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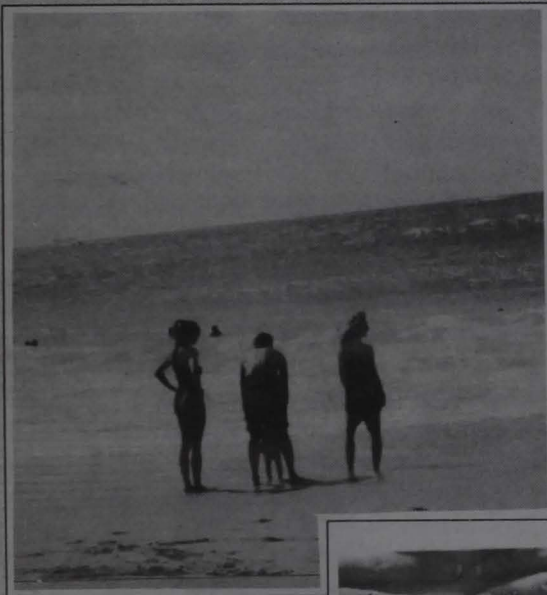
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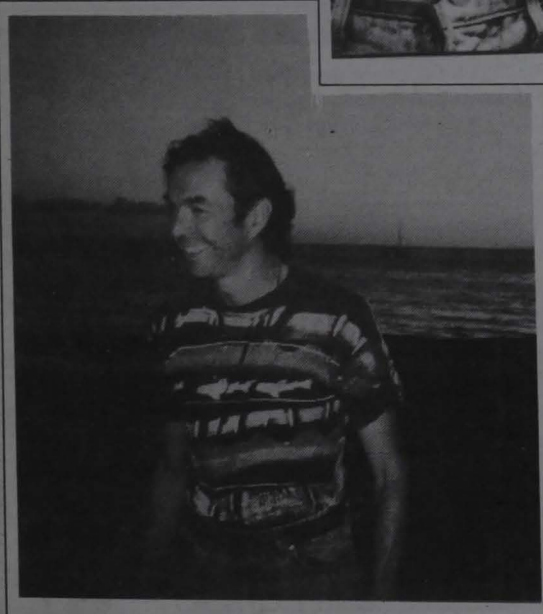
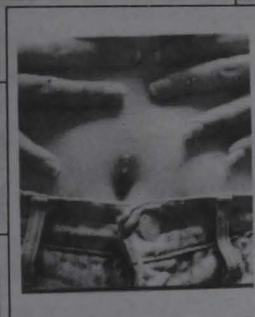
March 18, 1996

Spring Break Forever!!



Four on Baldwin Beach, Maui

Ouch, just got a navel ring!



What a whale!



photo by Gene Breza.

It's a
Boy!
It's a
Boy!
It's a
Boy!
It's a
Boy!

John Clise
Staff Writer

Assistant Professor and Mrs. Will Oliver welcomed the birth of their first child--a son, Paul Thomas--Saturday, March 2, 1996, at 4:37 p.m.

The child was 21 inches long and 8 lbs 4 ozs at birth.

Oliver said, "everything has been put on hold for the baby." He also said they were "quickly adjusting."

The Olivers have been getting help from family, as Mrs. Oliver's mother is here now and his mother will be coming next week.

Oliver also commented that "he and his wife were probably looking more forward to Spring Break than students."

In Memory of R.E. Southall

Sandra Gibson
staff writer

Glenville State College wishes to pay a special tribute to a security officer who was considered by all who knew him more than just a fellow employee. Ralph E. Southall joined the staff of GSC August 13, 1973 as a security officer. He later advanced to a police officer and remained with GSC until August 12, 1994, when he returned to Norwich, Ohio to be near his daughter and marry his future bride, Judy Frymier. This past month at the age of 52, Southall succumbed to heart disease.

Al Billips remembers Southall most for the humor he brought to workplace, even though it was not usually in-

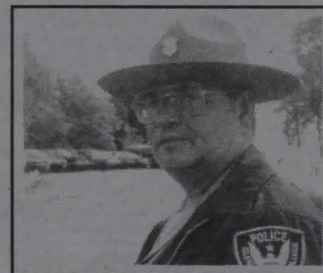
tended this way.

Billips stated, "There was one great story of the time when Ralph was in training at West

showed him a move or two he hadn't run up against and Ralph ended up a subdued man in the finale."

Jerry Helmick, campus policeman and fellow worker, remembers many stories concerning Southall but believes most of them are privy to the "boys," noting that sometimes you have to be one of the gang to get the humor. He comments, "I saw Ralph as a good, reliable officer. He was one you could depend on. I really miss not having him around."

Southall, whose greatest dream was to be an officer, lived to see his son Terry become a state trooper who is presently serving in the Braxton County area. GSC joins the Southall family in mourning the loss of a truly good man.



Ralph E. Southall.

Photo contributed.

Virginia State, and the top trainer asked him to step forward to be used in a demonstration on how to subdue an unruly suspect. I guess for awhile it looked as though Ralph, a naturally large built man, had the upper hand, but in the end, the trainer



March--In Like a Lion

Welcome back from Spring Break!

Well, I should've known--my mother always knows what she's talking about. A week ago, she warned me that winter had not left us yet and that March would come in like a lion. Sure enough, with a huff and puff, (and a great amount of hissing) March came tumbling in. It snowed an inch in ten minutes, as if somebody dumped a wheel barrow full in a blender on high. It just seemed a curious way to head out for Spring Break.

March is a very significant month for me, full of sweet beginnings and endings. Three of my children were born in March. It seems the perfect time to me for a metamorphosis to take place. You can spend those long winter days preparing for those new spring arrivals and use the changing weather conditions of March to make that big transition back into the main stream of life. "Alas, some were chosen to fulfill God's plan, though there be gnashing of teeth by men who consider motherhood the highest attainment of earth birth, they cannot fulfill it. Lo, though they walk through the valley of the shadow of death they cannot bring a soul into life." (Gene Breza)

Well enough on that subject since I certainly don't want to weigh you down with too many details. But once more, let's go back to my belief that March is the right time for new beginnings and a refresher on life. Like all other college students, I was counting my days down to break time. While students were heading off to nice sunny beaches, to visit friends and relatives at far away places, I headed to my humble abode in Herold, USA. I was looking forward to spending some time with my family, catching up on some overdue projects that have been waiting on hold, and the joy of taking morning naps after sending my munchkins off to school. Relaxing during the quiet of the days, doing a little homework, watching a little TV, and thrilling them with warm dinners in the evenings while they quarrel and spat and throw papers on the floor..... I couldn't wait. Ahh, the simple pleasures of life..

One of my Japanese friends visited during the latter part of the week and proved to be a great guest. She loves to cook and so she indulged us with some great cuisine and enlightened us with lessons on her culture and language. She was also a hit when she visited my children's school on Friday. She gave the children lessons in origami and answered a multitude of questions about her culture.

I think my highlight of the week came; however, when they broke out the news that habitual coffee drinkers weren't likely to commit suicide. Since I try to limit myself to no less than ten cups daily, I now feel certain that I am as safe as pole planted in concrete. So with a deep breath and a sure attitude, I am here to polish off the semester.



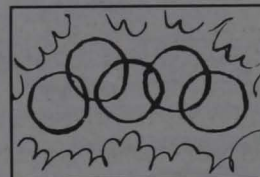
Dear Editor,

After reading Todd Longanacre's article on environmentalists, I feel another point of view is in order. Over the years, the work of dedicated environmentalists has prevented the needless extinction of several species of animal life such as whales, turtles, and birds. Also, important plant life which can only be found in special ecosystems, such as virgin and rain forests, has been protected--plant life that has been proven very effective in helping with diseases such as cancer. Often, the work of environmentalists can save an industry from extinction as well. In the case of fishing, it was the monitoring by environmentalists that centered the world's attention on the depleted stock of the ocean's fish. That attention brought about cooperation from the world's governments, creating international laws that attempt to maintain yearly fish harvests at adequate levels; even so, pollution of the oceans and spiraling world populations are still threatening this critical resource (believe it or not, Todd, the Earth does have limitations on its resources).

Our esteemed columnist goes on to point out that research used by environmentalists is biased due to researchers creating results that will keep the federal money pouring in; I am in no position to affirm or deny this

Curiosity will conquer fear even more than bravery will.

—James Stephens



The Olympic symbol consists of five interlocking rings that represent the continents of Africa, Asia, Australia, Europe, and North and South America. Rings are black, blue, green, red and yellow. The flag of each nation competing in the games has at least one of these colors.

assumption, but would not the motivation for desired test results be equally as high when the private funding for research is provided directly, or indirectly, by the very corporations that have the most at stake in the findings.

I am touched by Mr. Longanacre's concern for people who may lose their jobs due to attempts by environmentalists to protect the world's resources--especially when political conservatives, like himself, consistently support the economic principles of greed which cause many more job losses. Concerned only with securing the highest possible corporate profits, hundreds of thousands of American workers are forced out of work so that stockholders can reap bigger dividends. The very ideology that Mr. Longanacre espouses is the very reason why we need environmentalists and the laws that help our planet to continue to support all of us. Sure, the biological systems that are a part of the Earth's ecology are able to maintain a certain balance in order to maintain life, but to believe that the Earth can constantly "repair" itself against an ever-increasing onslaught of human arrogance is wishful thinking at its best. Business has continually proven that it cannot be trusted (ever hear of Love Canal?). Would business take the

additional profits from less environmental regulation and create more jobs, or would the extra money be used to pay bigger dividends to its stockholders?

The fact that logging companies are now after our virgin forests proves that we are losing more timber than we are producing. Does it not make more sense to find other ways of doing things in order to use less paper and wood products so that we do not take more than the planet can give? In another 20 years, the virgin wood will be gone and the loggers then working will lose their jobs anyway and we have lost both the jobs and the woods; where is the logic in that?

Mr. Longanacre's combining the abortion issue with environmentalists is insipid at best and irresponsible at worst. If there is any paradox that is created by the abortion issue, it would have to be the conservative's "pro-life" stand combined with support of the death penalty and an ostensible desire for government to get out of our lives (I would think that giving the government control over one's body is rather intrusive).

In following Mr. Longanacre's articles, I have learned one thing: dolphins are superior to Todd Longanacre--in my opinion.

Tom Kennedy

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AROUND THE BEND: POTHoles ARE PAINS-IN- THE-NECK!

*Eric Ware
staff writer*

It took a while before we found Jim Boy and Billy Bob after they fell from the face of the earth. We stood around and peered into the deep, dark pothole that plunged into the unknown depths. At first, we thought they were just few feet down, considering our flashlights wouldn't reach down that far. And someone, I think the Old Coot, threw a rock to see just how far that hole was. We counted...and counted...and counted...and finally, we looked

at each other and sighed. "Them boys--a gonner!" I said. I took out a piece of paper and began writing their epitaph: **HERE LIES TWO LOST BOYS IN THE POT-HOLE OF DESPAIR. MAY THEIR BODIES TURN UP, EVENTUALLY, IN CHINA.**

And then a hand popped out from the Darkness of Despair and a voice echoed from inside. "Man! These potholes are hell aren't they!"
Written in response to the various complaints about the potholes on the college campus.



Opening the Library's Door: A Response

*Rick Tubesing
contributing writer*

fused and confusing article contains numerous misquotations, quotations out of context, incorrect "facts" and inaccurate statements of library policies, procedures and practices. The resulting statements require correction and clarification.

First, it is not correct that "any books or periodicals desired will be ordered". I know of no library that well funded. Building a good academic library collection must be a carefully considered, curriculum-related, and financially-responsible matter. It is not simply buying everything everybody suggests until the money runs out. Library policy is to buy books and periodicals recommended by faculty and approved by the appropriate division head within division subject area budget allocations.

The procedure for disposing of library materials is incompletely and, consequently, misleadingly reported in several non-sequential paragraphs. According to Ms. Belknap, "Confusion arises when discussing the surplus of books, magazines and other left over materials." I do not believe we have "surpluses" or "left overs": neither the terms nor the perceptions are

mine. What we do have are duplicate, outdated, superseded and/or physically damaged materials and materials that are documented to be no longer curriculum-relevant or no longer used. The disposition of such materials includes the possibility of their being transferred to the Summersville Public Library (which serves our Nicholas County Campus), to the West Virginia Library Commission, to academic departments upon faculty request and division head approval, offered for sale at public auction or recycled. Since most items removed from the shelves are outdated, there are relatively few requests for transfer or auction bids. If no recycler can be found, the items may have to be destroyed according to State law. The statement attributed to me that "books are not dumped but stored" is totally incorrect. There are no books in storage other than books awaiting final disposition. Any confusion as to the disposal of library materials is on the part of the reporter, not the library. "A load of mainly outdated periodicals that were (sic.) scheduled to be dumped last semester" are

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DANGER

HIGH VOLTAGE

In My Opinion

Todd Longmacre

SLOWER TRAFFIC

KEEP LEFT

I'm sick and tired of hearing college students say "I don't discuss religion or politics with anyone; I mind my own business." Even the phrase "I don't care about politics" always makes me grind my teeth! I'll address the first phrase with two questions. If I choose a (law abiding) religion, will it directly affect your lifestyle? The answer is absolutely not. On the other hand, if I vote for a particular candidate for a public office could that vote affect your lifestyle? You bet it could! It could affect many aspects of your lifestyle from how much money you spend for products and services to how much of your hard-earned money you're allowed to keep after taxes.

I'll address the second phrase differently. "I don't care about politics" usually transpires from the conscience (and sometimes unconscience) mind of a loser! These losers are personally unhappy with their way of life which is usually indicative of a lifestyle manipulated by public servants. The losers kick back in their easy chairs (the one with the cigarette burns) complaining about their lifestyle's and cussing politicians while guzzling beers and swatting flies. It's not their personal appearance or daily activities (or lack thereof) that makes them losers as much as it's their lack of voting experience. Some have never voted at all yet they have the gumption to complain about their manipulated lifestyle.

Since you are a college student I can only assume that you are interested in developing a skill or learning a trade whereby you may enter the workforce after graduation. I believe, therefore, that it is very important for you to become involved in the political process of open discussion and debate. If you have personal values, principles, and convictions (most of you do) then take a stand for yourself.

Begin educating yourselves on the philosophies and values of the different political parties and choose yours. If you're not an "opinionated" person, then form some opinions! Get off the fence! Stand up for what you believe in. Be for an issue or against it; stop being a moderate. Quit compromising your beliefs and values to make the other side happy. Exercise your freedoms of free speech and right to vote. Don't be a loser! Become involved in debate either vocally or with your vote. These actions will decrease the chances of your lifestyle being dictated by elected officials who do not share your values or beliefs. In my opinion, that's democracy.

So all of you left-wingers out there, make an effort to vote. . . Clinton's going to need all the help he can get! He'll be reelected when donkeys fly. Actually, I hope the donkeys will fly...right on out of the White House!



Dear Editor:
Well, here it is the end of another basketball season for our men and women. I would like to commend our Head Coaches, Gary Nottingham, Steve Harold, and their assistant coaches and support groups, for a job well done.

The men and women athletes on the teams are a very special group of our future leaders. I am very proud to say that I was associated with these great people.

I want to thank each and every one of these athletes for helping to keep our buses clean and neat inside. Also, to Coach Nottingham, I want to say great job! After everything that happened early in the season, you and your assistant coaches molded the men back into a team that GSC and I are very proud of. Thank you for a job well done!

Your Bus Driver and Friend,
Butch Frame

Three weeks ago, I had an hour long interview with Lisa Belknap about concerns she had over the operation of the library. One of the more interesting of her specific concerns was that the library was purchasing "Modern Bride" magazine for "about \$200 per year". As I told Ms. Belknap, we did renew "Modern Bride" for 1996 upon the recommendation of Student Congress but the annual cost was \$20.04. Other concerns were of a broader nature and required more complicated answers.

Several days after the interview, Ms. Belknap asked me to read an article she had written based on the interview. While I might not have totally agreed with her views, I found the article well written, factually accurate and quotations attributed to me acceptable if not always, I suspect, verbatim.

This article did not appear as scheduled in the next issue of *The Mercury*. Another article on some of the same topics appeared as "Opening the Library's Door" in the March 4th issue. Unfortunately, this second con-

Is Interracial Adoption the Answer?

Lisa Belknap
staff writer

Virtually everyone can look back and reminisce on certain childhood memories involving their families. Many have fond recollections of their parents, grandparents or adopted parents.

Not everyone has the luxury of a family. At this time, half a million children are virtually floating within the foster care system. Blown from one place to another, these children have no real families, parents, homes, or stability. No one can honestly say where they will be next year.

It is commonly thought that the most crucial function of adoption is to find the best parentage for each individual child. Conflict occurs when attempting to decipher exactly what constitutes "good parentage".

Some believe that finding proper parentage for a child should mean filling their basic needs, including love and a stable home life. Others believe that unless a "racial match" is found, "good parentage" goals have not been met.

The Contract with America includes a legislative proposal, the Multi-ethnic Placement Act, which attempts to make a compromise between the two sides. MPA suggests that

all parents should be screened as usual with considerations made to race and ethnicity. Still, the contract states that race and ethnicity should never be the deciding factor in the adoption process.

The MPA proposal would allow the child a chance to be with a family of his or her own cultural background; yet, it will not deny the child a happy home in the event that a racial match is not available. At the same

"...the conflicts will not be as hard on the child as a life of uncertainty, being blown around within the foster care system, wondering why they have not been adopted."

time, MPA's proposal would make a drastic cut in the number of children forced to spend a critical part of their lives in a unfeeling foster care system.

Due to its meet-in-the-middle approach, MPA evokes scrutiny from both sides. Those who believe race should be of no relevance feel that making consideration for it not only adds additional stalls to the system, but that it is also a form of state-sponsored racial distinction. Supporters of MPA argue that considering living conditions

also stalls the system, yet it has proven itself necessary. Furthermore, they insist that considering a prospective parent's race is justifiable because it will have a permanent effect on the child's life.

Those who believe that "racial matching" is absolutely necessary feel that parents of one race or ethnicity will not be able to identify with adopted children of another race. They also feel children primarily raised around another race or ethnic group will feel inferior or in-between.

Interracial adoption supporters admit there will inevitably be hardships facing a adopted family, especially a interracial family. Still, they maintain the conflicts will not be as hard on the child as a life of uncertainty; being blown around within the foster care system, unable to enjoy those family memories that so many of us take for granted, and wondering why they have not been adopted.

Due to the shortage of "racial matches," many have begun looking towards interracial adoption as a means of finding homes for the half million children confined to the foster care system. Still, with its emotional matter, the topic of interracial adoption remains very controversial and will need to rally additional support before becoming common practice.

Your Money Matters

John Clise
Staff Writer

In the fight against counterfeiting, the Federal Reserve has unveiled plans for a new and improved currency which will soon be available for use.

The new design will include a larger off-center portrait as the most noticeable visual change. The larger portrait will incorporate more detail, making it harder to counterfeit. Moving the portrait off-center will reduce wear to the portrait and will also provide room for a watermark, which high-tech copiers and printing equipment can't copy. This makes the identification of counterfeit bills even easier.

Serial numbers will consist of two prefix letters, eight numbers and a one-letter suffix. The first letter will designate the series, the second letter of the prefix will designate the Federal Reserve Bank it came from. In addition, a universal Federal Reserve Seal will be used instead of the individual seal now used.

Old bills, of course, will not be recalled. The United States has never recalled currency in its history. This will give people an excellent opportunity to compare the old and new bills.

The new bills will be the

same size as current bills and will still use the same green and black ink. The only difference will be the use of color-shifting ink. That is ink which appears black when viewed straight on but will appear green when seen at an angle and vice versa.

In further efforts to detour counterfeiters, concentric line (very fine lines) printing will be used on the collar of the portrait and in the denomination number itself.

This fine line printing smudges and gets wavy when copied or reprinted.

The bills will also have a security thread which will read, in this case, "USA 100" and will be visible from both sides of the bill. This strip will also glow red under an ultra-violet light.

The change in bills will be gradual, with 100's coming out now and the lower denominations following every nine to twelve months.

There are other changes in the bills; however, these are some of the most visible.

As with all changes, there comes a cost. The total cost of the project was \$765,000. \$265,000 was spent on funding for the National Academy of Sciences studies, and the \$500,000 was spent on test quantities to do internal evaluations.

Governor Proclaims 1996-1997 "Year of the Student"

Governor Gaston Caperton proclaimed 1996-1997, "The Year of the Student," as of Feb. 27. Through the diligent work of Delegate Emily Yeager, the State College and University Systems Advisory Council of Student Chairs, Al Justice and Mark Haggerty, the proclamation celebrates West Virginia's higher education students.

"This proclamation supports Governor Caperton's dedication to higher education in West Virginia," Justice said. "The student leadership of public higher education in West Virginia want to use this proclamation as a spring-board towards a year-long celebration of learning, mentorships, community

service, and developing future leadership."

Barbara Harmon-Schamberger, Secretary of Education and the Arts received the proclamation with Delegate Emily Yeager, Al Justice and Mark Haggerty. Delegate Yeager serves on the House of Delegates Education Committee. "This proclamation falls under the requirements of Senate Bill 547, initiated by Governor Caperton, providing a variety of opportunities for college and university students to assist in creating a seamless environment between elementary, middle and high schools in higher education," Delegate Yeager explained.

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The unit theme for the second and third grade students is the environment. Subject areas to be covered are: living and nonliving things, changes in the environment, environmental concerns and cleaning up the

environment. The unit topic for the fourth and fifth grade students is "The Pond." Students will create pond environments in the classroom and study aquatic organisms. . . including the cycle of frogs.

The science programs will be consistent with the state adopted science curriculum framework. Both programs will exemplify coordinated and thematic science and will utilize activity-based instruction.

Please plan to join us for these fun-filled and educational sessions. Only the first fifteen students will be accepted into each of the two programs. To register, contact Joe Evans at 462-7361, X235.

Prezioso Satisfied with SSAC

West Virginia House of Delegates' Education Chairman Roman Prezioso, D-Marion, declares further review of the performance of the Secondary Schools Athletic Commission (SSAC) unnecessary. The 43rd District lawmaker said his legislative committee will not schedule additional meetings to review the SSAC's internal operations.

"Warren Carter, the executive director of the SSAC, met with members of the House to discuss the organization's procedures," said Prezioso, "and I thought all of us were satisfied with the meeting. Information was provided, misconceptions were dispelled, and I have no plans to continue any further review."

Prezioso's remarks fall on recent comments made by a lawmaker who has noted additional studies will be undertaken during the coming interim period.

"While misinformation regarding the performance of the SSAC has been spread in the past, the meeting clarified any dubious perceptions," said Prezioso. "As education Chairman, I set our agenda and I am totally satisfied with the findings and review of the Commission. For any individual to use the organization to weight his/her political position is irresponsible."

Political Pageantry

*Lisa Belknap
staff writer*

Yes, boys and girls, it is election time again. I won't even bother with the usual "make sure you're registered to vote" stuff. I'm sure you all are. However, for those of you who haven't quite made it to the post office with those registration cards, because you just don't know what party to register under, let's run through these wonderful things we call parties.

Let's start with the basics. All those big fat elephants you see in political cartoons are supposed to represent Republicans. The weird looking donkeys are Democrats. Why? I don't know. I guess Republicans never forget and Democrats are stubborn jackasses.

Republicans are commonly known as Conservatives, while Democrats are titled Liberals. Conservatives tend to favor traditional Christian beliefs. They are normally pro-life, pro-business, against affirmative action, against overseas military policies, wish to mandate prayer in schools, and support actions which would shrink the size of government--including the elimination of social programs.

Liberals are mostly pro-

choice, pro-worker, supportive of affirmative action, feel foreign policy and aid necessary, and support social programs like Medicare and welfare.

Many have attempted to sum up the two ideologies. Republicans are thought to be "for business," while Democrats are "for the people." However, these views are far from accurate. Quite a few candidates stray from their party's traditional ideology. An extreme example is a recently received press release from a candidate running for the US Senate. This Democratic candidate's written ideology was thoroughly that of a traditional conservative. So, why would a candidate with a completely conservative view run under the Democratic ticket? It would appear that this candidate is uncomfortable with their ideology, probably because he wouldn't stand a chance, in West Virginia, of winning under the Republican ticket.

So, pick your party (Don't do that independent thing), but please do some research on the candidates. As our "Democratic" friend has shown us, just running in and putting your check in the (R) or (D) box isn't the best way of choosing your next bunch of representatives.



Information Sought for Hit And Run

Charleston—Charleston Police continued to look for the van and driver which struck and killed Mr. Nathan R. Scarberry as he crossed Washington Street West at Maryland Avenue in his wheelchair. The collision, which occurred in the early morning hours of Sunday, February 25, 1996, caused Mr. Scarberry's death at the hospital shortly following the collision. Anyone with information concerning the driver or the following van should please contact the Charleston Police Department at either 800-382-2358, 344-2358 or 348-6470. The van has been described as a large, full size, customized van, without a

vaulted or raised roof (topper), along the lines of a Dodge, Chevy Astro or full size Chevy. It is navy blue or black in color with the color being described as being more flat than shiny. There were large rectangular windows on the right rear, (the only area witness recalls seeing them specifically) being taller than they were wider. There many have been some type of white striping around the middle of the van although the witness is not 100% sure and does not recall if it was one solid bar or some type of pinstriping. The witness further described the van as being clean and a late model, no more than four to five years

old. She recalls the license plate being in the door and a partial West Virginia registration of 2D-3?????. She does not recall there being a spare tire or ladder on the rear. Any damage to the vehicle from the collision with Mr. Scarberry would be to the left front headlight/fender area. It must be noted that the extent of damage, if any outward, is unknown as there were no vehicle debris left at the scene. There was a report of some type of fluid debris dropped by the van as it left the scene, but this has not been confirmed. The witness could not provide any information concerning the driver, or if any, passengers.

Greenbrier Resort

Named to Top Five List

West Virginia's Greenbrier Resort was voted one of the top five most popular resort destinations in the United States by readers of the Hideaway Report, an upscale travel newsletter based in Sun Valley, Idaho.

More than 2,500 subscribers responded to the Hideaway Report's 14th annual readership survey, which asked subscribers to list top hotels in several categories.

In the resort category, The Boulders, located in Carefree, AZ, claimed the top spot, followed by The Greenbrier, located in White Sulphur Springs. The Ritz-Carlton in Laguna Niguel, CA was third, the Ritz-Carlton in Naples, FL was fourth, and The Cloister, in Sea Island, GA finished fifth.

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Campus Happenings

Computer Lab

The Computer Lab in Clark Hall will be opened during the following hours: Mon. 9a.m.-1p.m., 1:30-4p.m.; Tue. 9a.m.-1p.m.; Wed. 9a.m.-11a.m., 1-3p.m.; Thurs. 1-3p.m.; Fri. 1-3p.m.

Wesley Foundation

The Wesley Foundation serves lunch on Tuesdays at 12 p.m., followed by Chapel Services at 12:40 p.m. Bible Study is held on Thursdays at 8 p.m. followed by a movie at 9 p.m.

Fellowships of Christian Athletes

FCA meets weekly on Tuesdays at 8:30 p.m. in the P.E. Building, room 207.

Baptist Campus Ministry

BCM meets weekly in the Verona Maple Room on Monday nights at 8:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend!

Tutorial Services

If interested in information about becoming a tutor or receiving tutoring services contact Brenda Wilson in the Education Department located in Clark Hall, Ext. 304.



photo by Gene Breza.

The Disco-A-Ferno in the Wesley Basement.

Disco Inferno Burns Basement

Gene Breza
staff writer

February 29th only comes once every four years, a day as legend has it a lady(?) named Sadie Hawkins found herself a

man. A day when all manner of the polar opposites of cultural icons were allowed. This was/is the only day a woman could ask a man to marry her.

Thursday two weeks ago was such a night. Tunes were flamin' up the sides of the Wesley Foundation to the likes of James Brown, Kool and the Gang, the Village People and the Bee Gees. Twenty five to thirty brave souls let loose to find the moves and the grooves (without the help of the famous "Pepsi Ice") that kept the '70's rockin.

If you were lucky enough to catch the drift of Sadie Hawkins' Day, you might have been seen braving that fear of rejection to hold out hope that you too might have found love. Or at least someone who wanted to dance with you! Maybe you couldn't find that pair of plastic maroon skin tight bellbottoms your daddy used to shake up the clubs in or a pair of five inch platforms. All you needed was a little bit of polyester.

Molly Nichols was decked out in white lace bells with a black crocheted vest. Bob Wible was doin' Elvis poses while Jermo Dean spun the vinyl in a Hugh Hefner robe, seen later without it.

Sorry to say, no major Sadie-spined relationships have been reported. The flames have since died, the embers dispersed.

Poems Sought for Contest

In honor of Governor Gaston Caperton's West Virginia Homecoming 1996 celebration, the Charles Town Publishing House invites individuals to submit poems of a positive nature about the state of West Virginia. The poems will be published this year in an anthology of writings specifically about West Virginia and specifically for this year's celebration.

Poems may be about the entire state, some particular region or location within the state, features of nature, seasons, or the people--any positive aspect of West Virginia that will entice people to "come home."

Rhyming poetry is preferred, although not required. Care should be taken to keep the cadence consistent. Some editorial assistance may be offered in this regard.

Poems may be of any length. There is no entry cost. The editor will publish only materials deemed to be suit-

able for all levels of readers.

Each entry should include the author's name, address, telephone number, and, if 18 or under, the writer's age and grade in school.

Submissions will not be returned. Experienced and new writers, of any age, are welcome to enter.

There will be nominal prizes for various subject categories. For young people, 1st, 2nd, and 3rd prizes for each grade level will be awarded. A Certificate of Participation will be awarded to every author who enters.

Because a grant is currently being sought to assist in printing this work, publication cannot be guaranteed. Efforts are being made to seek as wide a circulation as possible.

Send entries to: The Charles Town Publishing House, Box 815, Charles Town, WV 25414. Attention WV Poetry Editor.

The deadline for entries is April 25, 1996.

Trumpet, Trombone and Piano: Faculty Recital

Gene Breza
staff writer

Trumpet by Harry Rich alternating with trombone by John Mead accompanied by pi-

ano under the nimble fingers of John Walkup and Karen LaSalle Knox respectively filled the Fine Arts Auditorium, Tuesday evening March 5, 1996, with sounds from Teleman and Handel to Gabaye and Clark.

A rainy cool night brought mainly music enthusiasts to hear the sprightly trumpet of Mr. Rich, GSC Professor of Music. He played tenor and regular trumpet undulating between allegro and slower movements of classic composers, really taking off on Variations on the Carnival of Venice ending with sumptuous harmony in trio with Dr. Mead and Mrs. Knox playing an arrangement by Ray E. Cramer of Herbert L. Clark's piece entitled "Cousins."

John Mead from Marshall University slid a smooth sometimes jazzy trombone with firm sure vibrato endings. Accompanied by the animated hands of Karen Lasalle Knox (whom you may be surprised and delighted to know is now a Glenville resident, the wife of reverend Gary Knox, although not mentioned in the program.) Her distinguished 20 year career has seen her as a soloist with the Boston Pops Orchestra among other things.

All in all it was a delightful evening. Be sure to line up to get your tickets for another music event you are sure not to want to miss. Tickets go on sale with updated I.D. for the percussion ensemble March 18.



photo by Gene Breza.

The Faculty Recital

Pickens Hall Comedy Show

*J. Jeremy Dean
staff writer*

The snow was coming down pretty hard on Thursday March 7th. It was the night of the first ever Pickens Hall Comedy Showcase, so I put on my snow boots, and slid down the hill from LBH to check it out.

Michelle Hanson was the MC that evening. She introduced the two contestants. There had been more but most had canceled. Whether they chickened out or the weather kept them home I do not know.

Keith Vannoy, a junior biology major, was the first comic that evening. His jokes about his floor mates and the Dukes of Hazard were entertaining for all. They brought him the prize for

second place which was \$20.

Next up was junior Music major Jeremy Rodriguez. He told the audience about his exploits as an R.A. in Pickens Hall.

At the last minute Jeff Brockell, a junior sports Management major and GSC Pioneer Basketball player, decided to give comedy a try.

He amused the audience with some anecdotes from the first floor of Pickens' Wagner Wing where he lives. Brockell took first prize of \$30 and a whoopie cushion.

After the prizes were handed out there were two comedy videos for anyone who hadn't gotten their fill of laughs that evening. Denis Learie's *No Cure For Cancer* and Eddie Murphy's *Raw*.



photo by Gene Breza.

Jeff Brockell won the beef sitting in a good stand up!

CHIT-CHAT FROM THE PRESIDENT

Last Thursday was our day at the legislature where two of my administrative staff, five classified staff and about 10 students attended and lobbied for higher education. I participated in the "Kiss the Pig" contest and found out Wednesday that I placed second, met my administrative staff and attended the WVIAC Board of Directors' Meeting in Charleston on Friday.

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ACS Holds Meeting

*Patricia Drake,
Staff Reporter*

The American Chemical Society held their regular meeting on Tuesday, March 5, 1996, at 12:30 p.m. in SH400. There were 17 in attendance.

President Michele Hanson called the meeting to order. Treasurer Ronnie Mays gave an updated report on the money raised during the Kiss-A-Pig Contest and the Entertainment Raffle, as well as a total balance.

JR Crihfield reported that there was no update on the recruiting committee. Jeff Hardman reported that there was also no update on the activities committee, but men-

tioned the possibility of having a picnic and watching the ACS video from the Kiss-A-Pig Contest.

ACS members discussed plans for the New Orleans trip. Fifteen members will be leaving on March 21, 1996 for the National ACS Convention.

A Bylaws revision committee was formed and will begin meeting in April after members return from New Orleans.

The American Chemical Society is open to anyone who shares an interest in the science fields. Weekly meetings are held on Tuesdays at 12:30 p.m. in SH400. All interested parties are encouraged to attend.

Lifeguard Certification Class

The GSC Office of Community Services will offer an American Red Cross Lifeguard Certification Course. The 33 hour course will meet on the following evenings from 6 p.m.-9 p.m. on March 22, 27, 29 and April 3, 10, 12 and 17. The class will also meet on March 23 and 30 from 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m. For more information, contact the Office of Community Services at 462-4105. The class is limited to 10 students.

Teacher Scholarship Applications

Underwood-Smith Teacher Scholarship Program (Recepients Required to meet their teaching commitment in WV's public school system.)

Must meet following criteria:

1. Top 10% of High School Class, or;
2. Top 10% Statewide ACT/SAT, or;
3. Cumulative GPA of at least 3.5 in college course work

Junior or Senior members only need apply.

Deadline for applying is March 31, 1996.

Completed applications must be turned in to the teacher education office. Stop by Clark Hall, Room 104, to pick up an application form as soon as possible.

Spring Break Check-Out

The residence halls will be closed on Friday, March 8, at 5p.m., and will re-open on Sunday, March 17, at 12 noon. Lunch will be the last meal served on Friday, March 8. Dinner will be the first meal served on Sunday, March 17. Classes begin on Monday, March 18.

Students leaving the residence halls must unplug everything in the rooms and turn out all lights. Curtains and windows should be closed. Lock doors and windows.

Remember: the college is not responsible for any item stolen from the rooms. Rooms will be checked to see that students have complied with the procedure.

National Debt Passes \$5 Trillion Mark

Drexell W. King II

Washington—On Friday, February 23, 1996, the outstanding public debt jumped almost \$30 billion to an all time high of \$5,017,056,650,040.53. This is the first time in history the U.S. National Debt has surpassed the \$5 trillion mark. According to the debt clock (http://www.brillig.com/debt_clock/) as of March 4, 1996 at 11:20:35 a.m. EST, the outstanding public debt has now reached \$5,019,652,251,471.64. This means that each citizen's share

is now \$18,990.85. Also, the debt is increasing an average of \$525 million every day. If anyone has any questions or comments about the deficit, please contact me either though e-mail (SIFE@mail.serve.com) or phone (462-7330).

In other news, Students In Free Enterprise (SIFE) will accept nominations for Entrepreneur of the Week. We will then vote on this person(s) by reviewing interviews with the candidates. Please drop off the name of your nominee for Entrepreneur of the Week by contacting me or Mrs. Dawkins at Ext. 344.

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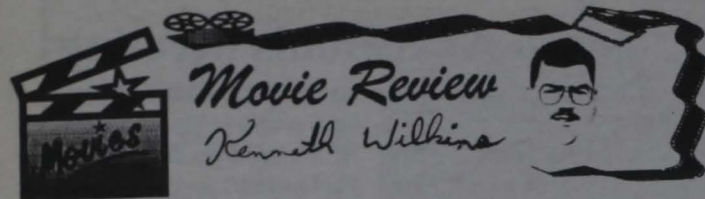
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Movie Review
Kenneth Wilkins

"Down Periscope"

Being that spring break was just around the corner and I needed to get away from campus for a while, I decided to review Kelsey Grammer's new movie "Down Periscope", to help cheer up my day.

Grammer ("Frasier") stars in the comedy navy spoof as Commander Tom Dodge, a twenty year navy officer who had been passed over the past several years in getting command of his own nuclear powered submarine.

When the United States Navy decides to play a little game of mock battle, Dodge is given the shining moment he has been waiting for: command of his own sub. The problem is that he is in charge of a misfit crew of outcasts.

Dodge soon ship shapes the rusted out, diesel bucket of bolts and his odd ball crew into an elite fighting machine as they face off against the US Navy in an attempt to sail into Charleston and Norfolk Harbors unnoticed.

Lauren Holly ("Dragon") stars in the slap stick comedy as Lieutenant Emily Lake as she attempts to be the first woman dive officer in the Navy. The rest of the misfit crew will make you laugh as you watch them surprise the US Navy with what they can do.

"Down Periscope" is one of those comedies that is not too funny to be totally stupid. You'll laugh all the way through the movie and will enjoy this spoof to its fullest.

So, if you are looking for a comedy to help cheer up your day, I would recommend that you go see "Down Periscope."



SMITHSONIAN EXHIBITION: "between home and heaven"

Gene Breza
staff writer

An exhibition of landscape photographs from the National Museum of American Art, Smithsonian Institute, was on display in Gallery of the Fine Arts Building through March 7th. Underwritten by CNG Transmission Corporation the artist's proofs from a selection of 300 works by 50 young photographers revealed a contemporary view of American landscape.

Christine Donnelly-Moan, assistant curator at the National Museum, gave a slide presentation March 5th in the morning and evening comparing historical landscape photographs to those of the present. The recital hall in the Fine Arts Building was full for the morning talk, al-

though several CNG executives attended in the evening there were few others to enjoy the gallery talk and reception which followed.

Photos commissioned a hundred years ago to record the vast panorama of the West, helped convince those in Washington to preserve landscapes of such simple stark beauty. Now, the contemporary focus of artists, says Donnelly-Moan, is "the fragile coexistence of nature and human culture in the late 20th century." Today atomic bomb sites and industrial wastelands are an integral component of our landscape which can be seen as art when divorced from environmental issues they raise. "The issues of landscape photography extend beyond the frame," says photographer, Richard Misrach.

The Unkindest Cut Of All

Brian Swisher
staff writer

Congress is at it again, trying to cut money going into "expendable" programs. The programs in jeopardy are the art and music courses in public funded schools.

Of 100 Glenville students surveyed, 96% believe that art and music are very important areas of public school education, 1% believe that Congress should cut funding in these areas; 3% had no opinion.

During the Grammy Awards on Wednesday, February 28, Richard Dreyfuss ("Mr. Holland's Opus") made a dramatic speech against the cuts. In his speech, Dreyfuss stated, "We owe too much to our kids to allow these [art and music] programs to be cut. We can find a way to give our children the same quality of education we received. We must find a way."

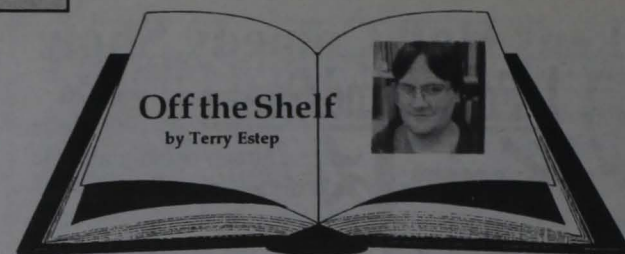
Nevertheless, members of Congress want to make the cuts. If not for art and music, many children would not learn about history or how to relate to other classes. Music and art classes expose students to fine music, exceptional works of art, and provide an outlet for creativity. Skills learned in these classes are carried over to newspaper organizations, high impact commercials, spectacular movie effects, and popular music.

A well-rounded education is achieved by exposure to academic and aesthetic principles. Richard Dreyfuss summed up the educational peril by saying, "A nation that allows music and art to become expendable will soon become expendable itself."



Christine Donnelly-Moan direct from the Smithsonian.

Photo by Gene Breza.



Off the Shelf
by Terry Estep

Issuing A Call to Character

The V-chip is supposed to be our savior. Instead of discussing program contents with their impressionable children, parents can simply screen out any material they deem unfit. Immorality, rape, hatred, and violent crime will drop to invisible levels shortly after the V-chip becomes a staple in the American home; it is a charming fantasy that politicians and censors embrace. The same witch-hunt atmosphere that led to the creation of the Comics Code Authority of the 1950s has settled around the idiot box in an impenetrable haze. A discussion of television is out of place in a book review column, you say?

The development of morality and virtue is a very important aspect of childraising, right up there with changing diapers and keeping the tyke from pushing wet fingers into electrical sockets. Parents, I strongly urge you to go out and buy a copy of *A Call to Character*. This book contains excerpts from novels, historical documents, plays, poems, and fables. The book is designed to be read and discussed by parents and children.

The editors, Colin Greer and Herbert Kohl, have assembled selections from such diverse sources as Shakespeare, C.S. Lewis, Helen Keller, and Langston Hughes. Each section of the book deals with a different type of virtue. Courage, self-discipline, integrity, creativity, and playfulness are but a few of the virtues examined. Each chapter begins with an examination of virtue that parents can read for themselves.

This book is so helpful and insightful that I am tempted to go out and start a family so I will have someone to read it to at night. Parents may not know how to articulate values to children, but I firmly believe that this book can help. Some parents may object to a book about morality that is mostly secular in nature, but it is worthy of consideration. Tales of faith are not excluded. Pick and choose the sections that appeal to you.

Good parents understand that television cannot raise their children. Role models of every stripe are available there. Just as parents are advised to watch and discuss shows with their children, they should share the moral lessons of our culture in a trusting atmosphere of storytime reading. *A Call to Character* is an ideal tool for moral growth.

Fine Arts Auditions Held

Teresa Clark
staff writer

Last Tuesday, the Fine Arts Department held auditions for hopeful incoming freshmen. The students came from all over the state of West Virginia. There were about 15 students with interests ranging from voice to percussion.

The students began their visit with registration. The Financial Aid office personnel came and spoke to the parents

while the students went on tours of the campus. The cafeteria provided lunch for both students and parents.

After auditions were completed, each musical ensemble performed for the students and their parents. Performances began with the concert choir and continued with chamber singers, woodwind ensemble, jazz ensemble, percussion, brass choir, and ending with concert band. Students and parents seemed to enjoy themselves very much.



Fourth and Goal Kevin Lake



It was pointed out to me by one of my professors that since I am going to be a teacher in the future, I should refrain from constantly discussing "Pepsi", "Pepsi Light," and "Pepsi Ice" in my column. Understanding exactly where he was coming from, I offered no complaints and agreed not to use these words in this week's story.

Two days later I was sitting around my apartment drinking "Pepsi Dry" and watching old NFL tapes from this past season when I began pondering all the positive gains from participating in sports. Not only do you obtain a higher level of fitness, gain skills and agility, and increase your state of mental health, you also form bonds with your teammates that are comparable only to the bonds of brotherhood. This is done, not by upper classmen forcing underclassmen to participate in any degrading, inhumane acts such as drinking a bottle of Red Hot hot sauce or collecting one dozen bras from a convent. It is achieved through all of the teammates going through the same tortures and punishments at the same time, helping even the weakest member of the team struggle through each and every workout.

Thinking of this, I was reminded of past events in which I joined in brotherhood with my former teammates--like the time in track season when Ernie Shreve and I decided we could see well enough in the dark to run our 12 mile loop around Leading Creek at midnight. Needless to say, we were wrong and ended up taking a wrong turn. What was intended to be a slow, easy run turned into a night of sprinting from bulls in heat and climbing fallen trees to get to the top of rocky gorges. Like true brothers we ran in different directions hoping the bull would chase the other and we always insisted the other go up the tree first, just in case it broke.

I was then reminded of the only time I have ever played football in my life; 6th grade. The same starting position was up for grabs between me and my best friend Gene. Knowing the kid we would have to line up against outweighed us by 40 pounds, a considerable margin for a 12 year old, and could severely hurt us, I acted the only way a true brother would and demanded he take the position.

The strongest bond I have ever formed with a teammate that exemplified brotherhood was my junior year of high school when a very talented freshman came to me for a favor. It seemed that we were only allowed to enter one runner in the two-mile run at a certain track meet. He asked if I would sit out so he could run. This made me feel as if I were this younger runner's big brother. The pride I felt was immense. I slapped him in the face, pushed him to the ground and told him it would be a cold day in hell, just as I would imagine any big brother would do in real life.

Contee Receives Sparky Adams Award

Kevin Lake
staff writer

Saturday, March 2, GSC senior Eric Contee received the Sparky Adams Award, which is given by the officials of the WVIAC to a senior basketball player from the conference each year.

The award is based on their spirit, drive, leadership,

and dedication exhibited both on and off the floor. It is one of the most prestigious awards given in the conference.

Head coach Gary Nottingham acknowledges his agreement in Contee's being chosen and added that Contee was never actually recognized for all he did while playing for the Pioneers.

"In the four years he was

here he played every position," Nottingham stated. "He did a lot of things that don't show up statistically."

Nottingham spoke of how Contee would guard each opponent's highest scorer and rarely allowed them to reach their average. He went on to add that, "If you had five guys like Eric on the floor, you're not gonna lose often."

Munir Ingram
staff writer

On October 12, 1994, the life of Rashawn Davis was altered forever. This is Rashawn's story of how his life changed:

"It was the night before the big homecoming game. I felt a little restless, so I decided to go out with several of my friends to the Ewing vs. Hightstown high school football game on Friday, October 21, 1994.

"I was one of the most recognized offensive tackles in the state of New Jersey, and by attending the game I was surely to be noticed.

"After the football game ended, several friends and I all loaded into the van in which we arrived. The impatient driver grew restless of the slow pace of traffic and decided to pass the slow-moving vehicle on a two-lane highway. The driver noticed

Personal liberty is the paramount essential to human dignity and human happiness.

-Edward Bulew-Lytton



photo by Gene Breza.

Rashawn's Story

Rashawn Davis

that a car was traveling at a high rate of speed, so he swerved back into our original lane uncontrollably to avoid a head-on collision. By the fast jerk of the steering wheel, the van flipped nine consecutive times, unlatching the sliding door.

"I was thrown twenty-five feet from the van to an adjacent field next to the highway. The only thing I thought about was my life. This accident ended my high school football season and lessened the hope of playing in front of thousands at a college or university. I suffered a broken femur in my thigh during the final impact.

"It was hard going through the depression of being unable to live with the goals people had set out for my future and the stress of being bedridden. It seemed as if the walls of my life's career tumbled down all at once.

"I recuperated at Helen

Fiuld hospital for one month, until my doctor said I was healthy enough to go home. With help, we rehabilitated my leg for six months until it was strong enough to apply pressure upon.

"As I walked into Trenton high school, I thought I would be unable to graduate due to the time period concerning my accident.

"There are oppressive people who made comments about my future that lowered my self-esteem. I eventually allowed their oppression to motivate my sense of worth.

"Never allow anyone to lower your self-confidence, dreams, and goals, because there's light at the end of every tunnel."

Rashawn Davis is scheduled for additional surgery in May, 1996. His friends at Glenville State College wish him a speedy recovery.

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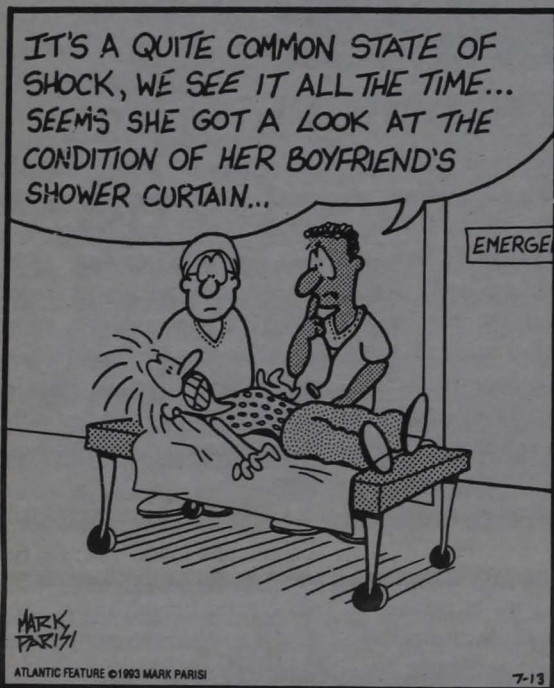
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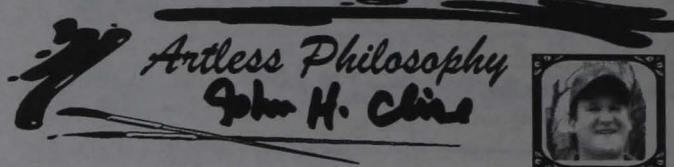
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by Sebastian Conley



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Imagine This

Imagine, if you will, waking up to find out there is five foot long 300 pound giant green caterpillar living with you.

He or she (whichever you are comfortable with) runs up and down the hallway of your home all night, keeping you awake, and sleeps all day while you are here at school.

The caterpillar in question sleeps all day except when he/she wakes up at 11 a.m. to watch reruns of "The Dating Game" and 2 p.m. to watch the "Price is Right".

This same creature drinks eight gallons of milk a day, using a clean glass for every serving. He/she also stares at the neighbors with high-powered binoculars through the window. The neighborhood people don't care for this. Besides, they think it is you. That is how little attention they actually pay to their surroundings.

Oh, the caterpillar's snores are not bad--just something like a cross between a semi-tractor trailer stuck in mud and a 747 taxiing down the runway for takeoff.

How would you explain to a guest not to pay attention to this five foot long, 300 pound caterpillar "snacking" on house plants and watching the "Brady Bunch" marathon?

What do you tell friends who in ten years of friendship haven't given you the time of day for Christmas and are now asking you what "Big Green" likes or needs? "Well, he seems to like daffodils. They seem to help his constipation." "What does he like in music?" "Well, it's for sure he doesn't care for the Beatles."

Think about all the door mats you would need. "Hey buddy, you missed a foot, right back outside you go mister. No tracking this house up with dirty feet, all twenty of them."

Imagine, if you will, except for the "milk habit" and all the dirty glasses it probably wouldn't be so bad to have a pea green, five foot long, 300 pound caterpillar for a roommate.

Just think about the possibilities, if you would please.



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The Old Coot Spouts Off

Alan Carr
contributing writer

The old coot has been greatly disheartened by a tragedy that has befallen a good friend and lifelong pet, William Lester. Attorneys are now diligently seeking deep pockets to stand good for the couple of bajillion dollars in compensatory damages due us. The recent spate of frigid temperatures has rendered William Lester, a metallic alloy simian male, incapable of the reproductive capacity necessary to propagate his species. Given the judicial atmosphere in America today--which allows the legal profession to flourish in spite of being overpopulated by several thousand percent, William Lester's calamity simply must be someone else's fault. In the all-American spirit of avarice, Willie Les and I will not rest until we have allowed American justice to triumph (which would provide compensation for our basest of needs until Willie Les can achieve gainful employment in the only position for which he is now qualified--chief eunuch in the Arkansas Governor's steno pool.

We are exploring the possibility that GSC's master plan may have made major contributions to Willie Les's dilemma. We feel that had the master plan been sufficiently far-sighted and implemented in a more timely fashion, then Willie Les would have been ensconced in a weather-tight dome with built-in climate controls that would

have covered the entire campus. Poor Willie Les would have been spared the exposure to the hostile elements that have resulted in his being just a hollow shell. He could right now be cavorting and frolicking and consummating just as he once did.

Before the protests accumulate, let the old coot hasten to point out that the funding for this ambitious project is, indeed, available. The funds accrued from the renting of the parking permits over and above the maximum spots available on campus could be used to this end, as well as a generous contribution from the Student's activity fees formerly earmarked for the publication of the *Mercury*. Since the powers-that-be desire that the *Mercury* be a public relations organ for the current administration, it seems only fitting that the publication costs should come from that budget instead of from the students' pockets (or is the expressed concern for the Editor's judgmental soundness really concern for a student's well-being and not just a poorly disguised attempt to censor articles deemed by the powers-that-be as "in poor taste" and "unflattering to the school?").

This dome could be powered by the abundance of superheated atmosphere generated every time there is a question about Simmon's Folly (read parking problem) or the head henchmen's education or what constitutes grounds for the department head demotions, or just what exactly is the "will and pleasure" of the

powers-that-be? Additional power could be generated by the flatulence produced naturally by the resident crimson napes and their 'coon dawgs and supernaturally by the over-indulgence in brewed, hops-based beverages. These power sources should be sufficient to power the dome until the greatest power source ever developed can be brought on line.

It is to this end that the old coot is advocating that an application for a federal grant be made forthwith to fund the research and development of one of the most abundant, and almost totally ignored, sources of power unknown to science. This source will ultimately dwarf the atom. It must be handled with deliberateness, delicacy, and decorum. Should this reaction be set in motion and allowed to get out of hand, it could produce a chain reaction that could result in the meltdown of the reactors and unleash chaos on the human race.

It will be so huge that it will probably require its own federal cabinet and will, no doubt, have to be jointly overseen by Pat Buchanan and Jerry Falwell. The cost effectiveness, the availability, and the sheer intensity of the power generated make any risk insignificant, however. The old coot will be only too happy to accept the position of well-paid director and lead researcher in the quest of split and harness the might of the most power of the most powerful force known to humankind--the MULTIPLE ORGASM!!!



The Man and the Mountain (Part 2)

"What oddity is this?" asked the man to no one in particular. "A small white door set into the side of a mountain, who ever heard of such a thing as this?"

The man who was the curious sort, as most men are, wondered if it would be proper to open the door to find what might lie behind it. After giving much thought to the problem he reached a conclusion. He would knock, as was the proper response to a closed door.

The man rapped gently at first on the door, but there came no answer. Again he tapped on the door slightly louder than the first time, and still received no answer. Finally the man knocked loudly on the white door, and this time he heard a weak voice from the unknown behind the door.

"Who is there?" questioned the voice from inside.

"It is merely a weary traveler on his way to Shangri La," answered the man. "I was told to come visit you on my way. I was told I would find something better here than there."

The door creaked open, but just a crack, a crack no bigger than my thumb, and out from that crack popped a little hairy troll.

"So you want to find something better than Shangri La?" asked the little troll, and before the man could answer that he hadn't meant it quite like that, because everyone knows there is no better place than Shangri La, the troll continued, "Let me tell you what I'll do you for. My name's Phineous Philone, and I'm the King of the troll kingdom. However, I'm becoming too old to rule, and I need a successor to my throne. I have riches beyond your dreams, and beautiful daughters for you to marry. If you would take my throne then I could go to Shangri La before I die, which I fear will be very soon."

The man thought about what he might do as a king. He was very tempted by the troll King's offer. He would be giving a dying old man his last wish, and Shangri La would be around forever.

"Yes," said the man, "I will take your throne, and you can go in my place to Shangri La to finish out your days. May they be filled with joy, peace and love, kind troll, sir, and think of me often ruling your people."

"You have made an old man very happy, kind sir," the troll said. "If you will now just pass through this door into the kingdom you have inherited. Be prosperous eternally, I pray, sir." And then the troll was gone.

The man stepped across the threshold of the door, and was swept away by a great wind, and was carried a million miles before he was dropped to the hard ground below. Confused, he looked around and saw nothing but a great white expanse that flowed like a river into nowhere. The further he looked the closer nothing came to him. He was suddenly alone, and far away from everything he had set out to achieve.

Tune in Next Week for the Exciting Conclusion.

Summer Internship Available for Business Students

Traders Bank of Spencer, West Virginia, has expressed interest in offering a summer internship to a business administration student. The internship will offer full-time employment for the summer months, and the participating student will be considered a temporary employee.

The work in which the student intern will be engaged will cover a variety of responsibilities. Mr. Mike Allen, Traders Bank Vice President, states that

the intern will begin with entry-level responsibilities. Other experiences for the intern will be chosen according to the interests and the major of the student. Possible job experiences may include account reconciliations, computer applications and loan department tasks.

To qualify for participation in a division of business internship, a student must be a full time student with a grade point average of at least 2.5 and be of

junior or senior standing. The student must also have the recommendation of his/her academic advisor.

Any interested student should contact his/her advisor before March 31, 1996. The advisor will recommend to Traders Bank any student who qualifies for internship consideration. From the pool of students interested, Traders Bank will select the participant for the summer internship program.

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tributed to me that "books are not dumped but stored" is totally incorrect. There are no books in storage other than books awaiting final disposition. Any confusion as to the disposal of library materials is on the part of the reporter, not the library. "A load of mainly outdated periodicals that were (sic.) scheduled to be dumped last semester" are materials no one wanted even for recycling. They may have to be destroyed according to State

law. Final disposition is not a discretionary matter. Incidentally, there are some older backruns of journals in storage. This is to make absolutely certain we have no patron requests for the material before any final disposition.

"Another dilemma" according to Ms. Belknap, "is the cancellation of educational materials (while) ... leisure material is being picked up". Ms. Belknap and I discussed this matter in detail. Journals in all subject areas were reduced by the same percent last year. This

reduction included leisure read-which new journals to order when and if additional funds become available.

The mission of the library is to serve the informational needs of students, faculty and community users as effectively as possible and with the funds available. Those informational needs include answering inquiries about library operations and the evaluation of suggestions for improving the library. My door is open to anyone desiring further information on the matters touched in Ms. Belknap's article

or on any other library matters. Your student, faculty and staff representatives on the Library/Media Advisory Committee may also be contacted with your questions and concerns.



The game of mahjongg was first played in China around 2,500 years ago.

FROM THE AD-HOC FACULTY COUNCIL

This month's General faculty Meeting will be held on March 19, at 12:30 p.m. in the Verona Maple Room. Mr. Jim Hinter will discuss income tax preparation. On April 9, Dr. Nolan Browning will discuss a presentation on the Community and Technical College component

ON-LINE CALCULATORS HELP STUDENT LOAN PAYMENTS

College students and graduates alike can now begin

their post-college budgets by using "interactive calculators" at Sallie Mae's Web Site: <http://www.salliemae.com>. These calculators help with specific information about student loans and provide budget worksheets, monthly payment estimates, and other calculations.

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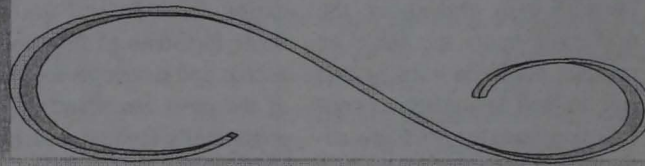
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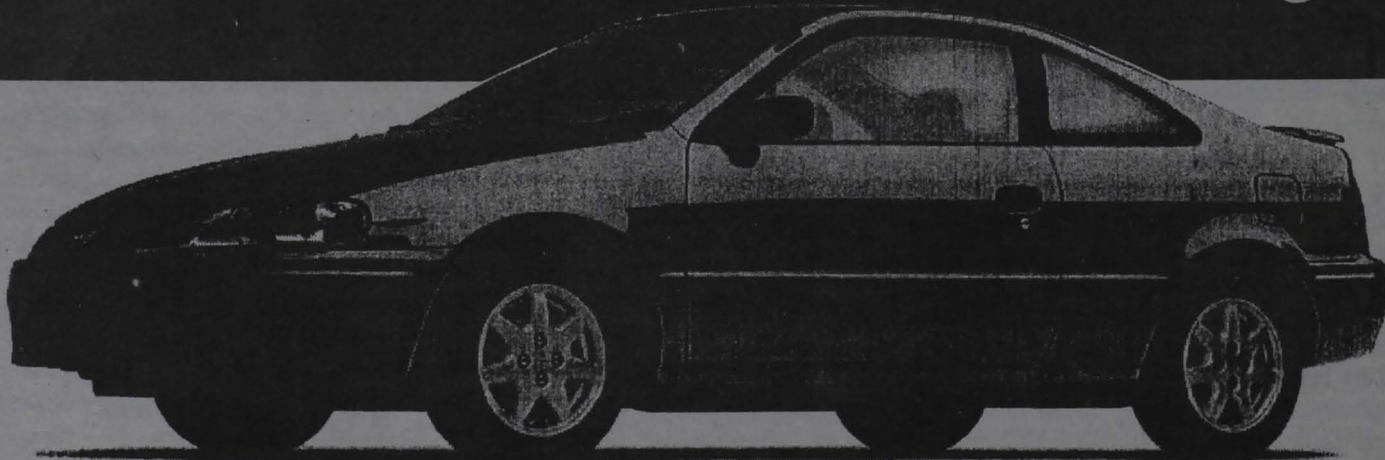
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