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Student Center switch

By John F. Gillick
STAFF WRITER

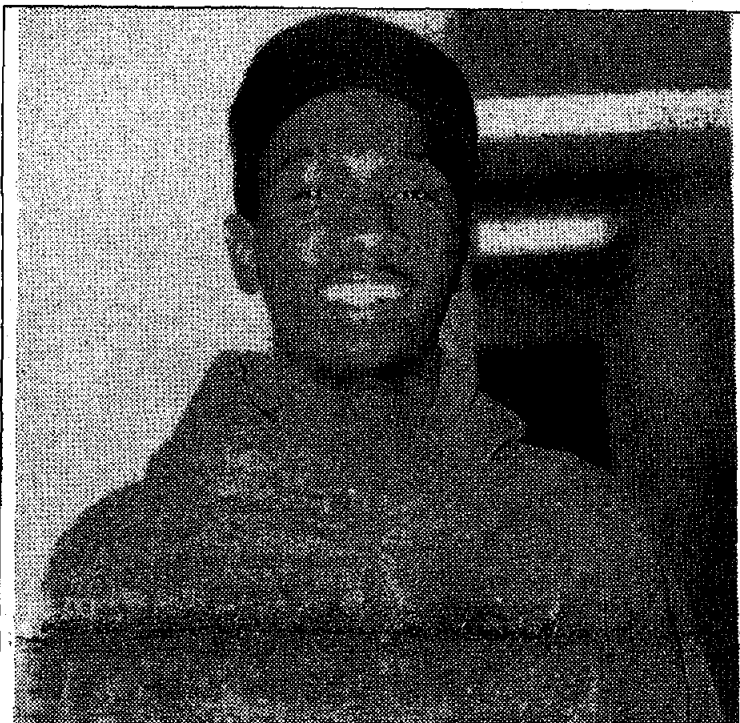
Recent relocation of offices in the Student Center, including the controversial addition of the Women's Center, may further disorient students returning from Spring Break. Campus Activities (formerly Campus Events Services) has moved from Student Center (SC) rooms 208, 210, and 214 to the SC Central Office on the first floor.

The Foundation staff has taken the Women's Center's space in Matelson Hall and the Women's Center has moved from Matelson Hall to SC 214. The Greek Senate has moved both its offices from SC 215 and the third floor to SC 208 and 210, said Mitch Fahrer, director of Campus Activities.

"People may want to use this place as a resource, socially and educationally," answered Meryle Kaplan, director of the Women's Center. "It is the chemistry of shared concerns or anybody in the community who feels that this might be a place for them to stop in. When there's concern about people who have been harmed in some way, our answer to that is we'll go anywhere to see students who are in need."

"We wanted to be in a central location that felt safe to people, a place they'd feel comfortable going to," Kaplan said. "The SGA felt that as a whole collection of activities and as a resource for the campus, they decided that they'd be happy to have us in this building. We've had a lot of students very involved with us in building this program and feeling invested in it."

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Trevor Thomas, producer at 98.7 WRKS FM. See related story, page 3

(Photo by Karen Becht)

SGA president asked to resign

By Andrew Scott
NEWS EDITOR

Art Wooten agreed to resign from his position as SGA president at a closed SGA executive board meeting on Thursday, said Deana Booker, who is now SGA president. Wooten agreed to resign after the board voted that he should not remain as president.

Wooten, who could not be reached for comment this

week, told the board on Thursday that he is supposed to receive a letter this week, from President Arnold Speert, reinstating him as a student at the college, Booker said.

Booker said she was ill for two weeks, starting the week of Feb. 22, and was not able to

"If it was his (Speert's) responsibility to inform the SGA, he did not do so in a proper manner. He told Art that he wasn't (SGA) president anymore, without giving any prior notice."-Booker

Beacon in need

By Pamela Johnson
ASST. NEWS EDITOR

In the pre-dawn hours of Sunday night/Monday morning, a group of students works feverishly against the clock each week in an effort to produce **The Beacon**. The culprit responsible for keeping these students from resting their weary heads is an unfortunate lack of essential equipment.

The Beacon is trying to raise money to buy new computers and update its current system. According to Andrew Scott, news editor "additional equipment can help us increase efficiency to improve story quality."

"It could help us so we don't spend as much of the editor's time waiting to get on the computer," he added.

"I would like to thank all of the people who have contributed in response to our ad," said Scott.

"Simply put, we need more

money to get more equipment."

The Beacon fundraiser started the first week of November and since then has raised close to one thousand dollars. However, in order for **The Beacon** to obtain new equipment like a software update, a new laser printer, and at least one new terminal, between eight and ten thousand dollars is necessary.

Domenick Stampone, editor-in-chief sums up the predicament: "all told, the computer crisis at **The Beacon** has made for an extended production period, a break in the creative process and, on occasion, subpar results."

"I find myself waiting for other staff members to complete their assignment or interrupting them to finish mine," said Stampone.

According to Randee Bayer-Spittel, copy editor, "it's had a serious effect on the quality of work we are able to do."

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Wooten said in a Feb. 7 **Beacon** interview that on Feb. 5 Speert told him he could no longer be SGA president because he did not pay his tuition bill for last semester.

This meant that Wooten was not officially a student at the college, although he said he received his tuition reimbursement check after receiving his grades. Speert then said Booker was now officially president. Wooten said Speert would not give him a reason why he felt he did not pay the bill and that Speert gave him until Feb. 12 to do so.

Speert sent a memo to the SGA executive board on Feb. 8, informing members that the administration did not consider Wooten a student. On Feb. 9, the SGA granted Wooten a leave of absence to correct his situation.

Booker said Wooten told the SGA he would have the situa-

tion corrected by Feb. 12. The SGA legislature considered her acting president from Feb. 9 to 12. She said, either on or after Feb. 12, he told the executive board that "the paperwork was in" and that he would continue on as president, although the administration still did not consider him a student.

When Booker returned to her office hours during the week of March 8, she saw that most of Wooten's belongings had been removed from the SGA president's office. She said Wooten considered her acting president at that time and told her his situation was still not corrected.

When asked why the administration did not consider Wooten as a student, SGA Vice President Dan Cimmino said he did not know and that Wooten's academic record is not public information. Cimmino said he did not know whether Wooten's academic record had something to do with the administration not considering Wooten a student.

Speert said he was not prepared to say why the administration did not consider Wooten a student. SEE STUDENT, PAGE 5

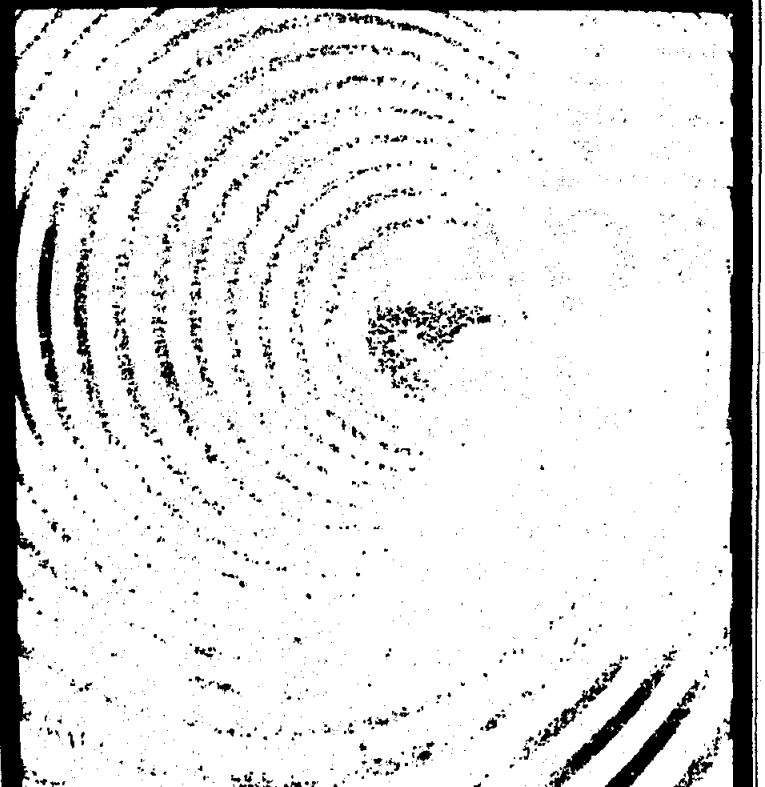
CAMPUS EVENTS

Monday
Chinese Student Association — 5 p.m. Raubinger 201. General Meeting. For more information call Simon at 595-9059 or 402-8208.
Catholic Campus Ministry Club—Bring some brightness into an elderly person's life. Come visit with us as we visit at Preakness Nursing Home at 6:30 p.m. Van can pick up at dorms. For more information call Angela at 389-9069.
Women's Center—1:30-3:30 p.m. SC Room 203-4-5. Passaic County Open Forum on Women's Issues - Participants will include the director of New Jersey Division on Women; representatives from the Attorney General's office and the Government office. All are welcome. Call the Women's Center for more info. at 595-2946.

Tuesday
JSA—SC 325-March 30 9:30-Noon. Bagels 'N More-open house and discussion. For more info call Nancy Susso at ext. 2524.
CCMC—6:30 p.m. Join us as we visit and do crafts with the handicapped at North Jersey Developmental Center. Van will pick up at the dorms. For more info call Debbie at 942-4557.
Coalition of Lesbians, Gays and Friends—6:30 p.m. in Science 369. Rap Group. Refreshments served. All welcomed. For more info call 595-3427.
Early Childhood Organization—3:30, March 30 in Raubinger 213. The Early Childhood Organization would like all majors to come to their meeting, Tuesday, March 30 at 3:30 p.m. in Raubinger 213. Please come and see what they're all about.
Women's Center/Adult Learner Program —Tuesday, March 30, 5:30 - 6:45 p.m. in the Student Center 332-3. Fitting School Into Your Life. For more information contact Women's Center ext. 2946.
Women's Center/Feminist Collective —Tuesday, M. 30; 12:30 - 2 p.m. at Student Center 324-5. Talk on Women and Art - "Her Sexual Representations: Feminism, Art and Desire" - Pat A. Cronin, Art Historian For more info, contact Women's Center.
Psychology Club —Tuesday, Mar. 30, 3:30 \$220. Dr. Gill, a professor at WPC will be speaking on sports psychology. All are welcomed. For more information call Ari at 595-2149.

Wednesday
Student Environmental Action Coalition (SEAC)—6:00 in the SC Performing Arts Lounge. Meeting. All new members are welcome! For more info call Jen at 835-7586 after 6 p.m.
Women's Center/ COLGAR—Mar. 31, SC 203-4-5 from 7:00-9:00 pm- The Importance of Gay Rights as Civil Rights- Kevin Cathcart, executive director, Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund. For more info call the Women's Center at 595-2946.
Catholic Campus Ministry Club—5:00 p.m. at CCMCenter. Bring your favorite prayers and

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DEAR ADVISOR

Attention Students: This column is for you! The staff at the advisement center understand that you often have frustrations in your dealings with academic policies and procedures. "Dear Advisor" is our effort to help you. If you have a question that does not appear in our bi-monthly column, feel free to stop by and see us at the Advisement center. We are open Monday through Thursday 9:00 am - 7:00pm, and Friday, 9:00am - 5:00pm, in Wayne Hall Room 138.

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CCMC—8:00 at the CCMCenter. Come Catholic Chats. Everything yoways wanted to know about Catholic Church but didn't ask - now. For more info, call Fatheu at 595-6184.
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Dear Register Me: The Fall 1993 master schedules will sometime during the first week of April. They can be obtained either in the Student Center or the Advisement Center, Wayne Hall, Room 138.
Full-Time Undergraduate All full time undergraduate students will be invited to register in person, on line. Mailgrams will be sent to students identifying their scheduled date and time. All registration appointments will take place between April 13th and April 28th.
Part-Time Undergraduate and All Graduate It is recommended that part-time undergraduates take advantage of On-Line registration however, these students have an option to

Dear Advisor: Since priority registration is approaching, I would like to know when the Fall 1993 master schedules will be available, when registration is being held and what procedures I need to follow? Signed Register Me

Dear Informed: Actually, the forms have changed. They are no longer a three part form. They are now one sheet and look quite different from previously used forms.

The Beacon, in order to form a more perfect paper... NEED YOUR HELP!

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WPC stunts publish *The Beacon* each week using only two vintage Macintosh computers, an equally outmoded laser printer and a six-year-old desktop publishing program. Due to this lack of adequate technology, *The Beacon* staff spends approximately 40 hours each weekend producing your paper (this does not include time given to assigning, researching and writing articles). Most of this production time is spent waiting to use a computer or waiting for a computer or printer problem to be resolved.

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Profile on: Trevor Thomas

By Andrew Scott
NEWS EDITOR

If you tune in to 98.7 WRKS FM (also known as Kiss FM), Monday to Friday starting at 8 p.m., you can enjoy the top eight rhythm and blues songs in New York City for the week. During this program, called the Top Eight at Eight Countdown, listeners might hear the disc jockey, Wendy Williams, refer to a co-worker known as "Skeletor."

Some people on campus know Skeletor by his real name, Trevor Thomas. Others who have never seen him before can probably figure out why he has the nickname, Skeletor, when they take a look at his thin figure.

Thomas, a radio broadcasting major in his fourth year at WPC, began working at Kiss FM in January 1991 as an intern, running various errands. In June 1991, he began working with Williams, interning as her assistant.

"I loved listening to Wendy on the radio," he says. "I introduced myself to her and asked her if she needed help doing her show. She said 'sure.'"

Thomas, a native of Paterson, became a disc jockey in December 1991. He describes a typical day as a radio station producer.

"I get to the station at 5 p.m. to get the equipment ready for Wendy's show which lasts from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m.," he says.

This equipment includes microphones and tapes on which shoutouts, greetings that listeners phone in to the station, are recorded. Other types are used to record songs. CD that are played for the *It Or Dis It* segment, in which listeners vote whether or not they like the song. Thomas also prepares music beds, tapes with background music which the disc jockey does the over, and recorded commercials.

"At 6 p.m. I get something to eat. After Wendy opens the request line and I take requests from people who call in."

During the hours of the show, the station holds contests with prizes such as tickets to see performances and to get into dance clubs. To win a prize, a contest has to have a certain number of calls in to answer a question or to

where everything is and where they can get food."

The rest of Thomas's shift, which lasts until 10 p.m., mainly involves taking phone calls from listeners.

The station is also active in various community service projects, in which Thomas participates. One such project is facilitating the annual Easter Egg Hunt for children of all ages, to be held at Eastside Park in Paterson on April 7.

He recalls some of the memorable experiences he has had while working at Kiss.

"One time, I was coming back from a party in Long Island with Wendy, Eric B., Kool G. Rap and Polo (rapper and d.j.), and some other people. We stopped at a diner in Queens at around four in the morning and ordered some food. Eric B. made a remark about how I ate a lot for someone so skinny. He kept calling me 'skeleton' and Wendy laughed. After that, she started

Thomas speaks fondly of working at Kiss FM, but soon he will be speaking fondly of working elsewhere. May 31 will be his last day at Kiss because he is applying for work as a disc jockey at other stations. He has received one offer from Power 103 in Newton, N.J. and is waiting for responses from other stations, including one in the Caribbean."

His future plans include becoming a station program director, making such decisions as what music will be played and what contests will be sponsored.

When asked to advise students who want to go into this field, Thomas says, "Get involved with the campus stations and off-campus stations. Get internships now if you're an underclassman. Don't wait. The experience is very important. And don't be afraid to go far away to work somewhere."

Aside from working at Kiss

"I loved listening to Wendy on the radio. I...asked her if she needed help doing the show. She said 'sure.'"-Thomas

B. & Rakim.

"The guests arrive at the station at 7:30 p.m. and I go out and introduce myself to them. I then take them to a room where I set up microphones to record their greetings to the listeners. The recorded greetings are played during the countdown. At 8 p.m., I escort the guests to the studio where Wendy will interview them. I show them calling me 'Skeletor.'"

Thomas says he enjoys being known by another name.

"It's like being a celebrity. People call the station and I answer, saying 'Hi, this is Trevor at Kiss.' They say 'I'd like to speak to Skeletor.' I say 'That's me' and they say 'Oh, that's you?' And I think 'Wait a minute, I'm just a student, a regular person who takes the bus. Why are you getting so excited?'"

FM, Thomas is also a disc jockey at 88.7 WPSC FM on campus. His two shows, which can be heard on Mondays, consist of alternative music from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. and r & b and hip hop from 11 p.m. to 2 a.m. He is also a member of the Black Students Association and the Equal Opportunity Fund Advisory Board, which holds open houses for high school students.

Beacon grateful for donations

FROM BEACON, PAGE 1

Two ancient computers just aren't enough."

"On Sunday night, I alone wait four and a half hours waiting for computer time," said Bayer-Spittel.

"It's a small dedicated staff of top-notch students who are dedicated to putting out a first class newspaper but the ancient computers are holding back and frustrating *The Beacon* staff in the pursuit of journalistic excellence," said Anthony Francin, staff writer.

"Unfortunately most WPC students don't realize that *The Beacon* does not receive funding from the college or Student Government. Therefore, it is important that students become involved with *The Beacon* by both joining the staff and giving whatever possible contributions they can," said Francin.

Tina Leshner, faculty advisor to *The Beacon*, says the lack of proper equipment "hurts the experience for students who work on *The Beacon*. I feel its hurting our potential as an institution for future journalists."

"By contributing to *The Beacon*, we are contributing to an integral part of the campus," said Leshner.

The Beacon would like to thank all of those who have been so generous in the past:

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over the summer.

When asked about the situation, Dean of Students Henry Krell replied, "There were a number of recommendations about various moves in the Student Center. On the basis of all these I tried to make a decision and tried to come up with the best for everybody. What you see is what I hope is the best possible decision."

FROM STUDENT, PAGE 1

The SGA requested to move into the space occupied by the Campus Activities staff in SC 315 in order to have more office space, but was denied that request because the Campus Activities staff chose to remain in 315, Fahrer said. Instead, the SGA will gain SC 332 and 333 to use as additional office space. This move will happen

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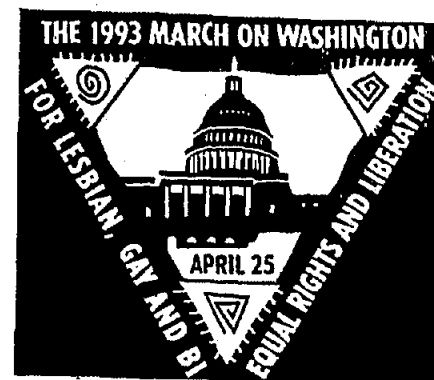
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New dorm to open in Fall

By Andrew Scott
NEWS EDITOR

Students selecting campus housing for next semester can now choose to move into the new dormitory, which is scheduled to open in the Fall. Construction on the building is a part of the college's Master Plan, to expand campus facilities, approved by the Board of Trustees in 1990.

The dormitory, located on College Road behind the Towers, is built to house 250 residents, which will take the campus resident population from 1,526 to 1,776, said Roland Watts, Residence Life director and assistant dean of students. The interior of the three-story dormitory will be similar to the floors in the Towers. Each floor will have two wings that can each house approximately 42 residents and each bathroom will connect two rooms. The ongoing construction will be completed in June, so no one is allowed to view the building yet.

The rule stating that students living within a 20-mile radius of WPC cannot receive campus housing has been lifted now that the new dormitory will be opened, Watts said.

The college instituted this rule in the late 1980s so that the limited number of housing

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The administration is addressing possible parking problems because, along with a potential 250 new resident cars, construction will begin soon on a building behind Hunziker Wing which will eliminate more parking space.

FROM SGA, PA

a student. He that information is private according to a federal law keeps students' records from disclosure.

"I had a responsibility to inform the SGA that one of its members did not fit the definition of 'student,' Speert said. "That definition includes one who is duly admitted at the college, who is taking courses, and who has a personal relationship with the college."

"If it was responsibility to inform them, he did not do so in a proper manner," Booker said. "I told Art that he wasn't present anymore, without giving prior notice. He should have first informed the SGA executive board, who would then have informed the legislature. That matter would have then been brought to the

igible to live in the dorm, Watts said.

The administration is addressing possible parking problems because, along with a potential 250 new resident cars, construction will begin soon on a building behind Hunziker Wing which will eliminate more parking space.

"The administration is looking into various scenarios as to finding parking to accommodate these extra residents," Watts said. "To my knowledge, Peter Spiridon (vice president of Administration and Finance) assigned Walter Johnson (assistant vice president) the task of investigating various options."

Johnson could not be reached for comment.

Additional information and pictures of the building will be available during room selection. Anyone seeking more information can go to the Towers Central Office, North Tower D 29.

Student records kept private

students' attention for the students to decide."

Speert added that he cannot give a yes or no answer as to whether the administration presently considers Wooten a student. He said he would send a letter definitely reinstating Wooten as a student "when able to do so."

"From what I know about the situation, I don't think Art was treated properly," Booker said. "I hope we can get through the rest of the year on a positive note."

Someone will be recommended to serve as executive vice president, Booker's former position, by the SGA executive

board at the SGA legislature meeting tomorrow at 3:30 p.m. The person recommended must be approved by a vote of two thirds majority. According to the SGA Constitution, a special election will not be held for this position because there are less than 45 school days left in the semester.

Associate professor resigns as acting asst. v.p. of Minority Ed

By Andrew Scott
NEWS EDITOR

Reginald Grier resigned from his position as acting assistant vice president of the Office of Minority Education on March 12.

Grier, associate professor in the Accounting and Law Department, said he resigned because of a disagreement over compensation with Eleanor Smith, vice president for Academic Affairs and provost. The Office of Minority Education reports to Smith through Susan McNamara, associate vice president of Academic Affairs. Grier said he was being paid the same salary as acting assistant vice president that he is being

ing paid as associate professor.

"I was not told what salary I would be receiving as acting assistant vice president," he said. "I assumed I would be paid the same salary as my predecessor. I made a mistake. Whoever is offering a position can set whatever salary they feel should be set for that position. It's up to you whether you want to take it or leave it. I chose to leave it."

Grier had been serving in that position since Jan. 17. Both he and Smith declined to say how much the acting assistant vice president is paid and how much an associate professor is paid.

"The concern now is finding

someone to head the position," Smith said. "We have an excellent pool of applicants whom we are interviewing."

The acting assistant vice president facilitates outreach activities in the minority community both on and off campus, such as working on projects with various organizations.

Rosetta Sands, chairperson of the search committee interviewing the applicants, could not be reached for comment.

Grier replaced Leslie Agard-Jones, who took a leave of absence from faculty on Jan. 1 to serve as director of multicultural education on the New York City Board of Education.

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Dr. Denise Chao, professor emeritus of Languages and Cultures at William Paterson College died on Feb. 12. Chao is survived by a cousin, aunt, and half sister in Taiwan, a niece in New Jersey, and her husband Paul Chao, an Anthropology professor at WPC.

Chao received her undergraduate degree from National Taiwan University, China and received her doctorate in French Literature from Université de Lille, France.

Chao came to the U.S. in 1972. She became a professor at WPC in 1973 and founded the Chinese Club in 1975. She was the faculty advisor for the club until her death.

Chao was buried on Feb. 18.

EDITORIAL

Well, Mr. President?

What the hell is going on?

To loyal readers of *The Beacon*, this seems like an unusual question for this staff to be asking. Normally, *The Beacon* staff saves its questions for the people it interviews. But with the recent Art Wooten/SGA president-interim president-non president story the questions seem to get answered only with misinformation (excuse me, misCOMMUNICATION). Since Feb. 5, when *The Beacon* learned that SGA president/non-president Art Wooten was informed that due to an unpaid bill he was no longer a student and therefore could not continue his duties as SGA president, this newspaper has run into a variety of obstacles and roadblocks while digging for the truth.

What follows is a chronology of Wooten's roller coaster ride through the first year of his administration.

April 1992. Wooten is elected SGA president, alongside his entire ticket.

September 1992. Following the appointment of Meryle Kaplan to head the Women's Center, Wooten leads the SGA's protest of the search committee's decision to bypass two higher-ranked nominees, one of which was in-house.

October 1992. The SGA approves WPC as a United Students of New Jersey campus; Freshman Class president elections are declared void following an alleged violation by Freshman Class presidential candidate, Ian Burrowes. Burrowes

was disqualified by the Elections Committee but Wooten, who maintained that the Elections Committee did have enough membership, backed Burrowes. Burrowes goes on to win the ensuing special election.

November 1992. Through the first four meetings of the SGA legislature 30 absences were recorded; the SGA holds an illegal closed meeting to discuss matters not protected by New Jersey's Open Public Meetings Law.



December 1992. The SGA holds its annual Holiday Party for community orphans, providing toys and entertainment to more than 100 children.

February 1993. Wooten is informed that he can no longer retain his position as SGA president due to an unpaid tuition bill. His tuition reimbursement, however, was approved for the Fall 1992 semester by the SGA legislature in December.

On Feb. 9, Wooten was granted a leave of absence by the SGA legislature and Executive Vice-President Deana Booker was named acting SGA president. The leave of absence stated

Wooten would be welcomed back as president once he straightened out his tuition problem. Before Spring Break, Wooten cleared his office of his personal possessions. At press time *The Beacon* has learned that Wooten will resign following a vote of removal by the SGA Executive Board at a closed meeting of the Executive Board on Thursday, March 25.

The question here is what is Wooten hiding? Whatever it is the 10,000 students at WPC have a right to know (not to mention his fellow SGA officers.) We know Wooten received tuition approval. We know he claims to be a student in good standing. Obviously, the official excuse of "tuition problems" holds little water and the time has come for the campus community to demand that Wooten come clean with the true story. He remained official SGA president, albeit on leave of absence, for a month and a half.

The SGA has been left rudderless for almost the entire semester and with a \$500,000 budget that makes for a very large and expensive ship. Now that Booker is president the SGA can begin to function again, but there are only three weeks left until the next SGA General Election. This means that WPC students can be guaranteed ineffective leadership for the remainder of the semester as well.

Wooten is no longer the SGA president. We still, however, deserve an explanation.

LETTERS

Homophobes distort Bible's true meaning

Editor, *The Beacon*

This letter is in response to the one by Jill Miladinovich claiming that the Bible several times states that "homosexuality is an abomination" and therefore that your editorial supporting gay rights was "arrogant."

In the first place, homosexuality as a lifelong sexual orientation that people do not choose and cannot change was first discovered in the 1890's. The concept of homosexuality was entirely unknown to the biblical authors. Any time the word homosexual appears in modern translations, it signals the fact that an anachronistic mistranslation has taken place.

It is true that the biblical authors express disapproval of certain same-sex behaviors, which

they assume are engaged in despite of the heterosexual orientation everybody shares. The same-sex behavior they mention is always abusive, such as the adulterous behavior of married men, gang rape, or extortionistic prostitution; or else it occurs in the context of "pagan" worship. But according to the findings of serious Bible scholars, there is nothing in the Bible that opposes the agenda of protecting the civil and human rights of lesbian and gay people. I highly recommend, for instance, *The New Testament and Homosexuality* by Robin Scroggs, a heterosexual married man who teaches New Testament at Union Theological Seminary in New York City. The book I co-authored with Letha Scanzoni, *Is the Homosexual My Neighbor? Another Christian View*, surveys all the relevant Bible passages as well as the scientific research.

Because the Bible, when read contextually, is supportive of lesbian and gay personhood, protecting the civil and human rights of lesbian people has received official support from many religious denominations and organizations. Among

them: the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, the Episcopal Church, the United Methodist Church, and the National Conference of Catholic Bishops. Would Ms. Miladinovich really like to accuse all of these organizations of not giving a damn about God's opinion? Apparently, they know more about the Bible—and human sexuality—than she does.

In short, the *Beacon* editorial was more biblical than even its authors may have realized. Miladinovich is certainly correct that "there must be some standard of right and wrong," and the changeless biblical standard is this: that we should love our neighbors as we love ourselves. This standard was first articulated by Moses and was emphatically reiterated by Jesus and several of the apostles. Such a standard means that every relationship, gay or non-gay, would be conducted with mutual caring and concern for the physical, mental, and spiritual well-being of each partner.

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Murray makes *Groundhog Day*

By Walter Elliot
STAFF WRITER

Groundhog Day (Columbia Pictures) is a quirky comedy featuring an off-beat premise and a polished lead performance by Bill Murray.

Murray, as conceited Pittsburgh weatherman, Phil Connors, is sent to cover the Groundhog festival at Punxsutawney, Pa., but ends up in a time warp. Accompanied by producer Rita (Andie MacDowell) and technician Larry (Chris Elliott), Phil is forced by a sudden snowstorm to stay overnight in Punxsutawney. Phil wakes up and gradually realizes he is repeating Feb. 2 over, and over, and

The Trevor Albert/Harold Ramis produced film takes off when Phil alternately tries to exploit or break through the daily *deja-vu*. The picture gains a "Road Runner" cartoon quality midway when Murray's character



insults townspeople, stages car chases and kidnaps the groundhog. The movie's tempo tapers off when Phil tries to woo Rita, despite some more outlandish stunts.

Murray's ability to switch his

comedic pace is admirable in "Groundhog Day." Those who remember the "Saturday Night Live" Murray will also enjoy his mid-picture antics while being pleasantly surprised at the start by his use of drier

wit. Murray's portrayal gets vague when he tries to play the romantic lead--it isn't clear when or to what degree Phil changes his self-centeredness when courting Rita.

This question mark cannot be blamed on Andie MacDowell. Her depiction of a skeptical but gradually warming Rita is an ample foil for Murray. Murray's toning down must also have affected Chris Elliott, who trades in his own jerkiness for a realistic cameraman role.

"Groundhog Day" has one leaving the theater with some strong laughs and some thoughts about how one spends time. It is rated PG due to Phil's repeated suicide attempts and a bank robbery on screen. You may not have long to see it; however, since another Murray film, *Mad Dog and Glory* has just been released.

Art Happens at WPC



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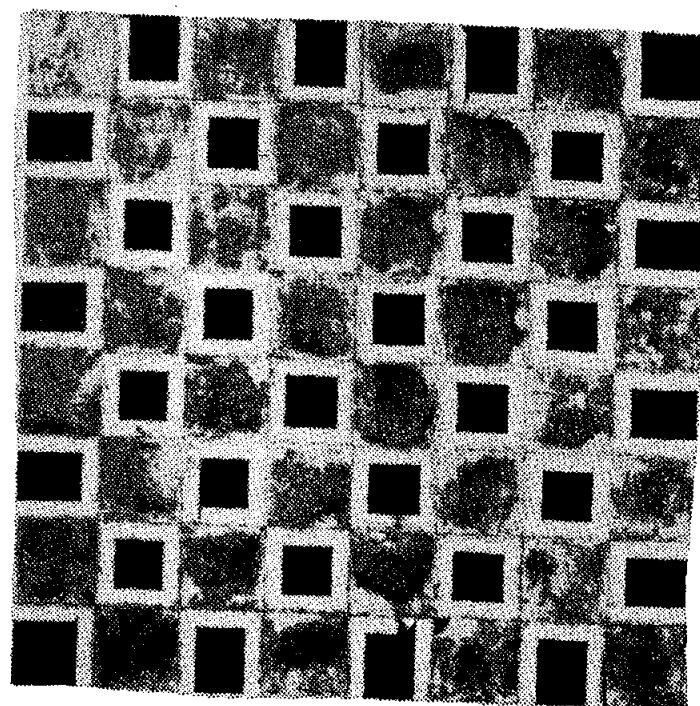


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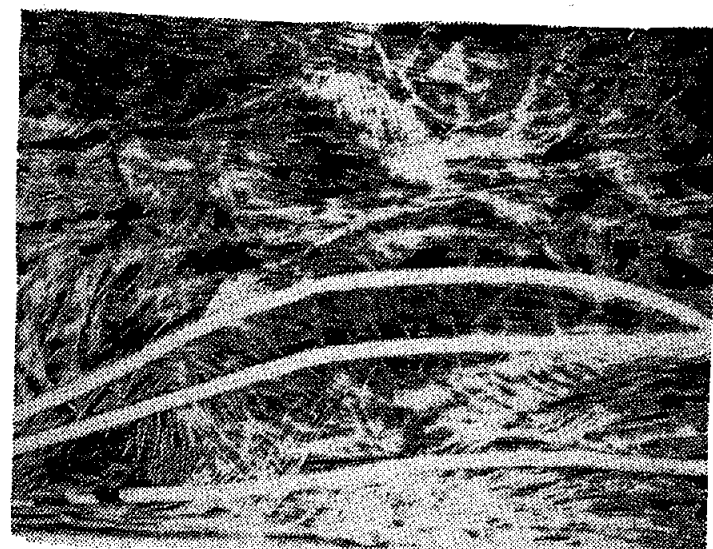


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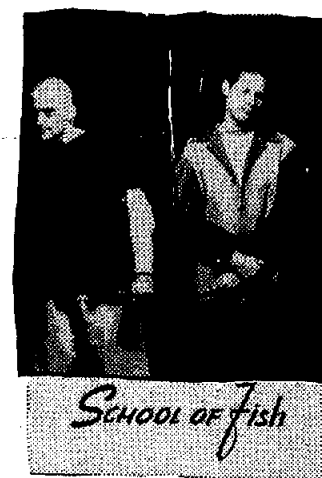


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Donna Moylan
"Venus" 1991
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Sounds from The Inside...



School of Fish
Human Cannonball
(Capitol)

By Mike Garry
INSIDER EDITOR

Upon hearing the first School of Fish album I said to myself, "If only there were blood and guts to go with these great harmonies and tough guitars. Damn the click tracks and drum machines! Where's the shake of it all?"

Human Cannonball has fulfilled these non-verbal desires using just the elements that were left out of the first record. Michael Ward and Josh Clayton-Felt once again bring out the day and night, left and right extremities that make School of Fish more than just a pop band, but this time they do it with live drums and louder guitars along with enough catchy harmonies and pop hooks to charm the angels.

Songs like "Complicator" and "Fuzzed and Faded" fit nicely alongside any other hard alternative track you'll find in power rotation on college radio while the delicacy and tenderness of "Fountain" provides resolve to the big, churning sounds that dominate the album.

Clayton-Felt's sweet vocals provide the perfect counterpoint for Ward's relentless riffage. Josh Freese (Suicidal Tendencies, Infectious Grooves) holds down the fort with the quirky yet satisfying bass onslaught of Chris McDonald.

Though the album loses steam

towards the end, *Human Cannonball* is a solid collection of well-written, well-executed songs that serve as a perfect follow-up to School of Fish's self-titled debut; less mechanized and packed with shake.



The Brady Bunch
It's a Sunshine Day
The Best of The Brady Bunch
(MCA)

By Lorrie Pannulo
STAFF WRITER

I have seen the future of music and its name is retro. While it is true that history has a tendency to repeat itself, just frequently enough, in the past few years—to maintain a sense of repetition, it's the 90's now, and yet we are about to be drowned by whatever influences artists can gleam from the 70's. Oh, no, not bell-bottoms! But here they come, according to MTV's *House of Style*.

Case in point: *It's a Sunshine Day—The Best of the Brady Bunch*, was just released by MCA Records. Included in this musical masterpiece are those songs we all remember so well—but trust me, more affectionately than they deserve! I'm listening to the Brady rendition of "American Pie" and it ain't pretty. I want to turn it off, but I can't, probably for the same reason I couldn't turn off Dennis Leary. "Candy (Sugar Shoppe)" has a really funky guitar sound, with a B.B. King beat, and it sounds about as good as this album could reasonably expect to be.

It's a Sunshine Day contains all

of the songs we expect, "Time to Change", "We Can Make The World A Whole Lot Brighter" and a previously unreleased version of their "Theme Song." I expect this album will be a hit, in fact "Time to Change" debuted on WCRN Radio (Yes, WPC has 2 radio stations), charts at #12. I imagine we can all expect a Brady's reunion tour soon, and if we're really lucky—maybe they'll open for The Monkees...or better yet, a triple bill with The Partridge Family. Better start asking the parental units about those bellbottoms, and maybe, we'd all better start brushing up on 70's lingo like "far out," and then we can all listen to Paul Simon's hit "Feelin' Groovy" without laughing.

But the new trend in music is not based solely on the Brady collection. No, because we're lucky enough to live in an age when a band like Shonen Knife can not only form, get a record deal, release an album, but can watch it go to top 10 on the national college radio charts. Shonen Knife prove that retro—while based on 70's American music—is not limited to American bands. No, that would be far too limiting, and retro extends to the far land of Japan. This all female band is receiving airtime on MTV, and if they ever get to even lite rotation on 92.3 or 102.7, I vow to lock myself into a room and listen to "Achy Breaky Heart" continuously until I have completely destroyed my musical palate, and can return to the world insensitive to the emerging sounds of yesteryear.

Faith No More
Songs To Make Love To
(Slash/Reprise)

By Mike Garry
INSIDER EDITOR

"Easy" is one of the greatest cover tunes ever done. Just when you thought Faith No More were beginning to pander to radio because their latest LP *Angel Dust* wasn't selling as well as 1988's *The Real Thing*, Mike Patton let's out that glorious "Eeeewwooo" just prior to a note for note rendering of one of the cheesiest guitar solos ever, letting you in on the joke.

It would seem that this is an uncharacteristic song for FNM to be doing, but is it? I mean Mike Patton sings this track really well. Well enough to fool those mutant Muzak martian DJs you never see but who play all those Leo Sayer and Kiki Dee songs in your local supermarkets and department stores.

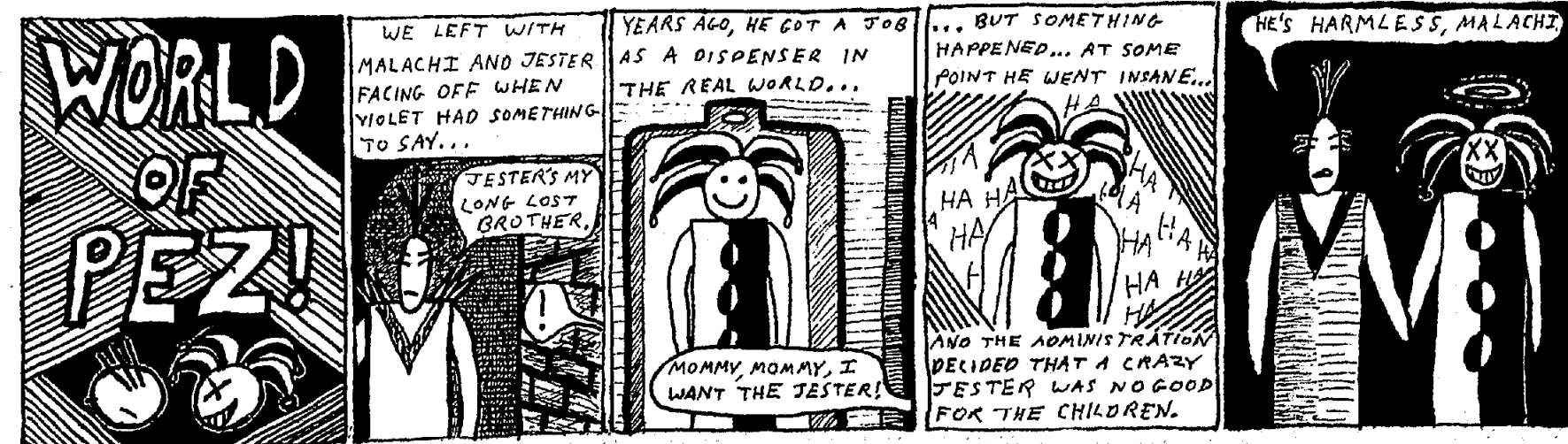
Maybe FNM are just planning to take over the world. Could it be that our national pastime will soon be picking boogers and watching pornographic cartoons, drinking motor oil and breaking Charles Manson out of jail so he can record that record he never got to do—all in the name of psycho-suburban blight? Probably.

So what better soundtrack is there for such activities than the German folk nonsense of "Das Scutzenfest", the theme from *Midnight Cowboy* and the cover version of the Dead Kennedy's "Let's Kill the Landlord" not to exclude the aforementioned cover of a Commodores classic. Warning: This EP could induce projectile vomiting, motor-voting and/or free thought. Translation: It's good fun. Get it.

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by Evan Robb

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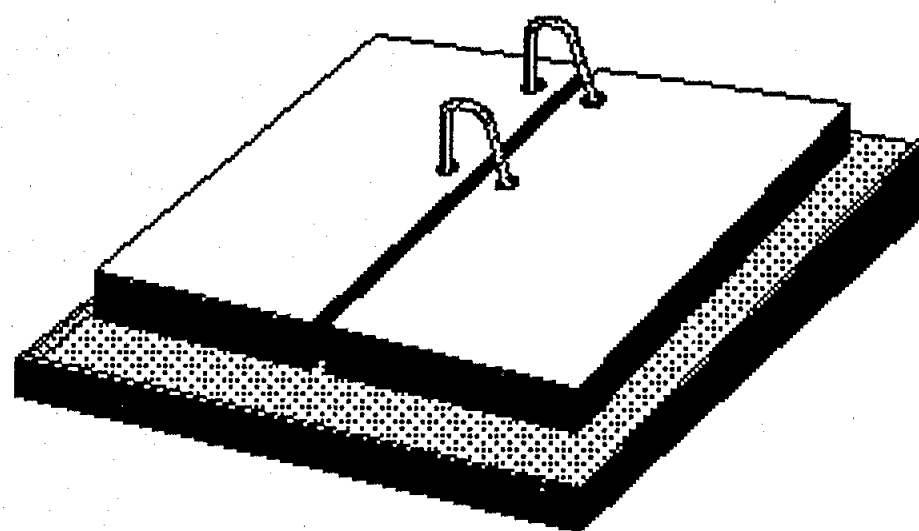
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Barney visits WPC

By Randee Bayer-Spittel
COPY EDITOR

The sound of laughter struck you as you entered the Student Center on Saturday. The Student Council for Exceptional Citizens (SCEC) was holding their fifth Friendship day for disabled children.

Children ran around the ballroom accompanied by a large purple dinosaur with a green belly. Could it be? Why yes it is, Barney of PBS fame.

But, Barney was not the only thing for the kids to enjoy, there was sand art, panel painting and Arican beads as well as that all-time favorite, pizza.

James Mohr the SCEC president said the program has been going well, with increasing attendance and real appreciation from the parents.

One parent wrote to thank to the club and said, "Jaime has a wonderful time. She has so little fun time with others than her family. We really appreciate your efforts."

Jamie was at Saturday's party. She is a beautiful little girl with huge shining brown eyes. Jamie is autistic. A tall thin boy named Sam was also there enjoying his first visit to the the event. Both Sam, who is mentally retarded, and his mother Jill seemed anxious at first but eventually, as Jill said, "It took Sam a while to adjust but he had fun. We're coming back."

Even Barney fell in love with the kids. He, actually she, was played by junior theatre major Allison

Byrnes who said, "I have done a lot of parties and this was the best Barney party I've ever done. The kids were just great."

Sitting in a cramped office, after he finished cleaning up, he talked with great pride about the program that he started and that he will con-



Mohr likes to credit party chairperson Michele Mansuy with doing a great job and also the generosity of the SGA but after speaking to him for awhile anyone could see how much he cares about the kids and about the party.

tinue with next year. Mohr is already thinking about new activities for the next time.

Saturday afternoon the Student Center rang with the laughter of children whose disabilities make them no less wonderful and actually more

"Jamie was at Saturday's party. She is a beautiful little girl with huge brown eyes. Jamie is autistic." -R.B.S.

precious. You could see the joy on the faces of the volunteers as they coaxed smiles from children who don't seem to have a lot to smile about and more than see it, you could feel that joy.

A few of the volunteers could be heard talking about the children as they left and the words that they said summed up the whole day.

"I'm tired but I'm happy and I think they are too."

Correction:
Being new to the field of editing
I made a major lay-out flub in Randee Bayer-Spittel's Computer Dating Story. I apologize to both writer and readers and now that we've all had a good laugh we can all carry on. - M.G.

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WEST COAST SCENE

By Dawn M. Marecki
WEST COAST CORRESPONDENT

New Jersey boardwalks, from Seaside Heights to Wildwood, are affectionately known as the place to shop during the humid summer months on the East Coast.

Well, here in Southern California, Venice Beach is hailed as the place to find the strangest, wildest, most exciting items on the West Coast. So, on a bright warm Sunday in February, Mary Alizabeth and I decided to conquer our desire to shop.

Trendy is not the word for Venice. It is a total understatement in my opinion. Progressive is perhaps a better descriptive. Nearly anyone or anything can be found in Venice, or at least a perfect imitation.

The charming shops are a young woman's dream come true. From over-sized dresses to skimpy fashions, Venice has them all, and the prices are rather impressive as well. In fact, I have found that, despite an 8.25% sales tax, good clothing can be purchased in California, assuming you know where to go.

Jewelry shops are crucial to the



Alizabeth and Dawn. Venice scene, and it seems silver is the precious metal of choice. Being a silver fanatic, this pleased me to no end. I could not resist buying myself a slave bracelet and a choker.

Incense stands line the entire Venice area, and seem to be popular among Californians. Vendors boast homemade sticks in exotic scents like mango and coconut. Neo-"hippies" all over America would find these stands pleasing. Of course, I purchased 15 sticks, and I am proud to say that my apartment is constantly fragrant.

For those working to legalize

marijuana, "Legalize Hemp" stands are everywhere in Venice. Vendors are proud to serve up samples of hemp, eager to display its healing powers.

Many rastafarians make their home along the Venice "boardwalk." Playing guitars and other instruments for passers-by, the Rastas attract quite a bit of attention. Their "at home with nature" demeanor is pleasant and refreshing in a fast-paced world.

Used Levis, as Mary alerted me, are a passion of club-hoppers in L.A. The underground club scene is

crawling with women aimed sporting these jeans. Their look is rather genuine another fashionable in Stern California. To me, the art of wearing someone else's jeans is a bit horrifying, but apolly, residents here see it as normal and even necessary income cases.

There are "hippie" stores as well, much like the ones insey at flea markets and boardwalks, proof that new fashions seep across the nation from it to west. It has been said that trends catch on in New York before they even reach Los Angeles. It seems to me that both coasts are clearly fashion-conscious in some cases quite eccentric.

Mary and I spent quite a bit of money that day, far more than we should have. But the lure of Venice Beach is greater than both of us together. Coming home not handed would have defeat our purpose. Besides, I get souvenirs wherever I go. My friends from west can vouch for that.

WPC FORUM

Legal advice still best alternative

By Gerald Brennan
SGA ATTORNEY

The unsolicited flyer which came in the mail promised to help save this young single mother and her two children from eviction. She had fallen behind in her rent and had received a summons and complaint for eviction.

The young woman had many bills and not enough income. The flyer came shortly after she had received the summons. With nothing to lose, she called the number on the paper. A representative came to her home and offered to prepare a petition for personal bankruptcy for the woman to file on her own. So she gave the representative all her bills and paid a fee. The eviction hearing was to be held within the week but the representative told her she didn't have to go to court because once the bankruptcy petition was filed the eviction would stop.

The court day came, the woman did not go. The landlord was granted a default judgment for possession of the apartment. A few days later the tenant filed the bankruptcy petition prepared by the company behind the flyer. A short time after that,

the tenancy court issued a warrant of removal, the final eviction notice. The young woman called the company and was told not to worry, just give the court a copy of the bankruptcy petition and the court wouldn't throw her out.

She presented the tenancy judge with a copy of the petition. Normally the filing of a bankruptcy petition acts as a stay of all pending legal proceedings. And this is what the company had told her. But in this case, because the judgment involved was one for possession and not for money and because the bankruptcy petition was filed after the judgment of possession was granted, the trial court ruled that the eviction would not be stayed. The company had not informed the woman of the possibility of that result.

The constable was coming the next day to put her and her children out. The young woman scrambled and borrowed some money that allowed her to make a deal with the landlord's attorney to pay the back rent and stay. She was lucky. The company behind the flyer didn't produce the results it promised and an innocent but naive person with two kids was almost left homeless.

This is a true story. The flyer which the young

woman received with the rest of her junk mail said a lot of things but one thing it didn't say was to consult a lawyer.

The company which issued the flyer promised a legal result, namely to prevent eviction and failed to deliver. In so doing the company bordered very closely to the unauthorized practice of law and to consumer fraud. The client was vulnerable and when a cheap, simple solution was offered, she grabbed it.

People shun lawyers and legal fees, but sometimes there are just no substitutes. Financial problems breed legal problems which do not lend themselves to quick fixes.

In this case had the client consulted an attorney she could have learned how the eviction process works and whether bankruptcy was the best thing for her to do and if so when the petition had to be filed to avoid eviction. The money she paid company could have been put toward back rent or to pay a lawyer to represent her or to pay rent on a new apartment.

As with dentists and doctors, sometimes seeing a lawyer can't be avoided with the alternative being simple sounding, ineffective remedies which are too good to be true.

LETTERS CONT.

Reality check for letter-writer

Editor, The Beacon:

I would like to thank Jill Miladinovich for finally letting me know what God's opinion actually is. It must be very nice to have the "inside track" with the Almighty and her sharing it with us, I'm sure, alleviates a lot of confusion.

Reality Check #1: People have been using God's Word, be it through the Torah, the Bible, the Koran or even a voice in a person's head for

thousands of years to justify everything from slavery to war. For every Cor. 6:9 you quote there is an arguable Rom 8: 38-39. Your God, Ms. Miladinovich, may be "angry with the wicked every day", but my God befriended the people who, in the time Jesus walked the earth, were the undesirables: whores, tax collectors, lepers. Is it not a safe bet that if God came down here today, that he would once again teach the same message of universal love?

Your comments regarding the Constitution and the Bible don't convey whether or not you realize that all the Founding Fathers were white, anglo-saxon, privileged, land and slave-owning protestant men. There was an exclusive, homogeneous group framing the constitution. Our

constitution works despite this, not because of it. Further, in your comments equating homosexuals with pedophiles, your own colossal intolerance is outweighed only by your ignorance.

Reality Check #2: Most of the sexual abusers of children are heterosexual men. Don't take my word for it; do your own research.

Reality Check #3: There have always been gays just like there has always been abortion. There will always be gays and there will always be abortion. Unfortunately, there will always be intolerance and ignorance as well.

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New York's same old story

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lump of coal in your stocking. So, just when you thought they were about to press down the accelerator and leave the rest of Patrick Division teams looking for playoff spots

in the dust, the Rangers drove prospectively into a brick wall.

Last season was a breakthrough season for New York. They finished first overall. They broke a lot of team records. Then, Adam Graves broke Mario Lemieux's hand, the Penguins in turn broke the Rangers, and the Rangers broke their fans' hearts. Again.

This season, New York broke stride and has been nothing more than a mediocre club. Then, Brian Leetch almost broke his neck, came back after missing 34 games, and preceeded to break his ankle slipping on an icy sidewalk outside his Manhattan apartment.

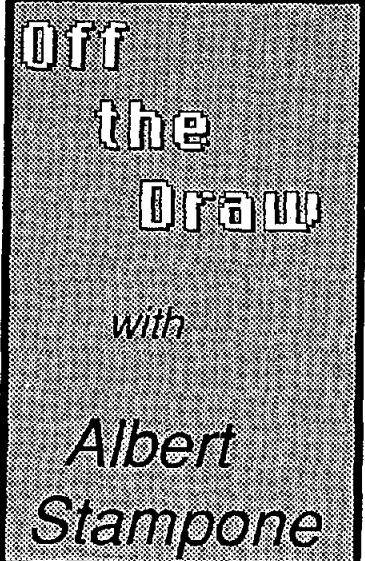
Talk about a broken record. The tune has been the same for many years in New York and Ranger fans would just like to throw the entire jukebox out the window.

Captain Mark Messier has been playing most of the season injured, the goaltending has been inconsistent, the

coaching has left much to be desired, and the fact that the defense was never really that good was brought to light.

Season in a nutshell.

The latest Leetch injury is



representative of the type of luck that festers around the Garden. It is crazy, frustrating, bizarre, and it borders on the ridiculous. But most of all, it is disastrously unique. Can you think of an NHL team whose

luck is worse?

The irony of course is that the injury comes at a time when they are battling the Devils, Capitals, and Islanders for three playoff spots in a tight Patrick Division race. They dropped their first game without Leetch again last Wednesday in demoralizing fashion. The Rangers allowed Philadelphia to score three unanswered third period goals for a come-from-behind 5-4 win. In the process, New York dropped two extremely valuable points.

Last Friday, they lost their second consecutive home game against the Chicago Blackhawks. Going into Sunday's contest with Quebec, they trailed the third place Devils by three, and held only a one point advantage over the fifth place Islanders.

If luck were a lady, she could think about giving the Rangers a lucky break. Instead, she prefers to simply break them, and their fans.

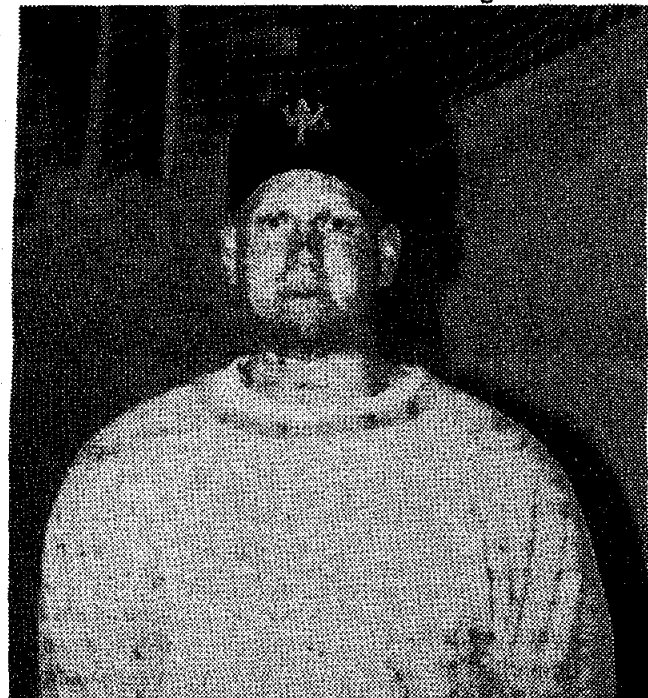
Catcher feels right at home

By Joseph Nadilo
SPORTS CONTRIBUTOR

Far beyond the chill of the century's worst snowfall and distant from the looming prospects of a prolonged winter, senior Brian Detwiler walked onto a Florida baseball

that exists among the players could propel them to championship recognition.

"In Florida, two out of three losses were close games," says Detwiler. "The team is playing at 100%, our only uncertainty is at shortstop, but that is being worked on."



(Photo by Karen Beck)

Catcher Brian Detwiler

diamond and took his rightful place at the catcher's position.

"I've been playing catcher throughout my entire baseball career," says Detwiler. "I've played some other positions but performing at catcher has always been the place where I've felt most at home."

A resident of Wenersville PA., Detwiler has been a starting Pioneer for the past four years. In his last two seasons, he has attained All-Conference and All-Regional status, thus reinforcing his reputation as an unrelenting defensive asset and offensive threat.

"When it comes to defense, I'm good throughout," he explains. "Offensively I consider myself a streak hitter."

According to Detwiler, the Pioneer's pitching staff could be their best advantage if the season comes down to the wire. Although the team isn't as deep or as strong as last year, the talent and the camaraderie

Although the Florida games were tough, the team still had time to enjoy their spring break.

"We played morning games, and then we were able to hang out and go to the beach," explains Detwiler. "Coach Albies didn't really set a curfew. We knew what time to be in out of respect for the coach. He treats us as adults. If you can't play for him, you can't play for anyone."

The Pioneers will be returning home from two road games against East Maryland Shore and Salisbury State. As the days grow warmer with the advent of spring, the William Paterson boys of summer urge all students and fans to join their quest in what could be de'ja vu all over again.

"I would just like people to come out and watch the team," says Detwiler. "We play pretty good baseball."

Equestrians place high at meet

On March 21, the WPC Equestrian Team braved the snow as it went on to compete at the Drew University and Sarah Lawrence College horse show. Thanks to outstanding performances by team members and a helpful hand from Coach Kelly Ciripompa, the team finished 5th out of 16 competing colleges.

The following riders placed in their divisions: Sean Anderson placed 4th in Int. fences and 2nd Open flat; Jill Annunziata 3rd Advanced Walk/Trot/Canter; Diana Ehrenberg 6th in both Novice flat and fences; Leigh Maluchnik 4th Novice flat and 5th Novice fences; Lauren Medici 4th Beginner W/T/C; Captain Jennifer Naef 5th in both Int. flat and fences and Alumni Kim Curran placed second in Alumni flat and fences.

The Equestrian Team has been at WPC since the Intercollegiate Horse Show Association (IHSA) was founded in 1967, at Farleigh Dickinson University. The first IHSA horse show was between the three campuses of FDU. Today the IHSA includes colleges across the nation.

The IHSA promotes competition for riders of all financial and skill levels, although

no experience is necessary. The riders compete both individually and for their teams with the hope of qualifying for Regionals, Zonals, and National competition. There is an emphasis on learning horsemanship skills and good sportsmanship.

What makes this competition unique is that no rider competing in a show is able to use their own horse or tack, unlike the American Horse Show Association (AHSA) shows, the rider is familiar with their own horse and tack.

The Intercollegiate experience gives people a chance to enjoy horseback riding. Therefore, anyone who is interested in competing now has the opportunity to do so without the financial burden of owning

their own horse and equipment. The horses are supplied by the college hosting the horse show. A horse draw is used to pick what horse the competitor will ride during the competition and test the riders horsemanship skills.

To be eligible to ride, the competitor must be a student of a member college, or an alumni who has competed as an undergraduate for such a school. All in all, there are 17 regions that make up eight zones across the nation.

All new members are welcome. Contact Capt. Jennifer Naef at (201) 595-2507 Rm 318 in the SC. The next meeting will be held April 5 at 5 p.m. SC 326.

As Spring Training winds down, here are our picks for the National League. Next week the American League.

East	West
1. Montreal Expos	Atlanta Braves
2. New York Mets	Cincinnati Reds
3. St. Louis Cardinals	San Francisco Giants
4. Philadelphia Phillies	Houston Astros
5. Chicago Cubs	L.A. Dodgers
6. Pittsburgh Pirates	San Diego Padres
7. Florida Marlins	Colorado Rockies

PERSONALS

Congratulations to Paul Eddini, winner of the Alpha Sigma Phi N.J. Nets ticket raffle!

Brothers of Alpha Sigma Phi would like to wish a Happy Birthday to Kevin Tennant.

TKE #283 + TPA Giggles—Congratulations on your engagement! Brian (Abu)

Susanne (AST)—You are doing an awesome job and I hope you know I am always there for you. I Love U. Your little, Kim Marie Christine & Rosanne (AST)—Even though I'm really busy now, I'll always have time for the 2 best littles ever. Love your Big, Kim Marie

To the best big sis', Angie Cindy—I don't think I tell you often enough how much I love having you as my big sister! You're the best! Love your little, Angel Jen

To the Best little Angel Rene—"Don't ever wear flats to a cove party again! Hope everything heals okay! Love your big, Angel Jen

To Angel Smith (BZP)—Without your help and encouragement, I would've never made it without you! You are the best! Love, your little

To Angel Melanie—Thanks so much for being the best big ever. Let's drink together soon. Love your little, Brigid (BZP)

Angel Jody (BZP)—Thanks again for finding it. Only an Angel would search that hard. Love, your pledge sister, Cheryl (BZP).

To my little Sharon—So far so

good! Keep your head and spirits high. I'm so proud of you! Love your big, Angel Laura

Angel Associate Rosetta—Keep up the good work and don't give up! I'm here for you! Love, your Secret Angel

Spike—I'd love to! My banana has never felt so good! Dino To the sisters of AST—Thank you for giving us a chance. We won't let you down, we will make you proud. Love the AST ASSOCIATES

Theta Phi Sisters—If you dream it, you perceive it. If you perceive it, you can achieve it. Love, the Nun

Michelle + Amy (AST)—Can't wait for our "Late Spring Break." 3 Weeks! Love, Caryann (AST)

Amy (AST)—Looking forward to going to Greece in the summer. Thanks for always listening. Love + Sisterhood, Caryann

To the Alpha Phi Delta—Thanks guys for such a great trip! I had a great time to: Doug, Danny, and Despo-my Bounge Buddies. It was awesome!...

To Doug—This one is just for you! Thanks for making the trip great!...

To Mike and Doug—Thanks, me and Kelly would of never made it to florida without you guys! Don't forget about the Animal Game! Nap Time!...

To Clark—Long live the wagon!...

To Kelly—What can I say, It was awesome. Until Canada!!... Love Melissa

To my little Trish (AST Associate)—When the days seem long, and you feel like the world is gonna end, Remember me, your big, your friend. Welcome to my family tree! Love your big, Caryann (AST)

To my little ALPHA SIGMA TAU associate, Stacey—Make me proud, I believe in you! So Happy! Your the BEST! Love ya Honey, Amy

Melissa—Congrats on the bungee jump, yer awesome! Let's do it again next yr! Luv, Kelly To the Wagon Guys, Clark, and the rest of the APD's—Springbreak was very cool, even with Kool Aid and Amtrak! Too bad we lost the ket toss! Let's do it again next year! Luv, Kelly

Northeastern Ontario Chinchilla Monster—I love ya, buddy! Friends no matter what! Thank for the Springbreak fun! Luv, Squatting one!

Phil—My partner in crime in Panama! Hip Hop Hooray Ho Hey!—Kelly To the sisters of TPA—THE best is yet to come!...

To the Sisters of TPA—Nothing is impossible to a willing mind! Love and Sisterhood

Melinda—So far we've been through a great deal. I hope we can go through a lot more. I Love You. Raymond

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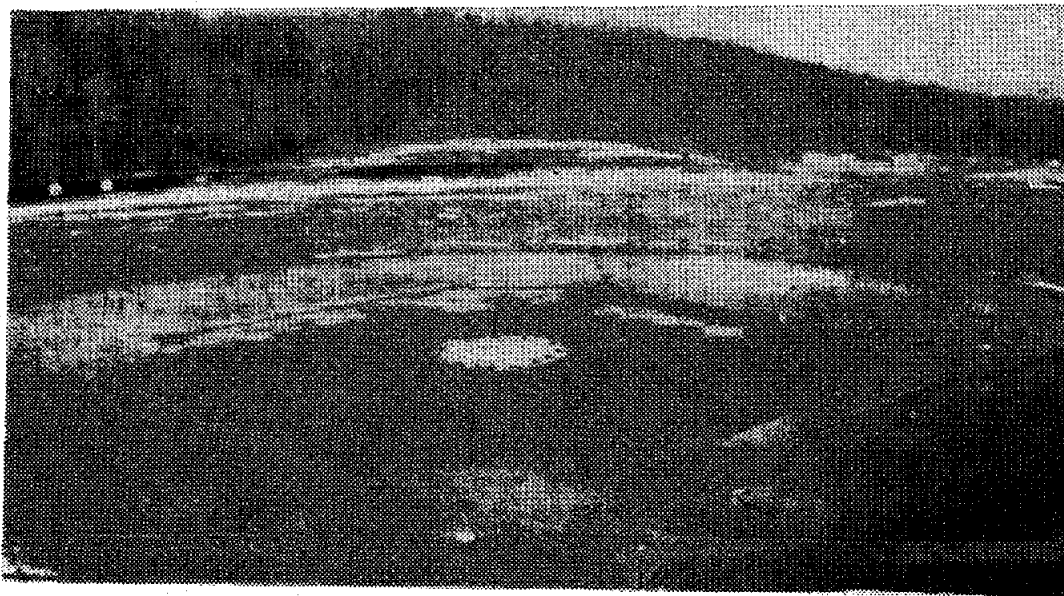
By Walter Elliott

STAFF WRITER

Soggy Wightman Field conditions, an aftermath of the March 14 blizzard, delayed the WPC baseball and softball team's season home openers.

The storm blanketed the fields with 18 inches of snow, bringing havoc to the Pioneer team schedules. The women's softball home opener against Fairleigh-Dickinson University-Madison, originally set for March 23, has been postponed to April 29. Home games for the men's baseball team are also set back until the moisture-sodden grounds have been sufficiently dried and groomed.

"We can't do anything with the field now," remarked Head Baseball Coach Jeff Albies.



The "Blizzard of the Century" created poor field conditions at WPC

"The ground was thawing when the storm hit. We're hoping for four straight days of sun and 60-degree temperatures next week to help the grounds

crew."

"It is a field of ooze," stated WPC Athletic Director Arthur Eason. "We've had bad weather the last few weekends so the

maintenance crew never had a chance to prepare the grounds. If the sun holds, they can probably get it (the fields) ready the latter part of next week."

"There are no alternate sites," added Eason when asked about moving the home games. "Everybody north of Delaware is in the same boat."

Lady Pioneer Head Softball Coach Cyndi Gramlich-Covello, however, found a brighter side to the swampy field situation.

"We don't have to worry about the home field until our doubleheader against Eastern Connecticut," explained Coach Covello. "We postponed the FDU game over a month and we're away April 2-4 for the Cougar Invitational. But we may have to move games against Stoney Brook and Trenton."

The ball teams continue to practice in the Rec Center. In the meantime, the bats are silent at Wightman.

Pioneers return from Florida 6-3

By Brian Yaworski

STAFF COLUMNIST

The William Paterson Pioneer baseball team returned from its annual trip to Florida, March 11-19, with a 6-3 overall record. The 1992 Division III National Champions are hoping to successfully defend their crown, but it won't be easy.

"Winning the national championship would be a stretch because a lot of things have to go your way," said Head Coach Jeff Albies. "But I definitely think we can take the conference (NJAC). Right now, it is too early to tell. The key

will be consistency, especially defensively."

Senior co-captains Brian Detwiler and Dan Bartolomeo have been leading the team to success. Detwiler, a senior catcher/first baseman, has dropped 35 pounds and has thrown out an incredible 11 of 13 base stealers. Detwiler is also tied for the team lead with eight RBI, and leads the Pioneers with a .441 slugging percentage. Bartolomeo, a senior second baseman leads the team with a .371 batting average with a team-high 13 hits.

"Detwiler had an outstanding trip," said Albies. "He looks quicker and stronger than

he ever has. Dan (Bartolomeo) has been tremendous on and off the field. He has shown great leadership. He has only committed one error, which was a bad hop, and he's been coming up with the big hits."

Senior outfielder Dean DiGrazio is batting a hefty .364, while junior centerfielder and leadoff hitter Mike Lauterhahn leads the team in runs scored (10) and on-base percentage (.515). Sophomore rightfielder Ed Mitchell has jumped out to a quick start with seven runs and eight RBI.

"Right now, our weakness is defense," remarked Coach Albies. "We especially need to

find a defensive shortstop. (Bob) Graham, (Manny) Perez and Clayton (Trevitt) look to be fighting for the spot. It is possible that we might bring up a JV player later in the year."

The pitching staff has been anchored by starters Scott Farber and Sandor Christian, as well as reliever Jason Casamento. Farber, a right-handed senior, was 2-0 with an ERA of 1.80 in 15 innings. Christian has a record of 1-1 and has struck out 10 batters in 16 innings pitched. Casamento won the first game of his college career against Wooster College, pitching four innings of relief without giving up a hit.

"The strengths have been our pitching and attitude," stated Coach Albies. "Also, the freshmen have been able to adapt quickly. We could have gone 8-1, but we also could have gone 4-5. We won more than I thought we would."

The squad has been practicing in the Rec Center for eight weeks, and won't be out on their own field anytime soon. Mother Nature has left three inches of snow and ice on the field, which does not have a drainage system.

"All we can do is wait it out. Cabin fever has definitely struck."

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