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## Lecture series to feature Governor's debate

By Sherri Sage  
News Contributor

As part of the Distinguished Lecturer's Series, William Paterson University will host the

New Jersey Gubernatorial Debate in Shea Center.

The debate, scheduled for October 24, will begin at 7 p.m. and will be telecast live on WCBS. It will also re-air on Sunday and be

shown on Philadelphia station KYW twice by tape delay. In addition, radio stations CBS AM, 1010 WINS and KYW Philadelphia will also air the debate live.

According to Dennis Santillo,

director of External Relations, in order to have the debate at WPU, the university and its debate sponsors had to submit a proposal to the Election Law Enforcement Commission. All candidates must debate at the two chosen winning proposal sites. WPU was one of the winning sites along with the Birchwood Manor in Whippany.

According to Santillo, at the discretion and desire of the candidates and their campaign managers, it was determined that there should be a third debate in Southern NJ since there were no applications from this area. This third debate was held at Rowan University in Glassboro on October 18.

Readers of 40 NJ newspapers with a total state circulation of 750,000 are recipients of a week's worth of advertising for the Gubernatorial debate at WPU, said Santillo. "The amount of positive

attention we will be receiving is overwhelming. It couldn't be purchased with millions of dollars in advertising funds," Santillo said.

According to Bobi Lee Messer, Student Government Association president, tickets for the debate are already sold out.

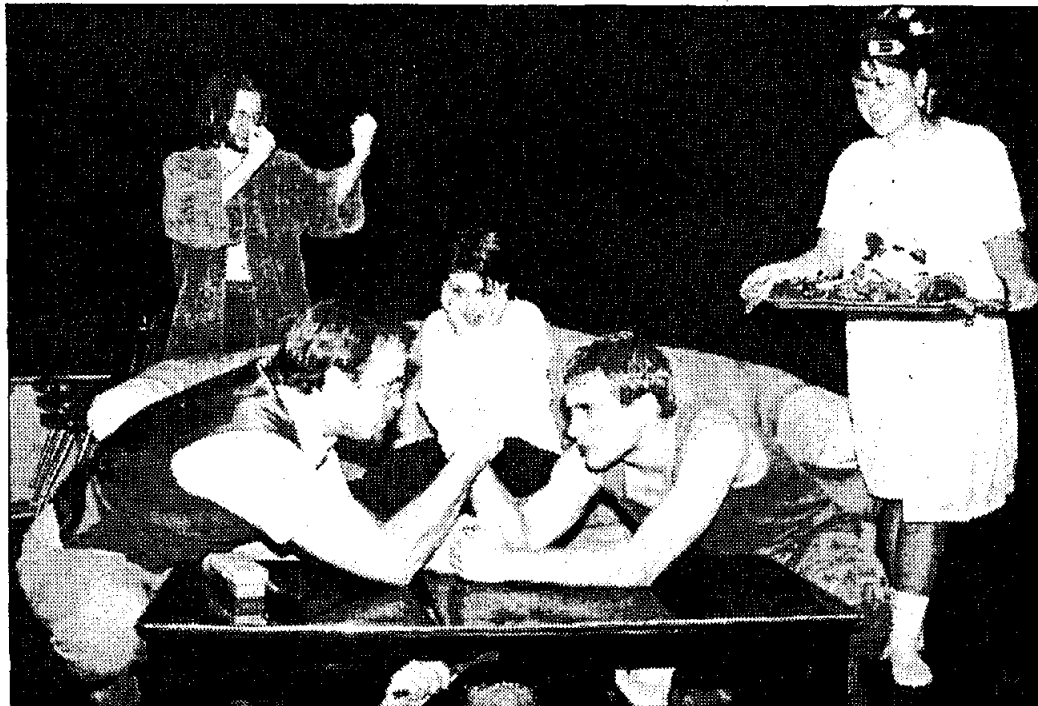
"We could have filled a much larger arena but Shea is the largest that we've got. The series has been there for 18 years. We've tried other places but they don't work," Santillo said.

There will be 1,000 people attending the debate since that is the amount Shea Center holds.

Messer said that she is very proud that WPU was selected to sponsor one of the three debates. "This gives us a channel to view firsthand who's running and looking to run our government," said Messer.

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## Hunziker comedies sell out performances



sylvana Meneses/The Beacon

Students in the recently performed "At Home" (above) worked diligently since the beginning of September for their performances in the Black Box Theater this past weekend. Along with the comedy "The Whole Shebang", they sold out almost every performance. Audience members gave great reviews of these two one-act comedies.

## SGA V.P. fights for new library hours

By Matthew Halpern  
Staff Writer

To the pleasure of students and faculty alike, the Sarah Byrd Askew Library at William Paterson University will soon have extended hours, able to accommodate the most difficult schedules.

Melba Mullins, Student Government Association vice president, said that many students have been displeased that the Byrd Askew library has limited hours, especially weekend hours. Students brought this concern to her attention, and she felt this was an important issue to raise the university administrators.

"I was receiving complaints that the library does not have accessibility for different schedules," said Mullins. "The current hours at the library do not accommodate commuters and part-timers, especially on the weekend."

Many surrounding colleges and universities have library hours later than the Byrd Askew library, said Mullins. She felt that the library needed to be open later than it is currently. This will help foster an open atmosphere on campus and help make this a seven-day-a-week campus, she added.

To help bring about this change

in the library hours, Mullins worked with Chernoh M. Sesay, provost and executive vice president. Sesay worked in conjunction with library officials to further meet the needs of students.

Norma Levy, director, Byrd Askew Library, was pleased to announce that additional operational hours at the library have already been added to their schedule. Sunday evening hours have been extended from 8 p.m. to 11:45 p.m. Other hours may be extended, based on the response from these new hours added at the library.

"After discussion with the Provost, we are pleased to be able to extend library hours on Sunday until 11:45 p.m.," said Levy. "We feel that Sunday is the best time, as students return to the campus after the weekend."

This extension of hours is something Levy will continue to examine, seeing how beneficial it is for students and the campus. In dealing with something of this nature, library administrators must look at how budget and staffing concerns factor into the situation.

"With trying to keep our resources available to students, we

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## Disability coordinator seeking cooperation

By Danielle Gabriel  
Staff Writer

To ensure the best and most appropriate accommodations for disabled students on campus, the new coordinator for Disability Services, Janet Barone DeSenzo is asking for cooperation from the entire student body.

"Cooperation and sensitivity are very helpful to disabled students," said Barone-DeSenzo. "In my position, I'd like to increase education, sensitivity and awareness on this campus."

Barone-DeSenzo, who obtained her Master's Degree in Education from William Paterson College, said she has sensed a lack of support by other students for those students who have physical disabilities. The recent theft of a

wheelchair from a parking lot and damage to an automatic door providing entry to the Student Center Arcade, she said, are examples.

"The automatic door in the arcade has been broken at least three times," she said. "Each time, it has cost more than \$5,000 to repair. When students do these things, I'm not sure they understand who they're hurting."

Barone DeSenzo said William Paterson University has unlimited resources for its disabled students. Colleges and universities are categorized as either program-based or service-based depending upon each school's degree of accommodation for disability students. WPU is service-based, meaning it provides services to accommodate students.

"Program-based colleges and

universities allow disabled students to take a course within their regular curriculum to prepare them for college," she said. "We don't do that."

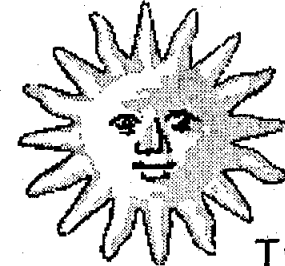
Under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990 and section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, all colleges and employers must provide reasonable accommodations for all disabled persons so that they are able to function on campus or on the job. As long as the disabled students provide Disability Services with proper documentation of their disability, WPU is required to make accommodations for those students.

"If an individual is eligible to be here [in college] and has intellec-

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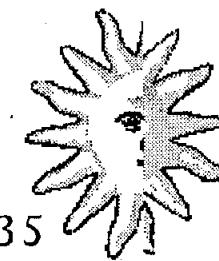
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MONDAY, OCTOBER 20

Black Students Association -- General meetings, 8 p.m., Towers Pavilion Lounge  
Catholic Campus Ministry Club -- Join us for weekly visits to North Jersey Developmental Center & discover the joy of helping others. 6:30 p.m., at CCM center.  
Catholic Campus Ministry Club -- God speaks to us through Scripture. Come and hear what he has to say to you as we gather to study his word. 3 p.m., SC 326.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 21

Catholic Campus Ministry Club -- Join us for weekday Mass as we gather to celebrate the joy and goodness of God's presence in our lives. 12:30 p.m., SC 215. (Thursdays as well)  
Club Volleyball -- meetings. 12:30 p.m., SC 314.  
Organization of Latin American Students -- O.L.A.S. General meeting. 12:30 p.m., Hunziker 207.  
Women's Center -- Women's Discussion Group. Co-led by Professor Joan Griscorn and Meryle Kaplan. We have created a space where women can get together in an atmosphere of mutual respect to explore personal and political issues. 3:30 p.m., SC 214.  
Student Accounting Society -- Guest speakers from Arthur Andersen will be speaking to us about a large firm's perspective in accounting. 12:30 p.m., Raubinger 301.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 22

Coalition of Lesbians, Gays and Friends -- General meeting and open forum for any discussion. 7:30 p.m., SC 213.  
Creative Source Dance Ensemble -- If you like to dance and have fun then this is the place to be. Classes are held every Wednesday 6-8 p.m., Wightman Gym C.  
Women's Center -- Women's History Month (and other spring events) Planning meeting. SC 214.  
Catholic Campus Ministry Club -- Join us for some quiet time and meditation during our weekly Holy Hour. 6 p.m., CCM center.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 23

The Feminist Collective -- Discussing upcoming events for the Fall semester. 12:30 p.m., SC 304.  
Essence/English -- General meetings, planning coffee houses, reading poetry. 12:30 p.m., SC 306.  
Spanish Club -- Trip to Metropolitan museum. Depart lot 5 9 a.m., Depart from Met. at 4 p.m.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 24

Black Students Association -- (in conjunction with Brothers for Awareness) -- Bus trip to the Million Women March in Philadelphia. \$5 students, \$7 non students. Sign up in Campus Activities.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25

## Committee works with students to make improvements

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tually proven him/herself, and has provided authentic medical, psychological, etc. documentation of their disability, we have to make every appropriate accommodation, as long as those accommodations don't cause an undue burden to the campus, said Barone DeSenzo. "We wouldn't blow a hole in a mountain to make it that, but we have to provide for them."

This summer, the ADA Committee was established to further the efforts of Disability Services. Consisting of sixteen members, including students. The committee is comprised of sub-committees that perform a specific task. Areas of technology and the Tutoring Center for example, need improvement according to Barone DeSenzo.

"We need to improve technological devices on campus," she said. "We'd like to see the installation of Oral Readers (computers that read information aloud to the user) in our computer labs and more assistance of learning disabled students in the Tutoring Center. One way to accomplish that is to provide extra training for tutors."

In a memo to the campus community announcing Barone DeSenzo's appointment, Provost and Executive Vice President Chernoh M. Sesay encouraged members of the campus to provide support for the ADA Committee. "The committee welcomes support, input and recommendations...so that we may better serve all student populations," said Sesay.



Janet Barone DeSenzo, coordinator of Disability Services recognizes need for improvement of technology for the disabled on the WPU campus.

## Thanksgiving Awareness program dedicated to Mother Teresa

By Michael S. Laclair  
News Contributor

The annual Thanksgiving Awareness Program (TAP), sponsored by the Catholic Campus Ministry Club, is now taking place on the William Paterson University campus. This marks the eighteenth year to help the poor and the hungry in the city of Paterson and the rest of Passaic County. This year's activities will be dedicated to the memory and mission of the late Mother Teresa of Calcutta.

The TAP was initiated in 1979 by Father Louis Scurti of CCM and the rest of the center to make the students of WPU aware of the hunger problems that Passaic and the surrounding counties face every day. In the beginning they initiated this through guest speakers and food collection drives. In 1981, the method of collecting food changed. No longer did the program collect food for individual families, but joined the Emergency Food Coalition of Passaic County. The method went from collecting food to collecting

money to buy food for pantries by the pound from the coalition.

Father Scurti says that most agencies support the hungry once a year, but "people are hungry in March, people are hungry in April, people are hungry throughout the year," said Scurti.

Money is collected throughout the TAP by giving out cans donated by a local benefactor, to collect money to give to the coalition. These cans are given out to the students, WPU clubs, as well as fraternities and sororities.

As part of the TAP, members of the CCMC and Alpha Phi Omega volunteer every other Friday at Eva's Kitchen in Paterson.

Joanne Pasquale, an assistant to Father Scurti says, "Eva's Kitchen is a lot of fun. It gives the students an opportunity to go to the soup kitchen and have hands on experience with the poor we are supporting through the TAP."

The students are responsible for setting up for a meal and serving the food to the people that come in hungry off the streets. It is also the responsibility for the students to clean the kitchen thoroughly

before the leave for the day.

Pasquale says, "We are lucky enough to go into our homes and open our refrigerator and get anything we want whenever we want. These people don't."

The days at the soup kitchen impact not only the poor and the hungry, but also the students participating in the program. She added that there is always a welcome applause when the workers are introduced as WPU students.

Helen Chmelowitz, CCMC president, is past volunteer as Eva's Kitchen. She says, "It has affected me a lot. I have never been to a soup kitchen before I volunteered at Eva's. It makes you sit back and think how fortunate I am."

Another event is the TAP Walk-A-Thon which took place on Thursday, October 16 at 12:30 p.m. in front of the Student Center. The event consisted of a half hour walk around campus.

During the week of November 16-23 there will be a food collection for the needy. All non-perishable foods are to be brought to the CCMC center.

On Sunday, November 23 the TAP closing celebration will take place. This will be held in the Student Center Ballroom at 7:30 p.m. The event scheduled for this night is a Catholic Mass. Also at the celebration the total amount raised for the TAP is announced.

Father Scurti hopes that through the work of the CCMC and other organizations around WPU the learning will never cease and the legacy of Mother Teresa, the People's Saint, will live on forever.

## WPU departments to hold Saturday hours

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will have minimal staffing, so we have to monitor this very closely," Levy said. "With strong budget implications, we are obviously taking this slowly."

Mullins was thankful to have the support of the university administration.

"The administration has been very cooperative with this issue," said Mullins. "The proposal was put in writing to the proper people and those involved have worked hard to see this happen."

Mullins added "This is good that we are doing something for the students," Mullins said. "I work, and I need to be here sometimes; yet, I may also need a place to study. Now, when students need to be in a library environment, they have that chance."

According to Mullins, this an example of the work that the SGA and University administrators will be doing in the future to help make WPU more than a "suitcase school." There are a lot of things in motion, and Mullins is confident that changes, such as those at the library, are just the beginning of improvements to student life here.

"Students can really get a taste of student life," said Mullins. "William Paterson is opening a new wave of important opportunities for itself, and I feel confident saying that."

Sesay wants students to get a taste of student life, as well. Part

of that will include the increased availability of computer labs in the Atrium and in the Towers dormitory complex. These labs, plus their accompanying printer rooms, will be open until 2 a.m. from Sunday through Thursday. Not only will computer labs be open later for resident-student use, food services is looking into extending the hours of Wayne Hall and the Commuter Cafeteria, and Sesay hopes these changes will be in place soon.

As well, many university departments will be open for Saturday hours. Offices including Admissions, the Registrar, the Bursar, the Counseling, Writing, and Academic Support Centers and the Office of Minority Affairs now have Saturday office hours from 9 a.m. till 12 p.m. Sesay feels this change will make these services more available to non-resident students.

"We don't want commuter students to be left out," said Sesay. "Now, students can come in on Saturday and receive these services. These additional hours are important in making William Paterson a seven-day campus."

Sesay is also pleased to announce that he is working with Student Activities to help bring more weekend programming into the Student Center Ballroom. The administration is trying to waive the rental fee for the Ballroom, so clubs and organizations can have more entertainment on Friday and Saturday, said Sesay.

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## Debate provides recognition for WPU

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The candidates that are involved in the debate are Republican Christine Whitman, Democrat James McGreevey and Libertarian Murray Sabrin. "Unfortunately the debate is limited to just the three candidates chosen based on polls. There are several other candidates running from the Green party, the Independent party and other parties as well," Messer said.

"It is a great honor for the WPU community to host this educational event," said Joseph Maceri, president of the Political Science Club. "Being a political science

major, I would like to see how the candidates address the future of education in front of a WPU audience with the rest of the populace watching on TV."

"I'm interested in what the opponents of Christie Whitman have to say. As a college student I'd like to know how they're looking to represent me," said Messer.

According to Roland Watts, dean of students, this debate is a great opportunity for WPU and neighboring communities to see and hear firsthand the issues that are important to tax payers, students, citizens and voters of New Jersey. "I think that together with

the political forum the SGA put together, it really gives our students a wonderful exposure to politics and politicians, as well as making a positive statement about WPU," he said.

"We undertook the most ambitious project ever as part of the celebration of William Paterson's University status. As a result everybody in the state will associate our new name and status with the most important event taking place in the state this year," said Santillo.



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## Mailbag

### Candidate forum was a success

**To the Editor:**  
 I just wanted to take a moment to comment on the Political Candidate Forum held on October 14, 1997. The event, co-sponsored by the Student Government Association and the Political Science Club was a huge success. In attendance were over 36 candidates, including three gubernatorial. Additionally, over 450 made use of the program and took a time out to meet their candidates and get informed about who stood for what. The program was the first of its kind not only here at William Paterson, but throughout our sister institutions as well. It is definitely something we can be proud of.  
 However, the event could not have been a success without the

support of the Political Science Department, Student Government Association Executive Officers, Political Science Department, Student Government Association Executive Officers, Political Science Club members, Kathleen Mc Crosson, Frank Petrozzino, Dana Romatowski, all candidates in attendance, and most important - all students who took time to attend. On behalf of both sponsoring organizations I want to say thank you and I look forward to experiencing more of your hard work and dedication throughout the year.

Bobi Lee Messer  
 Student Government Association  
 President

## Experiencing democracy firsthand

Any event which graces William Paterson University with its presence seems to lend itself to a bit of misinterpretation as well as an over emphasizing of its importance. Such is the case for New Jersey Gubernatorial Debate, which is scheduled to take place in Shea Center.

As usual the buzz words and catch phrases have been established and administrators and students alike have had no problems maintaining their status as walking cliches.

But the event at hand carries with it many strong opinions upon which our nation was founded; therefore, the strength of those catch phrases has been reinforced by many people who usually would not yield to such a level of thoughtlessness.

It seems the adjective "first-hand" is an important modifier in alluding to the concept of democracy, which the debate supposedly represents. Apparently, by paying 25 dollars to sit in a room with 999 other people to watch three candidates squabble over minute difference, in person, one obtains a better picture of what democracy really is.

Perhaps.  
 But perhaps, having a group of individuals lie to one's face isn't necessarily a part of the democratic process, as much as it is a fact of life.

Certainly, a group of friends, who hold the same opinions as one another, assembling in front of a television to watch the debate, eat popcorn, drink beer, yell when candidates disagree with their views, and laugh when candidates hint at proposing legislation which wouldn't have a snowball's chance in hell of making it through the senate, is the best example of American democracy one could possibly find.

Although, this is not the idea one is likely to come across when one asks the average student how he feels about the debate. The fact that citizens have all but lost hope in the electoral process never seems to sway the idea that voting is not only one's right but one's duty. Despite the fact that "politician" has been given four-letter-word status, all of us 18 to 25 year-olds are encouraged to "rock the vote."

The truth is, most citizens don't expect much from government, yet they are usually disturbed when that is exactly what they receive. So, if what one desires is a good "firsthand" example of democracy one needn't attend a debate.

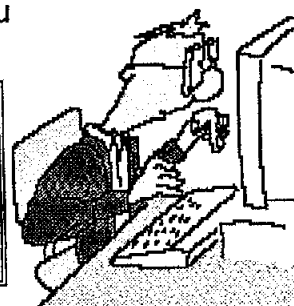
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## Commentary

### Hobbling for a parking space

Joan Kirk

Wednesday morning and not a space in sight. Finding a medical parking space is near impossible. In lot 5, a white Chevy with a bumper sticker stating, "Mean people suck" was parked in a medical spot without a permit, and without a ticket.

**In lot 5, a white Chevy with a bumper sticker stating, "Mean people suck" was parked in a medical spot without a permit, and without a ticket.**

I'm sorry if you were late to class and felt you could park wherever your MEAN self felt like it. This is so rude! How would you like to hobble all the way across campus on crutches, or with another serious medical problem? How would you like to be late to class or miss class altogether when someone was illegally parked in a space you could have parked in?

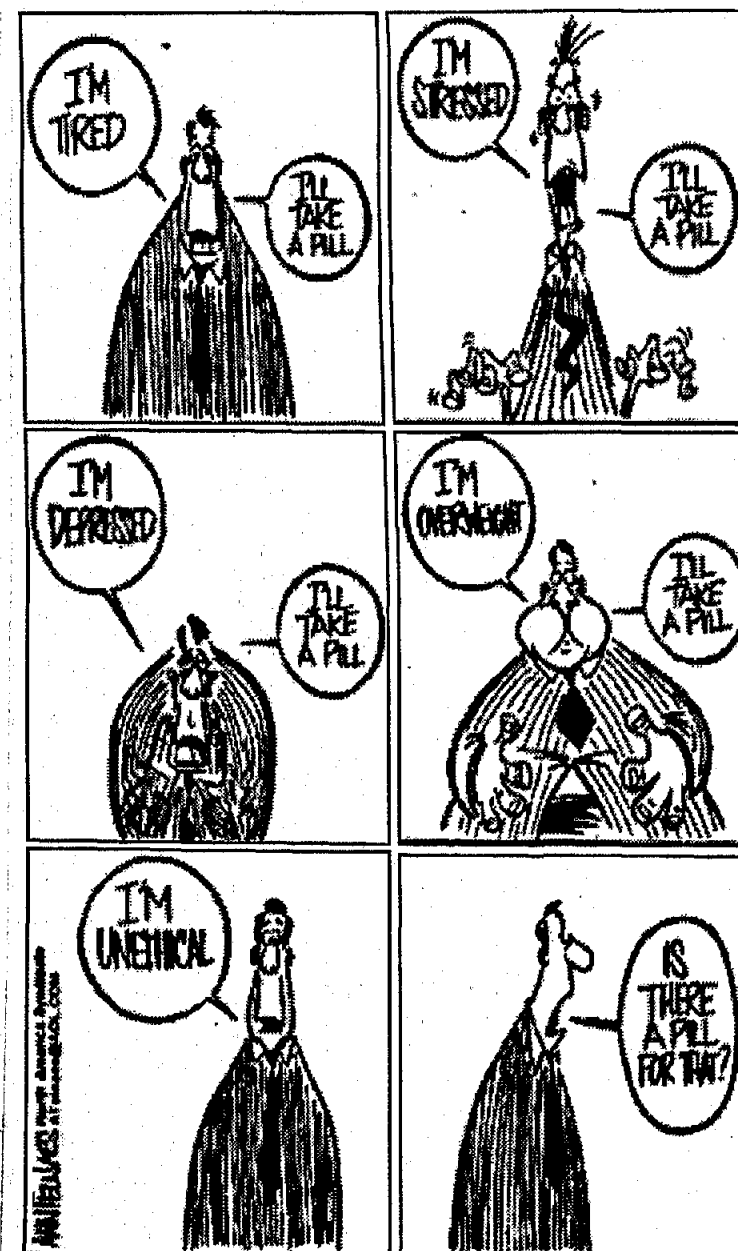
In my frustrating search for help, I met up with two other students hobbling on crutches. One stated that there was a William Paterson Maintenance vehicle parked in a Towers medical space. That really makes us feel like the campus is behind us, doesn't it? Another student was searching Lot 7 for a space. Medical students can park in faculty spaces if medical is full, but how does that help in lots where faculty is almost always full? It is clear that more medical spaces are needed.

So where do hobbling people go for help? There were no parking attendants on duty in either Lot 5 or 7. So we hobbled to Campus Police. The police officers themselves can "try" to get someone down there to ticket someone, but what more can they do?

Nothing!!!  
 So we ask the question, what is the ratio of valid medical permits to current medical spaces? Who should we ask? Campus Police sent us to the violations bureau, who issues medical parking permits. There we encountered two disgruntled women who could care less. When we explained our situation, we were told bluntly, "I don't have time for this." The glass was closed in our faces. When we asked again for the name of someone who could give us this information, we were told "my boss", and the glass again closed. On our third attempt, we were given the name of the assistant chief of security. On our way out

of the door, one of the disgruntled women came out from behind the glass and reprimanded the student on crutches for not going out the door quickly enough. We were making her buzzer go off. The disgruntled woman scurried back behind her glass. How rude!!!  
 We have submitted a request in writing for the number of current medical permits issued. Now we are asking the administration for a fair ratio of parking spaces. If anyone has had a similar problem, join us in meeting with the Coordinator of Special Services, Janet Barone-DeSenzo. Reach her office at 973-720-2218 or contact me at [joan@frontier.wilpaterson.edu](mailto:joan@frontier.wilpaterson.edu). What's your story? It's worth being heard. Maybe something can be done about this if we all join together.

Joan Kirk is a student at William Paterson University



# The Insider

Music, Movies, Reviews, Interviews, and much more!

## Helmet: "We Just Do What We Do Best."

by Ed Erlenmeyer  
 Insider Assistant Editor

It was a rather gloomy, grey afternoon as *The Insider* rolled up on The Birch Hill Night Club in Old Bridge, rain was eminent. Little did we know that later that night, as the lightning beat down outside, the thunder inside was deafening the capacity crowd who gathered to watch Page Hamilton, John Stanier, Chris Traynor, and Henry Bogdan, collectively known as the New York based *Helmet*.

The foursome first got together in 1989 to put out their first single, "Born Annoying," on Amphetamine Reptile Records. From there, they went on to put out *Snap It On* on the very same label. In 1992, *Helmet* signed with Interscope Records and recorded *Meantime*. The album went gold due to the success of the now classic single "Unsung." Two years later, the band released *Betty* and showed all of their fans a bit of diversity that they didn't quite expect. After an extensive tour schedule, the band took some time off and recorded songs for movies including *The Jerky Boys* and *Feeling Minnesota*. Now, almost a year after the release of the band's latest offering, *Aftertaste*, and with the addition of former *Orange 9mm* guitarist Chris Traynor, they are still on tour which is taking them all over

the world. A few weeks ago we caught up with *Helmet's* drummer, John Stanier and discussed touring, fans, moshing, and what it's like to travel almost non-stop for close to ten years.

**First off, how do you feel about the new album?**  
 Very good. I'm very happy with the way it came out. It's not exactly new anymore, but I'm way into it.  
**Is there anything that you wish went differently while recording it?**

I wish that we didn't have to re-mix it. We did it with this guy, Dave Sardy and he mixed it and I liked the original mix, but no one else did so we had to get this guy, Terry Date in Seattle to re-mix it.

**I read that Dave had you recording sitting...**  
 In the bathroom. That's for just one title part in one song. The reason is that the sound is wicked in there because it's all tiled, it's super loud. It's a great sound.

**How would you describe the transition from *Meantime* to *Betty* to *Aftertaste*?**  
*Meantime* came out really strong and a lot of people considered it to be a really influential record. At the time, I guess it kind of was. It just stuck out from everything else. It was really new and fresh. Then *Betty* came out and that was sort of a reaction.

Because of *Meantime* we were being pigeon holed into this little scene. We weren't really happy with the direction that we were going so *Betty* was a reaction to that. We had to get some stuff out of our system and that's why it was a little stranger. Then we just toured a long time on that. This record sort of goes back to what we originally set out to do, but at the same point it goes a little more forward, it's a lot more melodic.

**Do you ever see the band reaching the same type of chart success that you had back with "Unsung?"**  
 I don't know. That whole world is really weird because it doesn't really have anything to do with how you are as a band, how good you are as a band. It's more of a song that gets played on the radio and on MTV and all of a sudden, you're huge because of that one song. I certainly don't think that "Unsung" was our best song ever. I'd rather make a really good record.

**Well, that was my next question, does that even matter?**  
 Not really. We're definitely not like a singles band. That's more like pop music world.  
**If you could categorize *Helmet's* sound, how would you go about it?**  
 I think it's real kind of no nonsense rock. It's hard rock, but you can't just say it's hard rock because that's a little too vague. I would say that



Jay Blakesberg/Interscope

it's hard rock, but it's to the point. Each song has the meaning behind this music and it just puts it on the table, there's no meandering around. Do you still get the same feeling playing in front of crowds as when you first started?  
 Yeah, definitely, it just never really goes away.  
**Have you seen a change in the fans that come to your shows?**  
 Not really, no. Obviously I'm getting older and the crowds are getting younger. Other than that, it's the same kind of people.

**What's the worst thing a fan has done to you?**  
 Probably borderline stalking kind of shit.  
**It's gotten that bad?**  
 Yeah, but it's not like people follow us all over the place, but every once in a while you meet somebody that is just like fucking psycho.  
**Does it bother you when you're just hanging outside a club talking to some friends and someone just comes up to you and wants to talk to you?**

No, not at all. First of all, I definitely don't consider myself famous, but if I was famous, I could not imagine just being blatantly rude to people. It's one thing if you're sitting off to the side with your girlfriend and some dude comes up and shoves a piece of paper in your face and demands that you sign it, that's one thing. If somebody's really cool, you have to realize that they want to talk to you and if you are a dick, then they're going to remember that. I mean, we're just normal, nice guys anyway. It's still even weird that people do that in the first place.  
**What's it like to take a step back and say "Wow, I've been doing this for close to ten years?"**  
 It's pretty weird. It has been a long time, and when you think about it, it's been a blur because it doesn't seem that long because you're constantly on tour. On this tour, for some reason, it's weird. In D.C. yesterday, we were walking around, I was with this girl and we were going to the monuments. We've been there a million times. I've seen the Washington Monument, The White House, all that. I'm walking around, and on this tour, I keep having these

reoccurring memories that makes me realize that I have been doing this for a long time. When I was walking around the monuments, I was remembering walking around the monuments when there was snow everywhere, then I remember walking around the monuments on our very first tour, like seven years ago and then it's like fuck, I have been around a long long time. But it's been really good, I happy with it. We've had a really long career and I've seen a lot of shit and it's been all good.

**What do you think about moshing and stage-diving these days?**  
 I think that it's really kind of pointless. I mean, I'm all for people having a good time, I definitely used to dance, but now kids will slam to anything. It's become so formulated. If it's super wild, then that's cool, if people are really dancing hard and they know what they're doing, but otherwise it seems like it's gotten dumb.

**Yeah, I've been to many shows with bigger name bands and there are always the jar-head types of people in the pit who are just there to kick some heads in.**  
 Yeah, but it's always been like that. It seems that the bigger you get as a band, the more people who don't know anything about the scene that you came from get into you. It's good and it's bad. It's good because you're getting out there and you're developing a really big fan base and a lot of people are seeing you, but it's bad because a lot of these people don't have a clue as to where you came from, and the whole meat-head thing. Unfortunately we get a lot of that, but it's understandable too.

**What are some of your hobbies away from *Helmet*?**  
*Helmet* is definitely life, it's like a career, it's a job, it doesn't really leave much room for anything else. When I go home I just hang out.  
**What's in store for the next year or so?**  
 Probably more touring. We go to Japan, New Zealand, Australia, then we come home, then we go back to Europe for about three weeks and at that time it's about Christmas, and then I have no idea what we're going to do.

## Under the Microscope

Down By Law  
*Last of the Sharpshooters*  
 (Epitaph)

Big huge fat production is the first thing the listener will hear when listening to *Last of the Sharpshooters*. If there was anything redeeming about this album, the overproduction would probably kill that too.

Down By Law has become one of those bands that have reached such a level of popularity, that it seems like they don't care what they release anymore. There have been decent DBL albums in the past, but this one is really awful.

Dave Smalley and company have taken the slogan "Last of the Sharpshooters" to heart. Most every song has a fringe of western to it, except the god-awful embarrassment called "Urban Napalm". If this is the state of music, even once proud bands like Down By Law need to experiment with crap scores to sell a few records. It's hard to decide which is worse, the ska or the whiny countrified guitar solo at the beginning of "Get Out".

If Down By Law had presented the last of the sharpshooters, punk rock as a whole can breathe a sigh of relief. The last thing the world needs is more albums like this.

Rude Bones  
*There'll be lots of hard times along the way*  
 (Moon)

This newly signed band on Moon, Rude Bones, is a Japan based ska band with da' works.

These guys are wild and even a bit crazy too. They add a different edge to their ska, call it ska-core, call it ska-punk, whatever it is you can call it good. *Hard Times* kicks off with "Where are you now?" a song about hussy's, to quote the lyrics, who ditch their kids and run away and forget they are mothers. This is a great song, and it only gets better from here.

All the songs on this album have one thing in common, they are catchy as hell. You'll be singing along before you can even make out the lyrics, and when you know the lyrics you will sing them with the bands' repetitive accent. "Alcohol" perhaps the best track on the album finds Hiroast Okawa singing out his additions: "The alcohol is turning good, it's been seven days past, I've been thinking my ass off, I don't remember my ass off, I'm a mother, the addicted, I don't help."

Songs like this one that make this album easily one of the best I've heard on Moon records, as well as anyone. *Hard Times* is a solid album from start to finish, no weak points, no slow points, nothing. If there are more bands in Japan that sound like good, the country has got a future in music. Good job Rude Bones. Moon Ska, PO Box 1412, New York NY 10276

The Groovie Ghoulies  
*Re-Animation Festival*  
 (Lookout)

Morbid punk rockers, the Groovie Ghoulies are at it again with their second release of '97, *Re-Animation Festival*. They replaced their old drummer with Patrick the drummer for *Screeching Weasel* / the *Rivardales*. Nothing new on this CD, just their brand of dark, straightforward pop-punk.

The Groovie Ghoulies show off their humorous as well as their dark side on *Re-Animation Festival*. Tracks like "Chupacabra" and "That's That" are both funny and disturbing. "Tunnel of Love" and "Graveyard Girlfriend" are not your typical love songs with lyrics like I met her at the haunted mansion/ She said I look like Charles Manson/ But I persisted though/ and won her love you know.

After releasing a CD in the spring and touring nonstop, somehow the Ghoulies found the time to put together an above average album. However after listening to generic tracks like "Satisfy Me", "If You Need Me" and "School is Out" it seems like the Ghoulies were really reaching to find material to put on this album. But every album the Ghoulies have released have been better than the last, and this album is no exception.

(DR)



Throughout the day of October 14, the Student Center Ballroom was host to many Jersey candidates at William Paterson University's first annual Political Candidate Forum, sponsored by the Student Government Association (SGA) and the Political Science Club. The main theme which came from almost each candidate's mouth was "Students First."

Three independent candidates running for NJ governor attended this forum and were very well received by the students and others who attended. Murray Sabrin, libertarian candidate for governor, was excited to be able to show the students his position about the many issues facing them. "That's why I'm in this race," said Sabrin. "They're the ones who are going to be stuck with the bills that the politicians have put in there. It's the students I'm worried about." He enjoyed the forum very much, and was glad to see the students talking one on one with the candidates. "That's what democracy's all about," said Sabrin.

Madeline Hoffman, the Green Party candidate for governor, feels her position in the Green Party could make a change of pace with the usual Republican and Democratic parties. "Neither Republicans nor Democrats have really addressed the issues in this state," said Hoffman. She noted that NJ has the highest car insurance rate, the highest breast cancer rate within the states, and high pollution per square mile. "As a long time activist on environmental issues in the state of NJ for the past 18 years, I felt that it was important to gather with the Greens," said Hoffman. She has worked with students in past years to fight tuition hikes, and hopes that more students vote in this upcoming election. Hoffman enjoyed the forum greatly, remarking that it was what politics are all about, "really getting to know people."

Michael Perrone, Jr., independent candidate for governor, was glad to be invited to a political forum such as this one. "I'm surprised that out of the four million voters, only ten to fifteen contacted me about forums, along with some radio stations and some newspapers," said Perrone. "I'd like to see more forums like this." He was surprised that out of the NJ combined voters, only 46% make up the Republican and Democratic parties, leaving 54% to independent parties.

Both Governor Christine Whitman and candidate for governor Jim McGreevey were invited to the forum. No representatives were sent for Whitman, and although McGreevey had a table set up for him, he became unavailable to attend.

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The current mayor, Marty Barnes, from Paterson was also present at the forum, backing the forum one hundred percent. Barnes takes every opportunity to reach college students. "There are not enough young people involved in the political process," said Barnes, "and it affects their everyday life." He is currently running for mayor because, "we want to finish our job and fix the problems in the city of Paterson."

"Hopefully it will excite the students enough that they'll go out and vote come November 4," said Messer.

Among the group of candidates were two students running for office. Betsy Goetz, currently a WPU graduate student, made his appearance fighting all the way from Paterson to the students and take their concerns into consideration. "I was doing my bills one day in January, and I wrote out a check for \$1900," said Goetz. "There's got to be a better way." He was enthusiastic about the wonderful turn-out and I'm glad to see the candidates are supporting us and our students and expose undergraduates to the political process.

Adam Beder, currently a Political Science major at WPU, is running for the office of Clinton, NJ. "I decided to run as the next step for me politically," said Beder. In conjunction with the SGA, the Political Science Club worked just as hard for this year. The President of the Hunterdon County Young Democrats, Beder is also the president of the democratic county committee and is very involved in local politics. "Things are going," said Maceri. "We worked really hard on this, and the faculty in the Political Science Department were very supportive." Along with students walking in on their own initiative, many political science classes came to the forum with their professors, which both Maceri and Messer were happy to see.

Mike Greenspan, father of a WPU student and candidate for NJ state senate in the 40th district, is discussing issues such as tuition hikes, considering it affects his son and bumper stickers were Normen Robertson, Republican candidate for Senate, Joseph Mecca, Democratic candidate for Assembly, and Marion Crecco, Republican candidate for Assembly.

Many of the candidates were running for local positions, hoping to reach a student who resides in their area to make them more aware of who they were running for.



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have to pick from in the November 4 election.

Patrick Botbyl, a candidate for Passaic County Freeholder, is a graduate of WPU, and has a son currently attending WPU. "For many years I've been active in community service, and now that I have time to volunteer I feel I have background to contribute and continue to make Passaic County a great place to live," said Botbyl. He was glad to be involved in this student forum because, "They are a very important part in deciding their future," Botbyl said encouraging younger people to vote.

Although the candidates were a vital part of the day, it would not have been successful without the cooperation and involvement of the students who attended and took advantage of the opportunity to meet the candidates. "I'm going to ask questions mostly about my car insurance," said WPU student Sheree Smith, "because it's through her main hope was that the candidates would actually listen to the students and take their concerns into consideration."

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Robertson commended the forum coordinators for being able to bring such a vast array of candidates together in one room. "It's a very good mix," said Robertson. "You have here some of the most significant NJ candidates."

Steve Shalom, a Political Science professor at WPU, was calmly walking around the forum looking at all the information available and noticing student reaction. "I think it's great to give the students and others a chance to find out first hand what the candidates stand for," said Shalom. "I feel that's a prerequisite for the democratic process to work properly." However, even though he enjoyed the forum, he did wish there were more candidates present.

WPU President Arnold Speert was found talking to many students and candidates throughout the day, pleased with the outcome. "I marvel at the Political Science Club and the SGA for having put this together," said Speert. "I think it's critical for students to take seriously election day and voting and to have individuals in office who are responsive to their needs."

In the words of student candidate Adam Beder, "It all looked very professional, and I'm happy I came."

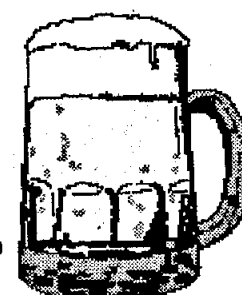
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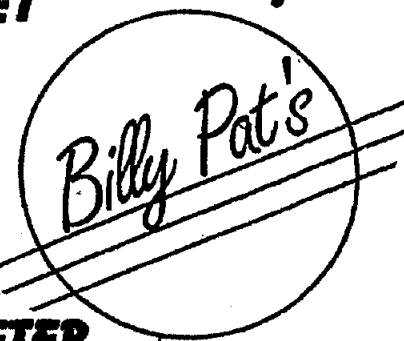
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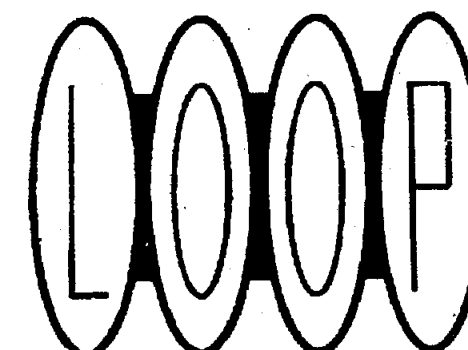
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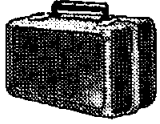
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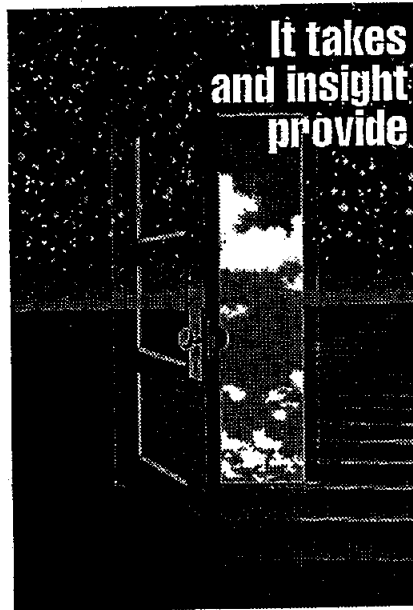
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**Applications mailed to clubs and organizations:** September 9 (SGA Clubs and Greek Chapters)

**Applications Due:** Wednesday, October 8 (Applicants nominated by a club or chapter)

**Scoring Sheets and Applications sent to committee:** Thursday, October 9 (Representatives from Alumni Affairs, Campus Activities, Dean of Students Office, and Residence Life)

**Selection Meeting:** Friday, October 10, 3 p.m. (Three candidates were chosen based on the criteria: Diversification of activities, leadership and essay)

**Homecoming Court Announced:** Friday, October 10, 4:30 p.m. (Court pictures taken and developed: Monday, October 13)

**King and Queen Voting:** Tuesday and Wednesday, October 14 and 15 (Student body vote)

**King and Queen Award Presentation:** Thursday, October 16 (Pep Rally - Lot #6, 8 p.m.)

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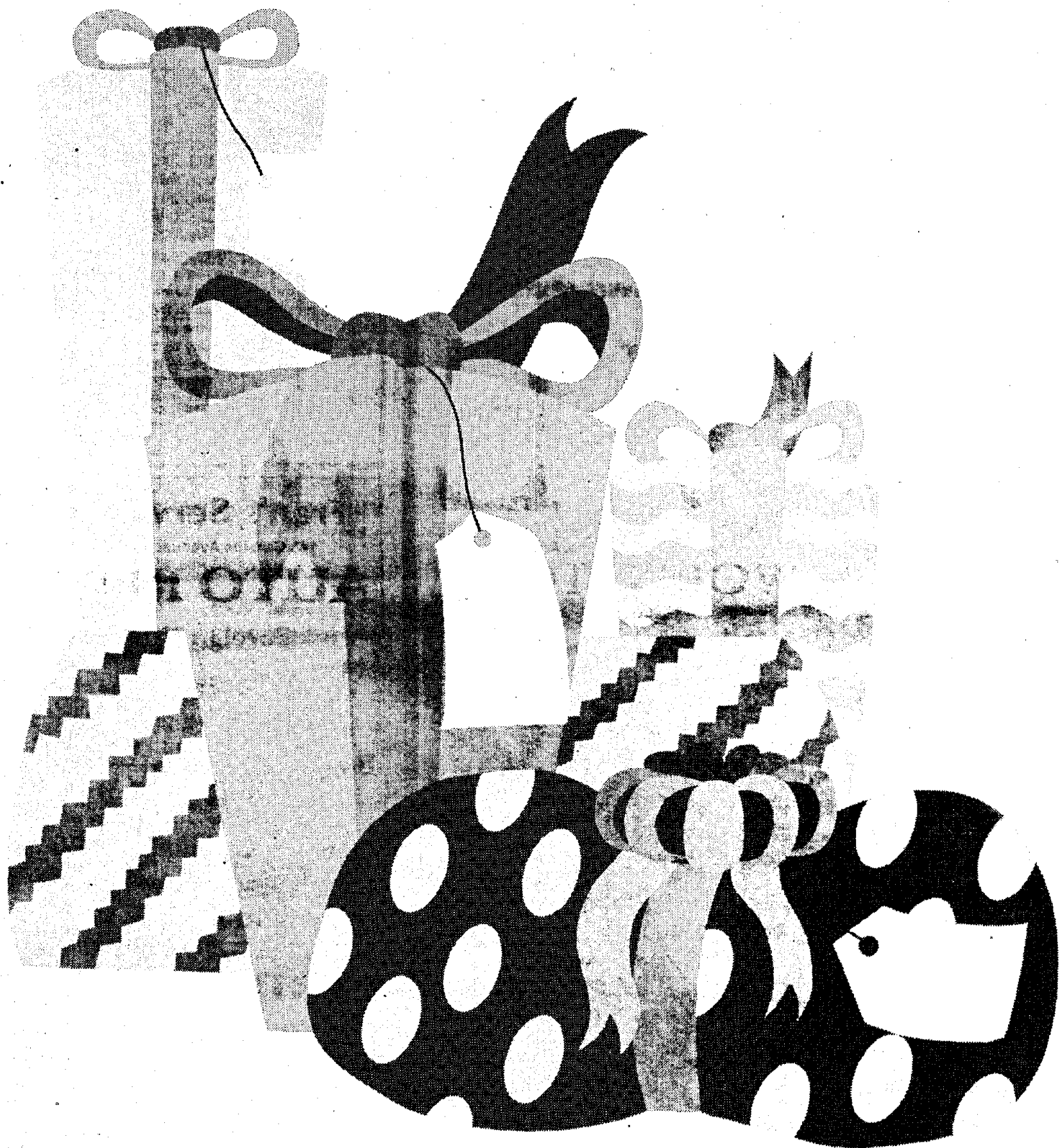
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## Lecture series to feature Governor's debate

By Sherri Sage  
News Contributor

As part of the Distinguished Lecturer's Series, William Paterson University will host the

New Jersey Gubernatorial Debate in Shea Center.

The debate, scheduled for October 24, will begin at 7 p.m. and will be telecast live on WCBS. It will also re-air on Sunday and be

shown on Philadelphia station KYW twice by tape delay. In addition, radio stations CBS AM, 1010 WINS and KYW Philadelphia will also air the debate live.

According to Dennis Santillo,

director of External Relations, in order to have the debate at WPU, the university and its debate sponsors had to submit a proposal to the Election Law Enforcement Commission. All candidates must debate at the two chosen winning proposal sites. WPU was one of the winning sites along with the Birchwood Manor in Whippany.

According to Santillo, at the discretion and desire of the candidates and their campaign managers, it was determined that there should be a third debate in Southern NJ since there were no applications from this area. This third debate was held at Rowan University in Glassboro on October 18.

Readers of 40 NJ newspapers with a total state circulation of 750,000 are recipients of a week's worth of advertising for the Gubernatorial debate at WPU, said Santillo. "The amount of positive

attention we will be receiving is overwhelming. It couldn't be purchased with millions of dollars in advertising funds," Santillo said.

According to Bobi Lee Messer, Student Government Association president, tickets for the debate are already sold out.

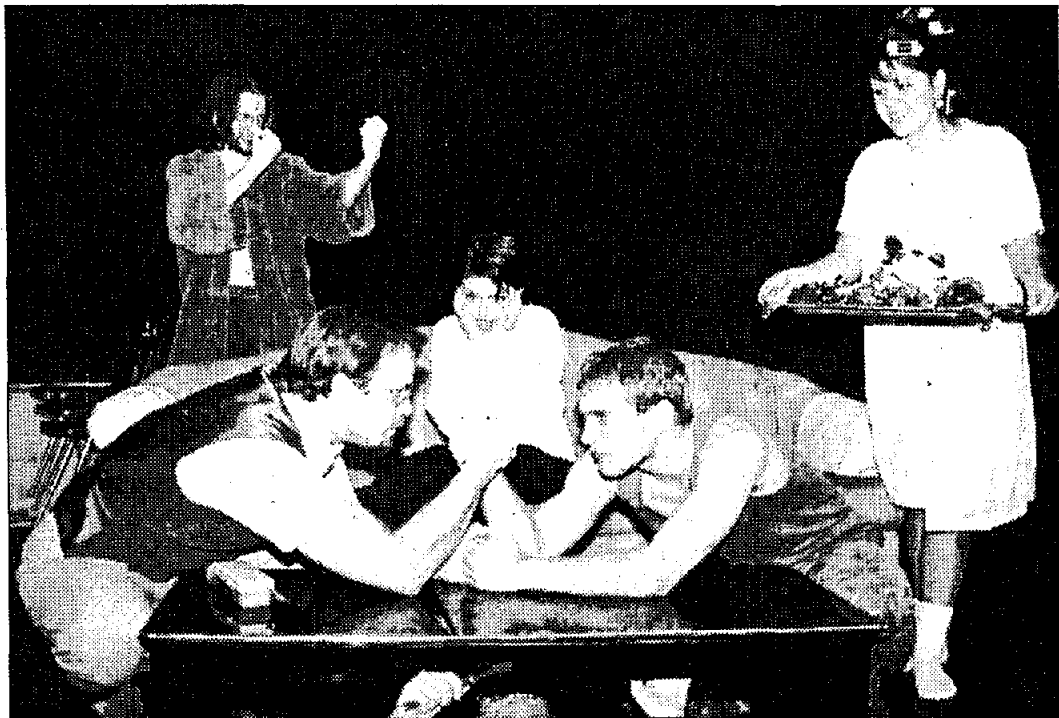
"We could have filled a much larger arena but Shea is the largest that we've got. The series has been there for 18 years. We've tried other places but they don't work," Santillo said.

There will be 1,000 people attending the debate since that is the amount Shea Center holds.

Messer said that she is very proud that WPU was selected to sponsor one of the three debates. "This gives us a channel to view firsthand who's running and looking to run our government," said Messer.

see DEBATE page 3

## Hunziker comedies sell out performances



sylvana Meneses/The Beacon

Students in the recently performed "At Home" (above) worked diligently since the beginning of September for their performances in the Black Box Theater this past weekend. Along with the comedy "The Whole Shebang", they sold out almost every performance. Audience members gave great reviews of these two one-act comedies.

## Disability coordinator seeking cooperation

By Danielle Gabriel  
Staff Writer

To ensure the best and most appropriate accommodations for disabled students on campus, the new coordinator for Disability Services, Janet Barone DeSenzo is asking for cooperation from the entire student body.

"Cooperation and sensitivity are very helpful to disabled students," said Barone-DeSenzo. "In my position, I'd like to increase education, sensitivity and awareness on this campus."

Barone-DeSenzo, who obtained her Master's Degree in Education from William Paterson College, said she has sensed a lack of support by other students for those students who have physical disabilities. The recent theft of a

wheelchair from a parking lot and damage to an automatic door providing entry to the Student Center Arcade, she said, are examples.

"The automatic door in the arcade has been broken at least three times," she said. "Each time, it has cost more than \$5,000 to repair. When students do these things, I'm not sure they understand who they're hurting."

Barone DeSenzo said William Paterson University has unlimited resources for its disabled students. Colleges and universities are categorized as either program-based or service-based depending upon each school's degree of accommodation for disability students. WPU is service-based, meaning it provides services to accommodate students.

"Program-based colleges and

universities allow disabled students to take a course within their regular curriculum to prepare them for college," she said. "We don't do that."

Under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990 and section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, all colleges and employers must provide reasonable accommodations for all disabled persons so that they are able to function on campus or on the job. As long as the disabled students provide Disability Services with proper documentation of their disability, WPU is required to make accommodations for those students.

"If an individual is eligible to be here [in college] and has intellec-

see COMMITTEE page 3

## SGA V.P. fights for new library hours

By Matthew Halpern  
Staff Writer

To the pleasure of students and faculty alike, the Sarah Byrd Askew Library at William Paterson University will soon have extended hours, able to accommodate the most difficult schedules.

Melba Mullins, Student Government Association vice president, said that many students have been displeased that the Byrd Askew library has limited hours, especially weekend hours. Students brought this concern to her attention, and she felt this was an important issue to raise the university administrators.

"I was receiving complaints that the library does not have accessibility for different schedules," said Mullins. "The current hours at the library do not accommodate commuters and part-timers, especially on the weekend."

Many surrounding colleges and universities have library hours later than the Byrd Askew library, said Mullins. She felt that the library needed to be open later than it is currently. This will help foster an open atmosphere on campus and help make this a seven-day-a-week campus, she added.

To help bring about this change

in the library hours, Mullins worked with Chernoh M. Sesay, provost and executive vice president. Sesay worked in conjunction with library officials to further meet the needs of students.

Norma Levy, director, Byrd Askew Library, was pleased to announce that additional operational hours at the library have already been added to their schedule. Sunday evening hours have been extended from 8 p.m. to 11:45 p.m. Other hours may be extended, based on the response from these new hours added at the library.

"After discussion with the Provost, we are pleased to be able to extend library hours on Sunday until 11:45 p.m.," said Levy. "We feel that Sunday is the best time, as students return to the campus after the weekend."

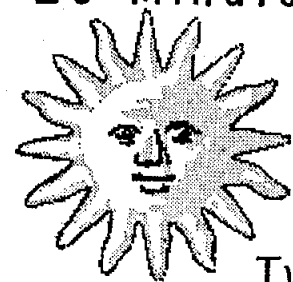
This extension of hours is something Levy will continue to examine, seeing how beneficial it is for students and the campus. In dealing with something of this nature, library administrators must look at how budget and staffing concerns factor into the situation.

"With trying to keep our resources available to students, we

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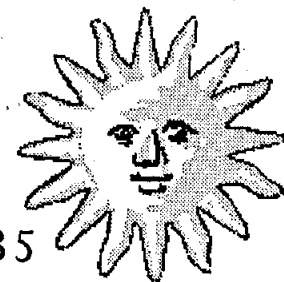
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Catholic Campus Ministry Club -- God speaks to us through Scripture. Come and hear what he has to say to you as we gather to study his word. 3 p.m., SC 326.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 21

Catholic Campus Ministry Club -- Join us for weekday Mass as we gather to celebrate the joy and goodness of God's presence in our lives. 12:30 p.m., SC 215. (Thursdays as well)

Club Volleyball -- meetings. 12:30 p.m., SC 314.

Organization of Latin American Students -- O.L.A.S. General meeting. 12:30 p.m., Hunziker 207.

Women's Center -- Women's Discussion Group. Co-led by Professor Joan Griscom and Meryle Kaplan. We have created a space where women can get together in an atmosphere of mutual respect to explore personal and political issues. 3:30 p.m., SC 214.

Student Accounting Society -- Guest speakers from Arthur Andersen will be speaking to us about a large firm's perspective in accounting. 12:30 p.m., Raubinger 301.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 22

Coalition of Lesbians, Gays and Friends -- General meeting and open forum for any discussion. 7:30 p.m., SC 213.

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Women's Center -- Women's History Month (and other spring events) Planning meeting. SC 214.

Catholic Campus Ministry Club -- Join us for some quiet time and meditation during our weekly Holy Hour. 6 p.m., CCM center.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 23

The Feminist Collective -- Discussing upcoming events for the Fall semester. 12:30 p.m., SC 304.

Essence/English -- General meetings, planning coffee houses, reading poetry. 12:30 p.m., SC 306.

Spanish Club -- Trip to Metropolitan museum. Depart lot 5 9 a.m., Depart from Met. at 4 p.m.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25

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## Committee works with students to make improvements

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tually proven him/herself, and has provided authentic medical, psychological, etc. documentation of their disability, we have to make every appropriate accommodation, as long as those accommodations don't cause an undue burden to the campus, said Barone DeSenzo. "We wouldn't blow a hole in a mountain to make it that, but we have to provide for them."

This summer, the ADA Committee was established to further the efforts of Disability Services. Consisting of sixteen members, including students. The committee is comprised of sub-committees that perform a specific task. Areas of technology and the Tutoring Center for example, need improvement according to Barone DeSenzo.

"We need to improve technological devices on campus," she said. "We'd like to see the installation of Oral Readers (computers that read information aloud to the user) in our computer labs and more assistance of learning disabled students in the Tutoring Center. One way to accomplish that is to provide extra training for tutors."

In a memo to the campus community announcing Barone DeSenzo's appointment, Provost and Executive Vice President Chernoh M. Sesay encouraged members of the campus to provide support for the ADA Committee. "The committee welcomes support, input and recommendations...so that we many better serve all student populations," said Sesay.



Janet Barone DeSenzo, coordinator of Disability Services recognizes need for improvement of technology for the disabled on the WPU campus.

## Thanksgiving Awareness program dedicated to Mother Teresa

By Michael S. Laclair  
News Contributor

The annual Thanksgiving Awareness Program (TAP), sponsored by the Catholic Campus Ministry Club, is now taking place on the William Paterson University campus. This marks the eighteenth year to help the poor and the hungry in the city of Passaic and the rest of Passaic County. This year's activities will be dedicated to the memory and mission of the late Mother Teresa of Calcutta.

The TAP was initiated in 1979 by Father Louis Scurti of CCM and the rest of the center to make the students of WPU aware of the hunger problems that Passaic and the surrounding counties face every day. In the beginning they initiated this through guest speakers and food collection drives. In 1981, the method of collecting food changed. No longer did the program collect food for individual families, but joined the Emergency Food Coalition of Passaic County. The method went from collecting food to collecting

money to buy food for pantries by the pound from the coalition.

Father Scurti says that most agencies support the hungry once a year, but "people are hungry in March, people are hungry in April, people are hungry throughout the year," said Scurti.

Money is collected throughout the TAP by giving out cans donated by a local benefactor, to collect money to give to the coalition. These cans are given out to the students, WPU clubs, as well as fraternities and sororities.

As part of the TAP, members of the CCMC and Alpha Phi Omega volunteer every other Friday at Eva's Kitchen in Paterson. Joanne Pasquale, an assistant to Father Scurti says, "Eva's Kitchen is a lot of fun. It gives the students an opportunity to go to the soup kitchen and have hands on experience with the poor we are supporting through the TAP."

The students are responsible for setting up for a meal and serving the food to the people that come in hungry off the streets. It is also the responsibility for the students to clean the kitchen thoroughly

before the leave for the day.

Pasquale says, "We are lucky enough to go into our homes and open our refrigerator and get anything we want whenever we want. These people don't."

The days at the soup kitchen impact not only the poor and the hungry, but also the students participating in the program. She added that there is always a welcome applause when the workers are introduced as WPU students.

Helen Chmelowitz, CCMC president, is past volunteer as Eva's Kitchen. She says, "It has affected me a lot. I have never been to a soup kitchen before I volunteered at Eva's. It makes you sit back and think how fortunate I am."

Another event is the TAP Walk-A-Thon which took place on Thursday, October 16 at 12:30 p.m. in front of the Student Center. The event consisted of a half hour walk around campus.

During the week of November 16-23 there will be a food collection for the needy. All non-perishable foods are to be brought to the CCMC center.

On Sunday, November 23 the TAP closing celebration will take place. This will be held in the Student Center Ballroom at 7:30 p.m. The event scheduled for this night is a Catholic Mass. Also at the celebration the total amount raised for the TAP is announced.

Father Scurti hopes that through the work of the CCMC and other organizations around WPU the learning will never cease and the legacy of Mother Teresa, the People's Saint, will live on forever.

## WPU departments to hold Saturday hours

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will have minimal staffing, so we have to monitor this very closely," Levy said. "With strong budget implications, we are obviously taking this slowly."

Mullins was thankful to have the support of the university administration.

"The administration has been very cooperative with this issue," said Mullins. "The proposal was put in writing to the proper people and those involved have worked hard to see this happen."

Mullins added "This is good that we are doing something for the students," Mullins said. "I work, and I need to be here sometimes; yet, I may also need a place to study. Now, when students need to be in a library environment, they have that chance."

According to Mullins, this an example of the work that the SGA and University administrators will be doing in the future to help make WPUNJ more than a "suitcase school." There are a lot of things in motion, and Mullins is confident that changes, such as those at the library, are just the beginning of improvements to student life here.

"Students can really get a taste of student life," said Mullins. "William Paterson is opening a new wave of important opportunities for itself, and I feel confident saying that."

of that will include the increased availability of computer labs in the Atrium and in the Towers dormitory complex. These labs, plus their accompanying printer rooms, will be open until 2 a.m. from Sunday through Thursday. Not only will computer labs be open later for resident-student use, food services is looking into extending the hours of Wayne Hall and the Commuter Cafeteria, and Sesay hopes these changes will be in place soon.

As well, many university departments will be open for Saturday hours. Offices including Admissions, the Registrar, the Bursar, the Counseling, Writing, and Academic Support Centers and the Office of Minority Affairs now have Saturday office hours from 9 a.m. till 12 p.m. Sesay feels this change will make these services more available to non-resident students.

"We don't want commuter students to be left out," said Sesay. "Now, students can come in on Saturday and receive these services. These additional hours are important in making William Paterson a seven-day campus."

Sesay is also pleased to announce that he is working with Student Activities to help bring more weekend programming into the Student Center Ballroom. The administration is trying to waive the rental fee for the Ballroom, so clubs and organizations can have more entertainment on Friday and Saturday, said Sesay.

## Debate provides recognition for WPU

from LECTURE page 1

The candidates that are involved in the debate are Republican Christine Whitman, Democrat James McGreevey and Libertarian Murray Sabrin. "Unfortunately the debate is limited to just the three candidates chosen based on polls. There are several other candidates running from the Green party, the Independent party and other parties as well," Messer said.

"It is a great honor for the WPU community to host this educational event," said Joseph Maceri, president of the Political Science Club. "Being a political science

major, I would like to see how the candidates address the future of education in front of a WPU audience with the rest of the populace watching on TV."

"I'm interested in what the opponents of Christie Whitman have to say. As a college student I'd like to know how they're looking to represent me," said Messer.

According to Roland Watts, dean of students, this debate is a great opportunity for WPU and neighboring communities to see and hear firsthand the issues that are important to tax payers, students, citizens and voters of New Jersey. "I think that together with

the political forum the SGA put together, it really gives our students a wonderful exposure to politics and politicians, as well as making a positive statement about WPU," he said.

"We undertook the most ambitious project and most ambitious series ever as part of the celebration of William Paterson's University status. As a result everybody in the state will associate our new name and event with the most important event taking place in the state this year," said Santillo.



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## Mailbag

### Candidate forum was a success

the Editor:  
 I just wanted to take a moment to comment on the Political Candidate Forum held on October 4, 1997. The event, co-sponsored by the Student Government Association and the Political Science Club was a huge success. Attendance was over 36 candidates, including three gubernatorial. Additionally, over 450 made use of the program and took a time to meet their candidates and get informed about who stood for what. The program was the first of its kind not only here at William Paterson, but throughout our sister institutions as well. It is definitely something we can be proud of. However, the event could not have been a success without the support of the Political Science Department, Student Government Association Executive Officers, Political Science Department, Student Government Association Executive Officers, Political Science Club members, Kathleen Mc Crosson, Frank Petrozzino, Dana Romatowski, all candidates in attendance, and most importantly — all students who took time to attend. On behalf of both sponsoring organizations I want to say thank you and I look forward to experiencing more of your hard work and dedication throughout the year.

Bobi Lee Messer  
 Student Government Association  
 President

## Experiencing democracy firsthand

Any event which graces William Paterson University with its presence seems to lend itself to a bit of misinterpretation as well as an over emphasizing of its importance. Such is the case for New Jersey Gubernatorial Debate, which is scheduled to take place in Shea Center.

As usual the buzz words and catch phrases have been established and administrators and students alike have had no problems maintaining their status as walking cliches.

But the event at hand carries with it many strong opinions upon which our nation was founded; therefore, the strength of those catch phrases has been reinforced by many people who usually would not yield to such a level of thoughtlessness.

It seems the adjective "first-hand" is an important modifier in alluding to the concept of democracy, which the debate supposedly represents. Apparently, by paying 25 dollars to sit in a room with 999 other people to watch three candidates squabble over minute difference, in person, one obtains a better picture of what democracy really is.

Perhaps.

But perhaps, having a group of individuals lie to one's face isn't necessarily a part of the democratic process, as much as it is a fact of life.

Certainly, a group of friends, who hold the same opinions as one another, assembling in front of a television to watch the debate, eat popcorn, drink beer, yell when candidates disagree with their views, and laugh when candidates hint at proposing legislation which wouldn't have a snowball's chance in hell of making it through the senate, is the best example of American democracy one could possibly find.

Although, this is not the idea one is likely to come across when one asks the average student how he feels about the debate. The fact that citizens have all but lost hope in the electoral process never seems to sway the idea that voting is not only one's right but one's duty. Despite the fact that "politician" has been given four-letter-word status, all of us 18 to 25 year-olds are encouraged to "rock the vote."

The truth is, most citizens don't expect much from government, yet they are usually disturbed when that is exactly what they receive. So, if what one desires is a good "firsthand" example of democracy one needn't attend a debate.

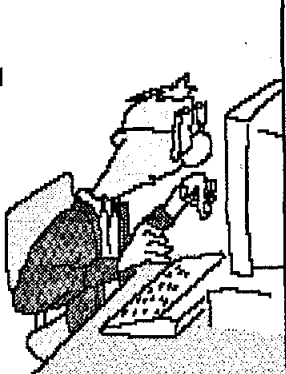
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## Commentary

### Hobbling for a parking space

**Joan Kirk**  
 Wednesday morning and not a space in sight. Finding a medical parking space is near impossible. In lot 5, a white Chevy with a bumper sticker stating, "Mean people suck" was parked in a medical spot without a permit, and without a ticket.

I'm sorry if you were late to class and felt you could park wherever your MEAN self felt like it. This is so rude! How would you like to hobble all the way across campus on crutches, or with another serious medical problem? How would you like to be late to class or miss class altogether when someone was illegally parked in a space you could have parked in?

In my frustrating search for help, I met up with two other students hobbling on crutches. One stated that there was a William Paterson Maintenance vehicle parked in a Towers medical space. That really makes us feel like the campus is behind us, doesn't it? Another student was searching Lot 7 for a space. Medical students can park in faculty spaces if medical is full, but how does that help in lots where faculty is almost always full? It is clear that more medical spaces are needed.

So where do hobbling people go for help? There were no parking attendants on duty in either Lot 5 or 7. So we hobbled to Campus Police. The police officers themselves can "try" to get someone down there to ticket someone, but what more can they do?

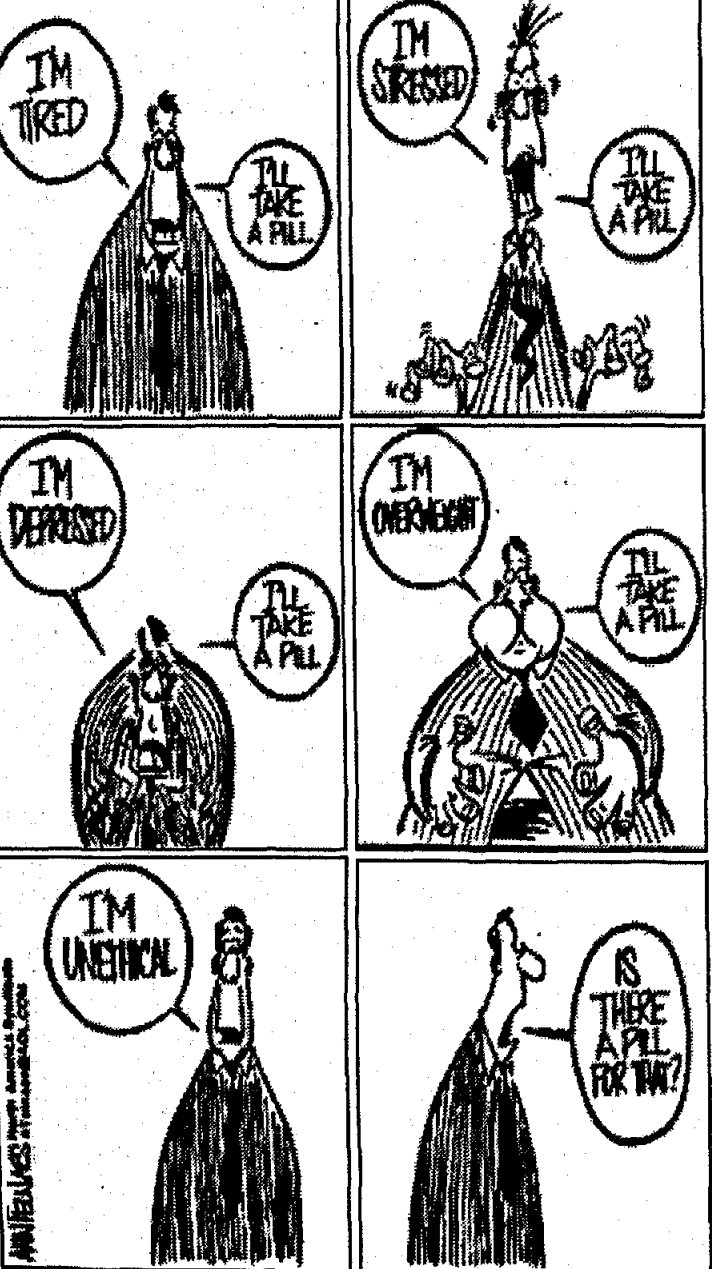
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So we ask the question, what is the ratio of valid medical permits to current medical spaces? Who should we ask? Campus Police sent us to the violations bureau, who issues medical parking permits. There we encountered two disgruntled women who could care less. When we explained our situation, we were told bluntly, "I don't have time for this." The glass was closed in our faces. When we asked again for the name of someone who could give us this information, we were told "my boss", and the glass again closed. On our third attempt, we were given the name of the assistant chief of security. On our way out the door, one of the disgruntled women came out from behind the glass and reprimanded the student on crutches for not going out the door quickly enough. We were making her buzzer go off. The disgruntled woman scurried back behind her glass. How rude!!!

We have submitted a request in writing for the number of current medical permits issued. Now we are asking the administration for a fair ratio of parking spaces. If anyone has had a similar problem, join us in meeting with the Coordinator of Special Services, Janet Barone-DeSenzo. Reach her office at 973-720-2218 or contact me at [joan@frontier.wilpaterson.edu](mailto:joan@frontier.wilpaterson.edu). What's your story? It's worth being heard. Maybe something can be done about this if we all join together.

Joan Kirk is a student at William Paterson University

**In lot 5, a white Chevy with a bumper sticker stating, "Mean people suck" was parked in a medical spot without a permit, and without a ticket.**



# The Insider

## Helmet: "We Just Do What We Do Best."

by Ed Erlenmeyer  
 Insider Assistant Editor

It was a rather gloomy, grey afternoon as **The Insider** rolled up on The Birch Hill Night Club in Old Bridge, rain was eminent. Little did we know that later that night, as the lightning beat down outside, the thunder inside was deafening the capacity crowd who gathered to watch Dave Hamilton, John Stanier, Chris Traynor, and Henry Bogdan, collectively known as the New York based **Helmet**.

The foursome first got together in 1989 to put out their first single, "Born Annoying," on Amphetamine Reptile Records. From there, they went on to put out *Strap It On* on the very same label. In 1992, **Helmet** signed with Interscope Records and recorded *Meantime*. The album went gold due to the success of the now classic single "Unsung." Two years later, the band released *Betty* and showed all of their fans a bit of diversity that they didn't quite expect. After an extensive tour schedule, the band took some time off and recorded songs for movies including *The Jerky Boys* and *Feeling Minnesota*. Now, almost a year after the release of the band's latest offering, *Aftertaste*, and with the addition of former *Orange 9mm* guitarist Chris Traynor, they are still on tour which is taking them all over

the world. A few weeks ago we caught up with **Helmet's** drummer, John Stanier and discussed touring, fans, moshing, and what it's like to travel almost non-stop for close to ten years.

**First off, how do you feel about the new album?**  
 Very good. I'm very happy with the way it came out. It's not exactly new anymore, but I'm way into it. Is there anything that you wish went differently while recording it?  
 I wish that we didn't have to re-mix it. We did it with this guy, Dave Sardy and he mixed it and I liked the original mix, but no one else did so we had to get this guy, Terry Date in Seattle to re-mix it.  
**I read that Dave had you recording sitting...**  
 In the bathroom. That's for just one title part in one song. The reason is that the sound is wicked in there because it's all tiled, it's super loud. It's a great sound.  
**How would you describe the transition from *Meantime* to *Betty* to *Aftertaste*?**  
*Meantime* came out really strong and a lot of people considered it to be a really influential record. At the time, I guess it kind of was. It just stuck out from everything else. It was really new and fresh. Then *Betty* came out and that was sort of a reaction.



Jay Blakesberg/Interscope

Because *Meantime* we were being pigeon holed into this little scene. We weren't really happy with the direction that we were going so *Betty* was a reaction to that. We had to get some stuff out of our system and that's why it was a little stranger. Then we just toured a long time on that. This record sort of goes back to what we originally set out to do, but at the same point it goes a little more forward, it's a lot more melodic. Do you ever see the band reaching the same type of chart success that you had back with "Unsung?"  
 I don't know. That whole world is really weird because it doesn't really have anything to do with how you are as a band, how good you are as a band. It's more of a song that gets played on the radio and on MTV and all of a sudden, you're huge because of that one song. I certainly don't think that "Unsung" was our best song ever. I'd rather make a really good record.  
**Well, that was my next question, does that even matter?**  
 Not really. We're definitely not like a singles band. That's more like pop music world.  
**If you could categorize **Helmet's** sound, how would you go about it?**  
 I think it's real kind of no nonsense rock. It's hard rock, but you can't say it's hard rock because that's a little too vague. I would say that it's hard rock, but it's to the point. Each song has the meaning behind the music and it just puts it on the table, there's no meandering around. Do you still get the same feeling playing in front of crowds as when you first started?  
 Yeah, definitely, it just never really goes away.  
**Have you seen a change in the fans that come to your shows?**  
 Not really, no. Obviously I'm getting older and the crowds are getting younger. Other than that, it's the same kind of people.  
**What's the worst thing a fan has done to you?**  
 Probably borderline stalking kind of shit.  
**It's gotten that bad?**  
 Yeah, but it's not like people follow us all over the place, but every once in a while you meet somebody that is just like fucking psycho.  
**Does it bother you when you're just hanging outside a club talking to some friends and someone just comes up to you and wants to talk to you?**  
 No, not at all. First of all, I definitely don't consider myself famous, but if I was famous, I could not imagine just being blatantly rude to people. It's one thing if you're sitting off to the side with your girlfriend and some dude comes up and shoves a piece of paper in your face and demands that you sign it, that's one thing. If somebody's really cool, you have to realize that they want to talk to you and if you are a dick, then they're going to remember that. I mean, we're just normal, nice guys anyway. It's still even weird that people do that in the first place.  
**What's it like to take a step back and say "Wow, I've been doing this for close to ten years?"**  
 It's pretty weird. It has been a long time, and when you think about it, it's been a blur because you're constantly on tour. On this tour, for some reason, it's weird. In D.C. yesterday, we were walking around, I was with this girl and we were going to the monuments. We've been there a million times. I've seen the Washington Monument, The White House, all that. I'm walking around, and on this tour, I keep having these

## Under the Microscope

**Down By Law**  
*Last of the Sharpshooters* (Epitaph)  
 Big huge fat production is the first thing the listener will hear when listening to *Last of the Sharpshooters*. If there was anything interesting about this album, the production would probably tell that job.

**Down By Law** has become one of those bands that have reached a level of popularity, that it seems like they don't care what they release anymore. There have been decent DBL albums in the past, but this one is really awful.

Dave Smalley and company have taken the slogan, *Last of the Sharpshooters*, to heart. Most every song has a huge of western to it, except the god-awful embarrassment called "Urban Napalm." Is this the state of music even once proud bands like *Down By Law* need to experiment with trap ska-core to sell a few records. It's hard to decide which is worse, the ska or the whiny amplified guitar solo at the beginning of "Get Out."

If *Down By Law* truly represent the last of the sharpshooters, punk rock as a whole can breathe a sigh of relief. The last thing the world needs is more albums like this.

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**Rude Bones**  
*There'll be lots of hard times along the way* (Moon)  
 This newly signed band on Moon, *Rude Bones*, is a Japan based ska band with da works. These guys are wild and even a bit crazy too. They add a different edge to their ska, call it ska-core, call it ska-punk, whatever it is you can call it good. *Hard Times* kicks off with "Where are you now?" a song about hussy's, to quote the lyrics, who ditch their kids and run away and forget they are mothers. This is a great song, and it only gets better from here.

All the songs on this album have one thing in common, they are catchy as hell. You'll be singing along before you can even make out the lyrics, and when you know the lyrics you will sing them with the bands Japanese accent. "Alcohol" perhaps the best track on the album finds Hiiraki Okawa singing out his addictions (*The alcohol is turning good, it's been seven days past I've been drinking my ass off, I don't remember yesterday, I'm addicted, I'm addicted, I can't help it*).

It's songs like this and that make this album easily one of the best I've heard from Moon records, as well as by anyone. *Hard Times* is a solid album from start to finish, no weak points, no slow points, nothin'. If there are more bands in Japan that sound this good, the country has got a future in music. Good job *Rude Bones*. Moon Ska, PO Box 1412, New York, NY 10276

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**The Groovie Ghoulies**  
*Re-Animation Festival* (Lookout!)  
 Morbid punk rockers, the Groovie Ghoulies are at it again with their second release of *Re-Animation Festival*. They replaced their old drummer with Panic, the drummer for Screaming Weasel / the Riverdales. Nothing new on this CD, just their brand of dark, straightforward pop-punk.

The Groovie Ghoulies show off their humorous as well as their dark side on *Re-Animation Festival*. Tracks like "Chupacabra" and "That's That" are both funny and disturbing. "Tunnel of Love" and "Graveyard Girlfriend" are not your typical love songs with lyrics like "I met her at the haunted mansion! She said, I look like Charles Manson. But I persisted though and won her love you know."

After releasing a CD in the spring and touring non-stop, somehow the Ghoulies found the time to put together an above average album. However after listening to generic tracks like "Satisfy Me" "If You Need Me" and "School is Out" it seems like the Ghoulies were really reaching to find material to put on this album. But every album the Ghoulies have released have been better than the last, and this album is no exception.

recurring memories that makes me realize that I have been doing this for a long time. When I was walking around the monuments, I was remembering walking around the monuments when there was snow everywhere, then I remember walking around the monuments on our very first tour, like seven years ago and then it's like fuck, I have been around a long long time. But it's been really good, I happy with it. We've had a really long career and I've seen a lot of shit and it's been all good.

**What do you think about moshing and stage-diving these days?**  
 I think that it's really kind of pointless. I mean, I'm all for people having a good time, I definitely used to dance, but now kids will slam to anything. It's become so formulated. If it's super wild, then that's cool, if people are really dancing hard and they know what they're doing, but otherwise it seems like it's gotten dumb.

Yeah, I've been to many shows with bigger name bands and there are always the jar-head types of people in the pit who are just there to kick some heads in.

Yeah, but it's always been like that. It seems that the bigger you get as a band, the more people who don't know anything about the scene that you came from get into you. It's good and it's bad. It's good because you're getting out there and you're developing a really big fan base and a lot of people are seeing you, but it's bad because a lot of these people don't have a clue as to where you came from, and the whole meat-head thing. Unfortunately we get a lot of that, but it's understandable too.

**What are some of your hobbies away from **Helmet**?**  
**Helmet** is definitely life, it's like a career, it's a job, it doesn't really leave much room for anything else. When I go home I just hang out.

**What's in store for the next year or so?**  
 Probably more touring. We go to Japan, New Zealand, Australia, then we come home, then we go back to Europe for about three weeks and at that time it's about Christmas, and then I have no idea what we're going to do.



**T**hroughout the day of October 14, the Student Center Ballroom was host to many New Jersey candidates at William Paterson University's first annual Political Candidate Forum, sponsored by the Student Government Association (SGA) and the Political Science Club. The main theme which came from almost each candidate's mouth was "Students First."

Three independent candidates running for NJ governor attended this forum and were very well received by the students and others who attended. Murray Sabrin, libertarian candidate for governor, was excited to be able to show the students his position about the many issues facing them. "That's why I'm in this race," said Sabrin. "They're the ones who are going to be stuck with the bills that the politicians have put in there. It's the students I'm worried about." He enjoyed the forum very much, and was glad to see the students talking one on one with the candidates. "That's what democracy's all about," said Sabrin.

Madeline Hoffman, the Green Party candidate for governor, feels her position in the Green Party could make a change of pace with the usual Republican and Democratic parties. "Neither Republicans nor Democrats have really addressed the issues in this state," said Hoffman. She noted that NJ has the highest car insurance rate, the highest breast cancer rate within the states, and high pollution per square mile. "As a long time activist on environmental issues in the state of NJ for the past 18 years, I felt that it was important to gather with the Greens," said Hoffman. She has worked with students in past years to fight tuition hikes, and hopes that more students vote in this upcoming election. Hoffman enjoyed the forum greatly, remarking that it was what politics are all about, "really getting to know people."

Michael Perrone, Jr., independent candidate for governor, was glad to be invited to a political forum such as this one. "I'm surprised that out of the four million voters, only ten to fifteen contacted me about forums, along with some radio stations and some newspapers," said Perrone. "I'd like to see more forums like this." He was surprised that out of the NJ combined voters, only 46% make up the Republican and Democratic parties, leaving 54% to independent parties.

Both Governor Christine Whitman and candidate for governor Jim McGreevey were invited to the forum. No representatives were sent for Whitman, and although McGreevey had a table set up for him, he became unavailable to attend.

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The current mayor, Marty Barnes, from Paterson was also present at the forum, backing the forum one hundred percent. Barnes takes every opportunity to reach college students. "There are not enough young people involved in the political process," said Barnes, "and it affects their everyday life." He is currently running for re-election because, "we want to finish our job and fix the problems in the city of Paterson."

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Among the group of candidates were two students running for office. Peter Goetz, currently a WPU graduate student, made his appearance fighting all the way for lower car insurance. "I was doing my bills one-day in January, and I wrote out a check for \$1900," said Goetz. "There's got to be a better way." He was enthused to be able to expose undergraduates to the political process.

Adam Beder, currently a Political Science major at WPU, is running for the council of Clinton, NJ. "I decided to run as the next step for me politically," said Beder. Now the President of the Hunterdon County Young Democrats, Beder is also an elected member of the democratic county committee and is very involved in local politics. In addition to a strategic move in his political career, Beder also decided to step into the candidate's position, "since I had so many opinions and so many ideas, and so many people had run into my opponent and wanted some fresh blood in the town."

Mike Greenspan, father of a WPU student and candidate for NJ state senator for the 40th district, is discussing issues such as tuition hikes, considering it affects his life at home. He currently has a daughter attending WPU, and will have another daughter attending college next year. "Not enough money is being put into colleges from the state, making tuition too expensive," said Greenspan.

Many of the candidates were running for local positions, hoping to reach a student who resides in their area to make them more aware of who they were going to



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have to pick from in the November 4 election.

Patrick Botbyl, a candidate for Passaic County Freeholder, is a graduate of WPU, and has a son currently attending WPU. "For many years I've been active in community service, and now that I have time to volunteer I feel I have background to contribute and continue to make Passaic County a great place to live," said Botbyl. He was glad to be involved in this student forum because, "They are a very important part in deciding their future," Botbyl said encouraging younger people to vote.

Although the candidates were a vital part of the day, it would not have been successful without the cooperation and involvement of the students who attended and took advantage of the opportunity to meet the candidates. "I'm going to ask questions mostly about my car insurance," said WPU student Sheree Smith, "because it's through the roof and I can't take it." Her main hope was that the candidates would actually listen to the students and take their concerns into consideration.

SGA President Bobi Lee Messer could be found running around the ballroom with a smile on her face greeting candidates and students. "Hopefully it will excite the students enough that they'll go out and vote come November 4," said Messer. "We got a wonderful turn-out and I'm glad to see the candidates are supporting us and our students and the right for our students to speak with them."

In conjunction with the SGA, the Political Science Club worked just as hard for this event. Joe Maceri, president of the Political Science Club, was seen mingling around the room marveling at the experience. "I was expecting more, but I'm thrilled with the way things are going," said Maceri. "We worked really hard on this, and the faculty in the Political Science Department were very supportive." Along with students walking in on their own initiative, many political science classes came to the forum with their professors, which both Maceri and Messer were happy to see.

Among the many candidates, such popular names which can be seen on billboards and bumper stickers were Norman Robertson, Republican candidate for Senate, Joseph Mecca, Democratic candidate for Assembly, and Marion Crecco, Republican candidate for Assembly.

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Robertson commended the forum coordinators for being able to bring such a vast array of candidates together in one room. "It's a very good mix," said Robertson. "You have here some of the most significant NJ candidates."

Steve Shalom, a Political Science professor at WPU, was calmly walking around the forum looking at all the information available and noticing student reaction. "I think it's great to give the students and others a chance to find out first hand what the candidates stand for," said Shalom. "I feel that's a prerequisite for the democratic process to work properly." However, even though he enjoyed the forum, he did wish there were more candidates present.

WPU President Arnold Speert was found talking to many students and candidates throughout the day, pleased with the outcome. "I marvel at the Political Science Club and the SGA for having put this together," said Speert. "I think it's critical for students to take seriously election day and voting and to have individuals in office who are responsive to their needs."

In the words of student candidate Adam Beder, "It all looked very professional, and I'm happy I came."

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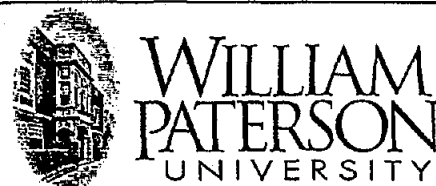
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**Applications mailed to clubs and organizations:** September 9 (SGA Clubs and Greek Chapters)

**Applications Due:** Wednesday, October 8 (Applicants nominated by a club or chapter)

**Scoring Sheets and Applications sent to committee:** Thursday, October 9 (Representatives from Alumni Affairs, Campus Activities, Dean of Students Office, and Residence Life)

**Selection Meeting:** Friday, October 10, 3 p.m. (Three candidates were chosen based on the criteria: Diversification of activities, leadership and essay)

**Homecoming Court Announced:** Friday, October 10, 4:30 p.m. (Court pictures taken and developed: Monday, October 13)

**King and Queen Voting:** Tuesday and Wednesday, October 14 and 15 (Student body vote)

**King and Queen Award Presentation:** Thursday, October 16 (Pep Rally - Lot #6, 8 p.m.)

Campus Activities has been informed via petition that some students question the lack of student representation in the selection of the court. We value these inputs and concerns, and if students would like representation or changes regarding the Court Selection Committee, we welcome you to attend our annual meeting to address those concerns.

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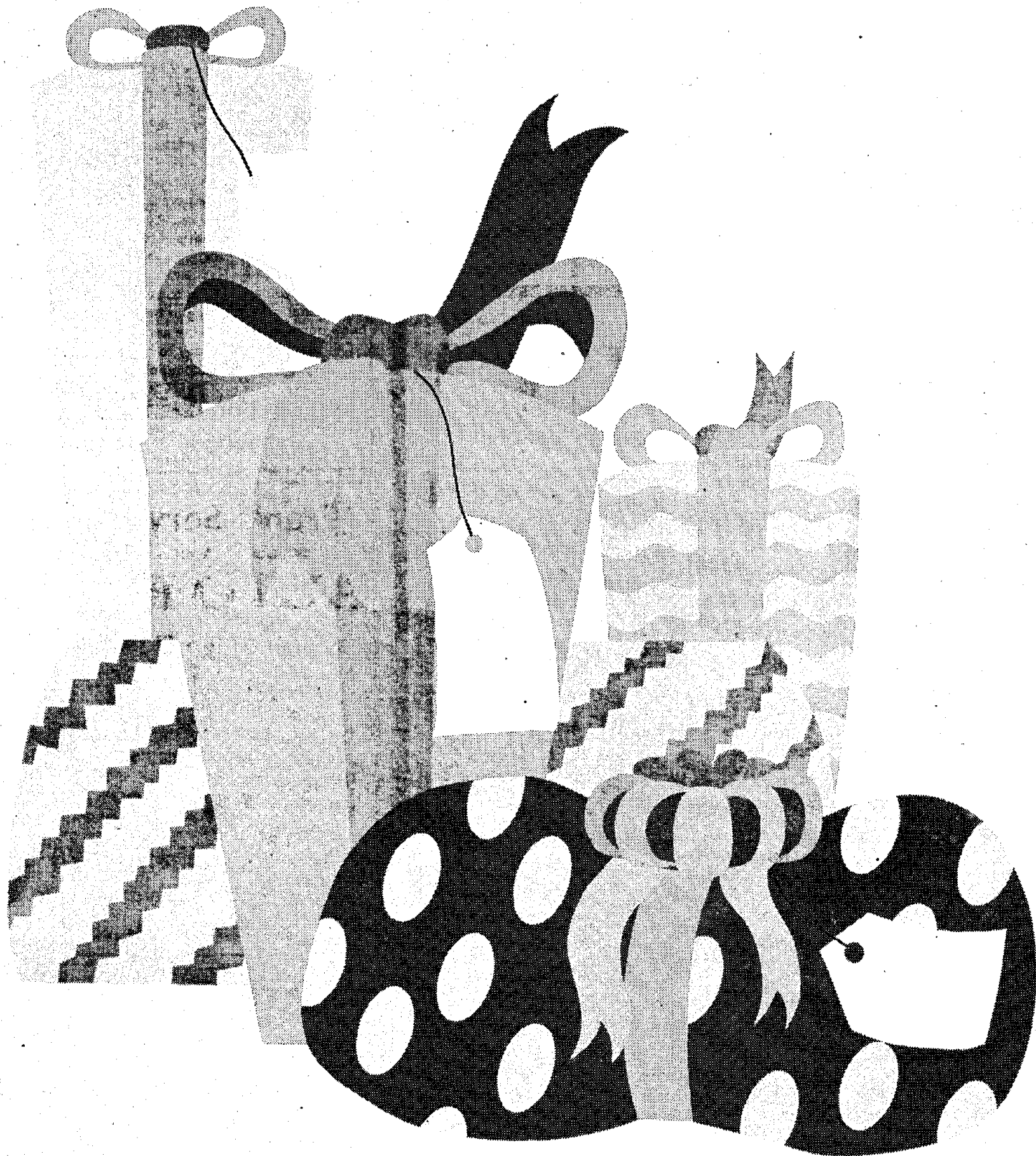
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