

Faculty cuts part of long-range plan to maintain benefits and cut costs

By ROBERT HARTMAN
News Reporter

For the past five or six years, Allegheny has been operating with a structural deficit, a debt which reappears every year, and is alleviated through last minute fund-raising efforts.

This year, however, a decision has been reached by the Allegheny Executive Committee (AEC) to make a concerted effort to eliminate the structural deficit.

Yesterday, John Reynders, vice-president for administrative services and treasurer presented the AEC's recommendations for next year's budget. In light of recent financial problems, the budgets features a number of significant cuts in an attempt to eliminate the college's deficit.

To reduce the structural deficit, it is necessary to make lasting, or hard

cuts. The AEC took five factors into consideration while deliberating on the reductions to be made in the budget. First, the committee desired to minimize the impact upon the academic and residential experience of students. Secondly, the AEC wished to avoid lay-offs.

Also important was the protection of the faculty compensation pool in its entirety and the protection of Physical Plant contributions. Finally, the cuts should be crafted in a manner which would minimize cuts to the college's primary sources of income, i.e. admissions and development.

The budget plan strives to obtain the goals of the AEC in several ways. To maintain the integrity of the faculty compensation pool, two positions will be left unfilled in fiscal year 1998. According to Dean of College Bruce Smith, the opening in the sociology department as well

as the position in psychology will not be filled in the following year.

Furthermore, the positions will remain eliminated. For instance, there is a possibility that the search for the psychology position will be resumed. However, were that scenario the case, a position would be eliminated from another department.

"It's not clear where the positions will be left open in the future, but we consider this a down pay-

ment on our future," said Smith.

These two cuts created \$90,000 more in the budget. The cuts in faculty are intended to be hard cuts, and the policy is expected to continue in the future. A reduction in the number of faculty is a key part of the plan to reduce the structural deficit.

"In order to have a long-range budget we must slow the rate of growth in the compensation pool [salary plus fringe benefits]," said

President Richard Cook. "We want to be sure that people receive a fair and complete compensation. To do this, the conclusion is inevitable that we will have to reduce the number of positions."

There are some questions concerning the effect that the decrease in faculty will have on the student to faculty ration. Allegheny's student to faculty ration rates at approximately (continued on page 4)

Administrator Cardman resigns

By JENNIFER M. NAGEL
News Editor

Tom Cardman recently resigned from his position as Allegheny College's vice-president for finance and treasurer, after five years of service in this capacity.

According to an official statement issued by Allegheny President Richard J. Cook, Cardman resigned from his position to pursue other opportunities. The statement did not elaborate on the nature of these opportunities.

Cook declined to comment on the seeming suddenness of Cardman's resignation. Cardman could not be reached for comment.

Kent Chabotar, who currently is serving as Allegheny's financial consultant, said that Cardman's resignation was not recommended in efforts to ease the College's budgetary concerns.

Under Cardman's administration, the College made significant advancements in computing and financial management areas including budgeting, accounting and investment, according to Cook's statement. Cardman also oversaw the financing of several major construction and renovation projects.

The College will not be searching actively for a replacement for Cardman's position. John Reynders, dean of enrollment, recently agreed to expand his responsibilities to fill the open position.

According to Cook's official statement, Reynders will continue to fulfill his current duties of directing enrollment planning and manage-

ment while absorbing the responsibilities of Cardman's vacated position.

"I think we're wise to find the efficiencies where we can," Cook said while discussing Reynders' newly accepted responsibilities.

Cook's statement indicated that Reynders' expanded position will allow college-wide data collection and institutional research to be coordinated by one administrator, which is important as the College proceeds with its planning process and budget discussions.

According to Chabotar, the redistribution of Cardman's responsibilities to another Allegheny administrator, instead of hiring a new person, was not part of any budgetary recommendations.

Promiscuous Allegheny students increase risks of contracting STDs

By KATIE SALYNSKI
News Reporter

**Names have been changed to protect those interviewed.*

Lauri* is a soft-spoken freshman with a face that seems entirely too innocent for all she has experienced. Lauri became sexually active at the age of 14, and as she celebrates her 18th birthday, she counts 32 sexual partners in her past. She twirls her blond hair around her finger and smiles sweetly as she quietly admits, "There have been 10 since I came to college."

Lauri considers herself somewhat

intelligent; she has heard the warnings and the statistics; she knows the dangers of unprotected sex. Yet she has never used a condom or any other form of birth control during intercourse.

And, although she is concerned about an unplanned pregnancy, the only sexually transmitted disease she worries about contracting is HIV. Even then, she doesn't worry very much. "We're all gonna die someday," she said. "So what's the point of using condoms, they'll just break anyway."

Her feelings are more common than one would think. A great number of Allegheny students share

Lauri's views. A random, informal poll of students shows that, besides pregnancy, sexually active students are most concerned with acquiring HIV.

But according to Sue Plunkett, Director of Health Services, a study by the American College Health Association (ACHA), shows that, at a college the size of Allegheny, students are statistically at a very low risk for HIV. Plunkett does not know how many students are infected with HIV, but estimates the number at four, based on the ACHA's statistical ration.

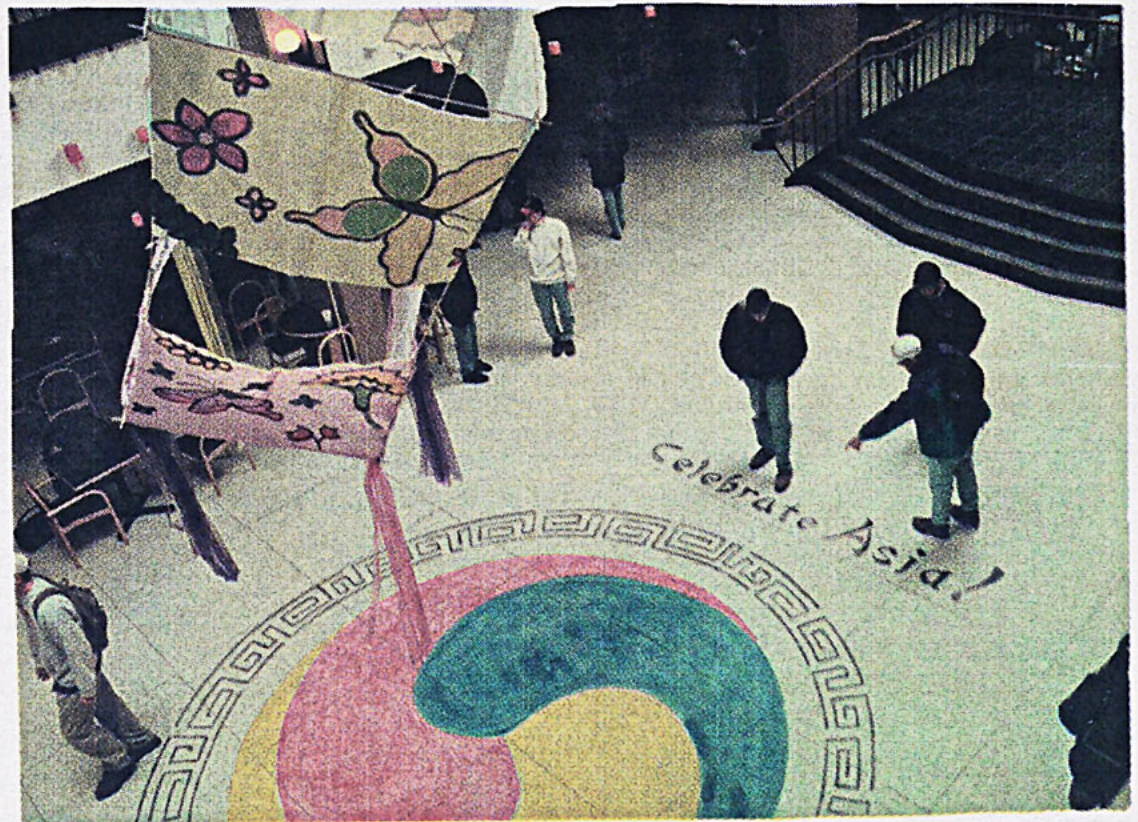
Compare that to Plunkett's estimation that 40-45 percent of the

sexually active women on campus have human papillomavirus (HPV), or genital warts, a disease which is transmitted through sexual contact, but whose transmission is not always prevented by the use of a condom.

Plunkett also identifies trichomoniasis as a disease which is especially rampant at Allegheny, and worries about the spread of Hepatitis B, which is 100 times more infectious than HIV. Unlike HIV, which dies after exposure to air, Hepatitis B can live on the surface of a sink for 30 days.

However, use of latex condoms (continued on page 8)

Total Chaos



A Tae-guk symbol decorates the floor of the Campus Center in recognition of Celebrate Asia! 1997, which officially began with an opening ceremony this past Tuesday. Tae-guk, a Korean symbol for chaos, has a center that represents the origin of all objects in the universe and curves that represent harmony around the world.

NEWS BRIEFS

• The Chaplain's office is interested in expanding inclusiveness in the annual Commencement Weekend Baccalaureate Service, to be held this year on Saturday, May 10. The office is inviting senior students who have Islam, Buddhism or Hinduism as their faith traditions to read from those traditions during the service to complement readings from the Jewish and Christian traditions. Due to time constraints, only one reading per tradition can be allowed. Interested students should contact John Colatch, college chaplain, at x2800.

• *Pittsburgh Job Source*, a new resource book for people seeking an internship, entry-level or middle management job in the Pittsburgh Metro or Western Pennsylvania areas, is available for use in the Office of Career Services, Reis Hall. The book lists more than 5,000 job contacts, Web site addresses and job hotlines.

• Trustees, trustee emeriti, faculty, administrators and staff all may co-present degrees to members of their immediate family who are graduating. People who would like to co-present a degree should contact the Commencement Office at x3101.

• Until the end of April, Hazlett Tree Service will be applying a dormant oil spray on some of the College's ornamental trees and

shrubs. The spraying will be done throughout campus and at Robertson Field. Dormant oil spray is used for the control of aphids, mites and scale.

• Allegheny College's Hillel organization will host a number of events in April and May in remembrance of the Holocaust:

—On Wednesday, April 9 at 7 p.m., three Holocaust survivors will share their stories at the Hillel House (375 John St.).

—Two Allegheny seniors will present the research they have completed on the Holocaust for their Senior Comprehensive Projects at the Hillel House on Wednesday, April 16 at noon.

—An ecumenical worship service will be held for Yom Hashoah on Sunday, May 4 at 10:45 a.m. in Ford Chapel.

—The film "Schindler's List" will be shown in McKinley's Food Court on Sunday, May 4 at 1:30 p.m.

• The Department of History will be offering three new courses for the Fall 1997 semester. They will be taught by Ann Rubenstein, a new member of the department. The courses are History 160: History, Mass Media and Popular Culture (MWF 10-10:50 a.m.); History 060: Pre-Colonial and Colonial Latin America (MWF 1:30-2:20 p.m.); and History 250: Mexico from Inde-

pendence to Revolution (TR 3-4:15 p.m.). For more information about these courses, contact Professor Paula Treckel in Arter 206.

• The student representative of the Allegheny Health Professions Advisory Committee will be conducting a voluntary session for first year students who have pre-health track scheduling concerns. Representatives will be stationed in the Brooks Hall Pine Lounge and the Campus Center Activities Room on Thursday, April 3 from 6-8 p.m. Students are asked to come with a tentative schedule and questions. For more information about this advisory session or the Allegheny

Health Professions Advisory Committee, contact the Health Professions Office at x4358.

• Students for Environmental Action and the Office of Career Services (OCS) are sponsoring an Environmental Jobs Forum tonight at 7 p.m. in Quigley Hall's auditorium. Four panelists will discuss their career backgrounds and answer students' questions. Also, Melissa Barnes, director of career services, will discuss how OCS can assist students seeking an environmental career. For more information, contact Chris Resek at 724-1470.

• Celebrate Asia! Month 1997 will feature the following upcoming events:

—On Saturday, April 5, a Sri Lankan dance troupe, dressed in colorful costumes, will perform traditional dances in the Campus Center Lobby at 7 p.m.

—"Out of the Shadows of Borneo—Voices of the Rainforest," a multi media presentation, will be shown in Quigley Hall's auditorium on Tuesday, April 8 at 7 p.m.

—A lecture titled "The Model Minority Myth" will be given on Wednesday, April 9 at noon in the Campus Center Walker Room.

Comet watch to be held at Robertson Field

A local comet watch will be held on Monday, April 7 at 8 p.m. at Allegheny College's Robertson Field. The event is being organized by Allegheny Assistant Professor of Physics Sharon Challener and Rovert Radnich, a physical science teacher with Crawford Central School District.

Comet Hale-Bopp, discovered by two backyard astronomers in 1995, is one of the brightest comets of this century. During the last year and a half, it has been approaching the inner solar system, getting brighter as it gets closer to the Sun and Earth.

From late March until mid-April is the best time for evening observation of the comet, which is easily visible to the naked eye and enhanced in detail through binoculars and small amateur telescopes. During this period, it will rival Sirius in brightness; Sirius is normally the brightest star in the sky. Comet Hale-Bopp will be visible high in the northwestern sky in the constellations of Andromeda and Perseus, and will be sporting two tails, one of gas and one of dust particles.

The local comet watch will begin at 8 p.m. with the extinguishing of lights in the Robertson Field area,

since better viewing occurs away from the glare of outdoor lighting. Challener, Radnich and local amateur astronomers will share their telescopes, but anyone is welcome to bring telescopes and binoculars as well. Charts and other information will be provided courtesy of *Sky and Telescope* magazine and the Carnegie Science Center.

For more information, contact Marci Crawford at 333-6373.

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The Campus Asks...

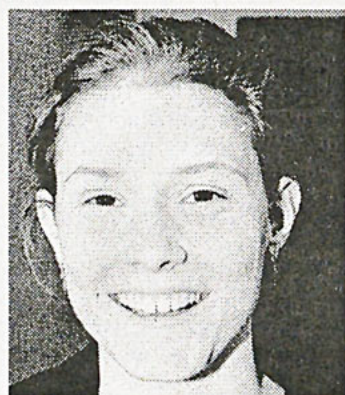
How beneficial of an experience is the comp?

compiled by Ben Wyrick



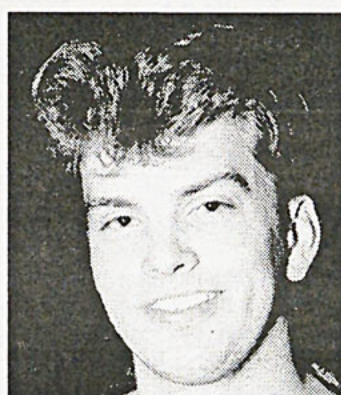
My senior comp has been a very fruitful experience. After college, I am going to use my comp to make millions of dollars...that's what an econ comp is for, you know. Maybe I'll give some of those dollars back to the college...or maybe not.

Jim Mehring '97
economics



My comp got me into grad school. What more can I say?

Darlene Williams '97
theater design



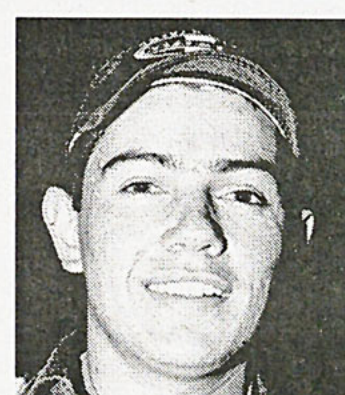
I would have to say that the comp is a very valuable experience, especially for those pursuing a Ph.D. For me, I now know everything about blind cave fish, if you like that kind of stuff.

Owen Fox '97
biology



For me, it has been a very positive experience. I've enjoyed having a chance to do independent work about a topic that interests me, and it encourages me to want to go to graduate school and do this all over again. I feel like I can survive in the world of higher education. It will be a relief to be done and have less stress in my life, but it's an experience like no other.

Lori Mushrush '97
German and English



My comp was more beneficial for my rats than it was for me, since after my comp was done I took them all downtown and had them shake their money-makers while they were drunk at the Cheese-Garden.

Victor Sanchez '97
psychology

Mock trial opens community discussion about discrimination against homosexuals

By KELLY A. BOWSER &
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The story goes something like this. There was a huge party at the Sig house Friday night. Many people went, including Mike Hinzman and Anthony Ranii, who was an openly gay student. Sometime during the course of the evening, Anthony spotted fellow classmate A.J. Fortuna and went over to speak to him. A.J., clearly intoxicated, misunderstood Ranii's intentions and began a fight. A.J.'s friend Calvin Anthony quickly broke up the fight.

A.J. and his friends decided to leave the party. While walking home, A.J.'s girlfriend Shauna Connolly needed to stop in Murray Hall to use the bathroom. While in Murray, Vak Sambath found some chalk and gave it to A.J. He encouraged A.J. to write something derogatory about gay people. A.J. said he doesn't remember this happening. "The next day I picked up a *Campus* newspaper, and there it was!" he said. He was referring to the pictures featured in *The Campus* which showed anti-gay messages scrawled in chalk on the sidewalk outside of Murray Hall earlier this year after National Coming Out Day celebration.

A.J. admitted writing the messages and said that he didn't feel badly about it. "I thought it was pretty damn funny!" he said. Anthony Ranii felt a little different. "I didn't even want to go to class the

next day because some of my friends knew it was about me!" he said.

Fortunately, for all students involved, this is not a true story. This story was part of a mock trial and panel discussion held in the Campus Center Lobby on March 26. The event was held to examine both college policy concerning discrimination and ways to increase tolerance of alternative lifestyles. As Antonia Focer, sophomore and organizer of the event, put it, "No one [on this campus] should have to feel any discomfort."

The Discriminatory Harassment Committee (DHC) and Diversity Council cosponsored the event. Associate Professor of History Barry Shapiro provided a summary of the incidents leading up to the trial and said the event was created "in an effort to raise awareness."

The accusations were heard by professors that served on a fictional College Judicial Board (CJB). The CJB for the mock trial included Assistant Professor of English Kirk Nessel, Assistant Professor of Economics Don Goldstein, and Professor of Biology Milt Ostrofsky as chair.

A.J.'s justification for scrawling "I love fucking faggots" on the sidewalk outside of Murray Hall included his drunkenness and his constitutional right to freedom of speech. Fortuna's character asked, "Which do you consider more important, *The Compass* or the Constitution?" Ostrofsky suggested that

the Discriminatory Harassment Policy be included in the matriculation ceremony so that all students be familiar with it. "I think under the rights given to me by the First Amendment, I can write or say whatever the hell I want," said A.J.

The panel discussion commenced after the CJB went into what would normally be executive session. Panel members included: Director of Multicultural Affairs Pablo Pagan, DHC Chair and Arthur E. Braun Professor of Political Science Irwin Gertzog, Associate Professor of English Sonya Jones, Sexual Harassment Officer and Associate Professor of Sociology and Anthropology Ellen Gray, senior Freddie Vargas, and sophomore Antonio Focer.

Panelists and audience members began by suggesting punishments for the students in the open-ended trial. Immersion into the gay community along with classes in the gay and lesbian studies department were favored by most. Associate Professor of English Laura Quinn felt that "100 hours of carefully tailored community service" was a reasonable solution. Sonya Jones suggested participation in a gay rights march or involvement in the planning of Coming Out Day.

President of Allegheny Gay Pride Harold Jones did not want the planning of Coming Out Day to be considered a punishment. As it is, the organization gets flak even for advertising its events, he said. "We [Gay Pride] have never had a sign

survive 24 hours," he said. Jones felt the guilty party should be expelled.

Visiting Assistant Professor of Sociology and Anthropology Paola Bacchetta said, "To expel people for those types of attitudes, half the campus would be kicked out."

Vargas expressed a similar opinion when she said, "Allegheny isn't as liberal as some of the literature makes it out to be."

Quinn said that the campus community needs to become sensitive to alternative lifestyles to insure

that people like A.J. do not feel support for their beliefs. She said, "I do not think that there are transformative possibilities."

Freshman Andrew Matta disagreed with the views Quinn expressed. "I don't think that [A.J.] should be reformed," said Matta. He suggested that "as long as everybody just does their own thing," things would be okay. Matta felt that homosexuality was wrong based on his interpretation of the

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Water destroys costly lab equipment

By CHRIS LEOPOLD
News Reporter

What started out as an ordinary day for Associate Professor of Chemistry and Physics, David Statman, turned into anything but that.

While giving a normal class lecture, Professor Statman was interrupted by a student at the door. The student informed him that an accident had happened in his lab.

When professor Statman entered the laboratory, he quickly saw the disaster that had taken place. The ceiling had collapsed and water was everywhere in the laboratory.

Over \$4,000 worth of damage was done to Professor Statman's laboratory because a new laser table was needed. "Fortunately none of the lasers, detectors or computers were on at the time, so they were not damaged," said Statman. "My concern at the time was that I have well over \$100,000 worth of equipment in the lab, and it was fortunate that all that was damaged was the table."

A teacher's assistant from Chemistry 102 lab accidentally allowed distilled water to overflow from its container. As the water ran, it began to seep through the floor. The water collected on the floor and began to leak into the ceiling of the level below. When the weight of the water grew heavier, the ceiling collapsed and water came gushing down into Statman's laboratory.

No drainage system is set up in the Carr Hall of Science or the Doane Hall of Chemistry, where most experiments are held. If an accident such as the one that affected Professor Statman's equipment can cause so much damage, imagine the damage that could be caused from the gallons of water that pour out of the emergency showers. Without a drainage system in place, damage can result quickly from the tremendous amount of water unleashed from the shower onto the floor.

The purpose of the emergency shower is to prevent a student or faculty member from being seriously harmed from mishandled chemicals. Once the shower is pulled, gallons of water come pouring out of the shower and onto the

floor.

Once the shower is on, it is difficult to turn off. The only way to shut off the shower is manually. The water that was released will remain puddled on the floor until someone comes and cleans it up. Joe Barney, work control coordinator at the Physical Plant said, "The showers are there for emergency use only, and you can only hope that they are not often used. If for some reason the showers do go off, the only thing that can be done is to clean up the mess."

Both Carr Hall and Doane Hall of Chemistry are newer facilities on the Allegheny campus, being built in 1964 and 1993, respectively. Carr Hall was completely renovated in 1995 to insure the safety of the building. It causes one to question the reason a draining system was not installed at that time to protect the building.

Ken Hanna, director of facilities and construction said, "The reason drains were not installed was because of the odor that would be caused in the building with open drains. The same architect that worked on Carr Hall also built the new science building, and drainage under the showers was not included in either plan."

However, future plans are currently in progress to install an emergency shower in the Doane Hall art studio. To prevent a costly disaster from occurring above the art exhibit, the shower will include a drainage system.

While the art studio will contain a drainage system to protect the exhibit from a water disaster, the science buildings remain untouched. Although expensive equipment is housed in these buildings, the risk that an accident will occur is not seriously considered. Some professors believe that it should be given more consideration. "There should be a drainage system set up," said Statman.

No action currently is planned to install a drainage system in the science buildings. The only thing that can be done is to have someone mop the mess quickly before any damage is caused by gathering water.

Phi Deltas among fraternities to ban alcohol by 2000

CINCINNATI (AP)—Fraternity row is drying out.

Two fraternities have become the first in the nation to ban alcohol in chapter houses, and more are expected to follow suit.

The animal house, it appears, is about to become an endangered species as students become more serious about earning a degree instead of a reputation for chugging beer.

"They're coming to school to get an education and they need a family and some friends. They want a clean, safe house where they can study and hang out," said Robert Pasquonucci, spokesman for Phi Delta Theta, a 7,500-member fraternity based in Oxford, about 30 miles northwest of Cincinnati.

Phi Delta Theta, with 180 chapters, and Lexington, Va.-based Sigma Nu, a fraternity with 210 chapters and 9,000 members, said this week they will ban booze by 2000.

In the 60s and 70s, such an announcement might have sent irate frat rats raging into the streets to protest.

Not now.

On fraternity row at the University of Cincinnati Wednesday, the reaction was decidedly reserved.

Behind the neatly kept Alpha

Tau Omega house, senior Raj Ghia stopped tossing the football with frat brother Eric Thurston and contemplated the idea.

"I personally don't think frats will go dry," said Ghia, who is chapter president. "I can see some of them going dry on their own, but I'm 21 years old. Why can't I have a beer if I'm paying rent?"

Thurston scoffed at the idea.

"It's a fad. It's all politically correct," he said.

Although local chapters of some fraternities have voluntarily gone dry, Kansas City, Mo.-based Farmhouse has been the only national fraternity with an official policy. It has prohibited alcohol at chapter houses since 1974.

Jonathan Brant, executive vice president of the National Interfraternity Conference, expects most of the 63 national fraternities in his organization will ban booze.

"It's not necessarily going to solve all of our problems, but many of the poor decisions students make on campuses today are the result of using alcohol," he said.

Theta Chi fraternity, based in Indianapolis, hasn't adopted a policy but is testing the waters at its University of Wisconsin-Madison chapter.

The chapter, which had all but

died out, reopened last year as a no-alcohol house.

"We went back last fall and recruited new members on that premise," said Theta Chi spokesman Dave Westol. "We knew it would be a tough go, but we decided to try it a different way."

The house now has seven members, said chapter President Bryant Gauthier, a 21-year-old junior. They hope to have 17 by the end of the year.

"Even with all the other frats around campus, we get a lot of respect for what we're trying to do," he said.

Westol said the no-alcohol movement has been building steam among fraternities, particularly each time a drinking-related incident made the news.

"So many of the problems incidents and the concerns which have arisen with fraternities have involved alcohol," he said.

Earlier this month, for example, eight students at Frostburg State University in Maryland were charged with manslaughter in the alcohol-poisoning death of a freshman who got drunk at a frat party.

John Eric Stinner, 20, consumed at least six beers and 12 shots of vodka in two hours at an off-campus party, police said.

Budget emphasizes cuts to provide balanced budget in the future

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mately 10:1 in a 1993 *U.S. News and World Report* comparison, which is lower than comparable colleges. In the same report the College of Wooster had a ratio of 12:1, as did Kenyon College and Denison University.

Professor of Political Science Robert Seddig speculated that the greatest long term effect of faculty reductions would be felt in middle to upper level courses, such as the junior seminar.

"It might lead to increasingly larger classes. I'm just speculating, but it might also force us to teach intermediate level courses on alternate years and focus on introductory courses. We can't cut them [introductory level courses] because they're how we draw majors," said Seddig.

Overall, the AEC cut approximately \$1.2 million from the operating budget. The first round of cuts eliminated \$917,500, while the second round accounted for \$298,000.

The greatest savings occurred as a result of an adjustment the adminis-

trative and staff compensation, which will be maintained at 2.5 percent. Normally there would be an increase in the percentage, however it will remain static next year.

The decision to maintain the rate resulted in a savings of \$237,500, or 25.9 percent of the total savings. Additional cuts were made possible through the elimination of a special first year presidential allocation, and increased federal grants to support work study programs.

Looking to future budget presentations, it is estimated that \$914,250, or roughly 75 percent of

the cuts from this fiscal year will be maintained in the next year, and lead to a permanent reduction in the college's debt.

Eradication of the looming deficit requires hard cuts in the budget. According to Vice-president for Administrative Services and Treasurer John Reynders, hard cuts are cuts that can be maintained annually. Conversely, soft cuts are defined as yearly cuts meant to temporarily assuage a budget crunch.

"Hard cut are cuts that we believe will be repeatable. As we look down the road those dollars that are saved

will continue to be saved, while soft cuts are made on a yearly basis," said Reynders.

Professors' opinions vary on the attrition policy that has become part of the long-term economic plan. Associate Professor of Education Jeffrey Dunbar believes that cuts could in fact benefit the college community as a whole, if they are approached in a cogent manner.

"It's in the institution's best interests to insure a whole community balance. [The college needs] Quality facilities for education; administrative organization that facilitates high

power teaching and learning and faculty in number and policies in compensation and benefits that are community building rather than community cutting or competitive. Allegheny is a system of education. Addressing one part in isolation is not sufficient," said Dunbar.

This year's budget is considered a bridge budget. This is the last year where the structural deficit will exist as the college will adopt a more permanent financial plan. A summer committee will meet to set a definite course for future budget presentations.

Sports and fitness center construction falls under financial scrutiny

By JENNIFER MACEK
New Reporter

Students who participate in varsity sports, as well as those who don't, will soon have their wish granted for a better sports facility. The David V. Wise Sport and Fitness Center is scheduled to open in the fall of this year, but the decision for its construction has not gone without discussion.

Because this new sports facility is costing Allegheny about \$12.6 million dollars, its importance is often questioned. The college recently spent a large sum of money on the construction of the Doane Hall of Chemistry and Hall of Advanced Biology and is going further into debt through the construction of the sports center.

Also, the question often is asked if the sports center will draw in a significant number of new students. If it does, professors like Associate Professor of Economics Asuman Baskan wonder if the students attracted by the new sports facility are the kind of students that Allegheny

wants.

Professor of Political Science Michael Stevens says, "Sometimes the athletes in my classes are my best students." As chairman of the Finance and Facilities Committee, Stevens says that Allegheny has been suffering in competition against other colleges because of its lack of an adequate fitness facility.

Steve Mest, director of sports information, says that research has found that all students, not just those who play sports, demand a fitness facility.

However, students surveyed last year by *The Chronicle of Higher Education* rated their top three criteria in choosing a college as academic reputation, ability to get a good job and financial assistance. Athletics and facilities were not among these top three criteria.

Freshmen Adrienne Aul and Jenny Rich say the fact that Allegheny was building a new sports facility had no impact on their decision to attend the college. Rich said, "I don't feel that it will have a significant impact on admissions,

but it definitely will be a plus."

One prospective student, a male swimmer, said that if he decides to attend Allegheny it will have nothing to do with the sports center. He said, "As a matter of fact, it will depend more on financial aid."

According to both Stevens and Mest, there has been little opposition to the building of the new facility. The main concern has been the college's ability to fund the facility at this time. The costs are being paid for through monetary gifts from alumni to the college, the largest being a \$5 million gift from David and Karen Wise, both Allegheny alumni.

The college also can tap into its endowment to pay for the construction of the new sports facility. However, Stevens says that the use of these endowments could possibly cause a raise in tuition, something neither staff nor students really want to encounter.

When completed, the David V. Wise Sport and Fitness Center will contain three main sections—the sports forum, the performance area and the fitness center. These sections will feature a pool, a five-lane jogging track, 12 pieces of Nautilus-style weight-lifting equipment and an aerobics room/dance studio.

Mock trial feeds discrimination debate

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Bible.

Sonya Jones invited Matta to attend a panel on religion and homosexuality that will be part of History and Memory: Gay and Lesbian Literature Since World War II, a conference to be held April 11-13. Jones is the director of the conference. Matta said that he would attend the event.

Another issue discussed by the panel was the general lack of willingness of the college community to come forward to report these type of

incidents. Senior Jessica Baker said that students have a responsibility to report these occurrences if they witness them. "Whether you are gay, straight, black or white, you saw it," she said. Vargas, a member of the DHC, stressed the importance of coming forward with complaints, "Otherwise, there is nothing the committee can do."

Pagan was concerned with the amount of time that has passed since the anti-gay messages were written on the sidewalk. "It should not take this long to deal with an issue," he said. Others felt that even the smallest incidents, such as posters advertising different types of meetings being defaced should be reported.

Luis Santamaria, an openly gay freshman, stressed communication as a way to resolve conflicting ideas. He said that a straight person should tell a gay person if they are uncomfortable.

Focer and Pagan coordinated the event. Focer urged students to "stand up for the people." Gertzog said, "You don't want to inhibit speech on a college campus." He also reminded the audience that, "There is speech that is not protected by the First Amendment," referring to speech which advocates overthrow of the U.S. government or incites racial hatred.

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EDITORIAL

As another comping season winds down, confused seniors emerge blinking from nightstudy into the first rays of sunlight they've seen in days. It's hell, they tell you. They've never worked so hard in their lives as they have over the past two sleepless weeks, they say. Be afraid. Be very afraid, they warn. But this character-building experience we call the comp is worth its weight of 2-liter bottles of Pepsi and packages of ring dings in gold.

As one of the select few liberal arts institutions requiring such a demanding senior thesis, Allegheny distances itself by raising the bar for its students. Seniors must prove that they can apply their learning over the past three years by proposing involved research on the topic in which they are most interested as the culmination of their career as a student. No other project throughout their undergraduate career has the potential to be such a rewarding accomplishment. We say "potential" because not everyone takes advantage of this opportunity. Oh, sure, we all comp if we want an AC degree, but there exists a wide range of quality between the comps of seniors who value the experience as a final chance to prove themselves, and those who start researching two weeks before a midnight ride to Kinko's in Erie.

Those who never take their project seriously demean the comp, their best opportunity to engage in meaningful research as an undergraduate, and have led some to argue that the requirement should be abolished. What? No one takes phys ed or LSF seriously either. Should we abolish those too? Where would we draw the line?

We intend to take a hard line on this. If someone submits an unacceptable comp, fail them. If a student has led his or her professors to believe that he or she is not capable of extended research, they should perhaps receive a little more guidance. We do not recommend that the faculty baby-sit comping seniors, but we also do not condone the patronizing mercy-pass that many have come to count on in their final hour.

The comp is one of Allegheny's strongest assets, and each of us knew it was part of the bargain when we enrolled. Both faculty and students should respect the senior project. Lowering the bar by making the comp optional would undermine a distinctive Allegheny tradition and the curriculum as a whole, concluding in a detrimental lack of respect for our academic program.

All editorials represent the majority opinion of the Editorial Board.

We dissent.

Although we see the merit in undertaking a large-scale, independent project at the undergraduate level, we do not think that such a project should be required of all Allegheny students. When students are dedicated to a project such as the comp, they benefit in many ways—developing time management, analytical thinking and independent research skills.

Less enthusiastic students, who put forth a minimum effort while comping, do not reap these benefits. Some students simply wait until the last minute to write their comps, regurgitating information from a few conveniently selected resources found in Pelletier Library.

Students who do not expend a whole-hearted effort on their comps will not benefit from them as learning experiences. Their time could be better spent on other endeavors such as job searching. Currently, professors must spend valuable time reading a number of comps that are poorly researched and written.

While we think that the comp benefits students who are dedicated to the experience, we do not think that it should be required of all students for graduation. Students who opt to fulfill the current comp requirements should have the opportunity to graduate with honorary distinctions on their degrees.

Revoking the mandate to comp would not lower Allegheny's high academic standards, since half-assed comps are doing nothing to sustain them.

—N.M. and J.N.

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Letters to the Editor

Wagner enlightens Editorial Board

In the Editorial of the Feb. 27 issue of *The Campus*, the Editorial Board proposed the creation of a "student forum on budgetary issues.... Such a forum would allow students to prioritize proposed budgetary cuts according to their own interests and offer constructive ideas to the administration, ensuring a compromise that would suit the interests of all parties involved."

Louis A. Wagner

Well, now, there's a new idea! Let's get some student input into this budget business! Why hasn't anyone thought of this before?

Come on, folks! What page are you on?

I've always considered the members of the *Campus* Editorial Board to be more aware of the College's governance structure than the student body generally, but maybe I'm wrong.

Fact is, such a forum has existed for years. Among this forum's functions are "to advise the Administration on all financial and facilities matters which concern the members of the College community, such as ... the level of tuition and fees, the size and distribution ... of the College budget, needs for new construction, renovation, and deferred maintenance on the campus, and long-range financial and facilities planning," and "to recommend priorities for broad financial aggregates and ratios, and for construction, renovation, and maintenance projects."

The forum is, of course, the College Finance and Facilities Committee. It's the main channel in our system for students, faculty and staff to influence financial policy and decision-making. And College administrators take the Committee's views and votes very seriously, as do the trustees. The Committee's structure provides for five voting student members, equal to the number of voting faculty and voting staff.

But you know what? Students barely take advantage of this ready-made opportunity to influence budget decisions. Nomination of the student members is the responsibility of ASG, but it's been a long time—years, in fact—since the Committee has seen its full complement of student members.

The current Committee has just one regularly-attending student member (and his opinion counts—but it's just one); the other four seats are empty. Even *The Campus* does not bother to cover the Committee's meetings with any regularity.

No, we don't need another fo-

rum; what we need is student commitment to an opportunity for influence which currently goes begging.

Louis A. Wagner is Professor of Modern Languages and Secretary of the Faculty.

Owin' up to the facts

Given the fact that information printed by various parties within the previous issue of *The Campus* (both news and perspectives sections) has discredited many of the inaccurate and unfounded allegations made against GAP by Jason Owen concerning the recent "impeachment" movement, I would nonetheless like to commend him on his noble (if amazingly uninformed) intentions and thank him for taking an active interest in both student life and in GAP.

Bob Bazylak

Given that Mr. Owen took excessive liberty in speaking about the motivations and intentions of the GAP Board without ever approaching us, it seems ludicrous to engage in defending GAP against such unfounded accusations.

However, there are two minor sections of Mr. Owen's letter I would like to discuss. First, Mr. Owen wrote, "Did I forget to mention that this letter was written by the [GAP] Executive Board at their Sunday meeting at which their advisor, Phil Foxman, was not present?"

Damn—caught with our hands in the cookie jar. Mr. Owen, your razor-sharp detective skills have found us out. The truth is, ever since the events of Winter Carnival, GAP had been secretly conspiring to take down those ASG tyrants, Bull and Yoder.

However, since Phil Foxman is an oppressive GAP overlord, we knew that he would suppress our spiteful and bitter intentions to undermine and eventually overthrow ASG. So, when Phil didn't show up at that one meeting, we knew it was time to strike. Because of our own selfishness and incompetence, Bull and Yoder needed to be taken down! And with the good-hearted Foxman out of the way, our maniacal plot could at last come to fruition! Unfortunately, the truth has now come out. Mr. Owen, I congratulate you for exposing GAP's sinister scheme to discredit and destroy ASG.

The second point I wish to make concerns the Steven Wright show, which Mr. Owen referred to as "The Valentine Day's Massacre." Since I planned that event, I find it difficult to let Mr. Owen's ignorance go unaddressed. In no way did the Steven

Wright show have anything to do with GAP finances concerning Springfest.

In spite of Mr. Owen's flawed sense of causality, Steven Wright did not affect any other GAP event or account in any way whatsoever. Furthermore, if making money was my primary concern with the event, tickets would have been sold for \$15 instead of \$5 per ticket. By selling tickets at a low price, it was my intention to get as many students to the event as possible, not to make money. "The Valentine's Day Flop," incidentally, attracted over 820 people.

In closing, Mr. Owen wrote that he would like "to chastise GAP for not assuming responsibility for their incompetent action." Well, Mr. Owen, I urge you to take responsibility for your numerous unfounded accusations against GAP. Moreover, I encourage both Mr. Owen and all other members of the Allegheny community to continue to take an increased and active interest in both GAP and student life. After all, GAP is spending student money, and everyone's voice both deserves and needs to be heard.

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

Crack down on work

This is in response to Rob Hartman's article in which he interviewed students here at Allegheny who said that they were flunking out because of drug abuse. That is just absurd. If you can't maintain a 2.0 here, even if you are on drugs, then you either need to change majors or start using a new sort of mind-altering substance.

Will Shensky

I have only second-hand experience with drugs, so I had to do some research on this topic. Luckily, the college sent each of us a pamphlet on the effect of certain drugs. Let's say that I was on crack. Crack is an amphetamine, so you look up amphetamines in the handy-dandy pamphlet. There, you'll see key words like "increased energy, alertness, increased appetite." Wow! Sounds like a winner to me. I think I would actually get more work done.

Just think of all the energy that one has when one is on crack. You would never feel like sleeping, you would never be hungry. So, could you imagine how much work you could get done without sleeping or having to stop for dinner? That frees up about another seven or eight hours!

I am one of the brave few
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Lessons learned in quality leadership

While pondering the importance of responsible leadership this week, I was saddened to hear of the death of a good friend of my family, Joe Farrell. For those of you who were not fortunate enough to know Joe, I'll give you a brief biography. Joe served as Dean of Men at John Carroll University, as well as the President of my hometown (Euclid, Ohio) city council for over a dozen years. In addition to these duties, Joe was a loyal father and was heavily devoted to his religion.

Adam M. Van Ho

But while examining many of the events of the past few weeks, both at a local and national level, additional pain comes with knowing that leadership like Joe's is exactly what we lack as we prepare to enter the new century. So this week, I thought it would be appropriate to examine the leadership qualities Joe possessed.

First and foremost, Joe realized that he was a servant of the people, and that no matter how much political power or money he thought he had, the people of Euclid were the boss. Their well-being was his first priority. This trait is critical but lacking in modern America, where special interests have superseded the overall interests of the country.

A key part of serving the people is listening. True leadership requires listening to the politically powerful establishment as well as to the average person whose problems are relatively small, but who is entitled to an equal share of representation in government. Whether it was the President of Lincoln-Electric or the little old lady at the end of the street, Joe treated everyone's concerns as his concerns and made sure that, if possible, their problems were resolved.

Second, Joe realized that no matter where he was, he was always a representative of John Carroll University and the city of Euclid. Whether it was at a baseball game, representing the city or an evening social event, Joe was aware that his actions were reflective of his position and because of this great responsibility, he realized that he needed to act in a courteous, responsible manner.

While this appears to be common sense for positions where public trust is critical, it seems to be severely lacking in America. Newspapers are continually filled with stories about how public officials, both on and off-duty, have been involved in incidents and then tried to use their positions to hide from the consequences. Joe knew that, even if the incident would occur "off-duty," it would have a negative effect on his position and the city. Therefore, he decided that the best solution was to avoid a bad situation in the first place by acting responsibly at all times.

Joe cherished the idea that, in a democracy, everyone has a right to be heard. While everyone was trying to hurry to get through a meeting, Joe emphasized that it was important for everyone's views to be heard, no matter how long it took to hear them. He firmly believed that democracy should not rely on mob threats and political power games to work, but should depend on individuals making decisions based on their own feelings about an issue and what they believe is best for the community.

Finally, Joe realized that any government action, no matter how large or small, was going to affect someone, and he was truly concerned about how it would affect them. Many government decisions consider the number of people who will be affected but ignore the fact that there are individuals behind those numbers. Even if only five people were affected by a project, Joe wanted to know how those five people would be affected and what could be done to help them through the problem.

While these were only a couple of his traits, they are the key traits lacking in both national and local politics. While Joe knew he could gain personally from his positions, he realized that the better course would be to work for the benefit of the entire community, rather than just for himself.

Perhaps America and Allegheny would be better if each of us attempted to be a little more like Joe and realize that we, as individuals, can give to the community much more than we should ever expect in return.

I learned this lesson from a teacher whose classroom was tucked away in the corner of Euclid City Hall, and I will always be better because of Joe's teaching.

Adam M. Van Ho is a columnist for The Campus.

Surrendering individuality for empty security

The recent suicides in California have raised some questions for me about the condition of this country. Thirty-nine people were convinced that if they put on some Nikes and killed themselves, then Comet Hale-Bopp would certainly swoosh down and float them away to heaven, a notion which struck me as more than odd.

In fact, it made me wonder: At just what point in your life do you decide that something like this is the right thing to do? What events led up to these suicides? What pressures did these people have on their lives, on their minds, to make them commit such unreasonable

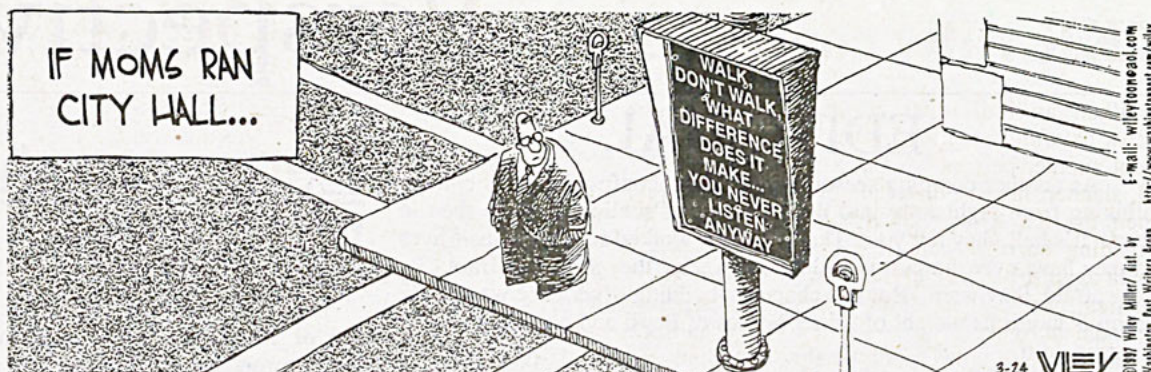
crimes against themselves and their families?

Personally, I think the Nikes had a lot to do with it. Maybe not the shoes themselves, but the larger impact of the market economy and the structure of our society.

Mark Hudson

Nike itself is a wonderful contradiction. They promote rebellious superstars such as Tiger Woods and Andre Agassi. Woods is one of the few significant

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Letters to the Editor continued

Improve your habits

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physics majors and I know I could use another seven or eight hours a day just to do E&M (electrostatics and magnetism). I've taken my share of classes outside of physics, and I've even been an FSA, so let me make a couple of scheduling suggestions for those of you who are on drugs and are having a hard time keeping a 2.0.

We'll start with the obvious, political science. Bill Clinton, 'nuff said. How about geology? You get to deal with "rocks" all the time. If you're a drug user with entrepreneurial ambitions, you could study economics. There are just too many drug dealers who lack a true sense of supply and demand. In chemistry, you could make your own hallucinogens.

There is the new major, too—neuroscience. You can study hallucinogenic effects on the brain. Instead of using lab rats in psychology, you could be your own test subject, though it's hard to find a wheel big enough to run on.

Another effect of amphetamines is talkativeness, so that's perfect for communication arts. And just think of all the ideas you'll have for the art classes. You could make your own crack pipe in ceramics.

So if you are having a hard time succeeding at this school, try changing majors to one that suits your abilities. If that doesn't work, try crack.

Will Shensky is a member of the class of '98.

Timing is everything

The following is an open letter to the Annual Fund:

Dear Fund,

I realize you need money. There's no need to be embarrassed. I know I have the same problem sometimes. It's just your timing I question.

There I am last Monday night, rooting for somebody not associated with *The English Patient* to win something at the Oscars, when the phone rings. I figure it's a friend or relative wanting to talk about how

ugly Winona Ryder's gown was. (Really, girl, what were you thinking?)

Dan Koller

Instead, it's some perky little Allegheny student named Michelle asking to dip into my pocket on behalf of the Annual Fund. Say what? No offense to Michelle—I'm sure she's real cute and all and I'd probably ask her out if I still went to Allegheny—but, baby, I'm busy!

Here's a tip: don't call and bother people with such requests on Oscar night. I mean, what's next? Sorry to interrupt your Super Bowl party, but the football team needs money. Excuse me, I realize you're watching the presidential debates, but could you spare a few bucks for the ASG budget?

Dan Koller is a sports writer for the Sulphur Springs, Texas, News-Telegram and a member of the class of '96.

Underage drinking charges leave sticky smear

Underage drinking is an issue that affects most members of the campus community. There has been recent criticism of our ASG leaders because of on-campus underage drinking. There was also a series of articles relating to underage drinking at fraternity parties. So much underage drinking goes on in dormitories and houses that underage drinking at other establishments can't possibly be more of a problem.

Alcohol abuse is a separate issue, and can be as much of a problem for people over the age of 21 as it is for people between the ages of 18 and 21. The reason there is a law stating that people under the age of 21 can't drink is because of traffic accidents.

Hardly anyone lives so far from the Walker Room or the Delt House that they would have to drive home.

Jeremy Ulrich

It is true that there are disproportionately more drunk driving accidents as a result of drivers under the age of 21. A decrease in the cost of auto insurance coincides with the attainment of the right to drink. Insurance companies lobby the government to revoke the licenses of and charge exorbitant fees to 18, 19, and 20-year old hazards. Because U.S. citizens between the ages of 18 and 21 do not have the money, power or influence that these large businesses do, they cannot stand up for their rights as inferred by the 21st Amendment of the Constitution, which repealed Prohibition.

Other issues of traffic safety are not addressed because of lobbies far wealthier and powerful than voters between the ages of 18 and 21. Recently the *New York Times* reported that thousands of traffic deaths occur as a result of differences in the size and design of cars from light trucks.

The response of the auto industry to cries for cars and light trucks built to take impacts at the same level in order to save lives? Cut down on drunk driving to improve traffic safety.

The campaign advertisements of our leaders, who maintain the oppression of underage individuals, are paid for by the profits from these dangerous light trucks. Our democracy seems to be a lot more like a plutocracy to me.

Apparently there are members of the Allegheny campus who don't agree. Maybe they are afraid that sophomores might leave the Walker Room during Winter Carnival to move their cars to the other side of the street to avoid parking tickets and cause some terrible tragedy. It certainly is not difficult to find someone sober and willing to help a drunk friend obey Meadville's traffic laws.

Personally, I feel that less virtuous members of the campus community use the existence and rampant breaking of underage drinking laws to smear the reputation of students and their organizations.

Jeremy Ulrich is a member of the class of '99.

KKK rally confronts Pittsburgh neighborhoods with own weakest link

When an individual publicly spews hateful, defaming messages about another person, we call it libel, slander, lawsuit material. But when the Ku Klux Klan speaks, spreading horribly hateful propaganda against blacks and other minorities, we call it their First Amendment right.

Laws exist to protect individuals from racial segregation and discrimination, but the Klan and other similar groups wrap themselves in the First Amendment blanket, free to

continue communicating their racist manifestoes.

Kara Erdodi

The Klan recently has been granted permission by a court of law to organize a rally outside the Allegheny County Courthouse in Pittsburgh, this Saturday, April 5. The decision has both city officials and citizens worried, and for good reason. The issue of racism is a

volatile, emotional land mine and the rally could feasibly result in catastrophe.

A counter-rally for peace among races has been organized for the same time slot, and Pittsburgh mayor Tom Murphy has encouraged those who oppose the Klan's assembly to convene downtown in a strength-in-numbers exhibit.

"Let them walk into Homewood (a predominantly black and somewhat unstable neighborhood)," one radio personality joked. And while

the implications of this statement may be appealing to the vigilante, eye-for-an-eye side of human nature, it would only worsen the situation and is evidence of the great potential for violence inherent in such an event.

At best, both sides will stick to their respective corners, stay focused on the message they are there to spread and everyone will go home unscathed. At worst, tempers will flare and promises of peaceful organization will be broken, possibly by participants in the peace rally who are present to oppose the Klan's message of hate.

Some suggest that the Klan rally will indirectly benefit the city of Pittsburgh, for the counter-demonstration may actually unite divided neighborhoods and members of rival gangs against a common enemy. But once the hooded men slink back home and quiet down, at least temporarily, will the people of Pittsburgh remember and perpetuate the spirit of unity that brought them to the peace rally, or will they gradually forget that they worked together and slip back into old rivalries?

The Klan does not inspire the same kind of emotion that it did in the 1960s and 70s. We have come to regard them with more disgust than fear, possibly because the Klan is not as blatant about their hatred as they once were. Granted, everyone is aware of what they stand for and

the atrocities they have committed in the past, but crosses aren't flaming in our front yards. And race relations, while still far from satisfactory, are improving.

So perhaps people will walk by the Klan rally and be sickened by the chants of men who thrive upon intimidation and hatred, but I'm not idealistic or naive enough to believe that no one will be impressed by their robes or enchanted by the secrecy that surrounds the group. I'm sure a few people will be drawn to the Klan's message of white supremacy this Saturday.

The reasons offered by the Klan for this rally have not been adequately explained despite extensive media coverage. Is the Klan shrinking in numbers and hungry for fresh minds to warp? Or if recruitment isn't the reason, perhaps members feel that minorities are becoming overly successful in the city of Pittsburgh. Perhaps their only goal is to see what sort of tension and trouble they can incite, to see how much media attention and free publicity they can gain for themselves.

I suppose questionable motives should not come as a surprise, considering all that the group stands for, but demonstrating simply because it has the right to do so does not relay an impression of intelligence or strength of purpose.

Kara Erdodi is Assistant Perspectives Editor for The Campus.

Manson, crime addicts boost network ratings

If any of you have been wondering whether civilization will fall, be warned. It's falling right now. And it's started in the place where everyone thought it would, California.

This week, Charles Manson was up for parole again. While it's a wonderful sign of our democracy that a maniac like Charlie gets a chance to be paroled, it's also a frightening and sobering thought.

Willie Berkovitz

Some will say, "America is great. Even here, a lunatic like Charles Manson has a chance to be up for parole. What a great country."

Is America as idealistic as it seems? To put it another way, does Charles Manson get a parole hearing because we think everyone deserves a chance?

I don't think that is entirely the case. The real reason we are so fair is ratings—TV and radio ratings and the amount of newspapers sold. The bigger the TV ratings or the more newspapers sold, the fairer the law will be.

Case in point, O.J. Simpson.

Since he pulled in big TV audiences and sold lots of newspapers, he got the fairest trial ever recorded in the history of man. His trial was so fair that he was acquitted after killing two people in cold blood.

Charlie probably pulls in big ratings for the media. That's why he gets a parole hearing. The fairer the law is, the higher the network's ratings. I remember the last time that Charlie was up for parole. I watched the proceedings on COURT-TV.

If Manson weren't Manson, that is, if he weren't as (in)famous as he is, I don't think he would get as fair a shake. I imagine his parole hearing would go something like this:

Parole Officer: "Okay, next person up for parole is Prisoner #24601, Charles Manson. Okay, let's see. You masterminded the murders of a whole lot of people, and you are a raving lunatic with a swastika tattooed on your forehead. Parole denied."

If Charlie didn't pull in the ratings, there would be no long, drawn-out hearing. He would get the rubber-stamp version of justice.

It may appear that I'm just being cynical, but it's true. People like to

watch crime. It's a kind of voyeurism, and because we like it, the media gives it to us. From Eyewitness News to COURT-TV, from *Cops* to the more fictionalized *Law and Order*, the networks are constantly giving us what we want—true life drama in the form of crime. The more heinous the crime, the better.

If you don't believe me, think about passing someone who's been pulled over. What happens? Many slow down for two reasons: one, the cop will catch you speeding; two, to see what the cop is doing to the person and why he or she got pulled over.

I experienced something like this over the weekend. I went into the lounge to watch *Saturday Night Live* when I saw some flashing lights outside the window. The cops had pulled somebody over. So I turned off the TV and the lights and pulled a couch up to the window. I wanted to see what the cops were doing. Don't laugh. Everyone does it.

Well, I see it's time for me to go. *Burden of Proof* is coming on.

Willie Berkovitz is a columnist for The Campus.

Submission as motivation: swooshing into conformity

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African-American professional golfers in the United States. He is young and unique in his style and position in the PGA. These very qualities are the fabric behind the promotions of Nike.

The problem arises when we question Nike's role in our society. You can't walk down the street in America without seeing the Swoosh. Jackets, shoes, sweat shirts, umbrellas. Nike has it all, and we buy it.

Our demands are so great as a culture that we lose, for the most part, a sense of separation or individuality. This is obvious in teenage kids. Half of them are wearing Starter jackets, baseball hats curved just so and high top sneakers which rarely see any action. They all have the same haircut, the same earring and the same need for conformity.

The other 50 percent makes up the revolution. That's right, the punksters—coloring their hair, piercing their eyelids and trying desperately to find their alternative nation. By going to the Salvation Army for their clothes and not washing what they do wear, these kids are making their statement.

I can't really say that I blame them. To the average American kid who comes from the average American home, buying into the Nike crowd is of the utmost importance. People crave conformity. Capitalism has infused this desire into our very being, making us want to "have" what everyone else has. Nike, and companies all over the U.S., depend on these desires to ensure their own success, so they can get rich, so they can buy more

and more.

The need for conformity is ever prevalent in our world where dinners are cooked in the microwave in seconds and credit cards are used to pay for gas at the pump. Submission is the motivating force behind our need to assume a common identity. The characters in California made the unconscious decision to submit to the will and constitution of some wacko who had an idea about the fastest way to heaven.

People are utterly unable to think for themselves in our culture, and that is exactly what makes capitalism successful. Though the youth gone wild who chooses not to conform may seem strange or out of place in our society, their small protest shouldn't go unnoticed. The small cravings and desires dictate our lives, despite the fact that America—home of the free and land of the brave—was founded on individualism and independence.

Individuals, in order to be individuals, need to question their lifestyles and the ways in which they choose to conform. Make sure that what really motivates you is "you."

Mark Hudson is a columnist for The Campus.

*"I got to feeling like a machine. And that ain't no way to feel, baby."
—John Shaft (Richard Roundtree)*

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Students cite various reasons, from personal to academic, for taking "incompletes"

By SEAN RAMALEY
News Reporter

Senior Liz Yanelli was swamped with work. Last summer Yanelli, a political science and history double major, was diagnosed with a circulatory disorder that required hours of physical therapy. She still spent about ten hours a week at her internship, attended regular classes, held a work study job, and pursued a variety of extracurricular activities during the fall semester.

She realized she was unable to successfully complete the final requirement for the internship, a 20 page paper, because of her work and physical therapy. "I don't feel like I would have been able to do the topic justice," she said.

Jeff, a senior communication arts major who did not want to use his real name, was in a similar situation. He was a first semester senior, working on his senior comprehensive project. He also held a work study job, was involved in several on-campus organizations, and served several of these clubs in leadership roles.

He, too, requested an incomplete for an internship which required a lengthy final paper. He cited a lack of availability of material for his senior thesis as the reason. He said, "I just didn't know how it was all going to get done."

Sophomore Iona Dickinson was in a much different situation. Dickinson was granted a grade of incomplete because of a death in her family. She was given the extension as she was unable to take the final exam for one course.

While citing a lack of official documentation on why students request incompletes, Bruce Smith, Dean of the College, acknowledged that the most common reasons were a serious illness of a student or an immediate family distress.

According to the Allegheny College Catalogue, "Faculty stipulate grades of Incomplete ('IN'), when they believe that extenuating circumstances preclude completion of the work on time by the students. Incompletes are awarded with the expectation that the work will be completed by the student in a timely fashion."

As indicated in the excerpt, grades of incomplete are awarded by faculty members. Smith emphasized the role of the faculty in this process. "Incompletes are entirely at the discretion of the faculty member to determine what is or is not an extenuating circumstance."

Assistant Professor of Environmental Science and Biology James Palmer said that there is a lot variability among faculty as to what an extenuating circumstance includes. He believes that a death in the student's family or a severe illness to a student or family member are understandable.

Palmer also said that from time to time, there may be an unexpected disaster beyond the student's control, with a senior project, for example. Incompletes are also an academic freedom issue for faculty. "It's a problem of fairness for students, but it has to be up to the individual faculty to interpret," he said.

Irwin Gertzog, Professor of Political Science, cited two acceptable

reasons for requesting an incomplete. First is serious illness of a student or family member. Last fall, Gertzog taught three courses, with a combined total of 74 students. He had only two requests for incompletes, both due to student illness. "In regular classes, it's almost always been illness," he said.

Secondly, students may not be able to compile necessary data for reasons beyond their control. Last semester Gertzog, who supervised three students' internships, granted two incompletes. He said it was usually due to "the absence of appropriate data."

Gertzog stated that in the four year period prior to last semester, he supervised 12 internships and had no requests for incompletes. He said, "They come in spurts, but overall, they're exceptions." Smith, speaking from his experience as a professor of political science, agreed. "I have received infrequent requests," he said. "They are a useful device for students that is not abused."

Likewise, in his three years at Allegheny, Sean Gilmore, assistant professor of communication arts, has only granted three incompletes. All three were because of student illness which required bed rest. Gilmore, also a member of the Academic Standards and Awards Committee, agreed that the previous reasons for granting incompletes are acceptable.

He does not believe, however, that workload is an acceptable excuse. "All of the courses here are challenging," he said. "We have to have some form of rigor." the Academic Awards and Standards Committee decides if students should be allowed to continue their education at Allegheny based on their semester and cumulative grade point averages.

Students find incompletes to be useful for a variety of reasons. In Yanelli's case, the incomplete provided her with an opportunity to devote time to an assignment that she might not have completed to the best of her ability. For Jeff, the incomplete enabled him to complete his senior project on time with some peace of mind, and work on the internship paper over the winter break.

Dean Smith also sees the grade as a justifiable option for students. According to Smith, "Incompletes provide students, who would otherwise satisfactorily bring a course to a successful completion, an opportunity to finish the course work in timely fashion."

Smith acknowledges, however, that incompletes have drawbacks. "They create difficulty for students," he said. "Requirements need to be completed; students are doing last semester's work and the next semester's work."

Yanelli agreed that the challenges of doing the work were difficult. She could not devote all of her efforts to the new semester because she had last semester's work looming over her. "Knowing what I know now, I'm not sure I'd do it again," she said. Jeff agreed that completing the unfinished work was difficult, but felt the overall process was beneficial.

the College Ben Haytock did caution that repeated use of incompletes can be a serious issue. A cycle can develop where a student receives an incomplete one semester, then gets behind the next semester because he or she is finishing the work from the previous semester. The student then requests another incomplete for course work in the current semester. Haytock said, "for some, it's habitual."

Palmer, a former Chair of the Academic Standards and Awards Committee, added that if a student has too many incompletes at one time, the committee cannot accurately compute the student's grade point average. The committee needs this information when deciding if a student should return to Allegheny or be eligible to walk at graduation. "Incompletes [can] become a big issue for the Academic Standards Committee," he said. "Overall, however, they are still infrequent."

STDs pose risk for "active" students

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significantly decreases the chances of contracting these STD's. But, Sue Plunkett stresses condoms must be used correctly and consistently to be effective, even if another method of contraception is being used. She estimates that approximately 50 percent of the women who use other forms of contraception, such as birth control pills or Depo-Provera, don't use condoms.

Additionally, 30 percent of students who use condoms as their chosen form of protection don't use them consistently. Most of these lapses can be attributed to alcohol, says Plunkett. "Where people run into trouble is when they haven't made a conscious decision," she said. "A lot of the students don't use a condom every time; that is the difference. Sometimes people get intoxicated and don't use a condom. I just see the tip of the iceberg."

That iceberg is in fact quite large. Approximately 2,500 of the 10,000 annual visits to the health center are for reproductive health concerns.

The life-threatening consequences of the diseases themselves

may give students something to be concerned about, as well as certified counselor and Emergency Medical Technician Jessica Custer's estimation that 50 percent of the sexually active population carries some sort of sexually transmitted disease. Custer, a sophomore, expects that number to rise in the future. Genital warts can cause cell changes in the cervix which can be pre-cancerous. Trichomoniasis, left untreated, can cause bladder infections.

Hepatitis B, an inflammation of the liver, is fatal for 10 percent of those infected. When it is not fatal, it can lead to liver cancer or cirrhosis. Hepatitis B is 100 times more infectious than HIV and in addition to sexual contact, may be transmitted through the mucous membranes and everyday household contact.

To prevent the spread of diseases, Plunkett stresses the use of condoms correctly and consistently, even if another method of birth control is being used.

It is also important to know your partner's sexual history. As Lauri said, "If you can't trust the person you're sleeping with, who can you trust?"

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Arts & Living

European lifestyle allures Alleghenians

By NICCI MICCO
Arts & Living Editor

Alleghenians who have spent time studying in Germany, France and England have decided that Europeans are far more likely than Americans to take the time to smell the roses ... or the coffee ... or a fine red wine.

They've observed that in a slower-paced European culture, wine is not guzzled to induce a drunken stupor; coffee is not a caffeine source to sustain students through grueling all-nighters.

In fact, "most German students don't even know what an all-nighter is," said junior Angela Mason, who spent last semester studying in Germany. "They stay up until 11:30, 12 a.m. at the latest. The library at the German university I attended closed at 9 p.m. Here, you wake up at 8 a.m., you come home from the library when it closes at midnight. You order pizza and stay up and study or whatever. There, it wasn't like that."

All of the interviewed students who studied abroad noted that Europeans considered academics and careers to be much lower priorities than their American counterparts did.

"Generally speaking, we're pretty uptight; we live for rules and guidelines," said Stephanie Sheldon, a senior who spent her entire junior year studying at the University of East Anglia, Norwich, England. "[The students] just wanted to have fun and they did ... compared to

them, Americans seemed incredibly anal and competitive about school-work."

"They are way more laid back; it's not a bad thing, though," said Sarah Davitt of the Germans whom she met while studying in Cologne last semester.

Sheldon agreed that Europeans students' more lax attitude toward academics impressed her as being attributed not to laziness but rather to a more balanced lifestyle and an appreciation for other people and activities. "Don't get me wrong; they didn't neglect their academics, they just didn't obsess about them," she said.

Sheldon said she misses the pubs in England and the communication that they facilitated between people. She said that, in the United States, people sitting down and talking with each other "is quickly being lost, especially with computers and technology, and the way people are always so time oriented here ... people have no sense of just visiting with someone anymore. It's just rush, rush, rush."

Daryn Yoder, who spent last semester and a year during high school studying in Germany, thought that less rigid timelines contributed to a more laid-back attitude toward schooling. Unlike American students, who feel pressured to earn an undergraduate degree in four years, young Germans often take from six to eight years to finish. "Basically, you finish when you have completed enough classes," Yoder said.

"There is a lot less pressure to really do something with your life right away," said Yoder, who commented that he returned from Germany the first time feeling like he "had a lot of time. Then, I got back into the old groove of thinking," he said. Yoder said that his second visit to Germany inspired the same outlook. "I feel like I have time to do a lot of things. I am only 22," he said.

Shelly Currence, a sophomore who participated in the Cologne program last semester said her host mother couldn't understand why she and Davitt, her roommate, always were studying. "She thought we should go out and do things," Currence said.

Getting out and doing things is the way of life in Europe. Visiting Alleghenians noted that activities that Americans often consider to be leisurely weekend entertainment—or even wastes of time—are incorporated into the daily events of Europeans. Playing soccer, riding horses, visiting museums, attending opera and plays and hanging out at pubs, cafes, and discothèques are part of daily for students in Germany, France and England.

"The French aren't as work obsessed as Americans," said senior Jessica Gowen, who spent the first semester of her junior year in France.

During her fall semester in Cologne, Koelle Anderson found the same to be true of Germans. "People don't work more than they

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CYBER CHESS—Sophomore Ryan Zelling stares at an "old-fashioned" chess board. Computer technology has eliminated the need for a chess board. Zelling currently plays the game by e-mail. —photo by Ben Wyrick

Computer chess: check it out!

By MATT SUTTON
Arts & Living Writer

Remember the good old days, when two people could sit down on opposite sides of a chess board and compete quite literally head-to-head? Now, you just can sit at a computer terminal and e-mail your opponent each of your individual moves.

Currently, sophomore Ryan Zelling and Professor Emeritus of Philosophy Jim Sheridan are playing a chess game through their NeXT accounts. Why, you may ask? Zelling is taking Sheridan's Studies in Epistemology and Metaphysics, in which he and others have been studying how computers can be made to think like humans.

Zelling mentioned the idea of using chess to study artificial intelligence as an independent project. Along the way, the two decided to play a casual game of correspondence chess.

Each player sets up a board. Then, the two correspond by e-mail, each sending the other his moves as he decides upon them. So that no one cheats, the players agree on

rules and an honor system before the game starts.

Zelling, from Toledo, Ohio, played in various chess leagues and other correspondence games when he was younger. He was disappointed to find that not very many students play chess here at Allegheny. Attempting to organize chess meetings, one of Zelling's friends, Mark Hudson, also a sophomore, hung up fliers around campus last year. However, because of time constraints, he says, not many people were able to come to play on a regular basis.

Professor Emeritus Sheridan started playing chess when he was 14. When he graduated from Allegheny in 1950, he was the best player on campus. He "applauds" chess and other games that require the same level of intellectual challenge.

Sheridan says that students need to "provide an alternative for their intelligence in the classroom." He thinks chess is an acceptable alternative. He used to play chess very frequently as an Allegheny student. He sees the game as a simple tool which "exercises your intelligence."

Popular greeter quits; Martha will be missed

By DEBORAH DERAMO
Arts & Living Writer

Has your Brooks Dining Hall experience been missing something lately? If you haven't noticed, the friendly gray-haired lady who swipes ID cards is gone. Martha Harry quit working for Marriott on Friday, Feb. 21.

Martha, 62, said she truly loved her job and the students she saw everyday. This was obvious to anyone who eats at Brooks. Freshman Erin Lukehart said, "Martha was always so cheerful in the mornings. I'll really miss that." It must have taken something drastic to make Martha quit.

In fact, Martha said she started having a lot of pain in her right shoulder around Feb. 7. The pain was sudden, and Martha said it hurt to use her arm at all. She began treating the pain with over-the-counter pain medicine. For a while, she was taking 12 Tylenols a day to help her sleep.

She called her family doctor and

at her Feb. 13 appointment he referred her to an orthopedic specialist. The orthopedist saw Martha on February 20 and diagnosed her with arthritis, bursitis and bone spurs.

Martha said he did not recommend surgery because it would be extensive even for a young person and would lead to at least one year of recovery.

"He told me the pain was caused by repetitive motion and use of my shoulder," Martha said. "I would swipe 800 cards a day and that starts to add up after seven and a half years," she said.

Aside from swiping students' ID cards, Martha also cleaned tables and filled cereal bins. Martha said that on February 19, right after her supervisors found out about her condition, they added another duty to her job. She was to leave her card-swiping station whenever there was a gap in the rush of students and clean the chairs of the dining room.

At the time, Martha's response to Dinah Williams, her supervisor, was, "Well, I guess I won't be here

much longer." Martha said, "I didn't think it would be fair to the students who have to get to classes on time for me to wander off into the dining hall and clean chairs while they wait for me to gimp back up to take their cards." (Martha's "gimp" is from a broken leg last April.)

Martha decided to leave and did so on Friday morning, Feb. 21. "I didn't give two weeks notice, but that's the only negative thing they can say. I was always there on time and did my best everyday," Martha said.

Martha has not spoken with Jeffrey Lee, director of Marriott Dining Services, since she left. "Our union steward told me Jeff wouldn't call me because he said I lied," she said. Martha explained that Lee told her she "had (quitting) all planned." Lee declined to comment. He said, "Anytime an associate leaves, it's confidential. It is not something I wanted to see happen."

Sara Beck, a Marriott Dining Services manager in Brooks, said she did not know what really hap-



BARRY HANNAH, *Faulkner prize winner*

SOUTHERN MAN—Hannah will read on Tuesday, April 8 at 8 p.m. as part of Allegheny's Single Voice Reading Series. Above, Hannah is picture in front of the courthouse Faulkner made famous in his Yoknapatawpha tales. Hannah grew up in Clinton, Miss.

Winner of Faulkner prize to read

By SANDRA LEVCIK
Arts & Living Editor

The 1996-97 Single Voice Reading Series will conclude on April 8 at 8 p.m. in Ford Chapel with acclaimed fiction writer Barry Hannah.

Hannah, who is currently writer-in-residence at the University of Mississippi received two master's degrees from the University of Arkansas. Previously an instructor at Middlebury College and at the University of Iowa, Hannah spent two years in Hollywood writing for film director Robert Altman.

After converting to literature after reading Camus and Hemingway, Hannah published his first novel, *Geronimo Rex*, which received the William Faulkner prize and was nominated for the National Book Award. Hannah's other books include the novels *Never Die* and *Boomerang*, and a collection of stories entitled *Bats Out of Hell*.

High esteem for Hannah's fiction was recently published in the Feb. 10, 1997 issue of the *The New Republic*, as Sven Birkerts argues that "Barry Hannah writes the most consistently interesting sentences of any writer in America today ... Of a lyrical writer we cannot demand any more."

Additionally, William Rodarmor, in his review of *Bats Out of Hell*, notes that "Hannah writes like a chameleon of the ear, changing voices the way most of us change

clothes, seemingly comfortable in all of them."

In his spare time, Hannah enjoys music, fishing, dogs, tennis and lonesome motorcycles.

All Single Voice Readings are free and open to the public, and free refreshments are provided. For more information, contact the English Department at 332-4336.

Art & Living Activity Checklist

☐ "Out of Our Father's House"—Friday, April 4, 4:30 p.m., Ford Chapel

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☐ Self Defense Course—Saturday, April 5, 11:30 a.m., Montgomery Gym

☐ National Women's Dance Troupe of Sri Lanka—Saturday, April 5, 7 p.m., CC lobby.

☐ Barry Hannah, Single Voice Reading Series—Tuesday, April 8, 8 p.m., Ford Chapel

Abroad experiences impact students' lifestyles

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have to," she said. "I tend to think that they think Americans are too absorbed in their jobs. I think that they think we need to enjoy life more."

Both Gowen and Anderson noted that all of the stores closed earlier during weekdays—around 6 p.m.—and that virtually nothing was open on Sundays.

Needless to say, 24-hour supermarkets do not exist in the European economy. Thus, most families go to the markets nearly everyday. They buy meat from the butcher, breads from the baker and fresh fruits and vegetables from the local produce markets, said Davitt.

Mason noted the prevalence of vegetarians in Germany, and Davitt said she inferred that many families did not eat much meat simply because it was very expensive.

Commercialized and processed foods are not nearly as common in Germany as they are here, said Davitt, who noted that "you knew that every party you went to, you would have the same kind of potato chips because stores only sold one brand."

Similarly, Mason said, initially, she found it strange that grocery stores lacked the low-fat and no-fat processed foods that dominate the American market.

However, Mason considered the typical German's diet to be far healthier than the average American's, as it included more whole grain and fresh produce.

Gowen commented that French food choices also were, on the whole, more natural than American preferences, and their meals more balanced. She noted that while the French enjoyed a variety of dishes that were high in fat and cholesterol—meats, cheeses, cream-based sauces—they seemed to be able to stay very trim. She surmised their practices of eating only at meals and walking and biking frequently enabled them to keep fit.

In addition to enjoying rich foods, Europeans appreciate a good brew and a fine wine. In Germany, students can purchase bottled beer with their lunches in the universities' cafeterias; stopping by the pub with some friends for a drink after class is as commonplace as scheduling a lunch date here. Thus, drinking came to represent something very different to Alleghenians in Europe than it does for students here.

"People don't drink to get drunk, like most of the students on campus here," said Anderson. "[Drinking] is more of a social construction."

"I haven't really been drunk since I've come back," said Davitt. "It doesn't mean the same thing anymore. In Germany, I would go to a bar and milk a drink for two, maybe three hours, while I read my book."

Both Gowen and Sheldon have brought back from Europe with them a taste for fine wine. "I am hooked on the stuff now, partial to dry whites," Sheldon said.

Gowen, who learned much about the production and cultural significance of wines in France, cultivated a preference for red varieties during her stay there.

On a more negative note, nearly all of the students who spent time studying in Europe said they either began smoking or increased the number of cigarettes they smoked each day while they were there. "Most of the people I studied abroad with already smoked, and I was a social smoker, so it was easy to smoke more and more," said Gowen. "I hope to quit soon, but not until I come back from visiting France again this summer."

Currence noted that of the 25 students who participated in the Cologne program, three began as smokers and only four finished as non-smokers. "It's the culture," she said.

While living in Europe may have introduced these young Americans to a hard habit to kick, it also inspired beneficial lifestyle changes—more healthful eating, more responsible drinking, a better outlook on life and greater abilities to cope with stress.

"I learned there that I needed to slow down and enjoy the life I'm living—a lesson that is still a bit hard to remember here at Allegheny," said Gowen about her experience abroad. "I think, overall, it gave me a much healthier idea of how to live my life."

Martha leaves dining services

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pened. "I have no idea why Martha left, but we all did love her," she said.

Martha said she had just purchased work insurance in January, but that she did not think Marriott would have let her take a leave of absence to recover. Marriott offers their employees short-term or long-term disability insurance that the workers can choose to pay for themselves.

Despite the bitter note on which Martha walked out of Brooks Dining Hall, she still appreciates the Marriott company. "They took a chance with me when they hired me. I was older, overweight, and had never finished high school," Martha said. She was born in Guys Mills, PA and moved to Meadville at the age of 18, where she has lived ever since. She and her husband, Ronald, have seven children and 15 grandchildren.

Since Martha has stopped work-

ing, she said her shoulder has been feeling better. She is taking medication for the pain and is to rest her shoulder and arm muscles when possible. She would like to work at the Meadville Wal-Mart as a greeter, but cannot because her daughter-in-law, Victoria Harry, now works in the same department where Martha would be working, which violates Wal-Mart employment policy.

Martha said that on the day she broke her leg last year, Friday April 26, she was going to turn in her two weeks notice to Marriott and begin working on Monday. "But evidently it was not meant to be," she said. The ideal job Martha would like to have is to be "Allegheny's official greeter." She said if the position ever comes up, "I'm in!"

Martha said that the students were what kept her going for over seven years here. She said, "If I only had the students to deal with, I would be fine. I miss them dearly."

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The Saint (PG-13)—2:00, 4:30, 7:00, 9:30

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Ford and Pitt make a hell of a good pair in *The Devil's Own*

By LUKE BOGER
Assistant Arts & Living Editor

Political thrillers have become big business in Hollywood these days. Thanks, in part, to the successes of Tom Clancy's novel-turned-films and John Grisham's barrage of movies, we have a list of these types of formulaic films that range from the very good (*In the Line of Fire*) to the average or less-than-average (*The Pelican Brief*).

Film Review

These films always are bound to contain a combination of terrorism, guys in ski masks, illegal arms dealers and government conspiracies/cover-ups. The more intelligent ones also include interesting stories that are at least compelling, if not exactly original, while the more "popcorn" films rely mostly on blowing up things and a lot of guns. Of course, that's not to say that the good ones don't have things blowing up or a lot of guns, too.

The latest installment of this kind (which happens to be one of the better although not the best) contains every one of the aforementioned stock qualities. Somehow, though, it is able to hold the viewer's interest while maintaining tension and emotional factors. Throw in the screen presences of Harrison Ford (*The Fugitive*, as if you didn't know what he was in) and Brad Pitt (*12 Monkeys*, ditto), and you have the makings of a pretty good flick—*The Devil's Own*.

Pitt is notorious IRA member Francis McGuire, who, at age eight, watched English agents gun down his father in his own home. Wanted for many counts of murder against the English army and intelligence, McGuire shoots his way out of Ireland and makes it to New York City, under the name Rory Devaney.

Through a judge who is an IRA sympathizer, Rory finds a place to live with Tom O'Meara (Ford), an NYPD sergeant. Of course, O'Meara has no clue about Devaney's history, and believes that he simply fled Ireland to escape the violence.

When thugs who work for arms dealer Billy Burke (Treat Williams—*The Phantom*) break into O'Meara's home, searching for Devaney's bag full of money, they assault his wife. From here, everything starts to fall apart. O'Meara discovers the truth about Devaney's past, and each of these two men with very different motives must fight to uphold what he believes in—Devaney, his commitment to avenging his father's death; O'Meara, his duty as a police officer.

As the filmmakers put it, it's "Destiny vs. Duty." Further incidents involving O'Meara's partner Edwin Diaz (Ruben Blades), and other associations of O'Meara and Devaney complicate the situation even more.

The Devil's Own is one of those "action movies with a heart" deals. It all might sound a little corny, and it probably is. However, it nonetheless makes an engrossing film. Why? Because it's not idealistic, and it brings some new breath and depth to films of the genre.

First of all, unlike so many ac-

tion films, this film doesn't glorify violence. No one wins with guns. In fact, no one really wins at all; people just get killed. This is part of what makes *The Devil's Own* a bit more complicated, and somewhat better than many of its predecessors.

As for the characters, I never was sure exactly who I should side with. This is a very good thing; it holds the viewer's interest, as it keeps him as an observer watching a story progress from the outside. Of course, clearly we are supposed to see Tom O'Meara as a good person, and the agents out to kill Devaney as threatening, but there's much more to it than that. We see the fighting in Northern Ireland as somehow simultaneously necessary and completely futile.

None of this is to say that *The Devil's Own* isn't Hollywoodized, if you will, because, certainly, it is. However, the film maintains its integrity with good direction and casting, surprising darkness and underlying notions of what exactly is right in the world. We never really get an answer to that last question.

Ideas about the useless necessi-

ties of violence aren't particularly new ones; still, they are important and demand our attentions. *The Devil's Own* brings them to light in an interesting and satisfying manner—especially surprising since it is marketed more as an action movie than a drama.

I found it to be a fairly "felt" film. For me, that always boosts the quality—what you walk away with. I guess that's just one of my weaknesses. I'm not going to pretend that it was as intelligent or accurate to the Irish plight as, say, *In the Name of the Father*, because it isn't, but it is enjoyable.

Alan J. Pakula's (*Presumed Innocent*, *All the President's Men*) direction is quite good, as is the cinematography of Gordon Willis (*The Godfather*). Combining this with the likability and charisma of both Ford and Pitt (whose accent was actually quite good) and an adequate supporting cast, including Margaret Colin (*ID4*) as Tom's wife Sheila, *The Devil's Own* establishes itself as a fairly decent film that I modestly recommend.

Liar, Liar: Jon gives film a measly Snapple; Fred gets into Yale

By JON CANTWELL &
FRED HEMMINGER
Arts & Living Writers

Imagine that for one day you could not lie. That everything that came from your mouth had to be the truth. Slang phrases such as "What's up?" and "How's it hanging?" must be answered truthfully. Fletcher, played by Jim Carrey (*Dumb and Dumber*, *Ace Ventura*), is the truth-cursed character in this week's film, *Liar, Liar*.

Front Row Fools

This week's movie was not viewed at the mighty Tinseltown or Meadville Cinemas, but at my hometown movie temple, Southland 9. As I watched this film, I tried to forget that my partner, Fred, was basking in the Florida sun. I might have been a little jealous. But my quest for the perfect 10 Snapple movie must continue.

Liar, Liar opens with Fletcher, a lawyer, battling a case in court where he "bends" the truth. After his victory, and another day of deceiving judges, clients and co-workers, he retrieves his son, Max, played by Justin Cooper (who I believe is played by one of the twins of Uncle Jesse in the ex-sitcom *Full House*. Maybe I watch too much TV!)

From this point Fletcher breaks many promises to his son. At his birthday party, Max makes a wish that for 24 hours his dad cannot tell a lie. Without Max's knowing, the wish comes true.

Fletcher probably is caught the most off-guard by this transformation because his first encounter comes after a sexual experience with a partner of his firm. When she says to him "That was great," Fletcher responds by saying, "I've had better." Whoops! After being tossed from her apartment and realizing he has ruined his chance for partnership, he searches for an explanation to his mysteriously forced behavior.

Returning to his office, he confronts the hideously dressed secretary and makes fun of her new hairstyle, on which he complimented her the day before. He directs insults left and right in the office at everyone, from the mail clerks to the putz with a zit on the end of his nose.

When his ex-wife tells him that her new boyfriend has proposed to her and they are moving from Los Angeles to Boston, Fletcher tries to convince his ex-wife not to leave with Max. At the same time he is arguing the biggest case of his life. The only problem is that he is a defense attorney and his client admitted to him she is guilty. Will the truth prevail?

Jon's Pick—Carrey gives one of the best comic performances since his performance in *Dumb and Dumber*. Why is Carrey so good? Because his style is sarcastic and crazy; faces and lying are almost second nature to him. Carrey's responses to annoying questions, when possessed by the truth, are the answers that we all wish we had the audacity to say. When one of his clients, who just robbed an ATM machine, calls for legal advice, Carrey responds "Stop breaking the law, asshole!"

Sure this film's plot was almost identical to *Jingle All the Way* and *Jerry Maguire*, but who cares! Aren't all Stallone and Van Damme movies the same? All right, bad example, huh? Since when have I cared about creativity? That's the concern of my artistic partner! I am so excited; I actually saw a great movie! I give this movie one Snapple!! Okay, I am a *Liar, Liar*. I give it the first perfect Snapple score of the year of 10 Snapples!

Fred's (truthful) Pick—Well, this week I had to venture to Tinseltown without Jon to see *Liar, Liar*. I must say that the ride was rather enjoyable. It was nice to look beside me and see a beautiful woman instead of my usual film-viewing partner. It also was nice to drive in my brand new Ford Explorer up to see the movie. Jenny, my beautiful girlfriend who has to fly to New York every weekend to model, also enjoyed the ride in Eddie (I named my new car Eddie since it is an Eddie Bauer Limited Edition).

My parents bought me Eddie because they are so proud of everything that I have done and they decided not to wait until commencement. Since I am the youngest in the family, they knew that no one else would graduate from college with a 3.9 GPA.

Anyway, we pulled Eddie into Tinseltown and the car phone rang: it was Yale calling to offer me more money to enroll in their theatre department for grad school. God, Ivy Leagues can be so annoying. I explained to Bob, the President of Yale, that I am just not ready to enroll yet: I need to back-pack around Europe to find myself first. I figure

that back-packing Europe can not be worse than my three-month African Safari that I went on last summer.

Well anyway, the movie was pretty good and I enjoyed it immensely. Jim Carrey is very talented...seven Snapples.

O.K. fine...the truth is I did not see the movie: I was too busy and

too poor to see it this weekend. I'm still driving an '85 Ford Escort, and I do not have a girlfriend who flies to New York for modeling shoots. My life actually sucks and I am going to be a waiter next year, not a grad student at Yale. A guy can dream, can't he?

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Men's and women's tennis teams hope to carry over their success from the fall season

By PAT SHELDON
Sports Editor

Allegheny's men and women's tennis teams both began their spring seasons recently. The women began with hopes of carrying over the success from their undefeated fall season, while the men looked to improve upon a 4-3 record in the fall.

The women's team picked up where they left off in their first match of the season against Oneonta

State. The Gators swept their opposition in both the singles and doubles matches to capture a 9-0 win.

Junior Whitney Burke played number one singles for the first time this year and captured a 6-0, 6-1 victory. Sophomore Stephanie Stonemetz and freshman Kathryn Dorosz played number two and three singles respectively and also captured 6-0, 6-1 wins. Senior Amy Grillo downed her opponent 6-3, 6-3 in the fourth single spot and senior

Deanne Boland and freshman Erin Higgins both captured 6-0, 6-0 wins to round out Allegheny's singles domination.

In doubles Burke and Boland took an 8-2 win at the first spot. Stonemetz and Grillo combined to down their competition 8-0 in the second doubles spot and Dorosz and Higgins pounded their way to an 8-1 victory.

The women saw their chance at a perfect season come to an end in

their next game. Calvin dominated a large part of the singles competition and then swept the doubles play to down the Gators 7-2.

Grillo was the first Gator to bring home a victory against Calvin, gutting out a three set victory 4-6, 6-4, 7-6. Higgins was the only other Gator to win, taking a 6-3, 6-2 victory.

The Gators responded well to their first loss however. Despite falling behind early, Allegheny was able to defeat Johns Hopkins Uni-

versity 6-3.

The Gators trailed 2-0 after the first two singles matches, but Dorosz got the Gators back on track with a 6-1, 6-4 win. Grillo, Boland and Higgins all followed Dorosz's lead, capturing the final three singles matches to give Allegheny a 4-2 lead heading into doubles play.

The Gators dropped the first doubles match but Stonemetz and Grillo and Dorosz and Higgins pulled out 8-3 and 8-2 victories respectively. (continued on page 15)

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Lacrosse falls to 0-3 with loss to Kenyon

By JEN RATTI
Sports Reporter

March 29 the women's lacrosse team lost its third straight game of the season. Despite their strong effort, the team came up short of a win over Kenyon, falling 9-6. With this loss the Gators record now stands at 0-3 and 0-1 in the NCAC.

The Lady Gators started the game out slowly. The first half belonged to Kenyon, who held a 4-1 lead at the half.

The Gators came out fighting in the second half, but it wasn't enough to pull past Kenyon. The Gators scored five goals in the second half to raise their total to six, but Kenyon answered with five goals of their

own to capture the 9-6 win.

Despite the loss many individuals gave strong performances. Leading the way for the Gators was sophomore Eleni Kacyianni. She scored three goals to raise her team leading total to nine for the season.

Two freshmen added their first career goals to the Gator effort. Gina Baudille scored two in the game and Erin Hartong scored once. Also contributing were seniors Jodie Evans and Jayme Harbert who both had assists.

The Gators played Oberlin last night but results were unavailable at press time. Saturday the Gators travel to Ohio Wesleyan and Sunday they play a game at Wooster.

Track teams compete at Wooster

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On the field Haberer jumped 6'-2" in the high jump while Proctor followed closely with a jump of 6-0.

Keglovits earned a second place finish in the pole vault with a clear of 12-6.

In the javelin Madigan placed third with a throw of 53.36 meters.

Hoover had a phenomenal meet for the women again. She won the high jump with a clear of 5-0 and placed second in the javelin with a throw of 28.29 meters.

Schuckert finished second in the 800-meter and 1,500-meter runs at the meet with times of 2:25.75 and 4:56.58 respectively. Hoefler won the 400-meter hurdles in a time of 1:10.81.

The teams returned to the snowy skies of the North and then traveled to Wooster for another invitational meet. The men earned a fourth place finish at Wooster while the women placed seventh.

The men's team was paced by two victories in field events. Madigan won the javelin with a toss of 172-9 while Haberer secured a win in the high jump with a leap of 6-4. Anthony also competed in the javelin and finished in fourth place with a throw of 161-2.

Mormino threw 44-3 3/4 in the shot put to take third place while freshman Eric King threw 40-11 1/2 to take fifth place. King also took fourth place in the discus with a throw of 126-6.

Matter and Keglovits tied for

sixth place in the pole vault with clears of 13-0. Senior Kyle Smesko placed seventh in the triple jump with a leap of 39-9 1/2.

Sophomore Mark Hudson had the top finish on the track for the Gators with a second place finish in the 5,000-meter run with a time of 16:06.01.

Wyrick also had a strong showing at the Wooster Invitational with a third place finish in the steeplechase. He ran the event in a time of 10:08.9.

Hemminger and Keglovits both ran the 110 meter hurdles and took sixth and seventh respectively with times of 16.6 and 16.7. Hemminger also took fourth in the 400-meter hurdles with a time of 57.2.

In the 400-meter dash, junior Matt Silvis placed sixth with a time of 52.9.

The women's team was led by Hoefler's victory in the 400-meter hurdles and Schuckert's win in the 800-meter run. Hoefler won her race with a time of 69.3 while Schuckert picked up the victory with a 2:25.1 run. Schuckert also finished eighth in the 400-meter dash with a time of 63.5.

Hoover earned three high finishes for the Gators. She placed third in the 100-meter hurdles with a time of 16.6, third in the long jump with a leap of 15-07 1/2 and fifth in the javelin with a toss of 92-3.

Elmendorf finished fifth in the triple jump for the Gators with a jump of 31-1/2.

Pitching and offense lead Gator softball team to early season victories

By JOHN O'CONNOR
Sports Reporter

Strong pitching and balanced offense are the trademarks of this year's softball team. Ranked number 11 in the preseason poll, the Gators started out strong, compiling a 6-4 record during their trip to Florida.

Pitching has been the key for the Gators as sophomores Jacelyn Peterson and Darcy Brandel have turned in outstanding performances against a difficult early season schedule for the Gators. Allegheny has played four teams ranked in the preseason top-30, including the number one, four and 10 teams in the country.

Allegheny's first game in Florida against Montclair State was a disaster as the Gators lost 9-0. The Gators had only two hits and committed four errors defensively, which allowed seven unearned runs to score. Peterson pitched four innings giving up eight hits, but only two earned runs.

The Gators regrouped in their next game against Ripon College and earned a 9-1 victory. Brandel shut down the opposition, pitching five innings with five hits and no earned runs. She also struck out four.

Brandel, junior center fielder Laura Fromm, sophomore left fielder Colleen Holthaus and freshman third baseman Jennifer Lorenzen paced the Gators at the plate.

Holthaus had two hits and scored three runs while Brandel drove in five runs on two hits. Lorenzen had two RBI and Fromm scored twice.

Wisconsin-Superior was out hit in a run scoring frenzy as the Gators won 10-6. Seven players drove in a run for the Gators, who were led by three hits and three RBI from Brandel. Fromm had two singles and a double, scored three runs, and connected for the first Gator home run of the season.

Peterson took the bats out of Wisconsin-Superior's hands as she pitched three no-hit innings with three strikeouts. Freshman Michelle Perdew replaced Peterson, giving up six runs on six hits, but only three of the runs were earned as the Gators committed three errors.

The win streak was extended to three games with a 9-4 victory over Grinnell which saw the Gators rack up 13 hits. Defense was again the problem for the Gators as they committed five errors which led to three unearned runs. Brandel went six innings on the mound, allowing one earned run on five hits and striking out four.

Senior second baseman Laura Chalker and sophomore right fielder Robyn Molloy both exploded for three hits and an RBI a piece. Chalker scored twice as well. Fromm had three RBI, and Holthaus and Lorenzen also continued their success at the plate.

Against Stockton on March 19

the Gators put on a hitting clinic, racking up 14 runs on 14 hits. Freshman designated hitter/first baseman Melissa Burkus had a double, triple and five RBI as she continued to stroke the ball from the bottom of the lineup. Sophomore catcher Jill Staaf scored twice, went two-for-three at the plate and had three RBI. Holthaus, Brandel and Chalker all had two hits.

Peterson picked up her second win of the year, allowing one earned run on three hits. She also had four strikeouts in five innings pitched.

The Gators moved into the difficult part of their Florida schedule with a 4-3 extra-inning loss to 28th ranked Illinois Wesleyan. The bats went dead for the Gators as they went a combined seven-for-33 as a team. Burkus had a hit, an RBI and scored and Lorenzen had two hits and an RBI to pace the Gators at the plate.

Brandel and Peterson pitched well, combining to surrender only six hits over eight innings, but once again defense hurt the Gators as three of Illinois Wesleyan's four runs were unearned.

Next up for the Gators was Wisconsin-Platteville, who the Allegheny lineup simply out slugged in an 11-3 victory. Four players had multiple hits for the Gators, and Brandel and Lorenzen had two and four RBI respectively. Brandel had another strong outing on the mound,

allowing eight hits and two earned runs over five innings.

The Gators gave number one ranked College of New Jersey a tough battle, but defense was the edge as the Gators committed four errors that allowed three unearned runs to score. The result was a 5-2 Allegheny loss.

Peterson pitched well, giving up nine hits over seven innings and only two earned runs. Brandel had three hits and an RBI, while Chalker and Lorenzen both had two hits.

Against fourth ranked Springfield College defense once again decided the outcome, but this time the Gators came out on top with a 4-0 win. Springfield allowed three runs on four errors and the pitching of Peterson shut them down.

Despite six walks, Peterson was outstanding in six innings of work, allowing only five hits and no runs in improving her record to 3-3. Springfield also stranded 11 runners on base. Perdew had two RBI and Fromm had two hits and scored a run to pace the Gator offense.

The Gators next faced their third Wisconsin opponent of the season—Wisconsin-Oshkosh. The Gators fell 5-3. Brandel took her first loss of the season after giving up three earned and five total runs over six innings. Molloy and Perdew both had two hits and an RBI. The loss sent the Gators home from their trip to Florida with a 6-4 record.

Last weekend Allegheny com-

peted in the Montclair State tournament, looking to avenge a loss to Montclair State earlier in the season. Kean College was the first victim as Brandel returned from her first loss with a strong game. Kean only mustered five hits and could not manage any runs as the Gators prevailed 5-0. Sophomore shortstop Nikki Guseman had two hits and scored a run. Fromm also scored a run while Brandel (two RBI) and Lorenzen (one RBI) had three hits a piece in the victory.

Bridgewater State, the tenth ranked team in the nation, took advantage of Gator fielding troubles in the second game of the tournament. The Gators lost 4-3 and all four Bridgewater runs were unearned. Peterson suffered the loss. Chalker and Lorenzen had two hits and Fromm drove in two runs for the Gators. The game dropped Allegheny to 1-3 against nationally ranked teams and 7-5 overall.

Salisbury State ended the Gators' tournament run with a 6-3 win. The Gator bats were dormant in the loss. Brandel was the only highlight, going three-for-four with a double. Peterson took the loss, dropping her record to 3-5. The team's record is now 7-6.

Weather forced the cancellation of the Gators' home opener Tuesday against Westminster. The next scheduled game is at 3 p.m. today at Edinboro.

Tennis teams use balance and depth to achieve success early in the spring season

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spectively to clinch the Allegheny win.

Next up for the Gators was NCAC rival Ohio Wesleyan. Once again Allegheny fell behind 2-0 after the initial singles matches, but the rest of the team responded.

Stonemetz won her singles match 7-6, 6-2, followed by a 6-1, 6-2 Dorosz win, a 6-7, 6-3, 6-0 Grillo win and a 6-3, 7-6 win by Boland.

OWU took the first two doubles matches to tie the match at four, but the team of Grillo and Stonemetz captured the win in third doubles by a score of 8-5 to give the Gators the win.

Earlham was the second consecutive NCAC opponent for the Gators but they provided much less competition than OWU. No Gator player lost more than one game in the match as freshman Jenny Keegan, Burke, Stonemetz, Dorosz and Grillo all took singles victories. Boland won by forfeit.

In doubles play Burke and Boland combined for an 8-1 win while Keegan and Dorosz took an 8-0 victory. The final score of the match was 9-0.

The women's overall record is now 14-1 including the fall season. Stonemetz leads the Gators in wins with 17, while Dorosz has 15 and Burke and Grillo each have 12.

The men's team opened their spring season against Oneonta State

as well. The Gators took an early lead and did not look back, coasting to a 6-3 win.

Sophomore Ryan Zelling took the win at first doubles with a 6-1, 6-1 victory. Freshman Dave Howell followed Zelling's lead with a 6-0, 6-1 victory of his own. Sophomore Pete Vande Kappelle (6-3, 6-2), junior Matt Paat (6-2, 6-0) and senior Bartek Moskwa (6-4, 4-6, 6-2) also earned single wins.

The Gators' first two doubles teams suffered losses, but Howell and Paat combined for an 8-1 victory to cement the final score.

Allegheny's next opponent was Penn State-Behrend. The Gators had little difficulty in the match, earning a 9-0 win.

In singles competition Zelling won 7-6, 6-1, Howell won 6-4, 7-5, Vande Kappelle won 6-2, 6-4, Paat won 6-3, 6-1, Moskwa won 6-2, 6-4

and junior Mike Walker won 6-1, 6-1 for the Gators.

Doubles wins for Allegheny came from the teams of Moskwa and Zelling (8-4), Vande Kappelle and junior Andy Trzcinski (8-5) and Howell and Paat (8-2).

The men's team now has a record of 6-3 including the fall season. Zelling has the most individual wins with eight, while Vande Kappelle has seven and Howell and Moskwa

both have six.

Last night the men's team took on Case Western Reserve in their first NCAC match of the season, but results were not available at press time. The women host Carnegie Mellon today at 3 p.m. The men will compete in the Penn State-Behrend Tournament this Saturday, while the women are in action on Tuesday against Case Western.

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Baseball team uses explosive offense to establish early season dominance

By PAT SHELTON
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The Allegheny baseball team has used an explosive offense and solid pitching to spring out to a 14-4 early season record. The team currently sports a six game winning streak and has won 13 of its last 15 games.

The Gators got off to a good start on their trip south with a 3-1 win over Denison in the first half of a doubleheader at Georgia Southern

University. Leading the way to victory was senior pitcher Chuck Stefanini who pitched the second no-hitter of his career. Stefanini went seven innings and struck out seven.

The Gators saw similar results in the second half of the twinbill. Several Gators had strong days at the plate while sophomore Jeff Mountain threw seven innings and allowed one run on four hits.

Senior Fran Riordan led the

Gators charge at the plate, batting three-for-four with three RBI and two runs scored. Seniors John Tavares and Chris Ahrens batted three-for-five with one RBI and two-for-four with two RBI respectively.

The Gators pounded St. Lawrence in their next game, scoring nine runs in the first two innings to coast to a 21-5 win.

Riordan led the offensive charge again with two-for-three batting,

five RBI and two runs scored.

The Gators got their second no-hitter of the season in their next game, a 12-0 win over Suffolk. Sophomore Josh Rubin threw five innings in the shortened game, striking out four and walking none. Riordan batted three-for-four with five RBI and three runs scored.

The Gators took their second consecutive shutout win with a 12-0 victory over Lincoln. Sophomore Nate Crowe threw five innings and gave up two hits while striking out 11.

Senior Mike Porada had a strong day at the plate, going two-for-three with three RBI.

The Gators winning streak came to an end in their next game as they fell to Amherst 7-6. Tavares led the Gators, batting two-for-four with one RBI and a run scored.

The Gators bounced back with a 9-5 win over Calvin in the first half of a doubleheader. Riordan went three-for-four at the plate with two RBI and a run scored. Junior Kevin Gang went two-for-four with two RBI and a run scored.

The Gators took the second half of the doubleheader 14-6. Riordan and Musgrove both batted three-for-four with three RBI.

Allegheny suffered another setback with a 7-3 loss to Mt. Vernon Nazarene. Musgrove had a solo home run and Ahrens had two RBI.

The Gators came back with a 6-2 win over St. Lawrence. Musgrove batted three-for-four with two RBI and a run scored. Tavares added a two-run home run to the cause.

Westfield State was the next team to fall victim to the Gators. Allegheny used a balanced offensive attack to win this game with four players collecting multiple hits.

The Gators downed Ramapo 12-5 in the next game. Musgrove, Yeschenko and sophomore Ryan Wilcox each had two RBI.

Allegheny dropped Wisconsin-Stevens Point in the next game by a score of 15-9. Musgrove had three hits in three at bats, drove in four runs and scored twice.

The Gators had an easy time defeating Mount Union in the next game, recording a 13-0 win.

Senior Kevin Creehan had a stellar day at the plate, batting two-for-four with five RBI and a run scored.

The Gators downed Kenyon in their most recent game, 17-5. Gang was the offensive leader for the Gators with two hits in four at bats, four RBI and three runs scored.

Golfers compete in Pfeiffer Invitational at Pine Needles

By TIM BAUMGARTNER
Sports Reporter

The Allegheny men's golf team returned to action after spring break by travelling back into North Carolina to compete in the Pine Needles Invitational, hosted by Pfeiffer University. The tournament took place on the par-72 Pine Needles Resort in Pinehurst, N. C. from March 29-30.

The Gators finished in 15th place out of 21 teams in the two day competition with a team total of 619, 43 over par. Methodist College won the invitational with a superb 2 day team total of 3 over par 579. The

Gators did register solid performances from several of its linksters, though.

Junior Bobby Ruffing led the squad with a two day total of 77-73—150, which put him six over after 36 holes. Freshman Nick Mahramas continued his solid rookie year with a two day total of 154, coming off rounds of 79 and 75, respectively.

Senior Mike Korenski shot the third lowest total for the Gators at the invitational, registering a first round 80 and second round 77, to finish with a 36 hole total of 157.

Rounding out the Gators scoring at the tournament was sophomore

Mike Gasper and junior Gary Occhino. Gasper finished with a total of 158 (78-80), while Occhino recorded rounds of 81-82 to finish the invitational with a total of 163.

Mahramas leads the team with the lowest scoring average (76.4). (The averages take into account rounds from the fall season also.) Ruffing follows a close second with an average of 76.5. Gasper is third on the team with an average of 79.0. All three golfers have had 11 starts on the year. The Gators, who are currently ranked sixth in NCAA Division III, travel to South Carolina next weekend to compete in the Camp LeJune Intercollegiate Classic held from April 4-6.

Track teams place well at Washington and Lee meet

By ERIN HARTONG
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The Allegheny men and women's track teams started off their seasons by heading south. They trained in Orlando and competed in Invitationals at Emory and Washington and Lee Universities.

At Emory the men's team performed well, placing seventh out of 20 teams. The women's team also turned in a strong performance but had to settle for a 12th place finish.

Senior Fred Hemminger had the top finish in the track events for the Gators. His time of 56.96 in the 400-meter hurdles earned him fifth place. Junior Tom Webb also competed in the 400-meter hurdles, earning 19th place with a time of 1:04.79.

Hemminger, Webb, junior Steve Proctor and freshman Eric Stephan competed in the 110-meter hurdles for the Gators. Hemminger ran a time of 17.47 to finish 15th while Webb (18.39), Proctor (20.07) and Stephan (20.90) earned 22nd, 23rd and 24th respectively.

Sophomore Ben Wyrick placed sixth in the steeplechase with a time of 10:09.26.

Junior Jim Mormino ran the 100-meter dash for the Gators and finished 20th with a time of 11.85, while in the 400-meter dash freshman Dave Shellenbarger finished 13th with a time of 53.63.

The men's 4x400-meter relay team placed 13th with a time of 3:35.82.

The Gator men also had a strong showing in the field events at Emory. Senior Warren Phillips and freshman Pat Madigan paced the Allegheny field competitors earning first and second place in the javelin. Phillips won the event with a throw of 61.42 meters while Madigan threw 53.48 meters. Sophomore Alvin Anthony also did well in the javelin with a throw of 44.26 meters to take 11th place.

Junior Chris Haberer finished second in the high jump with a clear of 1.97 meters. Proctor also did well in the high jump, clearing 1.87 meters.

In the shot put Mormino took third with a throw of 13.97 meters. Anthony placed 12th in the shot put with a toss of 11.71 meters.

Sophomores Bob Matter and Mike Keglovits tied for ninth in the pole vault with a clear of 3.81 meters. Matter also placed ninth in the triple jump with a leap of 12.52 meters.

In the long jump, freshman Wesley Baum placed 12th with a jump of 5.85 meters. Anthony secured a 16th place finish in the discus with a throw of 33.26 meters and sophomore Jason Raneri threw 31.10 meters to take 22nd.

Senior Jackie Hoover anchored the women's team in the field events

at Emory. She placed seventh in the javelin with a throw of 29.54 meters. She also placed 13th in the high jump with a mark of 1.47 meters and 16th in the long jump, leaping 4.66 meters. Freshman Adrienne Elmen-dorf also competed in the long jump for the Gators and placed 23rd with a jump of 4.33 meters.

Sophomore Amy Schuckert placed fifth in the 1,500-meter run with a time of 4:54.82. She also earned a seventh place finish in the 800-meter run with a time of 2:24.91.

Freshman Julie Hoefler was tops for the Gators in the hurdles. She placed 16th in the 100-meter hurdles with a time of 17.90 and fourth in the 400-meter hurdles in 1:08.26.

In the sprint events freshman Shannon Orr finished 16th in the 200-meter dash with a time of 28.60.

At the Washington and Lee Invitational the men's team ran to a fourth place finish while the women's team tied for third place.

On the track Wyrick placed second in the 10-kilometer run with a time of 34:17. Hemminger ran to a third place finish in the 400-meter hurdles with a time of 58.03.

The Gators' relay teams also ran well. Both the 400-meter relay team (44.73) and the 1,600-meter relay team (3:33.40) earned fifth place finishes.

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BENDING HIS POLE—Sophomore Mike Keglovits pole vaults during a meet at Wooster last weekend. The men's team finished fourth at the meet.
—photo by Ben Wyrick