barber

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they share. If and when I return to Allegheny after graduation, those friends and "family" who I visit will know me because of who I am, not solely because of a shared label, and I will know them in the same way.

It is those relationships between separate individuals that I believe

If you can't convince them, confuse them.

—Harry S Truman

Allegheny announces coaching changes

Allegheny Director of Athletics Rick Creehan today announced a number of personnel changes forthcoming in the Athletics Department. All the following changes are effective July 1, 1997:

—Creehan will step down as baseball coach following the 1997 season.

—Mike Ferris, Creehan's assistant coach since 1993, will become head baseball coach and assistant men's cross country coach.

—Golf coach Norm Sundstrom will retire following the 1996-97 academic year. He will be replaced by Creehan.

—Bridget Sheehan, volleyball coach on a part-time basis since 1987, has accepted a full-time coaching position at Allegheny. She will remain volleyball coach and add the duties of assistant softball coach. Sheehan will remain in a part-time capacity through the 1996-97 academic year.

A look at the careers of each of these coaches:

Creehan, 42, has been Allegheny's baseball coach since 1985

and Director of Athletics since July 1992. He is Allegheny's all-time leader in baseball coaching wins, and will take a 12-year record of 337-162-3 into the 1997 season. Creehan has led the Gators to four NCAA Division III playoff appearances (1996, 1993, 1989, 1985), two North Coast Athletic Conference titles (1993, 1985) and four 30-win seasons. Last year Allegheny finished 36-13 and reached the championship game of the NCAA Mid-east Regional. Creehan was named NCAC Coach of the Year in 1993. Creehan also initiated and oversaw the renovation of the Robertson Field baseball complex into one of the premier facilities in Division III baseball.

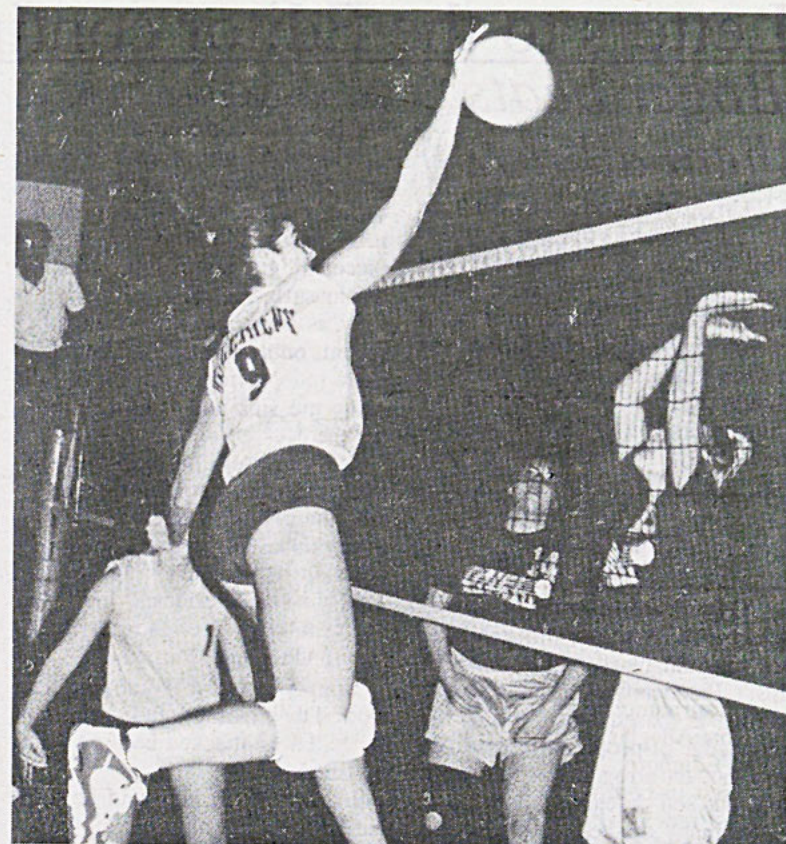
Sundstrom, 64, has been coaching golf for 27 seasons. He has led Allegheny to 20 consecutive NCAA Division III Tournament appearances, the 1983 NCAA Championship and three NCAC titles. He was named Division III Coach of the Year in 1983, and NCAC Coach of the Year four times (1996, 1995, 1991, 1985). Sundstrom has

coached 34 All-Americans.

Sundstrom is widely credited with building Allegheny's varsity athletics program into one of the most successful in NCAA Division III. He joined the Allegheny athletic staff in 1971 as men's basketball coach and added golf coach duties in 1972. He was named Director of Athletics in 1979 and served in that capacity until 1992. During his tenure as Director of Athletics, Allegheny teams earned two national championships—golf in 1983 and football in 1990. Sundstrom also was basketball coach from 1972-79, and his 108 wins are second in Allegheny history.

Sheehan took a 10-year record of 324-126 (.720) into the 1996 season. The Gators are 19-6 as of Oct. 13. Sheehan has led Allegheny to four NCAA Tournament berths and four NCAC championships (1988, 1989, 1990, 1991). She is Allegheny's all-time volleyball coaching wins leader.

Ferris, a 1985 Allegheny graduate, has been an assistant baseball (continued on page 15)



COME FLY WITH ME—Senior Missy Rau spikes over a Thiel player in the Gators' four game win last week.

—photo by Dan Garfinkel

Women's volleyball wins NCAC matches

By TENNILLE JENKINS
Assistant Sports Editor

Allegheny women's volleyball team recorded three victories last week including a pair of NCAC wins. The Gators have won seven of their last nine matches to bring their record to 19-8 overall and 2-0 in NCAC play.

In their Oct. 10 match against Thiel, the Gators won 3-1. The first two games were won with the scores of 15-10 and 15-6. Thiel rallied back in the third game to win 12-15. The Gators came back in the fourth game to seal their victory with a score of 15-3.

Junior Molly McCoy led the team with 16 kills placing her over 1,000 kills for her career. McCoy is currently ranked fourth in the NCAC in kills with 431 in 107 games (4.03 per game). Senior Amy Bryson led the team in assists and digs.

On Oct. 12, the Gators traveled to Ohio to face their first pair of NCAC matches against Denison University and Earlham College. In their match against Denison, the Gators won with a final score of 3-1.

In the first game, the Gators won 15-6. The second game was closer with Denison winning the match 15-13. The Gators came back the third game to outplay Denison with a final

score of 15-13. The fourth and final game proved to be too much for Denison. The Gators dominated the court with a final score of 15-6.

McCoy recorded 19 kills in this match for the team lead. Bryson led the team in assists with 43, and freshman Wendy Turkovich led the team with 22 digs.

Later in the day, the Gators faced Earlham who proved to be no match whatsoever. The Gators swept the series with very little competition. The first game ended with a final score of 15-1. Earlham increased their play in the second and third games, but failed to test the Gator squad. The second and third games ended with the scores of 15-2 and 15-4 respectively.

Freshman Fawn Balliro led the team in kills with four and sophomore Bobbi Ruddock led the team with nine assists.

Overall team statistics show that senior Missy Rau continues to lead the NCAC in blocks with 128 in 103 games and is second on the team in kills. McCoy leads the team with kills, and Bryson leads the Gators with 872 assists and 357 digs.

The Gators were in action last night, but results were unavailable at press time. The Gators will face three tough road matches this weekend.

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Raiders bounce back with return of Hostetler

ALAMEDA, Calif. (AP)—The naysayers can still try to pick them apart. It doesn't matter to Jeff Hostetler and the Oakland Raiders.

The much-maligned Raiders have strung together two victories for the first time since last November, turning a 1-4 start into a shot at 4-4.

Some will argue that Oakland's

turnaround victory Oct. 6 was against the winless New York Jets. Or that the team faltered in the third quarter of Sunday's 37-21 win over the injury-riddled Detroit Lions.

But the Raiders (3-4) say they've overcome the troubling trade rumors involving Atlanta quarterback Jeff George, as well as speculation that White was on the way out.

They've also fought their fair share of injuries, most notably to Hostetler. The 35-year old quarterback missed the first two games of the season with knee trouble, and saw only infrequent action last season in the Raiders' final six games—all losses—because of a shoulder injury.

In fact, the Raiders are 1-8 in

games Hostetler hasn't started or has left with injuries, while they are 10-4 in games he has started.

Hostetler appears to be back. Against the Jets, the 13-year veteran completed 17 of 28 passes for 188 yards, with three touchdowns and one interception. On Sunday, he hit 27 of 38 passes for 295 yards and four touchdowns.

Hostetler threw four interceptions in a 19-17 loss to the Chicago Bears on Sept. 29, just before the trade rumors started. Reportedly, the Raiders offered their veteran quarterback and defensive tackle Chester

McGlockton to Atlanta for George.

That's when Hostetler started to make his ascent, which was thrown into overdrive on Sunday. He threw long touchdowns of 58 yards to James Jett and 62 yards to Dudley. He also ran 44 yards on four carries.

For his part, Hostetler insists his recent success has nothing to do with the talk that his job was briefly threatened by George. He doesn't listen to the critics.

The Raiders will try to reach 4-4 next Monday against the San Diego Chargers, who beat Oakland 40-34, earlier this season.

Men's and Women's cross country place second

By JEN RATTI
Sports Reporter

The Allegheny men's and women's cross country teams presented powerful performances at the Edinboro Invitational last weekend.

The tournament included the teams from Allegheny, Alfred, Gannon and Edinboro. Host Edinboro placed first in both the men's and women's races while both Allegheny teams clinched second place. In the women's race the Gators were led by sophomore Amy

Schukert and senior Maggie Rehm, who both placed in the top-ten. Schuckert finished sixth in the field of 36, recording a personal-best time of 20:07. Rehm placed ninth in the field with a time of 20:54.

"Amy ran, perhaps, her best race of the year and Maggie did a great job coming back from an illness," said women's assistant coach Mark Fitzpatrick. "This tournament served as a way to see where everyone was after having a week off. We used it as a type of preparation for conferences."

The men's team also looked

strong, placing three runners in the top-ten. Junior Kurt Krause finished fourth in the field of 30 with a time of 27:28. It was the fifth time Krause has placed in the top-five in as many races. Junior Mike Matott finished sixth in a time of 27:56 while sophomore Ben Wyrick came in tenth with a time of 28:49.

As the season draws to a close, both teams are gearing up for conferences, which begin Oct. 26. Each team is poised to contend for the title. This week the Gators will compete in the Geneva Invitational.

Adamson has career-best passing day in victory

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36, Case was not willing to attempt a field goal and their fourth down pass dropped incomplete, ending the scoring threat.

The Gators ran three consecutive running plays of 6, 7 and 3 yards to start their next drive. The success of the run opened up the pass and on a play action, Adamson found Conrad for a 64-yard score.

Neither the Gators or the Spartans could mount much of an offensive attack on their next few offensive series. It appeared as if things would remain the same through another Allegheny drive until sophomore fullback Che Simpson broke through a horde of Case defenders and turned what appeared to be a short gain into a 24-yard pickup. Three plays later Gozur (now at quarterback) found sophomore Tim Sherer swinging out of the backfield and connected on what Sherer would turn into a 19-yard touchdown pass. Bowser hit his first point after attempt of the day, moving the score to 56-6.

Case took the ball following the kickoff and drove 80 yards on 14 plays to score for the second time in the game. Their conversion attempt failed once again, sealing the final score at 56-12.

On the game the Gators rolled up 569 yards of total offense—251 on the ground and 318 through the air. The defense was also impressive, allowing just 109-yards rushing on 40 carries.

Adamson finished the day with 292-yards passing, a career-best. His two touchdown passes gave him 11 on the season which leads the NCAC. He also continues to lead the NCAC in passing efficiency with a rating of 181.2.

Conrad was the leading receiver for the Gators, snagging eight receptions for a career-high 157 yards. He returned three punts for 50 yards and leads NCAA Division III in punt return average with 24.9 (14 returns for 349 yards). In addition he leads the NCAC in all-purpose yards with 164.5 per game.

Anderson also had a big day with

six catches for 53 yards and two kick returns for 49.

Smesko led a balanced rushing attack with 63 yards and two touchdowns. Mormino was next best with 41 yards and one touchdown.

The defense was led by Kuder who finished the game with a career-high three sacks. He was also tied for the team lead in tackles with seven.

Fonte also had seven tackles on the day to go with his interception. Senior Nick Reiser and junior Mike Leonard were next best on the team with six tackles each. Reiser was also credited with two pass breakups.

The Gators remain ranked third in the "USA Division III" and *Football Gazette* national polls. In the newly released regional AP rankings the Gators are third in the north region behind Mount Union, Ohio and Albion, Mich.

Allegheny travels to Wooster to take on the only other team without an NCAC loss. The Scots are 4-1 overall with a 3-0 record in conference play.

Men's soccer ties Muskingum

By TIM BAUMGARTNER
Sports Writer

the team in points with 13 in 12 games. He is followed by senior John Reid who has eight points. Capozzi

The Allegheny men's soccer team and sophomore John Zdaniewski are played host to Muskingum this past both third, each hauling four points a homecoming weekend, with the cold piece. Cohen has 123 saves on the and windy conditions of the day af-year, with an impressive 1.56 goals per game for the Gators, who went centage.

into their sixth overtime game of the Allegheny traveled to Pitt-Bradford yesterday, but the results were

It was Allegheny's third overall unavailable at press time. The Gators tie of the season. The tie put Al-look to get back to .500 in NCAC legheny at 3-8-3 overall, 2-3 overall play when they travel to Earlham this Saturday.

The Gators were the first to get on the scoreboard with a goal at the end of the first half by freshman Rob DiLoretto. Junior Pat Capozzi was credited with the assist. Muskingum retaliated with two consecutive goals at the 15:00 and 22:00 minute marks in the second half. The Gators equalized the score on a goal by sophomore Jud Wible at the 24:00 mark in the second half. The goal was a rebound shot off the foot of sophomore Josh Nichols, who was credited with the assist. The game remained tied through overtime.

Allegheny dominated Muskingum in the shot department, outshooting Muskingum 31-10. Of the 10 shots Muskingum took, junior goalkeeper Ken Cohen saved eight of them. Freshman Todd Kropp echoed the play of Allegheny this year, stating, "unfortunately, when we play well, as we did this game, we just can't put in the decisive goal in overtime. That has plagued us all season."

On the year, Nichols, who is eighth in the NCAC in scoring, leads

Ferris to take on head coaching role

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coach at Allegheny since 1993. He serves as hitting coach and defensive coach. Allegheny led the NCAC in runs and ranked among the top 20 teams in Division III in team batting average each of Ferris' four seasons. In 1996, the Gators set team records for batting average (.357), hits (543), home runs (66), runs batted in (388) and doubles (112). Ferris, 33, is native of nearby Cambridge Springs.

Crehan also said that Phil Ness will retain his duties as assistant golf coach. Ness is Allegheny's men's basketball coach.

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Football team takes to the air in an impressive win over CWRU

By PAT SHELTON
Sports Editor

The Allegheny football team took to the air last Saturday, rolling up 207-yards passing at half time before coasting to a 56-12 win over the Case Western Reserve University Spartans. The win raised the Gators' record to 5-0 on the season, 4-0 in the NCAC, and extended their winning streak to 12.

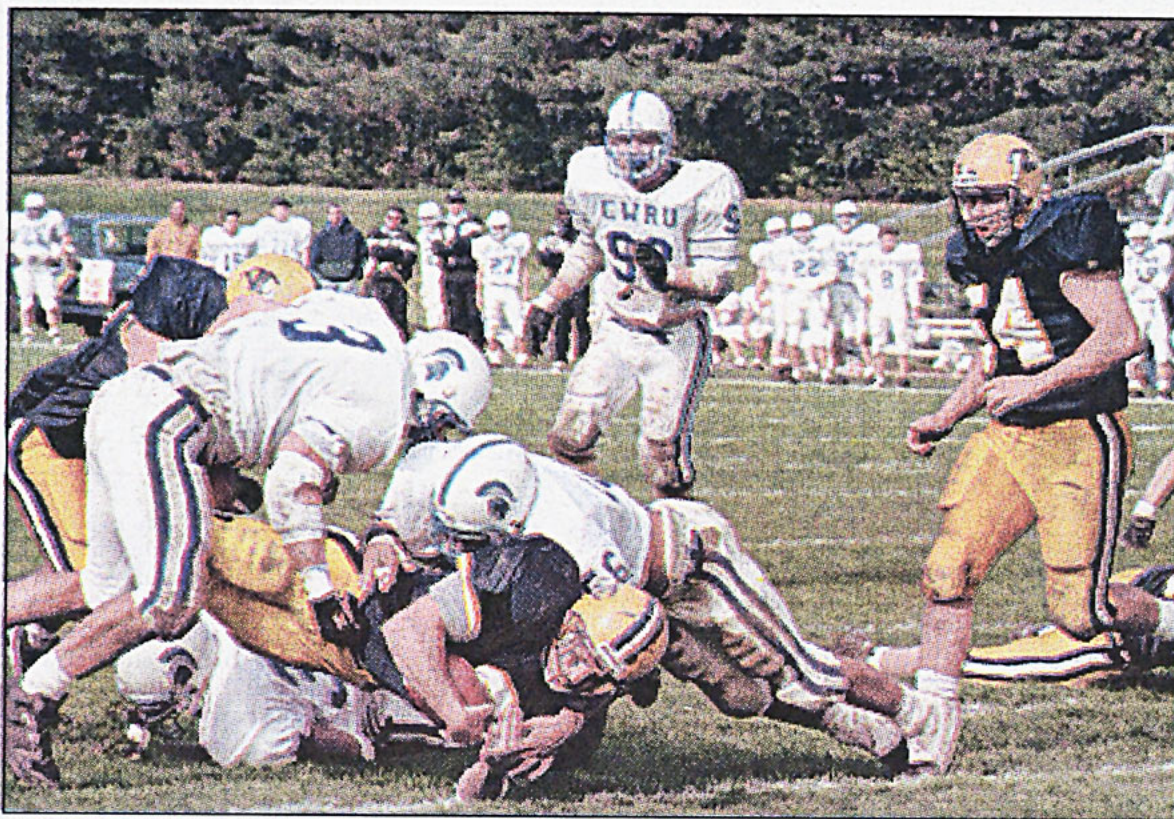
The Allegheny offense started somewhat slowly. After the Gator defense forced Case to punt, the offense could only muster 16 yards before being forced to punt.

The Allegheny defense was quick to make sure the Gators would not be scoreless much longer. The Case offense was forced to go three-and-out and then sophomore defensive back Bob Matter blocked the punt, giving the Gators the ball at the Case 21-yard line.

Junior quarterback Kyle Adamson completed a pass to senior Chris Conrad for nine yards, and then, after runs of five yards by senior Kyle Smesko and junior Jim Mormino, Smesko plunged in from 2-yards out to give the Gators a 6-0 lead. Sophomore Jake Merski hit the extra point to make the lead 7-0.

The Allegheny defense allowed a few first downs on the next Case possession, but the Gators held and forced the Spartans to punt from their own 43.

Starting with the ball on their own 32-yard line, the Gators began



WE'VE GOT SIX—Senior Kyle Smesko finds the end zone in the first quarter of Saturday's homecoming win over Case Western.

to drive. They marched to the Case 29, but Adamson was picked off for the first time this season, ending the scoring opportunity.

The Allegheny defense once again rose to the occasion though, forcing Case to punt after three offensive plays. The Gators took the ball at their own 40-yard line and

ran one offensive play for no yards before Adamson hit Smesko out of the backfield on a 60-yard touchdown pass. Merski hit the point after making the score 14-0.

Following another unsuccessful Spartan possession, the Gator offense took the ball at their own 47, and used a strong running game to drive 53 yards in six plays. The drive was capped by a 3-yard touchdown burst off of right tackle Smesko.

Case looked to have their first successful drive after a 26-yard run up the middle to move the ball into Allegheny territory. Their drive quickly stalled however, thanks to a sack by senior Mike Kuder. On the next play senior Jason Kleps inter-

cepted his first pass of the season, giving the Gators the ball at their own 39.

Adamson orchestrated a drive down to the 1-yard line, completing passes of 11 and 15 yards to Conrad, 17 yards to senior Ronnie Anderson and 16 yards to sophomore Nathan Six. Sophomore Tedd Gozur got the call on the goal line and used a strong second effort to score the fourth Allegheny touchdown of the day. Following Merski's kick the score was 28-0.

The kickoff following Gozur's touchdown was a work of art. Sophomore kicker Kevin Bowser stepped up and popped up a kick, dropping it into a spot void of all Spartans. Sophomore Matt Pierce

sped downfield and recovered the kick, giving the Gators the ball at the Case 22.

Adamson completed a pass to Anderson for 6 yards, setting up a third-and-four situation. Mormino broke through the middle of the Case defense on the crucial down and found himself in the end zone with a touchdown 16 yards later. The kick was good and the Gators led 35-0.

The Case offense bounced back though, marching down field and scoring their first touchdown of the game on a 46-yard pass. The extra point attempt failed and the score remained 35-6. It would stay there until halftime.

Allegheny came out of the locker room and took the kickoff to begin the second half. The Gators used a good mix of run and pass to drive to the Spartans 23-yard line. On second down Adamson did his best imitation of Michael Jordan in the lane, ball faking several defenders and scampering to a touchdown on the option. Merski knocked through his sixth point after of the day, making the score 42-6.

The Spartans began their next drive with a 22-yard kickoff return and a 5-yard run to move them to their own 36. The ball bounced in the Gators' favor two plays later as senior safety Chris Fonte intercepted a tipped pass at the Case 42. The interception was the third for Fonte in the last three games.

The Allegheny offense failed to take advantage of the turnover. On second down Adamson threw downfield to Conrad, but the pass floated and was picked off at the Case 22.

Case's offense moved the ball successfully on their next possession, advancing to the Gators' 13-yard line, but once again the Gator defense stepped up and pushed the Spartans back to the 20. Trailing by (continued on page 15)

Women's soccer winning streak ends

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Allegheny women's soccer split a pair of games last week ending their seven game winning streak. The Gators record now stands at 11-3-1, 3-1 in NCAC play.

The Oct. 9 loss to Wooster knocked the Gators out of the first place tie in the NCAC leaving them eighth in the Great Lakes region.

The Gators lost a heartbreaking game to Wooster with the only goal coming late in the second half. The Gators outshot Wooster 14 to 10 but fell short. Sophomore Danielle Aubele recorded 14 saves.

In their Oct. 12 match against Bethany, the Gators redeemed themselves with a 9-0 victory over Bethany.

In the first half, the Gators recorded four goals. Sophomore Lisa Höllis scored the first goal at the 17:42 mark off an assist from junior Jeanne Kondrich. Four minutes later, Kondrich came back to score a goal of her own with the help of freshman Katie Paulsen. Five minutes after this attack, freshman Suzanne Plano scored with sophomore Diane Lecky's assistance. With two minutes remaining in the half, junior

Amy Weislogel scored her first of two goals on this season.

The Gators came out even stronger in the second half, recording five more goals on Bethany. Scoring first was freshman Melissa Ryan twelve minutes into the half. Not even giving the Bethany defense a chance to regroup, freshman Gina Baudille launched her own personal attack thirty seconds later for a goal.

Freshman Jenny Rich scored at the 69:55 mark off an assist from junior Tana McKasson. Moments later McKasson came back to record a goal of her own. The final goal came from Weislogel off an assist from McKasson.

Sophomore Alexis Emerick did not play last week due to an injury. Emerick is still tied for the NCAC scoring lead with 20 points (nine goals, two assists in 10 games). Plano is second on the team in scoring with six goals, four assists in 15 games. Kondrich is third on the team in scoring with six goals, three assists for 15 points in 15 games.

The Gators were in action last night against Division II Gannon, but results were unavailable at press time. The Gators will face a road test this weekend when they face NCAC rival Earlham.

Golf team ends the season on top

By PAT SHELTON
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The Allegheny golf team wrapped up their season hosting the Guy W. Kuhn Memorial Golf Invitational. The Gators entered two teams in the field and both fared well. The top Allegheny team won the tournament with a total score of 300 while the Allegheny "Gold" team shot 330 to finish ninth in the 17-team field.

The top Allegheny team was led by freshman Nick Mahramus who shot a 3-under-par 69. Mahramus was tied for the lead after 18 holes, but lost on the second playoff hole and had to settle for a second place finish.

Junior Bobby Ruffing was the next best finisher for the first Allegheny team. He fired a round of

74 to tie for fifth place in the individual competition.

Senior Mike Korenoski, junior Gary Occhino and sophomore Mike Gasper made up the rest of Allegheny's championship team. Gasper led the trio with a round of 78, Occhino shot 79 and Korenoski came in at 83.

Junior Tom Lavelle paced the Gold team with a round of 76. Lavelle's score was good enough to put him in a tie for ninth and lock up his second top-ten finish of the year.

Senior David Krause (79), junior Jeff Patronik (86) and freshman John Childs (89) rounded out the Gold team's scoring quartet.

Ruffing finished the season with the Gator's best scoring average—75.7 over seven rounds. Mahramus had the next best average with 75.8 in seven rounds. Both Ruffing and

Mahramus had four top-ten finishes in five tournaments.

Occhino, Gasper and Korenoski were the other Gators who played seven rounds this fall. They finished with averages of 78.2, 79.0 and 81.1 respectively. Occhino finished in the top-ten twice and Gasper placed there once.

Lavelle was best among the other Gator golfers with an average of 78.3 in three rounds and two top-ten finishes. Krause, Childs and Patronik each played three rounds as well, averaging 79.6, 85.0 and 89.6 respectively. Freshman Tim Kennedy played two rounds and averaged 81.0.

The golf team finished in the top-five in each event they entered and won their final two tournaments. They begin play in the spring season on March 10-11 at the Elon (NC) Tournament.