

University fees leave students misinformed

By Gina Moffitt
Staff Writer

Fees can be confusing. At William Paterson University (WPU), students are responsible for paying quite a few including:

- * Student Center fee: Full-time students pay \$130.69. Students taking less than 12 credits pay \$18.43 per credit.

- * Student activity fee: \$50.31 for full-time students, and students taking less than 12 credits, \$3.25 per credit.

- * General service fee: \$340 for full-time students, and students taking less than 12 credits, \$21.80 per credit.

- * Student athletic fee: Full-time students pay \$70, and students taking less than 12 credits, pay \$4.44 per credit.

- * Campus facilities fee: Full-time students pay \$240, and students taking less than 12 credits, pay \$15 per credit.

- * Information/technology fee: \$100 for full-time students, and students taking less than 12 credit, pay \$6.50 per credit.

Many of the fees are folded into the tuition bill under the "tuition and fees" line, leaving students to wonder how much each individual fee is, and exactly what the fees pay for.

"I have no idea what the student activity fee is for," said Karen O'Gara, a student who has returned to WPU after earning her first bachelor's degree.

Students suggest that clarifying the purpose of the fees would make them easier to understand.

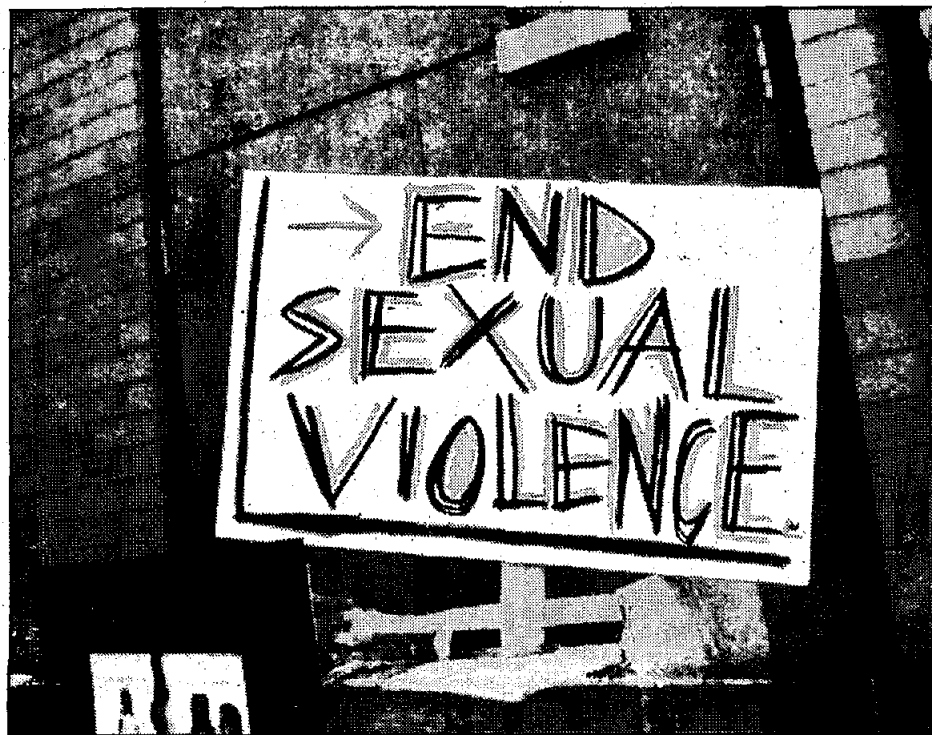
"Now I understand what the fees on my tuition bill are for, but freshman and sophomore year I didn't understand them," said Crystal Jackson, a senior.

Jason Mendes, a fellow WPU student questions the campus facilities fee.

"Clarify the campus facilities fee," he said, "What does that mean, clean

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Take Back the Night



William Paterson observed Take Back the Night, an annual rally of voices against violence toward women, last week. See page 6 for the complete story.

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Career Development offers tips for landing that first job, interview

By Holly Tedesco
Staff Writer

With graduation just six weeks away, students are sending out their resumes, buying suits and scheduling interviews. Quite a to-do list.

But little time is left for seniors to sit down and prepare for some of the important rites of passage that mark the transition from college students to business professionals. Fortunately, William Paterson University's Career Development Center, located in Morrison Hall, is available to help with job searches and preparations.

"I went to the Career Development Center," said Doug Hamilton, who is scheduled to graduate in May with a communication degree. "I utilized everything they had

to offer and it's helped me tremendously. I went on my first interview last week and I landed the job!"

The center offers a variety of services to all WPU students, not just graduating seniors. Use of the career library, access to job listings, help with resume writing, as well as access to career-planning guides, a job-matching service and job search systems are just a few of the center's services.

"I've barely started doing anything that has to do with job hunting," said Brian Kiessling, a business major. "I'm graduating in August. I need help when it comes to interviewing. I don't even know where to begin."

Just recently, a mock-interview session was added at the center to help students like Kiessling prepare.

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New budget shows more funding cuts to WPU

By Jill K. Sanders
Staff Writer

William Paterson University will not receive an increase in state funding due to a cut in the New Jersey's 2003 budget, which reduces funding to public colleges and universities by more than \$40 million.

Even after a \$2.8 billion deficit in the 2002 budget, New Jersey is falling short of an additional \$5 billion for the fiscal year 2003. Gov. James E. McGreevey released his new budget on March 26, showing that aid to public colleges and universities will fall from \$1,281 million to \$1,240.7 million, a loss of \$40.3 million.

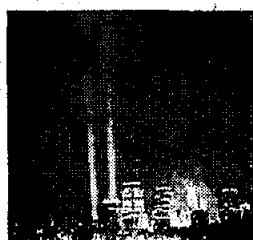
William Paterson has lost nearly \$3 million in its funding since McGreevey announced a cutback in state funding in January. What will the new state budget mean for the university?

"We have not received all the details regarding the fiscal 2003 budget," said Marc Schaeffer, former executive assistant to the university president and Board of Trustees. "We expect to receive that within coming weeks. (But), I would not call it (the budget cut) minor."

William Paterson's Board of Trustees' Finance and Audit Committee will meet on April 11 and 16 to discuss the 2003 budget. There, members of the board and other university representatives will discuss salaries, contracts and next year's costs.

"We will be presenting some projections on what the cost of running the university will be next year," said Steven Bolyai, vice president of Administration and Finance.

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College students beware: Tanning dangerous at any age

By Sara Kiessling
Staff Writer

With summer almost here, many of us will be planning summer vacations to the beach and shopping for bathing suits. What can be more relaxing than a lazy day on the beach soaking up some rays?

While it can be relaxing, sunbathing is can also be dangerous. Whether tanning directly from the sun or going to a tanning salon, the risk of contracting skin cancer is a consequence that should not be over-looked.

One person dies of Melanoma (skin cancer) each hour. In 2002, 7,400 deaths will be attributed to Melanoma - 4,700 men and 2,700 women, according to American Cancer Society's (ACS) 2002 Facts and Figures.

Melanoma is a serious type of skin cancer that can affect all people, as early as in their teen years. Among 25 to 29 year olds, it is the most prevalent form of cancer and is rising faster than any other type, according to the ACS.

This year, at current rates, one in 41 Americans have a lifetime risk of developing Melanoma.

"Skin cancer is not a high priority among college students," said Nancy Ellson, coordinator of wellness services at William Paterson University. "We are socialized into looking good. Tan skin is associated with being cool and looking healthy, but is a real danger."

Melanomas may develop from pre-existing moles or start in clear areas of the skin, including areas not exposed to sunlight. Ellson recommends avoiding

tanning beds, as they are just as dangerous in terms of damaging skin despite claims that harmful rays are used.

"None of them (tanning beds) are totally safe, they are still exposing your skin to extremely dangerous rays," said Ellson.

But that doesn't stop Doug Hamilton, a WPU senior, from tanning three times a week.

"It is a risk you take, I enjoy tanning so I don't think about the dangers of it," he said.

Protecting yourself from the sun's rays can prevent most skin cancers. The American Academy of Dermatology offers these tips to lower the risk of skin cancer.

* Apply a broad-spectrum sunscreen with a Sun Protection Factor (SPF) of at least 15.

* Reapply sunscreen every two hours when outdoors, even on cloudy days.

* Wear sunglasses to protect the eyes.

* Avoid reflective surfaces, such as sand, snow and water, which can reflect up to 85 percent of the sun's damaging rays.

* Stay in the shade whenever possible. If your shadow is shorter than you are, you're likely to sunburn.

* The sun's rays are strongest between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. - Try to avoid the sun during this time.

For more information about skin cancer and prevention, contact Ellson at the Health and Wellness Center at ex. 2360.z

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The ins and outs of registration, advisement

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Now that spring break is over, it's time to get back to thinking about academics, and about the future.

For seniors, that means looking for a job when you graduate. But for everyone else, it means the task of meeting with your advisor and registering for next semester's classes.

According to Judi Gazdag of the Gloria S. Williams Advisement Center, there are many things that students should know about advising.

She suggested the following:

1. Students should check their degree audits, available on the WPU Web page, after every semester so they can track which courses they have already taken, and what they still need to complete. This will better prepare them when they meet with their advisors.

2. Read course descriptions before signing up for classes.

3. Read the first 30 or so pages of the Master Schedule booklet every semester for important dead-

lines and other course-related information. Any new procedures, with regard to registering for courses, will also be addressed there.

4. Students should not wait to see their adviser until the day before they are scheduled to register, but should make contact weeks ahead of time. Advisers are there to help students work out a plan for taking courses. Students should see advisors whenever they have a question about their curriculum, not just during priority registration.

5. Students should check their campus e-mail accounts and the university student services web pages regularly for academic information updates.

Gazdag said one common mistake made by students is thinking that their RAN (registration access number) is valid for every semester; every semester it is changed. New RANs force students to meet with their advisors.

"It is the adviser's responsibility is to ensure that students are taking courses in the proper sequence and are making appropriate academic progress", Gazdag said.

In addition to these classic mistakes, new ones are added each semester.

Since the Valley Road campus is opening this fall, business or education students must leave proper traveling time between classes if they are scheduling classes on both campuses.

Registration choices now come in two flavors: by telephone or online.

"Online registration was added for the Spring 2001 semester, for Summer and Fall 2001 classes. The greatest benefit is that students are free to register from any computer with Internet access, once they have obtained their RAN number," Gazdag said.

The Associate Registrar reports that, for the spring 2002 registration, 36.5 percent of the registration transactions were conducted by telephone, while 63.5 percent took place via the web.

To register by telephone you need to call (973) 720-3525. To register online go to www.wpunj.edu/student/services and click on WPU online. For more information about registering for classes, contact the Advisement Center, ex. 2730.

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At the board meeting, members and representatives will also discuss exactly when to schedule a public tuition budget meeting with advice for the public regarding tuition and fees. Schaeffer said the meeting would be in late April according to.

Bolyai hopes more students and parents will be concerned this year due to

the state budget cuts. He also expressed disappointment in students and parents not getting involved in the public tuition meetings, which the university holds every year.

"The turnouts over the years haven't been that large," Bolyai said.

Board of Trustees' Finance, and Audit Committee will meet again in early May to discuss the tuition budget meeting, the public tuition meeting and to review the state and university budget numbers.

While Schaeffer and Bolyai have both classified the cuts as significant, Bolyai could not comment on how the cuts will affect tuition for the university's 2002-2003 year. He did say that increases in tuition go to enhance the university for more activities on campus, both academic and recreational.

"(We want to) maintain what we're doing now without affecting the programs," Bolyai said.

"It's really important the students know how committed... we are to mini-

mizing the impact (of the budget cuts)," Schaeffer said. "The president is committed to doing everything humanly possible to minimize the impact of any budget cuts on the education mission of the university."

While the budget of the university for 2003 remains up in the air, Bolyai did offer some advice for students while they wait for the outcome.

"The students should talk to their parents and (they) should write their legislators," Bolyai said.



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Pioneer Commentary

Negative slurs prove need for Take Back the Night rally

Take Back the Night is a serious event. Its significance empowers women to fight fear and violence, stand up for their rights, and makes us all aware of the mistreatment to which millions of women worldwide are subjected.

Every year, WPU's Feminist Collective and Women's Center sponsor a rally and march of students and faculty, both male and female, to expose more people to the reality of violence against women. And every year, participants expect to endure crass remarks and put-downs as they march. What does it say about our campus when this is to be expected every year?

WPU is an institution of higher learning, which would lead one to believe that those on campus have a heightened sense of social awareness. Yet the "roar" of negative shouts emanating from the South Tower during last week's march sent another message; for all of the racism and sexism classes that students are required to take, elements of both still exist.

Maybe it is immaturity or ignorance that fuel these small protests against Take Back the Night participants. Maybe it is that women's issues are still not socially accepted.

No matter the reason, better behavior should be expected from college students, who by definition are supposed to be adults. Those wishing to participate in an event or cause they believe in, should not be subjected to such harassment or need a police escort to prevent incident from happening.

The student body needs to raise its social consciousness so acts against fellow students, no matter how small, will not be tolerated. It's the profane remark, echoed by an anonymous voice at a crowd of women that makes events such as Take Back the Night necessary. It is a violent act against women, a verbal attack.

To those who participated in the berating of the rally, thank you. You just proved their point, and should be ashamed.



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From the Editor...

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A gun in the house is worth many lives ruined

One Gun. One bullet. Eleven Victims:

Jayson Williams played basketball for the NJ Nets and was selected to the NBA All-Star team before ending his career in 2000. After retiring, Williams was immediately signed by NBC as a studio analyst because of his rare sense of humor. He built a mansion on 65 acres of property in Hunterdon County, NJ, complete with one golf hole, horse stables and a private skeet shooting range.

So many pro-athletes throw away all of their money as they play leaving none for when they retire. Williams instead, had done everything "right" and was now enjoying a lucrative broadcasting career after retiring from sports. That is until Feb. 14.

At 2 a.m. that morning Williams' life reached a turning point from which there can be no return. A

COMMENTARY shot rang out from his bedroom on the second floor of his mansion. About a dozen

guests preparing to leave a small party at his home, rushed in to see what had happened. A man was dead.

Sports Illustrated and The Bergen Record later reported that "Williams handled the shotgun carelessly when it accidentally fired and hit limousine driver Costas 'Gus' Christofi." The guests found Christofi slumped against the wall, with a glazed look on his face and a hole in his chest.

At this point does Williams pick up the phone and report and accidental shooting to the police? No he does not. What follows, as reported in court documents, must be true because this story could never sell as fiction!

Several eye witnesses reported to the case prosecutors that Williams and two friends, Kent Culuko and John Gordnick, wiped the fingerprints from the shot-

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By Domenick Pedalino
Columnist



gun and then tried to replace the victims. They said Williams changed his bloodstained clothes into clean ones before asking all the guests to advise them to report incident to the police as a suicide.

The police however quickly through the cover-up. Williams was charged with reckless manslaughter, covering up facts asking witnesses to change their stories," according published reports. He has been released of \$50,000.00 bail.

Culuko and Gordnick were charged with "evidence tampering, conspiracy to obstruct, and hindering another's apprehension," according published reports, and released on \$5,000.

The other 7 guests were not charged because they have decided to "cooperate" with authorities. Williams faces 10 to 24 years in prison, Culuko 18 years, and Gordnick 13 years, if they are convicted on all counts.

Christofi of course paid the state penalty, with his life. There too many guns in country loaded and just waiting for a tragedy to open. It makes no sense.

Whenever I need a good "sit" opinion I return to my old neighborhood in Orange, NJ. The "club" I belong to is in the shadows of some of the worse drug-

ridden projects in Essex County. When I was a kid it was a "Little Italy" with grocery stores, pizzerias, bar and grills and even a macaroni factory! If you grew up on S. Day St., you either became a judge or you went to the electric chair. There was no in-between.

It was the Ides of March and my old pal Ronnie's birthday when I walked into our accustomed haunt for a sub sandwich and can of beer. "The usual suspects" were gathered: Mike, Roger, Che-Che, Junior, Austin and Louie M. Any one of these guys could take the "Sopranos" pull their pants down, give them a good spanking and send them home to their mommies.

Junior was a former detective captain in town who possesses a natural feel for homicide cases.

"Hey June, how about Williams, huh?" I said.

"Whose he got?" he asked, meaning his attorney.

"I understand he has Joe Hayden" I replied.

"He's got the best. He can't do no better."

Then Louie M. asked, "Does he (Hayden) go to the 10 o'clock mass at Mt. Carmel on Sundays?"

"As far as I know, I never saw him there," I replied. "Why?"

"Because as good as Joe Hayden is, and he used to hang out at my house when he graduated law school, he ain't gonna win this one without 'the man upstairs,'" Louie said as he gestured towards the ceiling with his thumb.

Louie M. was probably one of the sharpest police lieutenants to come out of Orange.

I left the "club", walked over to my car and handed the kid standing next to it a dollar because all of my hubcaps were still there. As I drove away I remember thinking, "If Louie M. thinks Joe Hayden needs 'the man upstairs' to win this one, Williams better start going to mass every Sunday, starting this Easter."

Pioneer Commentary

Farewell to the 'brilliant' light

By Erin Fannir
Staff Writer

For the past mth, two brilliant columns of light he stretched endlessly into the sky over her Manhattan, in a tribute to those wlost their lives on Sept. 11.

On April 13 thights—known officially as "Tribute Light" — will be turned off as sche.ed, but not before touching a specialace in the hearts of each of the many lliam Paterson University studentwho saw them.

To junior Kimensgard, the tribute has brought somelace.

"Light symbols life," she said. "To **COMMENTARY** have light shining over a place (where) somethino terrible happened shows that we caet through this and everything will beK."

Many studentgree with Stensgard, agree that these cunnns have brought a sense of hoped calm to a situation that leaves so mawith a heavy heart. Students also feelat there is no single

meaning to this tribute. Some feel the light represents how the nation has come together to support fellow citizens and lend a hand wherever needed.

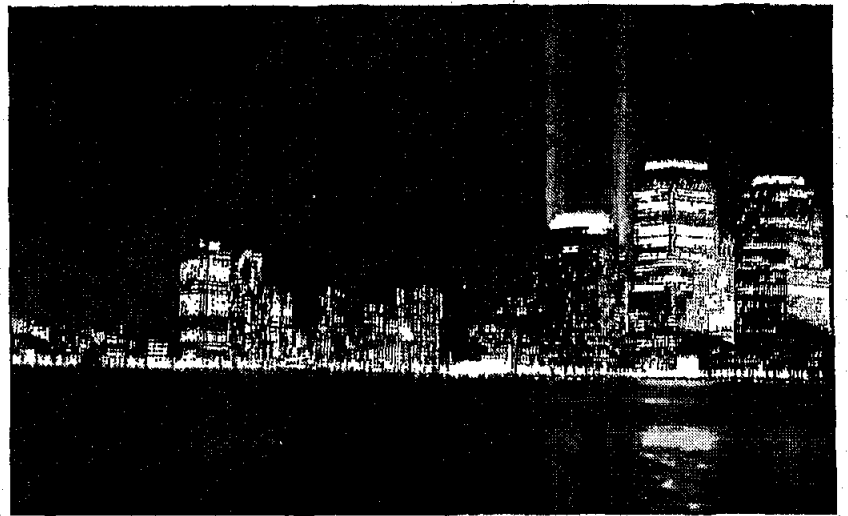
"The lights represent the energy America has put into the recovery efforts as well as the strength of all Americans coming together," said senior Robert Baldwin.

Others find them to be eerie, creating a ghost-like effect of the two towers, as if they were still standing. Everyone agrees that for now, this tribute is the best way to honor those lost. Even though they are gone, they are not forgotten.

"You can see them from everywhere," said Jeffrey Parren. "Just like the towers, you can identify them from anywhere; they give you a moment to reflect and appreciate what you have."

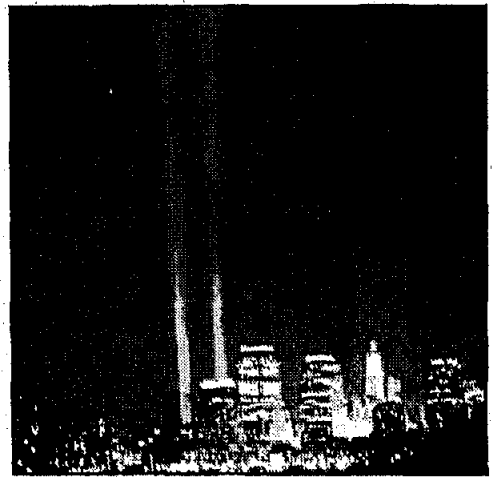
And, in the end, the columns of light represent what so many sacrificed.

"It also symbolizes the lives that so many rescue workers were willing to give up," said Stensgard. "It's almost like their pathway straight to heaven."



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The Tribute in Light began on the six-month anniversary of the Sept. 11 attacks on New York City. After running for 33 nights, the lights will fade at the end of this week.



Basketbal needs more women coaches Majorityof women's sports coached by men

By Sanhita
SinhaRoy

The women's bætball final was a historic event, but moreeds to be done for women coaches.

A record 30,000ople attended this year's championship game San Antonio to watch the University of Caecticut win its third NCAA title.

The game came! years after the NCAA held its first basketll championship for women and 30 yearafter Title IX was passed into law, mandatingual treatment for women athletes at ecational institutions receiving federal mey. Since then, the number of women's tea has grown to a record high, allowing moremale athletes the opportunity to play colleçe sports.

But while the picipation and popularity of women's sports atinues to grow - particularly in basketball, tball and soccer - female coaches are being tched.

Of the 8,132 wen's collegiate teams in all sports, men novold a majority of those **COMMENTARY** head-coaching positions. The percentage of females who coi women's teams declined to 44 percent in 20, down from 45.6 percent in 2000 and 47.4 pent in 1998, according to a recently releasedannual study by the Project on Women.d Social Change at Smith College and Brook College.

In all three divions of NCAA women's basketball, the peretage of female coaches is now 62 percent, cpared to 79 percent in 1977. Athletic depments around the country need to make a mc concerted effort to hire women in head-coing positions. Athletes, both male and fem, need women role models and they need see women in leadership

positions.

U Conn head coach Geno Auriemma is to be applauded not only as a great coach but also as someone who recognizes the need for female coaches. He has said that if qualifications are equal between male and female applicants for a head-coaching job, "You should hire the woman." He also was instrumental in getting Sherri Coale hired to coach Oklahoma, his opponent in the finals.

Equality will have arrived when female coaches break the barrier into men's collegiate sports. Women hold no head-coaching positions in Division I men's basketball, and only two have ever been assistant coaches. In all male collegiate sports, women make up only 2 percent of head-coaching jobs, according to the study.

What's needed are athletic directors willing to recruit female coaches. Currently, 82 percent of athletic directors are men, and about 19 percent of women's athletic programs have no women in any administrative positions, the report says.

Athletic departments would be more successful in recruiting and retaining female coaches if they offered what many of them offer male coaches: competitive salaries and sufficient facilities and equipment. And if they had women in key positions in athletic administrations.

Thirty years later, Title IX has helped pave the way for women athletes. Athletic departments should now let more female coaches into the game.

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Survey finds social etiquette an issue for many Americans

The following editorial appeared in the Dallas Morning News on Thursday, April 4:

Americans are getting ruder.

So what's it to you?

A survey from Public Agenda, a research group, finds that Americans are forgetting social etiquette if indeed they ever learned it. And we aren't talking about using the salad fork for the main course.

As a nation we are fed up with cell phones ringing in church, universally understood hand signals of unfriendliness from speeding motorists, and indifferent customer service. To err may be human, but to acknowledge and apologize? That's, well ... un-American.

Although Americans swiftly rallied together with random acts of kindness after Sept. 11, our interactions remain remarkably abrasive.

COMMENTARY About 79 percent in the telephone survey said a lack of respect and courtesy is a serious societal problem. Sixty-one percent believe things have gotten worse in recent years.

Given the number of persistent automated telemarketing calls that interrupt dinners across America, we're surprised the outcry isn't greater. Remember when it was considered bad manners to call someone at dinnertime, too late in the evening or early in the morning? Now the miracle of automated dialing technology makes it possible to be digitally rude, anonymous and unapologetic.

Now some of the outrage smacks of "good old days" syndrome. The older we get, the better things were. At least that's the way we want to remember those days.

But whether things were better is irrelevant. What matters now is we feel that things are worse and that the other guy increasingly is to blame. Socially, that's not a healthy sign, whether it is careless inattention or crass self-importance behind the affronts.

Clearly, it is time all of us take a refresher course in the do's and don'ts if we can find the time between work, soccer practice, car pooling and school. Sort of a Rudeness Anonymous, where we can practice keeping both hands on the steering wheel, holding doors open for the person behind us and discreetly talking on cell phones.

Nay. Forgetaboutit.

BRIEFS

WPU professor publishes new book

Dr. Neil Kressel, a William Paterson University professor of psychology, explores the new jury consulting industry and its implications for the American justice system in his new book, "Stack and Sway: The New Science of Jury Consulting."

Published by Westview Press, the book provides a detailed examination of the industry through case studies focusing on a series of prominent criminal and civil cases. It also explains the birth and growth of the industry, and the many tactics trial consultants employ, ranging from surveys and focus groups to trial simulations and case preparation and analysis. Kressel has written frequently on psychology and public policy issues.

Upcoming speech shows success stemming from adversity

Sampson Davis, George Jenkins and Rameck Hunt, three young men, who as teenagers in Newark made a pact to become doctors, will deliver the keynote speech at a conference designed to help young men of color plan for their future by providing them with the tools necessary for success.

The speech will be held on April 13 at noon as part of William Paterson University's sixth annual conference, "Overcoming the Odds: African-American and Latino Success in Today's University." The conference will take place at the John Victor Machuga Student Center.

Professor's study finds students to be more tolerant since Sept. 11

A new study, conducted by WPU Psychology Professor Vincent Parrillo, shows that college students in the United States more fully accept members of other racial and ethnic groups than ever before, despite their country's greater diversity and the aftermath of September 11, according to a new national study on race and ethnic attitudes.

According to Parrillo, the survey revealed encouraging news about the country in terms of greater acceptance of diversity. "What we found is evidence of what could be called a 'unity syndrome' following the tragic events of last September," Parrillo suggested. "Bonded together as Americans under attack, as a people we united against a common foe. Only time will tell how lasting this new spirit is."

Parrillo is the author of numerous scholarly articles and books in the field of immigration, race and ethnic relations.

Take Back the Night rally, march

The annual event meets with support, opposition

By Gina Mof
Staff Writer

Students and faculty received mixed reactions to William Paterson University's observance of Take Back the Night, an annual rally to address and speak out against violence aimed at women.

Held last Wednesday night outside Starbucks Cafe, the lower level of the John Victor Machuga Student Center, the rally featured many speakers, including one who was a rape victim and another survivor of domestic violence.

Immediately following was a march across campus. The group, followed by two police officers, traveled through the halls of North and South Towers, the science building and Matelson Hall. As the participants walked across campus, students reacted in various ways.

A young man yelled out "I support

that," as the group marched out of the Student Center. Many students in the residence halls opened their doors and stared. Some just clapped. The group picked up two residents from the Towers, who joined the march.

However, not everyone was supportive of the march. Random yells of "shut-up" could be heard, as well as snickering. On the way from the Towers to Matelson Hall, march participants could hear a roar of shouts coming from the South Tower.

Though participants may have expected such reactions, since they have occurred in previous years, many participants marched on to stop violence.

"I work in a domestic violence shelter," said Catie LiTrenta, a junior who is a women's studies major. "I want to make it known."

Beth Fisher, a member of the WPU's Feminist Collective, one of the event's sponsors, felt similarly.

"The meaning of Take Back the Night is to gain equal ground to end violence against women," Fisher said.

According to the Take Back the Night Alliance in Kentucky, the event began in Germany in 1973, with rallies held in the United States since 1978. Take Back the Night was started as a response to a series of sexual assaults, rapes and murders. The message of the event is to increase awareness and to encourage people to act against domestic violence, sexual assault, sexual harassment and stalking.

Nancy Gianni, the president of WPU's Feminist Collective, has a no-tolerance view of violence against women.

"Violence against women is unacceptable," she said. "People need to tell people it happens."

As one of the speakers put it, the theme of this event was "break the silence, break the violence."

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Women's Studies Department Chair Arlene Scala fires up the Take Back the Night rally, outside Starbucks Cafe.



Chanting all the way, the Take Back the Night march invades the Science Hall.



The rally turns into a march, as Take Back the Night participants head out to the Science Hall.



WPU students Mike Panek (left), Beth Fisher and Beth Cole show their support with Take Back the Night shirts.

Calendar of Events April 11th-24th

By Kerry Johnson
Calendar Editor

Thursday, April 11

The Health and Wellness Center is sponsoring *on-campus HIV testing* in conjunction with the St. Joseph's Comprehensive Care Center. Call ex. 2360 for an appointment and more information.

The Health and Wellness Center presents *National Alcohol Screening Day* in conjunction with Residence Life. For more information call ex. 3531 or ex. 3176.

The Health and Wellness Center presents: *What is Post Traumatic Stress and Do You Have It?* An information table, self-assessment and a chance to talk with health professionals will be available at the Machuga Student Center Lobby from 12 p.m. to 2 p.m. For further information call ex. 3176.

Based on Stud Terkel's best-selling book of interviews with working people, *Working*, the rousing musical filled with songs and monologues celebrates the diversity and commitment of Americans in everyday occupations. Admission is \$15 standard, \$12 WP community, senior citizens, \$7 students (two per ID). The performance begins at 8 p.m. in the Shea Center and runs all weekend. For further information call ex. 2371.

Friday, April 12

The men's baseball team plays Ramapo College at 3:30 p.m. on Wightman Field. For further information call ex. 2705.

Registration Deadline:
Friday, April 12, 2002

For further information, please contact:

Ms. Jacqueline Safont
ex. 2351 or E-mail:
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Saturday, April 13

The Sixth Annual Academic

and Leadership Development Conference for African American and Latino College Men takes place from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Machuga Student Center Ballroom. Keynote speakers include The Three Doctors. A decade and half ago, three teenage boys from the streets of Newark made a pact; they would stick together, go to college, and become doctors. Now, over 13 years later, these three men have overcome obstacles and proudly bear the title of doctor. For further information call ex. 2351.

A symposium with three noted children's book authors for K-8 teachers, librarians, and students. Using Non-Fiction Literature in the Classroom: A Symposium with Three Noted Children's Book Authors - Ann Morris, Trish Marx and Esther Hautzig will take place in the David and Lorraine Cheng Library from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. A panel discussion, workshops, copy of a book by each author and continental breakfast are included. Sponsored by The College of Education. Made possible by WPU Alumni Association and TQE Grant. The cost is \$30 (\$25 for graduate students, \$15 for undergraduate students). For further information call ex. 3140.

The men's baseball team will play TCNJ at 12 p.m. on Wightman Field. For further information call ex. 2705.

Monday, April 15

Junior Information Day will take place from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Machuga Student Center Ballroom. Reservations are required and RSVPs are requested by April 5. For further information call ex. 2126.

Tuesday, April 16

The Distinguished Business Leaders Symposium presents Christos M. Cotsakos College

of Business: Executives and leaders from wide variety of professions discuss the business market in Holt Hall from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. For further information call ex. 2964.

B. P. Singh, executive director of the World Bank, and Susan Purcell, vice president, of Americas Society and Council of the Americas will speak on the impact of globalization on Asia and Latin America. The moderator will be WPU's Distinguished Visiting Professor and economist Robert Chandross. Sponsored by the Asian Studies and Latin American Studies programs, and the College of Humanities and Social Sciences. The program will take place in the Cheng Library Auditorium from 11 a.m. to 120 p.m. For further information call ex. 3410.

The men's baseball team plays Fairleigh Dickinson University - Madison at Wightman Field at 3:30 p.m. For further information call ex. 2705.

Thursday, April 18

The Vendor Fair is open to all faculty staff, and students. It will take place from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Machuga Student Center Ballroom.

The women's softball team plays Muhleberg College at 3:30 p.m. at Wightman Field. For further information call ex. 2705.

Saturday, April 19

The men's baseball team plays Rutgers-Newark at 3:30 p.m. at Wightman Field. For further information call ex. 2705.

The New Jersey Faculty and Development Network will present Bridging the Gap: Professors as Students, Expectation or Teaching and Learning. The conference is

open to all faculty members on every campus in New Jersey. For further information call ex. 2194.

Sunday, April 20

The men's baseball team plays Rowan at 3:30 p.m. at Wightman Field. For further information call ex. 2705.

The Orchestra at William Paterson University presents William Houston, conductor and Faye Robinson, soprano in concert at Shea Center at 8 p.m. Works include Walker's Lilac, Torke's Bright Blue Music, and the Annual Mae and Fletcher Fish Young Artist. Admission is \$25/20, WP students with ID \$5 (limit 2). For further information call ex. 2371.

Tuesday, April 22

The New Musical Festival presents the New Jersey Percussion Ensemble and the New Jersey New Music at the Shea Center at 7:30 p.m. Admission is free. For more information call ex. 2371.

Thursday, April 23

Women's softball team plays Rutgers-Newark at Wightman Field at 3 p.m. For further information call ex. 2705.

The men's baseball team plays Old Westbury at Wightman Field at 3:30 p.m. For further information call ex. 2705.

Thursday, April 24

The Institute for Creative Aging will host Hospice Foundation of America's Teleconference *Living with Grief: Loss in Later Life*. The broadcast will take place at Hobart Hall from 1:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. in the Martini Teleconference Center. For more information call ex. 3690.



The Best of New York

As part of the continued healing from the Sept. 11 attacks, the Pioneer Times will be featuring reviews of New York City bars, restaurants and clubs in the hopes of reinstating confidence in the city and helping students to find a good time on the weekends.

Pongsri and Winnie's: The perfect Chinatown combo

By Franklin Woolf
Staff Writer

If you're looking for an authentic Thai dinner, it's not necessary to leave the country. Instead of boarding an airplane, all you have to do is cross the George Washington Bridge or go through the Lincoln Tunnel and head for Chinatown in lower Manhattan.

Pongsri was the first Thai restaurant to open in Chinatown. Located at 106 Bayard St., the restaurant can be a little tricky to find. Pongsri is on the corner of Baxter St. and Bayard St. one block south of Canal St; the courthouse is a good landmark to look for.

If you're not familiar with Thai food, the waiters, who are required to memorize the entire menu are more than happy to make suggestions. This is quite impressive, considering the menu has over one hundred different selections to choose from.

The most famous Thai dish is Pad Thai noodles. The menu describes the dish as, "Sauteed thin Thai rice noodles with shrimp, egg, chopped peanuts, dried bean curd and bean sprouts, served with raw bean sprouts and lemon."

Besides Pad Thai noodles, the other dish that I always order is Pra Raam.

This can be ordered with either chicken or beef and comes with a spicy peanut sauce. Pra Raam is numbered 54 on the menu and has one asterisk in front of the number to indicate spicy. Two asterisks indicate hot and spicy and three is extremely hot and spicy. Be warned! When they say hot and spicy they mean it.

If you enjoy a beer with your meal, try a Shingha. This beer is a lager and comes from Thailand.

Once you are done with dinner, you can walk one door over and go to Winnie's Bar & Restaurant. Be prepared for some interesting entertainment.

Winnie's is a pub that seats about 25 people at the bar and has six booths. There is one television that no one seems to watch, and a screen for karaoke on the back wall.

If you come in on a Friday or Saturday night there are usually at least four people working the floor and bar, all of whom are Chinese women. On weekends the pub starts to get packed around 10 p.m.

Although the name of the pub contains the word restaurant, it only serves appetizers. If someone is in the kitchen, the two main dishes are chicken wings and spring rolls.

Charlyne Chan has worked at

Winnie's for five years and says, "Most people order food and have it delivered here."

Winnie's is known for its karaoke. There are several binders of songs to choose from. Each song has a video, which is played with the words on the bottom of the screen from a laser disc. The videos are very funny and many of them have nothing to do with the song being played.

Serving a large Asian clientele, much of the karaoke is in Chinese. The videos are from Honk Kong, Singapore and Beijing. After 9 p.m. is when most of the western karaoke begins.

Winnie's has hundreds of artists to choose from, including John Lennon, Abba, Blondi, and Bon Jovi. Chan said, "We get some great singers and some pretty lousy ones; you need ear plugs."

As the night goes, on the singers seem to get more and more off key. This is when the fun really begins. The more off key the singer is the more the crowd seems to enjoy itself; the people are very friendly and encourage everyone to

sing. In fact, if a song comes to a familiar chorus, the entire bar may start to sing.

Some of the bar tenders are excellent singers.

"When business is slow, the girls will sometimes sing request," Chan said.

Whether you're a gifted singer or like me and can't hit a right note, check out the karaoke at Winnie's for a fun night.



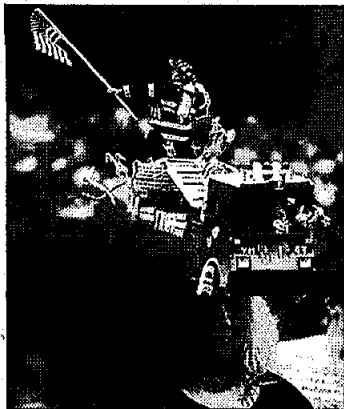
NEXT ISSUE PREVIEW: Tony Neily(left), Rudy Murray and Brian Cororan inside of Acme, an NYC bar to be reviewed next issue.



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Yuk Bing Chan (left) and Ching-Tsun Wu take a break from the crowd at Winnie's Bar and Restaurant.

Easter in the city

PT photos by Franklin Woolf
New Yorkers showed their true colors at last month's Easter Parade. Prizes were awarded for the most creative hats.



Harvard study finds college binge drinking still a problem

B Sara Kiessling
Staff Writer

Binge drinking on college campuses is still as common as it was in the early 190's, according to a recent Harvard study.

In the survey conducted by the Harvard School of Public Health, 44 percent of college students admitted to binge drinking within the previous two weeks the same percentage found in a 1993 study.

Binge drinking is defined as the consumption of at least five drinks in a row for men, or four drinks in a row for women.

"It (binge drinking) is common on every college campus. Quite often students have already had experience with alcohol before entering college, but they may cross over the line to where it becomes problematic in college," said Nancy Ellson, coordinator of Wellness Services at William Paterson University.

According to Ellson, most students are legally drunk while binge drinking, impairing their ability to make safe and healthy decisions.

"A lot of alcohol in such a short period of time creates problems for college students, that is when they start to get into trouble," Ellson said.

The trouble Ellson referred to could

range from sexual assault and/or unsafe sex to driving a car while under the influence.

The Harvard study is useful, Ellson said, because it looks at behaviors indicative of patterns. It offers insights on how drinking in a problematic fashion may be an indicator of a problem for some percentage of those who binge drink. She said the study serves as an opportunity for universities to help students succeed socially, health-wise and academically.

On campus, the apartments and White Hall are "wet" dorms, where the consumption of alcohol is permitted on the premises. However, every person involved must be of legal drinking age.

Underage drinking and drinking in areas where alcohol is not permitted does not go without consequences at WPU. When a student is caught committing an alcohol-related offense, he or she is sanctioned by the Dean of Students office or by Residence Life. The student must then take part in a series of psycho-educational workshops, given by Ellson and Carrie Schulz, a residence hall director.

"It is not punishment," Ellson said. "The student needs to determine if this (binge drinking) is a potential problem. They can learn where to get help if needed, it becomes a resource for them." During the workshops, students take part in role-playing-a unique way

to see how alcohol can affect every aspect of their life. Safe drinking techniques and alcohol education are also taught.

Following the workshops, the student must attend an hour-long clinical assessment with Ellson.

"This is a chance for the student to get answers to any questions they may have. It is all confidential and all information never becomes a part of a student's health record."

According to Ellson, 10 percent of Americans are alcoholics. It is a chronic disease, even with treatment. Students who binge drink are not necessarily alcoholics, but need to work through the notion that they may have a problem.

"Bathe our neurons in enough alcohol and anyone can become an alcoholic," Ellson said. "It takes away the pain, makes us feel better. But there are so many other things that can make you feel good too. That is why our program is so important; it allows us to help most students get the care they need at the level they need it at."

If you or someone you know has a problem with alcohol, contact Ellson at the Health and Wellness Center at ex. 2360.

Estimating Table For Women

Drinks	body weight in pounds							
	100	120	140	160	180	200	220	240
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	.05	.04	.03	.03	.03	.02	.02	.02
2	.09	.08	.06	.06	.05	.05	.04	.04
3	.14	.11	.10	.09	.08	.07	.06	.06
4	.18	.15	.13	.11	.10	.09	.08	.08
5	.23	.19	.16	.14	.13	.11	.10	.09
6	.27	.23	.19	.17	.15	.14	.12	.11
7	.32	.27	.23	.20	.18	.16	.14	.13
8	.36	.30	.26	.23	.20	.18	.17	.15

Estimating Table For Men

Drinks	body weight in pounds							
	100	120	140	160	180	200	220	240
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	.04	.03	.03	.02	.02	.02	.02	.01
2	.07	.06	.05	.05	.04	.04	.03	.03
3	.11	.09	.08	.07	.06	.06	.05	.04
4	.15	.12	.11	.09	.08	.07	.07	.06
5	.19	.16	.13	.12	.10	.09	.08	.07
6	.22	.19	.16	.14	.12	.11	.10	.09
7	.26	.22	.19	.16	.15	.13	.12	.11
8	.30	.25	.21	.19	.17	.15	.14	.11

Reprinted from the pamphlet, Alcohol Choices & Guidelines for College Students
To use the table, compare your weight with the number of drinks to see if you fall within the legal limit of .10 Blood Alcohol Level.

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Campus Vignettes

The Pioneer Times announces its new series, Campus Vignettes. Every issue, we will be running small profiles of some of the people that make the WPU campus tick. As always, we are open to suggestions. If you know someone who has an interesting story, e-mail us at pioneertimes@student.wpunj.edu. Enjoy!

Lotto's first students not what she expected

By Jaime Severino
Staff Writer

The beginning of the school year was not what Tracy Lotto she expected.

She assumed her kindergarten students would speak English and would know how to line up.

"The first day of school I was talking to these kids and they were staring at me like I had three heads," Lotto said. "Then I realized that none of them spoke English; they spoke Spanish and Bengali."

These children never went to preschool. This was their first time in a classroom they did not know how to line up at the door. Now six months later, they speak and understand English and can line up perfectly.

At 23, Lotto is a first year kindergarten teacher at The Park School. The

May 2001 graduate of William Paterson University said she enjoys teaching inner city children because they need someone who is going to go the extra mile for them. Their teacher is also like their part-time mother, sister, and friend and Lotto feels being a teacher to younger children you can see how you influenced them, she said.

"Once the child starts out with enthusiasm and a true love of learning, the path towards scholastic success in the future is much more clear," said Lotto.

This is Lotto's philosophy on education; She knew since second grade that she wanted to become a teacher.

Lotto also said she enjoys the cultural diversity she experiences through teaching.

"It makes us more informed and life more interesting," she said.

Lotto said the most difficult part of her job is leaving the emotions in the classroom. She said she goes to work everyday and hears about how one of her students heard gunshots last night or how another went to visit their father in jail.

"The most important thing I need to realize is when I have a bad day it is not my fault and the next day is going to be a whole new experience," Lotto said. "Teachers always seem like they have it together and are dependable, That's how I wanted to be."

Being a teacher is one of the most rewarding jobs, according to Lotto. She feels she is making a difference in lives and learns something-new everyday.

"All of my life I wanted to be a teacher and now that I am. I realize it's the children teaching me."

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Obscene calls spark Fanning's Top 10 list

By Jill K. Sanders
Staff Writer

Next to the phone in Jennifer Fanning's room, is a list entitled "Top 10 Things to Say to Obscene Phone Calls." Listed are reminders such as "I have a good 9 00-number for you to call!" and "Call someone who cares!"

Why would someone have such a list? Fanning, a communication major scheduled to graduate from William Paterson this May, says the list was made after a morning full of prank phone calls.

Fanning was awakened around 2:30 early one February morning by the ring of her telephone.

"My heat was on so I couldn't hear when I answered," said Fanning. "I thought it was my boyfriend."

Fanning soon realized the caller was not her boyfriend, but a prankster whom she will not soon forget.

"I caught something obscene so I knew it was a prank," said Fanning.

When Fanning listened more closely, she heard the man on the phone ask her to listen while he gratified himself.

After she hung up, the man called back twice to harass her with similar offensive requests before finally leaving her alone.

"I couldn't sleep after that," said Fanning, who had run into her suitemates' room to tell them of the distressing calls.

"He called at least three other people: two in our building (White Hall) and one in Pioneer (Hall)," said Fanning, who by sharing her tale with friends, learned of similar incidents.

Fanning and her friends didn't report the calls to police, but instead, to combat future fiascos with a prank-caller, they made a list, "Top 10 Things to Say to Obscene Phone Calls."

Next time you get an obscene call, try rebutting with, "You want me to listen? Why don't you listen while I call the cops!"

Morganstern's new land is for the birds, and he likes it that way

By Tammy Belancic
Staff Writer

For many, the idea of buying land and living in Colombia is for the birds. But for Dr. Barry Morganstern, a professor in William Paterson University's Communication Department, that is precisely how he wants to keep it.

Morganstern and Sol Beatriz, his wife of 20 years, recently purchased four-and-a-quarter acres of land in Medellin, Colombia, with the intent of turning the property into a bird sanctuary.

With logging and cattle ranching

causing soil erosion and a loss of bird habitat, Colombia is in need more than ever of safe havens for its wildlife.

According to Morganstern, Colombia has the second greatest number of bird species in the world, and while, to his knowledge, none is on the endangered species list, there is still a need to provide protected areas for habitation.

Though Morganstern and his wife are not ornithology experts, they have a genuine interest in nature, and have been leaning toward the idea of a bird sanctuary for years.

Morganstern still isn't sure what

steps need to be taken to have it recognized as an official bird sanctuary and is undecided about whether he will even pursue that course of action. The sanctuary won't happen overnight, but initial plans will begin this summer with the planting of fruit trees.

The couple, who are avid gardeners, plan to add fruit trees such as lime, banana, papaya and pineapple to attract and encourage bird populations to nest in the area. But planting is just the first step. While Morganstern plans to build a small home on the property in a few years, most of the natural woodlands will be left untouched.

Morganstern has visited the locale for many years with his wife, a Colombia native.

"I fell in love with the place the moment I saw it," he said. "There may be a more beautiful place but I've never found it in all my travels."

Morganstern plans to eventually reside in Colombia for long periods of time, but will retain his New Jersey residence to take advantage of all the tri-state area has to offer.

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Careers

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"The mock-interview gives students a chance to improve their communication skills," said Tonya Blue, assistant director of off-campus student employment. "You can ring a (video) camera to tape yourself to see where you need improvement. Business attire is a must and students should bring their resume. We handle it as if it were a professional interview. We give as many helpful hints as possible. There are so many things to be aware of."

"One might ever think that popping a breath mint before an interview could help to land the job, but Blue said it is a good idea."

"Personal hygiene is at the top of the list," Blue said. Pop a breath mint before, but make sure you finish it before the interview."

The Career Development Center also suggests students learn as much as possible about the company with which they are interviewing.

"Study, study, study," Blue said. "I recommend starting two or three weeks before your interview. Go over what questions you have and prepare for what you think they'll ask. Practice with yourself and others. Then come in and see us."

Freshman Eva Ratajska, a worker from Poland, offered the following advice: "Always make eye contact and use your hands to emphasize your

points."

Blue said employers will make judgments within the first five minutes of an interview, so appearance should be neat, clean and polished.

"Keep jewelry to a minimum," she said. "Wear your hair in a polished fashion. Dark colors appear more professional. And most importantly, when sitting, (both men and women) should keep both feet on the floor, crossing the legs at the ankles."

Sociology major Nick Ianco feels more confident going into an interview, after meeting with those at the Career Development Center.

"After speaking with all the people at the center, I was sure I was ready for my next interview," he said. "My first one was a disaster, but now I know what areas I need help with."

Interviewing is a skill that can improve over time, but for those unsure of where to apply, the Career Development Center also has the resources to narrow down your search. With skills testing, the center can match up your qualities with an area of interest.

"We offer different workshops throughout the semester, (such as) the 'Careers in...' series for different majors, along with on-campus recruiting and a workforce development network," Blue said. "I encourage students to utilize our services."

Fees

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the bathrooms?"

Without the fees clearly outlined, students make educated guesses as to what they are for. Bernard Castro, a WPU student, thinks the technology access fee is for the use of the computers in the atrium.

"Some of the fees are okay, but some you don't know about. It would be nice if they explained what the fees are for," said Castro.

The student athletic fee also causes confusion. Laura Pritchard, a WPU student, said it goes toward the sports program while Tammy Belancic guessed that the student athletic fee is for uniforms for team sports.

For students who are confused, Elissa Lans, the assistant bursar, has the answer:

"The general service fee is for graduation costs and identification card processing, the student center fee is for use of things in the student center, the student activity fees for Student

Government Association events, and the athletic fee is for the use of the recreational center," she said.

Though there are a lot of fees, not every one is upset by them. Brian Morris, a freshman, points out the advantage of the technology fee, which helps toward providing technology available for student use on campus.

"It saved me once or twice when I didn't have time to (work on my computer) at home," Morris said.

The fees provide for the services and additional amenities that are available at WPU.

"The purpose of the fees is so that we have a nice college to go to," said Pritchard. "If you start taking away the fees, it might decrease the value of the school because it would take away from clubs. Clubs are an attraction to college students."

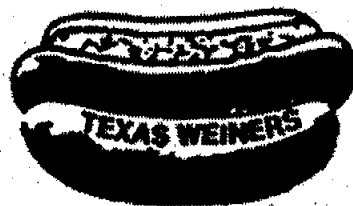
Belancic also thinks the fees are practical.

"I'm not complaining," Belancic said, "It's not really that unreasonable of a fee to pay for all that is available."

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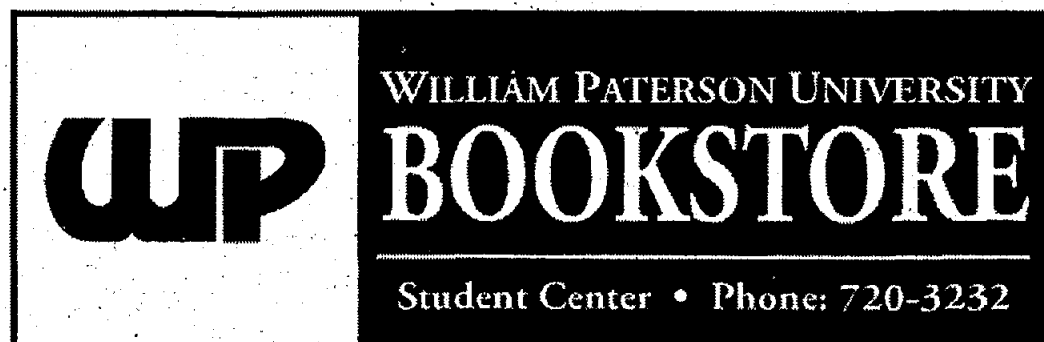
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