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New art building to provide better facilities

In response to the demands and needs of students, William College Paterson plans to expand the Art Department into office space located on Power Ave.

By Michele Mielko

The new art building, located across from College Hall at 25 Power Ave., was acquired by the WPC Board of Trustees at their last meeting, Feb. 22, 1997.

The initial plan for the expansion of the Art Department was to remodel the current facility, Ben Shahn Gallery. Since it was concluded there would not be enough room to accommodate the entire department in the Gallery, and the ventilation systems in the Gallery may not have been adequate for certain disciplines, staff and administration looked for alternatives to adequately house the art department..

Disciplines within the art department wil arendesingent hervesn BeauShehm Galdon and the new property. Shahn Gallery will house foundation, gallery, design area, mac lab, graduate computer animation, and modeling. Also, all Art History classes will be taught in Ben Shahn.

The new building, with its 45,000 square feet of space, will provide all advanced courses in studio arts, which include painting, sculpting, woodworking, photography. Faculty will teach in both buildings and

students will go to both buildings, as well.



Ben Shahn Gallery, current home to the WPC Art Department, will soon house select discliplines within the curriculum. Some courses will be taught in a newly acquired building, located across from College Hall. Both buildings will remain open 24 hours a day, the schedule the Shahn Gallery currently follows

Each building will have a gallery to display the program. student work, and both will be open 24 hours

WPC will have the largest fine arts space of ing will also allow WPC to hold national any state school in New Jersey for fine and invitational workshops and programs. applied arts, said Charles Madistro, chairper- Because of the spacial accomodations, interson, WPC art department.

Madistro feels that the additional space art program. will make the, art department a more structored and demanding academic disciple at will finally make the Art Department com-

petitive with any east coast college, in terms of space and facilities," he said. Madistro also stated that the new building

Program." Not only will more structural space be devoted to art department, Madistro also noted that this will also favorably attract facility will be open for the 1998-99 school more students nationally and locally to enter year.

"Faculty and students are especially excited because it will offer graduate students With the addition of this new building, more space," said Madistro. The new buildnational students can also get involved in the

Located on the opposite side of Hamburg Tpk. from the WPC campus, the building is a short distance from the rest of the college Bean Lazahus and K act that will the campus. Shuttle buses will be provided and upcoming university status, the new building there are currently around 150 parking spaces for students and faculty.

Madistro doesn't see the distance factor as a great hindrance for students or staff. He feels that whatever inconvenience they may is a "great opportunity to expand the Art experience, they will gain back from all the benefits of the new building.

The proposed plan hopes that the new

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ds, in the hands of wrong people, can create large monetary gains for marketing companies. Many agencies thrive on this to con college students to take part in activities that could have lifelong effects on their credit.

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On Campus Marketing

Concepts President Michael

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College students beware -companies are out to hurt your financial status

By Pamela Langan

Manager, started a group named Arlington, NJ, is an acclaimed especially involving credit cards. been employing students, stuinterested in fundraising. Advertisements for groups like OCM contain slogans such as, " Raise up to \$1,000 a week!", or, "Don't Blow It! Easy money for your fraternity, club, or other college organizations. Many groups have already earned millions with On Campus Marketing Concepts!"

College campuses are a target for many types of soliciting, especially credit cards, because of the high number of students shown to own credit cards. Students tend to stay loyal to credit cards they received while in school.

Groups such as fraternities, sororities or other student run organizations who are interested in quick fundraising contact OCM and inform them of their desire to raise money. OCM then sets the group up with soliciting materials, usually working for credit card companies getting applications.

However, even though this may seem like a good idea to raise money, many groups have gotten involved with OCM and wish they never had.

Bugai recalls one such incident. "A student group worked hard to win a contest with a large cash prize," said Bugai, "only to find out after repeated phone calls over several months that none of the prizes ever existed or were ever given out."

"Skimming" is just one type of either transferred their calls conscam allegedly used by groups tinuously until it soon discon-In 1985, Robert Bugai, a for- such as OCM. At the State mer Beacon Advertising University of New York at hold for so long that the phone Buffalo, the Nursing Student College Marketing Intelligence Organization responded to one (CMI). CMI, located in North of the OCM advertisements. It was a Citibank fundraiser which group geared toward informing guaranteed \$5 per application, the community, specifically the and qualified callers were also to college community, about the receive a free camera. The group dangers of marketing scams, turned in 100 completed and legitimate applications, but only CMI has been targeting com- received a check for \$167. OCM panies such as On Campus informed the group that they had Marketing Concepts (OCM), a handed in bad applications, college marketing group based in claiming that they were given Cherry Hill, NJ. This group has duplicates. According to the group, whenever they attempted dent groups, and any other party to contact OCM, they got a "run around."

> However, instead of throwing away these "bad" applications, panies such as Citibank, and can-

> OCM is accused of sending them not be submitted. When the "A college administrator had approved a campus fundraising project by an outside college marketing firm, only to find out that

> the company repeatedly lied, cheated, and stole monies from students, student groups, and individuals from other colleges and universities nationwide."

--Robert Bugai President. CMI

to the credit card companies as their own, receiving their own profit. This is an example of skimming, according to Bugai. Sigma Phi Omega, a sorority

from the University of Southern California had the same run around problem in 1993 with OCM. In January they had participated in a credit card fundraiser for the program, and at the end of that month the, group was told they would receive a fixed amount of money for their services. However, four weeks passed and neither money nor word were received from OCM. After attempts to contact their representative, the operator

Beacon attempted to contact Pouls for questioning, our reporters were told that Pouls was on vacation until the following week and can be reached then. No message was taken by the receptionist.

Another group similar to On Campus, the College Credit Card Corporation, also known as the "Four C's", was approached with questions by the Beacon. No one was available for comment by deadline.

One question which floats above this ordeal is, "What do the credit card companies think about this?"

One individual from



worked through OCM soliciting applications for Citibank decided to write a letter informing them of a scam he was caught in with OCM. Michael J. Looney, Chief Operating Officer and General Manager of Citibank responded with a letter. Part of the letter read : "Unfortunately, we are unable to help you with your dispute with Marketing Concepts and suggest that this is an issue the principals must resolve." According to Bugai, "Citibank has never actively stepped in to resolve problems brought to their attention concerning OCM."

At the State University in Minnesota, a non-profit international student organization named AIESEC-St.Cloud issued a formal complaint with OCM for breech of contract and defamation. The representatives sent to the group by OCM were accused by AIESEC of exemplifying "unprofessional and obnoxious behavior."

The representatives accused of sexual harassment, heckling students who did not wish to apply for. Discover or First Tier cards and even telling a female student working for them to "shake it" in order to get applications from others. AIESEC-St. Cloud issued an apology to the student body regarding the insulting behavior by the representatives.

Many students and student groups have had litigations with OCM, along with major companies such as Signet Bank, VA.and ACI, a telephone company in Denver. These specific clients left OCM after experiencing significant problems. "They

California, Robert Brown, got burned," said Bu"and they pulled out of thlege marketnlace because onical marketing problems."

> Signet Bank expend a problem with OCM coing a scam technique calleacking". According to Butacking is the placing of mpplications on top of on ther. After the individual is with the first application, ppresentative then transfermformation onto the other env's applications. Throughtigation, they found out thay of these students never al for the extra cards. Thethod also gives the studentlems because they receiveral credit cards in the while expecting only one. lother large corporations a with numerous student gr have had difficulty with OC several vears.

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Since 1990, OCM been banned from doing bu with many colleges and wities. including IllinoisState University in Normanois. and Auburn Univ in Auburn, Alabama. ever, CMI reports evidenceOCM continues to do bus with these institutions unthe names.





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Feeling The Blues: R.L. Burnside

•The Reverend of Blues chats with the Insider at Cafe Campus in Montreal, Quebec, Canada

By Tim Bornemann

Whiskey. R.L.'s latest release is entitled Mr. Wizard and them. it's the first release on his label Fat Possum since the Who's idea was it to do the collaboration album AAss labels distribution deal with Epitaph Records. The new Pocket of Whiskey? album is missing some of the crazy loudness that comes Jon wanted me to do it. We'd be sitting up in the dress along with Jon Spencer, but it has some of the strongest, most honest and energetic blues ever recorded. While many men would be comfortable playing old standards at R.L.'s age, R.L. is always looking forward. He's not afraid to keep up with the times; after all he's just got a feeling to play the blues.

When did you first discover blues music?

RL: Well, I grew up listening to Fred McDowell and guys like that and I've just always wanted to play the blues. Nobody never teach me nothing, but I just sat and watched the people, you know, and picked it up from that. I started when I was 16, but by the time I got around to playing in public I was 18. I was hittin' the juke joints then. But I was 21 when I took my first tour. I've been hanging with the blues ever since, I love the blues.

When you first started playing around was it with a band or by yourself?

Just me by myself, solo. I played solo for a long time and then I got me some boys out of the school that played before my kids got big enough. It got so you could hardly get a solo gig anymore, people wanted to dance and all. Then my boys got big enough and they picked up playing guitar from me. We started up a band, the Sound Machines.

Do you prefer playing with a band, or would you like to do more by yourself?

I like playing with a band better. Course a lot of times I do some solos, I'll probably do two or three tonight. Any show we do I generally do two or three solos, to let peo ple know what the blues is all about.

How do you feel about other bluesman your age? Do you feel they're still creating quality music, or do you think that they might be living in the past?

Well, I believe more young people now are coming to the blues. I know, you can hear more young people playand rap for a while, but they're coming back to the blues

How do you feel about your label, Fat Possum? Do you think they cater to your needs?

Yeah, I like to go out and play the blues, but I don't like all that stuff, but that's too long to be away from my did the whole thing in five hours.

How did you first get involved with the Jon Spencer How was it recording that? **Blues Explosion?**

R.L. Burnside is a 70 year old Blues man from They heard about the album we had out called Too Bad with the Jon Spencer Blues Explosion, A Ass Pocket Of two or three times. That's how we got in touch with



"Oh man, you know ain't nobody gonna buy that." Burnside on A Ass Pocket of Whiskey Tim Bornemann/The Beacon

ing room talkin, and I'd be telling old funny jokes and the money to buy the ticket to the place. things and Jon would say, "You know R.L., we need to I'm sure after all these years of touring you must have put out an album about that." I said, "Oh man, you know ain't nobody gonna buy that." He said "Yeah R.L. that's Yep. It's helped me a heap I think. what people like." I said "No man". We was out for like After all you've accomplished as a blues artist, after three weeks at that time. The we went back and two all these years, do you still have the blues? ing the blues in Mississippi. They went to disco and rock months later we were on the road with them again for Yeah, sometimes. I just have a feeling to play the blues. three weeks and he brought it up again. After that tour I'd I don't have the blues like I used to. Back then if somebeen home for like a week and a half and he called me. one took your woman away from you, take your wife. "R.L., you made up your mind? You decided to do the You come home and you meet your cat in the yard at album?" Me and some of my friends were sitting around night at two in the morning and it goes (imitating a cat) there having a drink and I said, "Yeah, come on down, "She ain't here, She ain't here" you got the blues then. to stay gone to long from home. I can go out and stay a We'll do it. It can't hurt me none. If it don't help me it Any parting words? couple of weeks or something but, see, when I first start- can't hurt me none." So about a week later he came Just tell the kids to stay with the blues. That's from R.L. ed touring I was going for a month, month and a half and down and rented one of them big hunting clubs and we Burnside from Mississippi.

Oh it was great. We had a party. The first time after that when the album came out we went over to Holland and Mississippi. He has recently been riding a wave of new Jim, and they called and asked would we want to open for France. Through there for about three weeks. The first found popularity since the release of his collaboration them. Fat possum told me yeah, and we opened for them three nights I believe we sold two CDs and three T-shirts and Jon said "R.L., we got to do that. You need to come out on stage and do that tonight." Then after I did that, sold out of T-shirts, sold out of CDs and everything.

> How do you feel about the new found popularity with the younger Spencer audience that the album creat-

Yeah, I meet more younger fans when I'm playing. He helped a whole lot. I didn't think it would do that well, but now young people bought it and come up to me and say "R.L. could you autograph this." And it done sold more than anything i did.

How do you feel about the music of the Blues Explosion?

They play some good music. They play loud. They ain't directly blues, they got some blues in there, but hey ain't directly blues. But I think he's more to the blues now than before I met him. I think we got him into the Blues more.

How do you feel the new album, Mr Wizard, compares to Ass Pocket?

It's more to the blues than Pocket of Whiskey, that, the loud stuff we did there sounds like rock and roll or disco or something. Mr. Wizard, it sounds back down to the blues there.

Where did the name Mr Wizard come from?

That was Mathews idea from Fat Possum about that. 1 got the cap at the house, they bought me that hat, you know. R.L. strikes the appropriate pose and laughs.

How do you feel about touring, does it still have the same excitement it did when you were 21?

I still enjoy doing it now. As long as my health stays good, I love touring. I just don't like to stay out there to long. If it wasn't for the blues I done been to a lot of places I could have never made. Cause I wouldn't have

some great tour stories.

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Jamiroguai Traveling without moving (WORK)

Masters of funk, Jamiroquai are back again with their latest release Traveling without moving .. Surprisingly, the little-known Work recording artists have spawned a buzz bin video, and some

new-found attention due to the new Traveling album. finds club kid, and lead singer Jay Kay doing exactly what he does best. Mixing hip lyrics with funky swinggin' rhythms.

them

der with "Earth A.D."

108, and Prong.

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Kay sings about everything from the several Lamborginis he cruises around in to the women that surround him because of it.

Songs like "Cosmic Girl" and "Alright" keep the trademark funk sound that Jamiroquai patented on past albums like Return of the Space Cowboy. Horns themselves. Bouncing Souls pogo it up with their added randomly throughout add to the effect and keep the music interesting. Slowing the beat down in songs like "Use the force," and "Everyday" seems to be among the very few downfalls to the album.

The cosmic sound, which band Jamiroquai withholds, is something very different than what is found throughout the music industry. The band has a unique knack for creating amazing rhythmic music, and sprinkling impressively funky breakdowns throughout. For years now, the band has been keeping their small fan base happy by releasing quality album after album. Traveling without moving is no exception, but more another quality addition to the bands previous work.

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Fulflej Fulflej (Wack-Ass Tuba Riff) (Scratchie/Mercury)

Fulflej combines the elements of hip-hop, hardcore punk and house music to form a sound that is very unique. Wack-Ass Tuba Riff is filled with long songs that display the bands instrumental abilities.

The highlights of the album are Quite Like This and Work in This Universe, which make up the first two tracks. They leave quite an impression, but the rest of the album doesn't live up to the standard that the first two tracks set, and is pretty much anticlimactic. Not that the songs are completely bad, but they run a little too long and tire the listener as Fulflej abandons their vocals and fill up time with what seems to be them just practicing their instruments. This is best displayed on their track Senselessness, which is a modest four minutes and twenty seconds long, but is filled with meaningless lyrics and dull, boring guitar riffs.

Wack-Ass Tuba Riff is pretty much hit and miss.



Various Artists

Violent World: A Tribute to The Misfits

It can be said that The Misfits are one of the most

influential punk groups of the late 70's and early

80's. The band, from Lodi, New Jersey, still plays

today but without original vocalist Glenn Danzig.

Violent World is a tribute to the shock rockers great-

est time period when the original singer was with

The fourteen tracks on Violent World combine dif-

ferent acts from different genres doing covers of

their favorite Misfits tunes, hand picked by the

bands. Pennywise do an impressive version of

"Astro Zombies" that almost sounds like the song

was written by the darlings of Epitaph Records

rendition of "Mommy, Can I Go Out And Kill

Tonight," Sick of it All tear it down with "All Hell

Breaks Loose," and Earth Crisis provide the thun-

The best Misfits cover comes from Nofx who shed

a little light on an otherwise dark album with "Last

Caress." The band puts a ska tinge to the song and

to hear vocalist Fat Mike sing "One last caress" in

his best Danzig voice, is almost blissful. Other

bands contributing are Snapcase, Shades Apart,

Unfortunately, not every song is as great as the

ones previously mentioned. Goldfinger misses

tries way too hard on "Where Eagles Dare," and the

Farside's version of "Return of the Fly" just makes

the listener want to turn off the CD before the

In all, this is one of the best tribute albums

released in recent memory. Any fan of The Misfits

will be pleased with what bands of today can do

albums last track gets a chance to finish.

with a Misfits song of the past.

. (Caroline)

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The couple of songs that are successful are really

good, but the songs that fall short are just plain ter-

rible. However, on their good and bad tracks,

Fulflej's inventiveness shines through, and makes

this album worth checking out.



Earth Crisis



Diskothi Q Waterworld (Shrimper)

If "country punk" has a founding father, it would be California's Diskothi Q. With a more prom and blissful presence and sound than the Shrimper counterparts, Peter and Kevin Hugh and Kevin Trapp bring together a blend of swa gered country, beatific melody and a trace poppy-influenced punk on their second full-leng Waterworld (excluding cassette releases). brightly decorative album takes the similar pa that '94's TheWandering Jew took in that the pop/rock anthems are splashed with Peter Hugh voice cracking choruses and aspire guitar/drum/bass/some other screwy instrume tation ensembles.

What is so unique is Peter Hughes' voice? Eit in a charismatic or heartfelt manner, the lyrics vocalized in such an intense fashion. "Imperial Anthem" and strip it of its musical ture and what's left is Hughes' fervid grasp of lyrics. I don't know many people who could hit "oooh, oooh" in the chorus as well as Hughes d or vocally follow the country strum of "Leigh Car Leave" with such poise.

Musically, the trio has grown most. While so of the tracks like "Argentine Drinking Song" "Great Expectations" follow the band's typical tern found on The Wandering Jew where the sor lengthy mellow strum suddenly awakens you v electric guitar or Hughes high pitched vocals; ers involve a wide array of instrumentat "Vacancy," the album's centerpiece, tops off the r sion filled four minutes with a classical p once again with "Ghouls Night Out," Therapy? spliced in. "Albatros" (named after Rik Alba who appears on the track) shows Diskothi Q's e tional outlet and with a trumpet solo at the While "Imperial Anthem" is a rock gem that kee a quickened momentum throughout the se "Ovelay Ockray" ("Love Rock" for those of who were oblivious to Pig Latin in grammar sch could, undoubtly, be labeled an enterpri-Diskothi Q jolt.

Considering that Waterworld has the potentia make a splash to the likings of indie-roo throughout, the album is modestly filled with 1 "great expectations" in a classic rock vo. Refreshing, would be the word best used here.



Cibo Matto 3-15-97

If critics claim that the future of music will merge with electronics and the

emphasizing:



The Bouncing Souls

The Pulsars, Railroad Jerk & thesizers or some form of @ Tramps, NYC

electronics to make their blend of music.

The Pulsars are a Chicagobased three-piece (a guitarist/vocalist, drummer, and a tall stand-up computer). Considering that the computincreased usage of synthe- er provided the gist of the sized equipment, well ... this music and boredom settled in show was a bit ahead of its soon enough, the band was time. Two of the three bands kind enough to supply the

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ed images of frogs lip-syng- song) Marcellus Hall and the there that didirectly grasp ing to the lyrics. The music, in remaining Jerks portrayed a of the Japanese languages in general, was a generic assortment of British-influenced pop and American alternarock.

The herky-jerky, southerninfluenced sounds of Railroad Jerk furnished the only full band and quality act of the evening. With a set list that included songs off '95's The Third Rail,, the N.Y.-based quartet sounds tighter and better with every show. With sped-up, opener the "Objectify Me," to drummer, Dave Varenka's moment in the spotlight with "Bang The Drum," (where he kicked somewhat raw and zealous was the only one that thoug Stones for the evening. Even written out on "Ballad Of women, one of whom played Railroad Jerk," Marcellus Hall the synthesizer and the other responded," I don't want to sang (in English, at least). tell you to buy our shirts or The funniest thing was the our records, I just want you to duo's dancing to the resonatlisten to this song."

Cibo Matto's set was where l lost all understanding of placed act. Their set suggest-"mass crowd interests." After ed that Cibo Matto might an hour hiatus, these two have revealed that of a lack-Japanese women walked on ing attempt of a post-Spice stage and started talking in Girls quality, but on crack. Japanese to the crowd. The Needless to say, I left, highly crowd response was incredible. I didn't understand it. used either computers, syn-, crowd with a T.V. that depict- over the drum set after the Either I was the only one

version of The Rolling that Japanese techno/elevator music was uninteresting. with the band's musical creed Either way, it was two ing rhythm, either stage fright or inexperience evoked a misdisappointed

By Joe Giglio

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(March 21 to April 19)

out with a problem this week.

Couples will be sharing quality

time together. You're both defin-

tely on the same wave length, A

domestic problem crops up this

Taurus

Shrewd thinking aids you in

business dealings this week.

Despite one delay, you'll suceed

with your objectives by week's

end. This weekend, avoid getting

into a quarrel with a loved one.

Gemini

(May 21 to June 20)

siblity early in the week. Later,

you'll be excited about a new

moneymaking plan. Talks with

authority figures will be produc-

tive. A spur-of-the-moment

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(April 20 to May 20)

matter that's been troubling you for some time. Later in the week, getting some unfinished projects out of the way will be a chief priority for you. A phone call you Common sense thinking is your receive this weekend brings good news.

(September 23 to October 22) Those seeking a change in residence get valuable leads this week. Family and monetary interests are highlighted. You come to an important realization the enjoyment of leisure events, this weekend, about a relationweekend. Feel free to indulge ship problem. This eases your

Cancer

You'll express yourself with ease and confindence this week. One friend may be a bit of a wet blanket this week, but happiness comes though hobbies, travel, and cultural pursuits, particular- couples enjoy exciting times ly this weekend. A child has a together doing something spedecision to make, with you help. cial.

(July 23 to August 22)

You'll receive a valuable suggestion from an agent or advisoer this week. Couples will enjoy fun activities with children, and singles meet with romantic introductions. In fact, romance is in weekend regarding a meddle- the air this weekend.

> Virgo (August 23 to September 22)

You'll get to the bottom of a

Libra

(June 21 to July 22)

Scorpic (October 23 to November 21)

You may feel blocked about a writing or research project this week. However, there's a lovely accent on social intersts later in the week. Over the weekend,

21) If something is bothering you, this is a good week to get it out

in the open. Heart-to-heart talks are favored. You could receive a surprise invitiation from a friend this weekend. A career concern

(December 22 to January 19) Momes due you may be late in coming. However, you'll be pleased with this week's importaut career developments valuable ally this weekend. Don't let others distract you once you've made up your mind.

Aquarius

(January 20 to Feburary 18) You may be taking the chldren on a special outing this week. It's a delightful week for travel and particulary for those on vacation. Romance comes unexpectedly.

Pisces

(February 19 to March 20) You still may be concerned this week about a problem left over from the job from last week. Information you receive leads to a major financial decision. Home life is rewarding.

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This time is sacred because it Jesus did this at reminds us of the love that God, His Last Seder the Father, has for us sending Meal, commemhis son Jesus, as our role model, orating Passover, guide and Savior. It is the time by taking the during which we ponder the Bread of the depth of the love of God in our Meal and offerlives. It offers us the opportuni- ing it to his

everyday lives. The three most significant own self being offered as the day that commemorated the Eucharist at this celebration. days of the Holy Week are sacrifice. Jesus also took the sacrifice of the Cross. The CCMC is your home referred to as the Triduum of cup of wine of the Seder and Communion received at the away from home. All members Holy Thursday, Good Friday gave it to us and His disciples as Service was "presanctified" on of the WPC Community are

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vice is the beginning of our example toward one another.

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The highlight of the Christian celebration is the Holy Saturday of sharing and love Easter Vigil, 7:30 p.m. of March 29, 1997. This solemn vigil reminds of the love Gods. has for His creation, the uni verse, by tracing readings from Mass will feature the Book of Genesis to the Resurrection of Jesus.

This is the night of Renewat and New Life. It is at this Viel Love that Jesus of Easter that all Christians renew their baptismal Promises and New Christians are bage ty to respond to that love as we Disciples with the words: "This Friday, March 28, the CCM tized into the Church. Members gather to pray, share and once is My Body," thereby ending Center Good Friday Service of the Catholic Campus again learn the message of the animal sacrifices of the will be offered at 3 p.m. This is Ministry Rite of Initiation Eternal Love, as lived in our Temple and replacing it the the only day of the year that no Program for Adults (RCIA) will next day on the Cross, with His Mass is celebrated, as this is the be baptized and receive First

and Holy Saturday Easter Vigil. His sacrificial blood with the Holy Thursday. The Good invited to all of the events of the words "... This is the cup of Friday Service features the Triduum. Call us for further

"Ebonics" is Just the Next Step for "Relativism" in American Universities

BY MOSHE K. LEVY

The recent controversy concerning the Oakland, California's school board to teach "Ebonics" gives us one of the clearest insights as to exactly what is wrong with the education establishment today. Sadly, many of our public high schools have replaced reading, writing and arithmetic with relativism, radicalism and justplain ridiculousness. This is because an alarming number of high school teachers have become enamored with a dangerous disease popularized by their brethren in the ivory towers of America's university's - relativism.

In short, the relativist doctrine advocates the obsolescence of absolute standards of right and wrong, good or bad - accordingly, only "differences in perspectives" exist. Academia's ideologicallydriven devotion to relativism is largely responsible for the tragic mess our schools are in now. Indeed, "Ebonics" is only the latest academic fad in which ineptitude has been pronounced "not a deficiency, but merely a difference" (to quote a leading proponent of the program)

We have relativism also to thank for "Inventive Spelling" where students' spelling errors are not corrected, but praised for their "creativity." Incredibly, the same insanity is applied even to some "outcome-based" mathematics classes, where no mistakes are ever corrected for fear of damaging the students' fragile self-esteem. And let's not forget the grossly politicized history classes, where a politically correct "interpretation" of the past takes precedence over a factual knowledge of it!

In short, the students' ignorance is no longer considered a recognizable condition, to be easily distinguished from intellectual incompetence through the objective measurements of right and wrong answers.

Rather, the "egalitarian" relativists take every opportunity to adjust for the "inequitable" distribution of students' innate abilities by prescribing trendy curricula, which call for equality of outcomes - always (by definition) at the lowest common denominator and always in the name of "fairness" and "self-esteem."

Yet, how can a child be expected to derive a true sense of self-

esteem without ever being allowed to achieve something substantial, to earn it? And if one allows each child to reach his or her fullest potential through natural aptitude, how can one then assign blame for the diverse results on a supposed lack of "fairness?"

No, the goal of fairness is only at the starting point, after which all bets are off. In the classroom, as in most aspects of competitive life, there is full equality only in rank stagnation.

Perversely, the exaggerated emphasis on self-esteem (regardless of academic achievement) is finally manifesting itself. The Wall Street Journal recently reported that for the past several years, "when ranked in international assessments, American students consistently score near the top in self-evaluations of academic competence, even though they simultaneously score near last place in their actual achievements."

This despite the fact that we spend far more money (per pupil) on ... education than any other industrialized country in the world. Thus, the case can no longer be made that Uncle Sam's parsimonious financial input is the primary factor responsible for our kids' dismal cognitive outputs. It's what's being taught that's at fault.

Amazingly, whatever standards still remaining are being diluted even further, allowing educators to credit themselves while touting the artificial "higher test scores" to the public. Witness the "re-centering" of the SAT scores or the accepted use of calculators during standardized tests, for example. In fact, one of the main reasons why you usually have to take a standardized test (like the GMAT) prior to graduate school admission nowadays is because your grades don't mean anything anymore.

Blame teachers who lower standards and inflate grades in the name of "fairness," politics, public relations, or worse - to appease their students. And much more importantly, blame yourselves for accepting it.

-Moshe K. Levy serves on the editorial board of Pace University's campus newspaper, New Morning, and her sister is a freshman at WPC. She wrote this opinion as a response to last week's cover story in the Beacon about "Ebonics."

Combined with an increased focus by traffic enforcement officers across the Colonel Williams and Chief Danco of ---- Stay away from drivers behaving importantly, 40 percent of all drivers sur- the New Jersey Chiefs of Police erratically. state to identify and apprehend the veyed feel that the aggressive driver is the Association stressed that plain clothes "The 1997 Aggressive Driver/ aggressive driver, the 1997 aggressive most dangerous hazard facing them on police officers operating decoy vehicles Aggressive Enforcement initiative is the Driver/Aggressive Enforcement cam- the road. will not endeavor to stop violators; most comprehensive, coordinated and allpaign targets these drivers through the instead, fully marked police vehicles encompassing traffic program undertaken use of semi-marked (stealth) police cruisoperated by uniformed personnel will in recent years," Attorney General **Penalties for** ers and unmarked or decoy vehicles. make the traffic stops based on violations Verniero said. "Our goal is to reduce fatal Joining the Attorney General in **Aggressive Driving** observed by the decoy officer. accidents and to get travelers to their desannouncing the statewide aggressive dri-"In this manner," Danco said, "the tinations alive." ving campaign were Colonel Peter J. in New Jersev motoring public will be assured that the O'Hagan, USMCR Ret., Director of the Division of Highway Traffic Safety; DW1 \$250-\$1.000 ime Colonel Carl A. Williams, Superintendent of the New Jersey State Ansurance-Surcharge Police; and Thomas Louizou, National Speeding Highway Traffic Safety Administrator, as well as representatives from over 40 New Jersey county and municipal police \$76-\$126 fine departments. 2-5 points According to Colonel O'Hagan, the goal of the Aggressive Driver/Aggressive Following too Close Enforcement campaign is to reduce the \$50 fine number of motor vehicle crashes caused 5 points by aggressive driving practices. He noted that the campaign will focus on drivers **Unsafe Lane Change** who operate their motor vehicle in an \$50 fine. offensive, hostile or belligerent manner, 2 points in thereby creating an unsafe environment for the remainder of the motoring public. Careless Driving "More people die by the violence of motor vehicle crashes than any other \$76 fine source of violence," said O'Hagan. 2 points "Through this program we intend to let motorists know that aggressive driving Disregard Signs/Signals will not be tolerated in New Jersey." \$76 fine In identifying aggressive and 2 points impaired drivers as the primary targets of patrol activities, Colonel Williams said Failure to Keep Right that troopers and police officers will \$50 fine gauge aggressive driving through 2 points observed motor vehicle violations such as driving while intoxicated (DWI), speedsourcă, NJ State Police ing. following too closely, unsafe lane

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VIEWS OF THE NEWS **Cracking Down on Aggressive Drivers** New Jersey Targets Offenders on State Highways

driver from New Jersey's roadways.

Driver/Aggressive Enforcement - is sponsored by the New Jersey Division of Police Traffic Officers Association and the State Police through a \$450,000 grant Safety Administration, Attorney General Verniero said.



which a phalanx of state troopers changes, tailgating, careless and inattenand municipal police officers tive driving, disregarding traffic signals ers. They are more likely to drive, speed, made by a legitimate police officer." at the ready, Attorney General and failure to keep right. Additional and drive unbelted," said Louizou. "We Peter Verniero launched a statewide cam- symptoms displayed by the aggressive need a strong deterrence to remove from paign last week to identify and remove driver include flashing lights to move the the road drivers who use their car to take aggressive drivers. Some helpful tips the aggressive, dangerous and threatening slow driver out of the way, cutting drivers out their frustrations on others." off, hand gestures, weaving through traftience.

> injured or killed since 1990 in accidents Atlantic/Burlinton. caused by aggressive driving. More

"Aggressive drivers and high risk tak- motor vehicle stop is valid and is being

Chief Anthony Parenti of the New The campaign - Aggressive fic, needlessly honking horn and impa- Jersey Police Traffic officers Association noted that while traffic officers across the According to National Highway state will turn their attention more and Highway Traffic Safety, the New Jersey. Traffic Safety (NHTS) Administrator more to aggressive driver enforcement Thomas, Louizou, statistics compiled by activities, a special emphasis will focus the NHITSA and the American on high accident roadways in the six from the National Highway Traffic Automobile Association (AAA) show counties with the highest rates that almost 13,000 people have been Essex/Bergen, Middlesex/Monmouth and

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Attorney General Verniero outlined a number of ways to safely deal with include

- Make every attempt to get out of the aggressive driver's path;

- Do not challenge them:

- Avoid eye contact

- Do not make or return gestures; - Do not block the passing lane and avoid switching lanes without signaling;

- Do not tailgate

-Allow plenty of time for your trip;





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