

# Students Build Tower of Straws

by Helen Webb  
Newspeak staff

On Tuesday, February 24, sixteen teams of two or three WPI students, lured by the desire to have fun and earn a \$200 first prize, spent from noon until one testing their engineering skills by trying to build the tallest possible free-standing structure from flexible drinking straws and straight pins. The contest, sponsored by the ASME and Pi Tau Sigma, attracted many spectators to the lower wedge who cheered the teams as they experimented with a variety of different styles.

The most popular structure was a combination Eiffel tower-oil well design with a spire atop, but many others were tried. Another design that looked promising was a box-kite-like design which suffered in the end from an over-heavy drooping spire and did not survive to be measured. Another team tried to create a structure based on a telephone pole with guide wires; like most others based on long strands of straws joined by pins, it suffered from the inability of the straws to stand any sort of lateral stress, and never quite stood on its own three feet.

Each team was given 100 straws, 100 pins and 36 square feet to work in. Although most

teams had something erect at some point, when the 40 minute period was up only six or seven survived their own weights long enough to be measured by the official judges, President Strauss and Professors Zweep and Hammond.

Two towers with almost identical triangular Eiffel-tower structures tied for tallest, measuring 99 inches each, so the prize money was split between the two groups. As might be expected, most of the participants were ME majors, including all three members of one winning team composed of juniors Peter Revelas, Herman Purut and Vince Solferino. Like true engineers they had a plan ready before the start of the contest, but it had to be discarded at the start of the contest because sticking straws together, which they had planned to do, was not allowed in the official rules which were not handed out until the start of the contest. The other winning team, composed of EE majors Herman Wiegman and Eric Breisacher and CS major John Drazek, all members of the class of 1988, worked methodically and seemed about finished when time was called.

After the judging and discussions of what was or was not allowed, some of the con-

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Freshmen Janis Berka and Jayne Turcotte construct their tower in the pins and straws contest.

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## Outerson Announces WPI Housing Rate Increase

by Mark Osborne  
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This past week, the new rates for on-campus housing were announced by WPI Coordinator of Residential Operations Paul Outerson. Increases ranged from \$200-250 for single, double, triple, and quadruple rooms in Stoddard, Riley, Daniels, Morgan, and Ellsworth/Fuller. Founders Hall room rates rose an average of \$300.

In an interview, Outerson stated that these increases reflected the general increase in the cost of education at WPI, in addition to an attempt to "bring (the WPI housing costs) into line" with other comparable institutions, and other Worcester area schools.

Outerson's office did a survey earlier in the year to determine the amounts that other schools were charging for comparable housing. The schools surveyed included RPI, MIT, ULowell, UMass, and SMU. The results from this survey showed that WPI was charging between \$50-80 less than the others for on-campus housing (\$1545 for a WPI double vs. \$1629 elsewhere). For the 1986-87 academic year, WPI's housing rates will be somewhat more expensive than the aforementioned institutions. WPI will charge \$1745 for a double room, while the projected increase (5) for the other institutions will bring their rates to \$1715 for a comparable room. For the Worcester area schools, WPI charges \$50 more for a double this year, but \$125 less for a single room. The Worcester schools surveyed included Anna Maria, Assumption, Worcester State, Clark, and Holy Cross.

The WPI Office of Residential Life (O.R.L.) is responsible for raising its own

funds. That is, no money that is paid toward tuition goes to housing. This is why the rates for Founders Hall are higher than the other buildings. Since Founders is "a new facility," O.R.L. must "recover some of those expenses" that accompany it. The present increase in rates will not continue, Outerson hopes, as new maintenance procedures are being examined to see if costs might be brought down to reasonable levels. Income is also generated from the summer conference business, one of the reasons for which Founders Hall was built. Outerson feels this is "an important aspect" of keeping costs down.

As for plans for future years, Outerson has many. His office is checking on furniture for the Ellsworth/Fuller apartments, to be purchased for the 1987-88 academic year. Other areas of concern are the general lack of energy efficiency of the E/F apartments, something which he classifies as "a major concern". Daniels Hall will also have moveable furniture, replacing the mostly immobile, hulking masses that populate the rooms now, in addition to having its rooms carpeted. Outerson emphasized that these plans are probable for five or more years in the future, and that he hopes to "develop a planned program," to implement these changes, and to spread the cost over several years.

When asked if he wishes to be able to house all WPI students on-campus eventually, as many colleges such as Harvard do, Outerson replied that "that would be my goal". However, his office has no plans to acquire any more land for housing in the immediate future.

## Tuition Nationwide Due to Jump "Only" Seven Percent

by Jessica Snyder

(CPS)—Stanford's trustees last week said they were raising tuition next year by "only" seven percent.

Iowa's tuition, regents announced last month, will rise by 6.5%. Duke students will shoulder an 11 percent hike, while California public college students will pay 7.5 percent more next year.

In coming weeks, colleges from coast to coast will be announcing tuition hikes for next year.

And in spite of a booming economy and a low general inflation rate, the increases apparently won't be minor.

In all, students' total college costs are due to rise an average five-to-six percent next year, an American Council on Education

(ACE) report released last week forecasts. And a group of economists studying what makes tuition go up or down says students are in for more of the same big tuition hikes beyond next school year, regardless of how healthy the national economy may be.

College costs for the 1985-86 school year are an average of seven percent higher than last year, while the Consumer Price Index—the national inflation rate—is only 3.8 percent higher.

Perhaps most consequential for students, experts agree, is that students—not governments or aid programs—will pay a bigger share of those higher costs.

"State legislatures would rather have students pay higher tuition than raise taxes"

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## Alpha Tau Omega Takes Strong Stand On Alcohol Abuse

The compelling need to change attitudes toward drinking has prompted Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity (ATO), one of the nation's largest and oldest general college fraternities, to pass a Resolution on Risk Avoidance, to heighten the level of awareness of its undergraduate members regarding the dangers of alcohol abuse for individuals and chapters.

"The concept of responsible brotherhood demands that we do whatever is reasonable and right to prevent even one tragic death or hideous disfigurement caused by drunk driving or any behavior that results from alcohol abuse", said Dr. Patrick I. Brown, chairman of ATO's High Council, which functions as a national board of directors.

ATO's 151 active chapters are being required to adhere to eight specific guidelines by the High Council:

1) All chapter social functions — or parties — shall be by individual invitation only. This restriction applies without regard to the location or nature of the function.

2) Alcoholic beverages shall not be sold. This restriction applies to all of the various methods for charging for drinks, such as charging admission to parties.

3) Only a trained bartender shall dispense alcohol at any party. He or she shall be fully informed with respect to all applicable laws, rules, and regulations related to the dispensing and consumption of alcohol and shall be responsible for their enforcement.

4) Alternate beverages shall be readily available at the bar at all times during a party where alcohol is being served.

5) Ample quantities of snack foods shall be readily available in several locations at all times during a party at which alcoholic beverages are being served.

6) Social chairmen and other chapter officers shall ensure the chapter's full compliance with host institution rules and regulation and all local and state laws regarding the dispensing and consumption of alcohol.

7) Chapters shall implement a "Dry Rush"

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Bryan Sheppeck inhales two of the 58 donut holes which he consumed while Jean Laiosa (background) tries to keep up. The two were participating in the donut-hole-eating contest sponsored by ATO. The event, held Saturday in the Goat's Head, raised \$683 for the Worcester Area Mental Health Association.

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# EDITORIAL

# LETTERS

## Alcohol On Campus Possible ... If We Really Want It

WPI is not the only college which has lost alcohol liability and has been forced to prohibit alcohol on campus. Colleges all over the country have found themselves in the same situation. But some are bouncing back, and WPI is not.

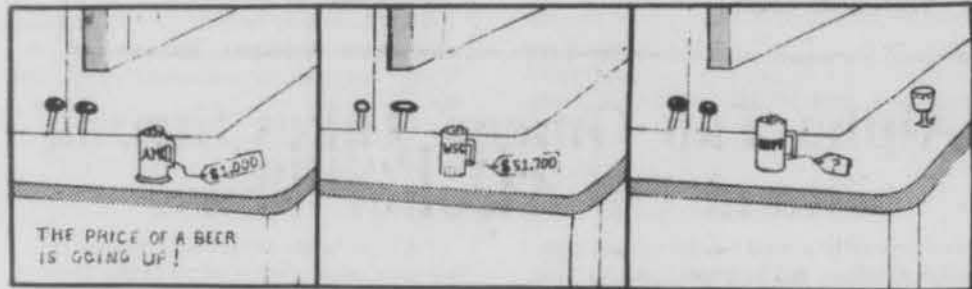
In the very near future every state school in the Commonwealth will have regained sufficient liability insurance to reopen their pubs and once again allow alcohol on campus, according to Ellen Peltier, Assistant Managing Editor of Worcester State College's Student Voice. Worcester State College, which announced the "reopening" of its pub a couple of weeks ago, was the last of the state's colleges to increase its insurance to cover alcohol liability.

The Spiritwoods Pub, on the Anna Maria College campus will reopen this month. It has been closed since July, according to a recent story in the Worcester Telegram. Their new policy is from the Joint Underwriter's Association, an agency established by the state in November to provide affordable liquor liability insurance. They will pay a \$1000 premium this year for the new policy.

The action was taken at WSC and Anna Maria because students looked into what could be done and spoke up. Without their strong message to the administration, the situation might not have been changed. It is possible for WPI, as well, to regain the necessary coverage. The situation is different here at WPI, however. WPI has an endowment of over \$60 million and the insurance policy would have to protect this. This will not be easy, but if there is enough desire to bring back alcohol, ways can be found to pay for it.

At WSC a 20% (nine dollars/student/year) increase in the social fee pays for an additional one-million-dollar policy. Another way of paying is through a markup in drinking prices. At WPI, the administration has looked and continues to look into our options, but without a demonstration of the student's desire for change, no changes will be made.

The Goat's Head Pub was once a place where students, faculty, administration, staff, and alumni met under no academic pressures. It would be nice if this could happen again, but with the current laissez-faire attitude things will remain as they are.



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## WPI Support of Apartheid Must End

To the Editor,

Excuse me for breaking WPI's technological bubble, but there is a campus issue that is long overdue here and must be raised. The issue is divestment from corporations doing business in, or with South Africa, and WPI has nearly succeeded in being passed over. This year, Holy Cross suddenly divested for reasons based on its Catholic principles, and the Clark Divestment Coalition (CDC) finally won its struggle to convince Clark to divest last Saturday. Like South Africa's defense shields in Namibia and Angola, WPI had Holy Cross and Clark to hide behind. So now, after their divestments, I have asked the members of CDC to turn their attention here.

It comes as no surprise to me that a school which has had such tolerance for social oppression on its own campus would be heavily invested in such deadly oppression abroad, but it may surprise many students here. Most of us know of WPI's close affiliation with Norton Company, but not that Norton is one of the top 20 U.S. corporations in South Africa. This means that WPI is probably the most heavily invested college in Worcester. I have also heard a rumour that WPI might buy the stocks that Clark is going to be selling. Any such purchase, however, would be intolerable to many and would probably draw action from CDC.

As expected, such action may not take the form of a large, indigenous student movement at WPI the way it did at Clark, because social conditions here make resistance to the apathetic norm nearly impossible. Action by CDC may take the form of pressure placed on the consortium which may serve to divide the schools which have divested from those which haven't. I think that at the least, any purchase by WPI of stocks from Clark's divestment would sabotage any SocComm effort to centralize the WPI social life through the consortium. So I request an immediate promise by those responsible for WPI investments (the trustees or the president) that WPI will not purchase stocks from divestments.

There may also be some hope for indigenous action. So if anyone is interested in replacing WPI's dead, alcohol-based social life with one based on awareness and grassroots consciousness, or less ambitiously, if you want to learn more about divestment, contact Alan Spears, Box 1767, Clark University, 950 Main St., Worcester MA 01610.

Whether or not there is hope for a WPI divestment, the Trustees will find it difficult to maintain or increase the financial support of Apartheid.

- Alan Ditmore ('88)

## Smith's Humor Defended

To the Editor,

I think some criticism is appropriate in the case of Joshua Smith's commentary about Valentine's Day, because parts of it were pretty inane. But I really don't believe this was entirely Mr. Smith's fault. I may be wrong in my analysis, but after writing about the most depressing aspect of WPI reality, Mr. Smith managed to make an ass of himself in an attempt to lighten up with a dose of fanciful, if not bitter, and abusive humor. He probably did this in an effort to please his readers with something other than hopeless and naked depression. This contrasts with my writing style, for instance, because I rarely try to either lighten up or please my audience.

Mr. Smith didn't invent inane and abusive

humor or stereotypes. They're social norms and mannerisms that may be partially a result of the five to one social situation to begin with, and they may even be expected of Mr. Smith by student society. I think the article is remarkable in a way because even its content is ultimately symptomatic of the problem that it describes. One must realize that most jokes hurt someone, and yet a sense of humor is considered an asset and even expected by society.

I have formed my own hypothesis about why there are so few women at WPI, however. In light of the somewhat militaristic nature of engineering work, it seems possible that many women don't apply here simply because they have a conscience.

- Alan Ditmore ('88)

## LeBlanc Announces Write-In Candidacy

Class of '87,

Hi, my name is Robert LeBlanc and I am running for the position of Class Treasurer.

One of my objectives upon entering WPI in 1983 was to represent my class in some way. To be an officer of our class during our final year at WPI would be both an honor and a challenge. That is why I am running for the position of Treasurer of the Class of '87.

I believe my organizational skills, social involvement, and previous high school experience in student government make me a highly qualified candidate for this position. Above and beyond the specific duties of

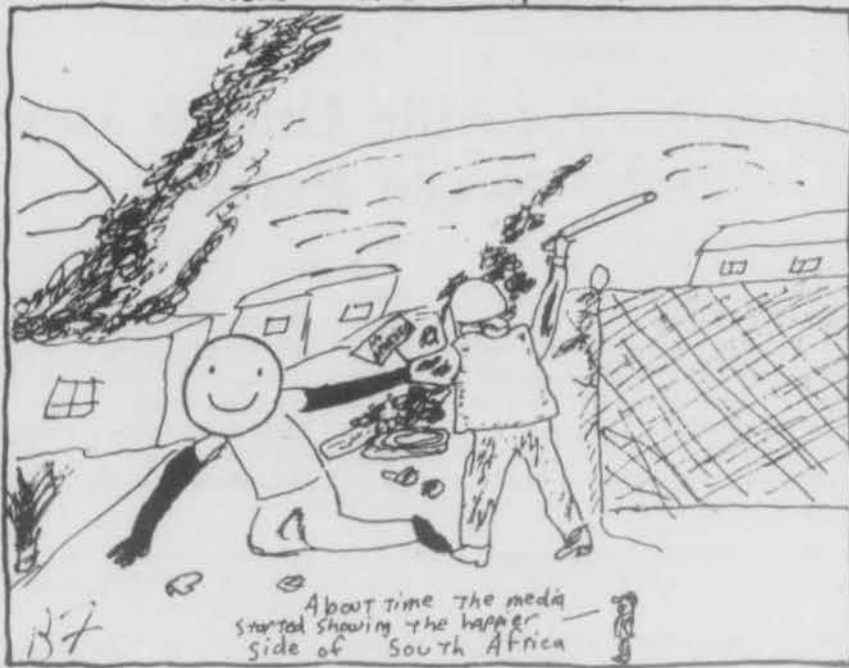
treasurer, I would look forward to working with my fellow class officers to ensure a socially active and productive senior year.

But, I ask you to note that I am a write-in candidate. This means that my name will not be on the ballot. Please remember to write in my name, Robert LeBlanc, for Treasurer!

Sincerely,  
Robert LeBlanc

[Editor's Note: Mr. LeBlanc did not complete the proper nomination procedure and will not be listed on Thursday's ballot. He asked Newspeak to publish this letter so that he may attempt a write-in campaign.]

The long awaited new Journalist  
restrictions in South Africa.



About time the media started showing the happier side of South Africa

# COMMENTARY

## My View From Morgan Fourth

by Joshua Smith  
Newspeak staff

Someone wrote me a letter last week! Granted, it wasn't a very complimentary letter, but it was addressed to me. I wasn't going to respond to the "Letters to the Editor" I read in the last issue of *Newspeak*, but then I realized that ignoring them would be stupid (I've made a note to cut down on the number of stupid thoughts I entertain). I first thought that to dignify those two nasty letters with a response would only lead to trouble; but thanks to those two young ladies, my readership has probably doubled — if I am to keep your interest, I had better do something.

Since my childhood, I have always feared that I might inherit my father's sense of humor. My father typically makes "funny" comments, but everyone thinks he's being serious; almost as often, he makes serious comments that are so off-the-wall, everyone thinks he's kidding. It makes life difficult at times, but we Smith men have learned to live with it. In order to aid you, the reader, in your ability to understand my sense of humor, I present "The Definition of Humor — According to Joshua".

The main difference between alternate styles of humor is the focus of attack. The most primitive style places the humorist in conflict with a group of people who aren't around (this is the Joan Rivers' technique). Jokes of this genre are usually bigoted or crass. I never write with this style of humor. If you read something of mine that reeks of this cheap application, chances are you didn't get the joke. Allow me to cite an example: If I were to suggest that the Social Committee should raffle off the available WPI girls at five dollars a ticket, I would neither be initiating an attack against the Social Committee, nor trying to insult WPI girls. You are supposed to think, "What a silly idea, you can't raffle off people," and then continue reading.

Another style of humor places the

humorist in conflict with his audience (this style, you may recall, proved nearly fatal to the comedian at the Homecoming Nightclub last fall). The difficulty involved with this approach is the inherent need for a mature, good-humored audience. Although this type of readership is not guaranteed at WPI, I think that there are quite a few people who can laugh at themselves. Another example: If I were to suggest that Ms. Karen Stringer was probably a math major, simply because of the way she signed her name ("A fraction of a fifth," by which we might assume she meant "A fraction of a sixth," since one unit in a five-to-one ration is a sixth, rather than a fifth), I would expect a mature, good-humored adult to laugh it off, and continue reading.

But the most fun I can have writing occurs when I use the most sophisticated style of humor — self-degradation. If I can cut myself up in a way you understand, I imagine you'll think it is very, very funny. Yet another example: if I were to write an article describing my depression and loneliness on Valentine's Day, for instance, my ex-girlfriend back home should chuckle silently to herself and mutter "He deserves it;" or perhaps you, the average reader, might just note my silly attacks on mankind, and say "No wonder he's alone." If you laugh at me, I have achieved true, unadulterated humor.

So what about those letters last week? Well, I hope the writers read this week's article: I'm afraid they just didn't understand my concept of humor. I enjoyed the letters very much, and I hope they keep coming. If you read something I write and it upsets you — first try to figure out why I thought it would be funny; if you find no trace of humor, drop me a note. One last thought: sometimes I'm serious about what I say, but, like my father, I don't always sound serious. If you can't tell, ask me. I consist of more than just typeset words, and I usually know what I mean.

## Winter's Dubious Achievement Awards

by Jim Herard and Tom Peterson

I love winter. I mean I really love winter. It seems to bring out the creativity in all of us. On a normal sunny summer day you probably wouldn't think of going down Trowbridge Street sideways (in your car anyway). And I doubt you would try backing up Institute Rd. just for a change of scenery, but during winter what the hell. Then there are those of us who drive real fast this time of year . . . in one place. This winter in particular has produced a number of exceptionally creative individuals who deserve special recognition.

We must compliment the grounds crew on their exemplary conservation of sand this winter. Usually the amount of sand and salt placed on the campus roads and sidewalks is proportional to the kill rate or bloodstains on that particular sidewalk. But this year instead of foolishly wasting sand on the walkways to make them safe, enough was saved to throw a beach party . . . Way to go guys!!

The city too must be congratulated on their unique snow removal techniques. I am always amazed by the skill of the happy snowplow drivers who can shear the mirrors off your car without scratching the finish. But the real credit goes to the WPI police force. After your car (minus the mirrors) has been cheerfully buried in a six-foot bank of snow, they somehow still manage to dig down to your windshield to ticket you for illegal parking. Just think of how cold their hands must get digging down through all of that snow, and yet the pursuit of truth,

justice, and the American Way must continue at all costs. Professors also deserve recognition among these wintertime crusaders. It amazes me how some of them can make that 30-mile journey to get to their all important eight o'clock class on those snowy days when most of their students can't even make it out of bed, never mind across that treacherous quad. Special recognition goes to Professor R. L. Norton who is doing as well as can be expected after suffering a mild stroke which occurred when the power in Higgins failed and his "computer doorbell" crashed.

It is unquestionably the student, however, who suffers the most during the winter. It always makes me laugh when I see kids from the Ellsworth and Fuller apartments going to class with three foot icicles through the top of their skulls. They just don't seem to learn not to slam the doors of their apartments on the way to class. When all of this snow finally melts they just might find the bodies of the students who were buried alive when the ice from the roofs of Higgins, Riley, and Harrington simultaneously avalanched during the warmup session of the Poison Dollys. Their concert was considered even less constructive. Just how many students were lost is uncertain but class attendance is down noticeably.

No, I think we should cancel winter on account of a strong lack of interest and move our campus to Miami. The Baby Doc Med School may even be available for rent. Surf's up . . .

## The Body Politic The Power of the Press

Having watched the President's commission on the shuttle disaster every night on the news, I have come to the conclusion that no committee should be called a "fact-finding" committee. "Blame-placing" or "finger-pointing" is much more appropriate. This, however, is more the fault of the media than of the committees.

Each night we are confronted with more and more evidence that the executives at Morton Thiokol and at NASA screwed up. Sitting in their tribunal-like arrangement, we listen to members of the committee ask brutally incriminating questions asked of obviously bewildered and embarrassed executives. We hear how none of the engineers at Thiokol wanted the launch to proceed, and how those opinions were ignored by Thiokol executives. Yet we never hear why. The executives' side of the story is conspicuously absent.

The press just drools over any chance to catch executives with their hand in the cookie jar, and this Shuttle accident has soaked the shirt front of every newsmen involved in the coverage. The zeal with which the press seeks stories, apart from anything else, is admirable. Yet this zeal tends to force glamour upon stories which are hardly newsworthy, and sometimes even distorts important information.

The latter seems to be the case in the coverage of the shuttle disaster. The committee has only suggested that the decision process at NASA is flawed, nothing else. The press and (as a result) the public has concluded

that the executives at Morton Thiokol and at NASA are all guilty of negligence. The ability to condemn is an unfortunate result of the trust we place in the media.

The explosion of Challenger has been transformed from a national disaster to a national embarrassment. We have been convinced that someone screwed up, that seven lives were needlessly wasted.

This is hardly the case. The "pressure to launch" described constantly on the national news was definitely present. It was not, however, nor will it ever be, sufficient to force a launch under questionable circumstances. NASA's record speaks for itself. In the over twenty years of the program, this is the first in-flight fatal accident. It was bound to happen.

Yet the press and the public must find out who was at fault. I just hope that in their haste to condemn that they don't forget what NASA has done and will do for this country. It remains one of the very few apolitical organizations, and one of the even fewer whose goal remains optimistic. We owe them at least the benefit of the doubt.

So here's a pitch for NASA. Whatever went wrong during the Challenger's last mission will be discovered, and the launch decision will necessarily be questioned. The press, however, should not air speculations of guilt on television every night. We need to be patient and trust NASA and the commission to come to a conclusion which can lay this controversy to rest.

## . . . Tuition

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to help colleges meet their higher costs, says Cathy Henderson, an educational consultant who authored the new ACE report.

"College costs aren't like roads, where everyone pays and everyone uses," she says. "People see the student as the primary beneficiary."

"Some states have explicitly decided to shift more of the burden onto the student," adds Terry Hartel of the American Enterprise Institute, a Washington, D.C., think tank.

Experts concede they don't fully understand why tuition keeps rising faster than the general inflation rate, but most agree colleges need money from somewhere to make overdue building repairs and raise staff salaries.

While most other industries managed to maintain their buildings and salaries during the economy's wild swings of the last 16 years, higher education is too bureaucratic either to keep up with inflation or adjust to its aftermath very quickly, other observers note.

Colleges, in fact, always have been slow to adjust to economic swings, says Patrick Melia, a public policy specialist at Georgetown University.

Most business decisions, he explains, must be submitted to regents and state legislators as much as two or three years in advance.

The dramatic increases of the early 1980's — when tuition jumped as much as 14 percent in a year on some campuses — are probably best understood as responses to the economic realities of the late seventies, he notes.

The next several years will feature still more increases, Henderson predicts.

"I don't see (annual) tuition (hikes) dropping below six or seven percent before the end of the decade," she says. "Salaries have a lot of catching up to do."

Schools generally stalled granting real salary increases for faculty and staffers during the last decade.

But giving people raises has an enormous impact on the cost of higher education, Henderson says, because salaries constitute between 65 and 75 percent of most colleges'

budgets.

Moreover, more than half the buildings on U.S. campuses are 25 years or older, and are badly in need of repair, according to testimony given to a House committee last year.

"We're not talking about (fixing) history classrooms, where you just have to replace a map and maybe a blackboard," adds Bob Aaron of the National Association of State Universities and Land Grant Colleges.

"It's the cost of renovating a chemistry classroom to do up-to-date lab work that really hikes the cost of instruction," he says.

The University of Illinois — where 44 percent of the buildings are more than 50 years old — recently estimated it needed \$600 million to repair and renovate its campus buildings.

But the federal government in recent years has ended or dismantled many of the programs that gave direct maintenance subsidies to colleges. Consequently, colleges are turning more to students to provide the money for salaries and upkeep.

"(Students') demands in our country are for high-cost disciplines, and so the cost of education is going to be higher," Aaron says.

Many campuses, of course, are finding ways to loan or grant money to help students pay those higher costs.

Alan Wagner, a State University of New York-Albany economist, figures that if such "institutional aid" is subtracted from the tuition hikes assessed during this decade, higher ed's inflation rate would be about the same as the general economy's.

In any case, Henderson says there's no evidence the big tuition increases and student aid decreases have priced colleges beyond many students.

Enrollment, in fact, has stayed roughly stable in recent years, despite National Center for Educational Statistics predictions of a precipitous drop in student population.

But to stay in school, students probably will have to go into debt.

"We're going to see more dependence on loans," Henderson predicts, "and many people may start shifting to less-expensive colleges."

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# ELECTION LETTERS

## Student Government Elections To Be Held Thursday

The following are the nominees for the student government offices to be elected on Thursday, March 6, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

### Student Body President

James Goodell  
Kevin Szeredy

### Student Secretary

Laurie A. Bouchard  
Lise Wivestad

### Class of '87

President - Kevin Perkins  
Vice President - Cheryl Delay  
Secretary - Joyce Kline  
Treasurer - Karen Tellier  
Representative - Anne MacFaddin

### Class of '88

President -  
Bryan Sheppeck, Kelly Siggans  
Vice President -  
David McKnight, Eric Pauer  
Secretary -  
Patricia Strobel, Diane Brissette  
Treasurer -  
Diane Fyrer, John Warren Hart  
Representative -  
William R. Riccio Jr

### Class of '89

President -  
Danielle LaMarre, Kevin J. Doyle,  
Greg Gibson  
Vice President -  
Blake Hoering, Barry Perkins,  
James T. Schoonmaker, Alison Gotkin  
Secretary - Kristen Breed  
Treasurer - Magda E. Bonnim  
Representative - Peter Mullen

## STUDENT BODY PRESIDENT

Jim Goodell

Dear fellow students,

You read enough of my writing each week, so I'll try to keep it short.

WPI has gone through a lot of changes since I've been here, too many changes. And there is nothing we can do about what has happened, but we can do a great deal to influence what will happen.

Student life at WPI can and must be improved; the inconsistencies of the academic policy must be given direction and more must be done to reestablish the WPI Fraternity system to the stature it once held.

I feel that my past experience with the governing bodies of the school and my thorough understanding of student opinions put me in a unique position to make our opinions count.

Through the President's Fraternity Task Force and the Faculty/Student Goals Committee we now have the opportunity to make things better. With your input and the respect of the Administration, I feel as Student Body President, I can make things better.

My involvement since entering WPI has prepared me well for this position. I have been involved with the Executive Council since my freshman year and currently serve as Class Representative for the class of '87. As Class Representative, I have helped organize class events such as the Air Band Contest and Junior Prom. I have served as Student Representative to faculty committees, Committee of Concerned Students chairman, participated in the selections of the new President, Vice President for Student Affairs and Dean of Students. Through *Newspeak* I have a far-reaching understanding of student issues and as Class Representative I have had an influence on decisions affecting us all.

With your vote this Thursday, and your input, I can do a great deal to influence what will happen, and make things better for students at WPI.

Sincerely,  
Jim Goodell

## Kevin Szeredy

Fellow classmates,

Hi! My name is Kevin Szeredy and I am running for the office of Student Government President.

Before campaigning for this position, I asked myself, "What perspective of our WPI environment I would like to see changed." Two words came to mind - participation and unity. I firmly believe that these are the two most important factors related to the effectiveness of any government.

At WPI, there exist many organizations that deal with different areas of interest. Whether they are concerned with social, political or academic issues, each one separately runs itself according to its own set standards or guidelines. As students, we are the flesh and bones of every organization. We make the rules (within school policy), run the meetings, and take corrective actions as we see fit to better ourselves and our identity on this campus. In order for our organizations to survive, we constantly encourage new members to join to increase the amount of student involvement. If we fail to expand our group, it will lose its function and its existence will slowly dissolve.

Another element I wish to address is unity. I believe unity is the primary determinant of strength of any organization. In order for any governing body to function properly, it must have the support and understanding of all its members. It must exist as one solid unit, able to act together in reaching decisions and performing its tasks.

As part of my election campaign, it is my firm objective to strive in obtaining these two goals. I would like to make the student body

more aware of the types of opportunities available for everyone to be a part of, as well as help unite organizations within themselves and amongst each other. In this manner, a larger, stronger, more-productive environment could be created in order to better ourselves and the school. Remember, "Ask not what this school can do for you, but what you can do for your school."

As Student Government President, I would like to incorporate these ideas into my work. As head of the Executive Council, which consists of all the student leaders on campus, it would be my intention to tighten the relationships between these members to bring them closer together. Hopefully, I could form a close-knit governing body, able to run smoothly and effectively on all important issues. From my past experiences as Class President and Interfraternity Council Secretary, I have gained sufficient knowledge on school policies that would assist me in my job. Also, I am a capable, dedicated, hard-working person who has grown in leadership potential during my years here at WPI. If elected as Student Government President, I would do my best to guide and govern the student body to make it the strongest it has ever been. I would use my feelings on unity and participation in my work so as to heighten this school's activity. People would always be free to talk to me on various topics and I encourage everyone to attend the Executive Council meetings once in a while. Together, with the cooperation of everyone, we can make WPI a better place to live!!

- Kevin Szeredy

## STUDENT BODY SECRETARY

Laurie A. Bouchard

To the WPI Student Body:

Elections for the 1986-87 year will take place on March 6. I will be running for the Office of Student Body Secretary, a position which I am well qualified to hold.

The Student Body Secretary represents the entire student body and is responsible for the secretarial procedures dealing with the Executive Council. The office requires leadership and responsibility. Over the past three years at WPI, I have developed these qualities. I have been Treasurer of the Class of '87 for the past two years. Some activities

that we have sponsored include the Air Band Contest and Pictures with Santa Claus both of which required extensive planning and organization. I am an officer in Alpha Gamma Delta and a member of the Sorority Executive Council.

Through these positions, I have gained valuable experience toward understanding the workings of a student government. Please consider me for this office. Show your support by voting on Election Day, March 6. Thank you.

- Laurie A. Bouchard

## Lise Wivestad

Hi! My name is Lise Wivestad and I am running for the position of Student Body Secretary. This position is of great importance not only to keep the records of the Student Government meetings but because the secretary is also an active member of the Student Government.

Because WPI is changing, the students are continually affected. As part the Student Government, I would have an active part in the discussions and decisions to be made in the best interest of the students and the future of WPI.

In terms of qualifications, a secretary must be organized. However, additional characteristics such as responsibility, energy, creativity and WPI spirit, should also be a

prerequisite to achieve proper input at the meetings. As a Tour Guide, Vice-President of AIChE, Assistant Treasurer of Phi Sigma Sigma, and other activities on campus, I believe I am competent for this important position.

To control the direction of our school and ensure the best for the students in the future, special attention is needed. This attention originates in the Student Government. Because of my concern for the welfare of WPI, I would like to participate in this group as Student Body Secretary. Please give me this chance.

Thank you!

- Lise Wivestad

## CLASS OF '87 PRESIDENT

Kevin Perkins

To the Class of '87

I am currently running for Senior Class President. Last year I served as Vice President of the Junior Class. I gained valuable experience last year by being involved in the scheduling of various class activities. For example, the Air Band contest, pictures with Santa, and, of course, the Junior Prom in April.

Next year will be our last year at WPI. I would like to encourage a lot of class participation to make it a year to remember. As

a Senior Class Officer, I will be involved in planning graduation ceremonies, the Senior Dinner Dance, the Senior Class trip, and also other activities. I plan to sponsor the annual Class of '87 Air Band contest again. I am also looking into the possibility of a Senior Class booze-cruise in Boston Harbor to start off our Senior year on the right foot.

I encourage you all to vote on election day, Thursday, March 6.

Thank you very much.

- Kevin Perkins

## VICE PRESIDENT

Cheryl Delay

To the members of the Class of 1987,

I am running for Vice President of our class because I believe I can bring new ideas and leadership to our class officers. By working as chairperson for the Junior Prom Quad activities committee, I realize how important

class participation is. As senior year approaches we have even more events to plan and organize. I believe I can be a positive addition to the Class Officers of 1987.

Sincerely,

Cheryl M. Delay

## TREASURER

Karen Tellier

To the Class of 1987:

I am pleased to be Treasurer of our class. I look forward to working with the other officers on the Annual Air Band, Senior Din-

ner Dance, Senior Class Trip and Graduation. Next year will be lots of fun. Start getting psyched for J.P.!

- Karen Tellier

## CLASS REPRESENTATIVE

Anne MacFaddin

To the Class of 1987,

Hi, my name is Anne MacFaddin, and I am running for the position of Class Representative. I realize the importance of this position and am willing to and believe that I am qualified to fulfill the responsibilities that this position entails.

I have been involved in a numerous number of activities that have allowed me to meet the administration and faculty my past three years at WPI. Now I would like to put

my energy and good spirits to use to see things done. We, the students, need someone to represent us who is willing to speak out and express their ideas and I can and will do that. WPI has giving me a lot and now I would like to give them some of my positive energy back through the position of Class Representative.

Please consider me, Anne MacFaddin when voting for 1987's Class Representative. Thank-you!

## A Recipe for Insignificance

by Kim L. Bauman

Ingredients:

1 Sensous Starlet  
1 Geriatric Genius  
1 Juvenile Jock  
1 Sleazy Senator  
1 Sinister Silent Type

Combine above ingredients in large hotel room. Over entire mixture sprinkle a dash of physics, a seasoning of sexual innuendo, and a pinch of politics. Place in 1953 for 1 1/2-2 hours.

What is this rather eclectic recipe for? *Insignificance*, of course. A savory treat served by Masque Drama Society and the WPI Department of Humanities. Written by British playwright Terry Johnson, *In-*

*significance* is a drama workshop directed by senior Dean O'Donnell.

The promise of *Insignificance* will delight the fussiest of palates. What would have happened had Marilyn Monroe (Jayne Franciose), Albert Einstein (David Lugowski), Sen. Joseph McCarthy (Joe Rimistidt), and Joe DiMaggio (Anthony Mastromatteo) met in 1953? Sorry, we can't divulge that. You'll have to taste it yourself.

Dine on theatre excellence March 6-8 in Alden Hall. Admission is free, and the curtain rises at 8:00 p.m. sharp. Arrive early to insure good seats. Some material may not be suitable for all audiences. Please join us for an evening of gourmet. Bon Appetit!!

# ELECTION LETTERS

## CLASS OF '88

**PRESIDENT**  
**Bryan Sheppeck**

Dear Class of 1988,

My name is Bryan Sheppeck. For those of you who do not know it, I have been your class president for the past two years. During these two years, I have worked with the five class officers to accomplish two goals; first, to take the small sum of money which the school gives us (3 dollars per member of the class) and spend part of it on activities for the class members, and second, to take the remaining portion of money and turn it into more money through fundraisers, etc. The reason we need more money is so that the ultimate class activity, senior week, will be bigger and better than ever before, yet relatively cheaper.

Our freshman year we (the officers) took advantage of the convenience of having all the freshmen together in the dorms, as we planned many activities. These included the Freshman Scavenger Hunt, ski trips, and a trip to Riverside Amusement Park. This year

we have concentrated more on Fundraising. We took pictures at the Homecoming Night Club and made over \$100. Next, we had our biggest and most successful fundraiser, the Mini-two-on-two basketball tournament. The class netted over \$300 and provided a lot of fun for over 90 players. Most recently, the class had a booth at Ray Boston's Beach Party, selling soda in the beach cups.

As you can see, the officers you have elected work very hard for the class and have seen much success. As a result of their success the class has more money now than they deposited in a money market account and will now be earning more money by itself. So when you vote on March 6, in Daniels Hall, vote to keep up this hard work, vote to stay on the road to a spectacular Senior Week in 1988, vote for the experience needed to run the Junior Prom next year, vote to re-elect Bryan Sheppeck.

### Kelly Siggins

Hi! My name is Kelly Siggins and I'm running for president of the class of 1988. Right now, I'd like to take the opportunity to explain a little about myself and the goals I have set for our class.

I was an active class officer throughout high school. I have experience running social events and fundraisers. I am also open for

comments and suggestions.

My primary goals are to present an exciting Junior Prom Weekend, to raise money for Senior activities and to serve my classmates to the best of my ability.

I have the experience and psyche necessary to be your President. If you'd like your opinion voiced; VOTE KELLY SIGGENS.

### VICE PRESIDENT

**Dave McKnight**

O.K., O.K., I admit it. I got into office, for the most part, on the controversial speech I wrote last year. Beneath the sarcasm was what I perceived the writing of these speeches, the people who write the typical "speech", and their activities to be.

As far as I was concerned, class officers were figure heads and nothing else. On that note, I decided to run for the Vice-President of the Class of '88. I thought the only responsibility the V.P. had was to wait for the President to die or be impeached or something and then take over.

I ran last year to show how idealistic class officers are. I thought I could "do nothing and look good for my class" like them. I was dead wrong. It's actually exciting meeting deadlines. Making connections, and details to be checked for each fundraiser or event we, as a team, sponsor. Oddly enough, I'm enthusiastic about participating.

I got a lot out of this office. Responsibility, friends, organization and leadership, all the things I thought were idealistic. Wait!

Did I use the word idealistic? I now mean realistic.

Yeah. Yeah. I can hear you all now saying, "That's all fine, but I haven't seen the officers deliver." I can remember saying that too. When I was not an officer. You will reap from our work at the Junior Prom and especially during Senior Week.

When you elected me, I never promised you "A chicken in every pot" as F.D.R. once said. I did, though promise you a good job and you did get that. All of this year's officers have done that for you. As Churchill once said, "This is not the beginning of the end, but the end of the beginning."

We do our jobs for you, but we would also like to do it with you. You are not helping us, your helping yourself. Cicero once said, (before Kennedy), "Ask not what your country can do for you, but what you can do for your country."

Concluding, as Kennedy almost did, "Ich bin ein Whoopie Techer."

—Dave McKnight

### Eric Pauer

I am running for Vice President for an important reason. Since the end of our career at WPI is growing ever closer, I want to insure that our class has ample funds for our class trip and graduation when the time comes around. To make these activities not only possible but more enjoyable, our class

has to raise a significant sum of money. It is here that I am willing to provide ideas in ways to raise this money and listen to others that have them. Thank you for considering my candidacy for the office of Vice President.

—Eric Pauer

### SECRETARY

**Diane Brissette**

To the Members of the Class of 1988:

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself to you. My name is Diane Brissette, and I currently hold the position of secretary of the Class of 1988. As you all may know, re-elections for class officers are rapidly approaching. Therefore, I would strongly recommend that each of the voting members of the Class of 1988 take the time to seriously consider the candidates who are running for class officer positions.

It is my belief that one of the primary functions of the class officers is to plan, coordinate and execute various events ranging from fundraisers to class trips/class activities. Through participating in such events, it created the opportunity for our classmates to become closer to one another. Ultimately, this will allow our class to become more unified before our senior year.

Remember that it is the class officers who you vote into office that will represent and

voice your ideas and concerns as an individual as well as the class as a whole. It is these officers who will be involved in important decisions that directly affect everyone. Each class needs both mature and responsible individuals who can accept such leadership unselfishly, and strive to work cooperatively with the other officers to achieve various goals as a team representing our class' interests.

It is my belief that I am one of those individuals who is qualified and willing to accept such responsibility, and I have proven such during the past year as class secretary of the Class of 1988. I will dedicate myself to strive to better our class so that our last two years here at WPI can be ones that we can enjoy.

Remember to vote on Thursday, March 6!!!

Sincerely,

—Diane Brissette

### TREASURER

**Diane Fryer**

Dear Fellow Students,

First and foremost I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself. My name is Diane Fryer. I am majoring in electrical engineering and am a member of the Class of 1988. I am running for the office of Treasurer in the Class of 1988.

We are slowly approaching our senior year and if I am elected Treasurer I will do whatever possible to ensure that you junior, as well as your senior years are enjoyable ones. Preparation must start now, however. If elected Treasurer, I expect to be in charge of any class fundraisers or money-makers, including those in preparation for Junior

Prom. I would be a part of the committee searching for sponsors for JP and organizing the Prom, and will put forth every effort to see that the event is worthy of the Class of '88. I would also appreciate any suggestions from members of the class and would hope that everyone would be willing to help provide ideas for future class events.

If elected, I am looking forward to working with my fellow officers, and you, the members of the Class of '88, to make our last two years here at WPI our most enjoyable.

Thank you,

Diane Fryer

## CLASS OF '89

**PRESIDENT**  
**Danielle LaMarre**

Classmates,

As vice-president of our class, I've had a few months to acquaint myself with the administration and student of WPI. In this short time I have made a sincere effort along with the other officers to build the foundation for the future success of the Class of '89.

I am now ready to take on the responsibility of president to fulfil the goals set for the

class and to finally realize activities the officers have already planned. (Administrative changes, the addition of a class advisor and a new Dean of Students slowed our efforts in executing several events.)

Please consider me for your choice of president when you vote.

Thank you,

Danielle LaMarre

### VICE PRESIDENT

**Alison Gotkin**

Class of 1989:

I am Alison Gotkin and I am running for the office of Vice President. As a previous officer of our class namely Treasurer, I feel we have accomplished a tremendous amount in our first year at WPI. The initial part of our freshman year involved a few minor complications that we were able to overcome successfully. I learned a great deal about what is needed to carry out the duties of a class officer. Now that I have gained the experience and knowledge required to work efficiently, I am prepared to work even harder to make our times at WPI the very best.

Our recent freshmen activities, which include the Ice Cream Party and the hot dog sale on winter weekend, proved to be an overall success. Our plans for the future involve many new and exciting activities, such as the Suitcase Party, Movie Night, and the

Scavenger Hunt. I am very enthusiastic about getting these events started.

I feel that the two major qualities needed to fulfill the responsibilities of Vice President are experience and stamina. I have gained much experience as an officer this year, and I know I will keep up the stamina to keep our class on top. Our class can prove to be the best on campus, both actively and financially, if we pull together to become more involved in campus activities. I can help us accomplish this feat if I am elected as Vice President. Your vote for me will allow us to accomplish everything we could want from college.

I hope you will consider me for the position of Vice President. I won't let you down!

Thank you,

Alison Gotkin

### James Schoonmaker

A Vice President must be responsible, innovative, and reliable, as well as easy going yet not unconcerned with the issues at hand. As Vice President of the class of 1989 I can fulfill those requirements. Given the chance, I will sacrifice my time for the office and do all in my power to make the sophomore year of the class of 1989 the best it can be.

So far I have been unimpressed with the activities sponsored by our class. I can't even remember the last time I saw an advertisement for a class sponsored activity. I realize some of this has to do with the lack of enthusiasm in our class, but after all it is the job of our leaders to promote that enthusiasm in us. As a rule, change disrupts.

But if there is a problem, then change must take place. There is a problem, that being lack of class enthusiasm. Hence, a logical change would be transfer of class officers. Therefore I feel it is time for some new leadership and fresh ideas. As Vice President I will strive for creative new ideas as well as reviving some old class traditions.

I am qualified for the job, I've had the experience, and I will do my best to bring the class of 1989 into a bright and exciting future. Please feel free to stop by Riley 114 and ask any questions you may have.

Thanks,

—James Schoonmaker

### SECRETARY

**Kristen Breed**

I would like everyone to know that I, Kristen Breed, am running for the office of Secretary of the Class of 1989. I have held many respected positions in the past, thus, I feel I am adequately qualified to fulfill the

position of class Secretary. Your vote is very much appreciated.

Thank you!

—Kristen Breed

## A Vocal Sufficiency

Denise Ann Kuenzig will present a vocal sufficiency on Friday, March 7 at 7:30 p.m. in the Janet Earle room. The sufficiency will consist of a performance of several selections from Rodgers and Hammerstein II's

musicals, coupled with a presentation of the impact their work had not only on the musical profession, but on society. It will last approximately 45 minutes. All are welcome and encouraged to attend.

## Sufficiency on Piano

John Donahue will be performing works of piano spanning the periods of Bach, Mozart, Beethoven, Chopin, and Gershwin.

This music sufficiency will take place 6:00 p.m. Friday evening March 7 in the Janet Earle room.

# ELECTION LETTERS

## CLASS OF '89 (cont.)

### TREASURER Magda E. Bonnin

Dear Class of 1989:

This is to let you know of my wish to serve you as treasurer of our class. Why do I have this wish? Service and friendship were two of the most important principles during my youth, which were taking an important part in my personality. Actually they are part of what I think is essential in my life. There are different ways to serve our fellow beings. I chose you, because there is nothing better than serving those who are part of one of the most important aspects in my life, college and what will be my career. It's a way to give back all that you have given me as a class, as my classmates, and above all, as my friends. Why do I think I'll be able to serve as a treasurer? During elementary school I was always involved in all kinds of activities and class offices. This gave me a chance to

develop my leadership. Then in high school, I put this leadership on trial. Finally, in my Senior year, I was the activities coordinator of the Senior class, a job that gave me a great personal satisfaction. Then I asked myself, why everything had to end after high school? Why not continue doing that which lets me grow as a person? Now, being in a strange country, living in a different culture, but with a lot of new friends is when I can really put my leadership on trial. Yes, it is a challenge, but it is my goal. I rely on you to make of this opportunity a great experience for me and to get to help me achieve my goal. Count on me to serve you as our treasurer. Thanks a lot.

Love,

—Magda E. Bonnin

### REPRESENTATIVE Peter Mullen

Class of '89,

Don't forget to vote at the student body elections on Thursday, March 6, on Daniels 1st. Make your vote represent our class in its best interest. Look for my name on the ballot — Peter Mullen. I'm a candidate for the office of Class Representative to the Executive Council. My actions will coincide with the opinions, comments, and voicings of each student in the class. With good representa-

tion, our class can be involved in important decisions that directly affect everyone. And with enough support, changes and improvements can also be made to benefit all involved. I feel each class needs a person who can voice the concerns of the students; therefore, making the class an active part of the school its actions that affect everyone.

— Peter Mullen

## Cinematech

by David Lugowski  
Newspeak staff

The WPI Cinematech Series, a film program which aims to bring the best in offbeat, foreign, and classic films to the campus and to the community, has found another one of those tantalizing, acclaimed films well worth seeing. Tonight's presentation is "A Sunday in the Country," a 1984 film hailing from France. Based on a novel by Pierre Bost, "A Sunday in the Country" gives us the seriocomic reflections of an elderly man early in this century. A glowing performance by 73 year-old Louis Ducreux and careful direc-

tion by Bertrand Tavernier make this movie one to be treasured.

The film critic for *Time* magazine thought "A Sunday in the Country" deserved to win the Academy award for the best foreign film of 1984. He regretted that the five nominated films are required to come from five different countries. He also felt that the Academy tries to distribute its Oscars among the countries of the world rather than judge entries on merit alone. Nonetheless, "A Sunday in the Country" was widely feted on its release.

The film is being shown tonight, Tuesday, at 7:30 p.m. in Alden for free.

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## WPI's Dave Adams Speaks on snRNAs

by Mark Osborne  
Newspeak staff

Last Monday, Dr. David S. Adams of the WPI Biology and Biotechnology Department presented the Sigma Xi lecture on "Small Nuclear RNAs (snRNAs)". This has been an area of intense research over the past two years, as it is believed that snRNAs are responsible for pre-mRNA splicing, and then cutting out "introns" (the non-coding regions of DNA). This assures that the mRNA sequence can be read by the ribosome and translated into a functional polypeptide.

Dr. Adams' work has centered on characterizing these snRNAs, and discovering their sequence. In the process of his research, Adams, along with others in the field, has found that there are parts of the snRNA sequence which are highly conserved. That is, in different organisms, for example, a rat and a human, there is an area of similarity between their snRNAs, and this

may indicate that they act on similar sequences of DNA in the cell.

The implications of this research are far-reaching. If the way in which these snRNAs work can be uncovered, this may lead to a fuller understanding of the regulation of gene expression. This knowledge could then be used to help people with many problems. A hypothetical example would be: a man has his hand cut off in an industrial accident. He goes to a doctor who administers a few injections, serving to tell the remaining arm cells to begin growing and producing all the proteins necessary for the regrowth of the hand.

Dr. Adams received his doctorate in Molecular Biology from the University of Texas at Austin, performed his postdoctoral research at Rockefeller, and came to WPI in the fall of 1984 in response to the expanded interest in the Biotechnology and Molecular Biology fields.

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# SPORTS

## Engineers Charge Into ECAC Playoffs

by Peter Yap  
Sports Editor

The WPI Men's Basketball team, the Engineers, earned the right to be seeded eighth in the ECAC Tournament. Their 13-4 record gained them a game with number one seed Trinity (18-4 for the season).

Engineers' coach Ken Kaufman said of Trinity, "We've played them once this season and we know what we're in for. Trinity is an ultra-talented team." The Engineers played to a 77-70 losing effort against Trinity in their previous meeting. Leading scorers were Bill McCullen (25 points) and John Loonie (24 points). Coach Kaufman commented on his team, "Losing the key players we had last year, Bailey and Fiddes, who sparked us for four years and now having this year's team

come together, winning seven of nine games has been a credit to their effort and hard desire."

As far as the seasonal stats go, McCullen and Loonie led in most of the categories. McCullen led in minutes (734), field goals made (174), free throws made (77), total points (424), points per game (19.3), assists (60), steals (41) and scored a team seasonal high of 32 points in their game against Williams. Chris Brunone grabbed a team seasonal high by collecting 15 rebounds against Babson. Loonie led in field goal percentage (59.3), free throw percentage (77.6), blocks (36), rebounds (162) and rebounds per game (7.4). Loonie also ended the regular season needing 32 points to reach the prestigious 1,000 point plateau.

## Women Head Into MAIAW Playoffs

by Helen Webb  
Newspeak staff

The WPI Woman's basketball team ended its regular season on in winning style, defeating Trinity (4-15), 59-52, despite the absence of starting forward Donna Leonard. Outstanding performances were turned in by Cindy Perkins, who compensated for Leonard's absence by scoring 20 points and grabbing 16 rebounds, and Kim Fay, who contributed 19 points. WPI led by only three at the half, but late in the game Trinity was unable to penetrate the Engineers' tight defense three second lane. After Kathy O'Neil, who made all six of her free throws, sank two to put the Engineers up by eight

with just over a minute to play, as the Engineers cruised to victory.

The large crowd on hand in Harrington Auditorium witnessed the establishment of a new WPI career scoring mark by Kim Fay, who surpassed the mark of 1,454 points set by Terese Kwiatowski in 1983. Fay has had an outstanding year, leading the Engineers in scoring (18.9 points per game), assists and steals.

The Engineer's fine 13 - 9 record earned them a spot in the MAIAW Class B state Tournament, played last weekend at Pine Manor College. The four-team tournament included arch-rival Clark and Wheaton College.

## Three Advance to NCAA Wrestling Championships

By virtue of their NECCWA championship performances, three WPI wrestlers have earned the right to compete in the NCAA Division III Wrestling Championships. The three, 126-pounder Jason Benoit, 134-pounder Bob Soares and 158-pounder Nick Triantafell, were invited to the nationals at Trenton State College (New Jersey).

The trio of champions led the Engineers to a second-place finish in the New England College Conference Wrestling Association Tournament last weekend. Benoit enters the nationals with a 18-1-1 record. Warwick, RI,

senior Soares takes his 15-1-1 record to New Jersey while Norwood senior Nick Traitafell enters the nationals with the only unbeaten record on the WPI squad, 18-0.

"All three tapped off great dual meet seasons by continuing their success and gaining championships at the (NECCWA) tournament," WPI coach Phil Grebinar said. "The nationals will be a new experience for all three of them. You never know what to expect there."

On the season, WPI compiled a 15-1 dual-meet record, the second straight season with only one loss.

## WPI Ski Team

The WPI Ski Team (Alpine Racing) finished a successful season, ending up fifth at the New England Finals and second in the Thomson Division. The Women's Team completed its second season, finishing seventh in the Thomson Division.

WPI was well represented in the New England Regionals, by Douglas Darby, Steve Woodard, Steve Lord and team captain Myles Parker. For their performance, Dar-

by and Woodard were invited to the Bay State Games to represent the Thomson Division. Lord and Parker each earned Honorable Mention.

The women, only in their second season, finished seventh. Team captain is Samira Hakki, and she leads team members Cary Niedermeier, Michelle Tardiff, Danielle Koschmeder, Danielle LaMarre, Lise Wivestad and Carrie Nolet.

## 1986 Intramural Swim Meet

Team	Overall Points
1. Theta Chi	103
2. SAE	89
3. CBF	66
Sig Pi	66
4. ATO	51
5. AXP	45
6. Fiji	43
7. KAP	16
8. LXA	0

Individual Events:		
Event	Winner	Time
40 Free	Rob Wojciak, SAE	19.00
60 Fly	Rich Sheahan, TC	34.31
60 Back	Steve Mann, ACR	35.41
60 Breast	Roland Marquis, KAP	41.46
80 IM	Steve Mann, ACR	53.30
100 Free	Rob Wojciak, SAE	56.08
160 Free Relay	ATO	1:25.48
160 Medley Relay	Theta Chi	1:32.70
200 Free	Jerry Lin, CBF	2:20.74

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## President's IQP Awards

A patient education program at a hospital in San Francisco, an evaluation of the cleanup of hazardous waste sites under the Federal Superfund legislation, and a look at the environmental considerations for a future lunar station were topics tackled by the winners of this year's President's IQP Awards at Worcester Polytechnic Institute.

The awards are presented each year to students or student teams who complete the best Interactive Qualifying Projects or IQPs. The IQP, one of two major projects required of all undergraduates at WPI, must, in some way, explore the interrelationships between science or technology and society.

Often, students use scientific procedures or technology to examine social problems or evaluate the effectiveness of social programs; create systems or devices to improve the quality of life; or look at ways in which the work of scientists and engineers impact on individuals and society.

This year, about 30 students or teams submitted the results of their IQPs for consideration by a panel of WPI faculty. Five student teams and one individual student were chosen as finalists.

These students then gave oral presentations on their projects to a panel made up of Jon C. Strauss, president of WPI; Rene Herrera, assistant professor of biology and biotechnology at WPI; Angela Dorenkamp, a professor of English at Assumption College; James Nally, chief of the Worcester Fire Department; Michael Graham of the Wyatt Corporation in Wellesley, a 1974 graduate of WPI. The three winners were chosen by this panel.

The winners are:

— Judith A. Caplan, a senior from Menlo Park, California, and Sandra K. Olson, a senior from Holden. Caplan and Olson, both electrical engineering majors, set up a patient health education center at San Francisco General Hospital.

Approaching the center as if it were a new product, the two first performed a marketing survey to see how such a center could best be designed to meet the needs of both patients and doctors. The center turned out to be a mobile cart containing a well organized collection of medical literature.

Caplan and Olson created an easy system for maintaining and stocking the center and report that it has become a vital part of the medical education program at the hospital and its clinics.

— David A. Astraukas, a junior from Quaker Hill, Connecticut, Christopher J. Boova, a junior from Lewistown, Pennsylvania, and Laurie A. Bouchard, a junior from North Dartmouth. Astraukas and Boova, both chemical engineering majors, and Bouchard, a mechanical engineering major, evaluated the policies established by the Environmental Protection Agency to clean up hazardous waste under the so-called Superfund legislation.

To make their evaluation, the team looked at the history of the EPA's involvement in three major waste sites which have proven to be problematic. Based on their findings, they recommended that the EPA take a phased approach to waste clean-up, rather than approaching it as one big task. They also urged that parties responsible for the pollution be identified as soon as possible, since they can be billed for the clean-up cost, that state involvement be made a priority, and that local communities be kept well informed.

The project was performed for the National Association of Manufacturers while the students were in residence at WPI's Washington D.C. Project Center.

— Randall A. Briggs, a senior chemical engineering major from Shrewsbury, made a study of the likely environmental impacts of a manufacturing base that NASA has proposed putting on the Moon. The base, which would process ilmenite, a form of iron ore, to produce oxygen for space stations orbiting the Earth, would generate a variety of waste products, Briggs found, including the platforms used to transport the base to the Moon and the by-products of the ilmenite processing.

Two forms of waste could have particularly severe consequences, Briggs determined. The nuclear reactors NASA has proposed to power the base could hamper development and exploration, since NASA expects to operate them without shielding, which may prove too heavy to transport to the Moon. Second, rocket exhaust from frequent flights to bring oxygen to the space stations could create a thin atmosphere which would reduce the usefulness of a deep space telescope planned for the dark side of the Moon.

Briggs, who also made some recommendations for overcoming these waste pro-

blems, said it is not too early to worry about how man's exploitation of the moon might harm the lunar environment. His results were published as part of the record of a symposium NASA sponsored on future lunar and planetary bases. Briggs, who said he hopes one day to head up an ilmenite processing facility on the Moon, is now working with a \$1,500 grant from NASA to develop a more efficient way to get oxygen from the iron ore.

The other students who were finalists in the IQP competition were:

— Amy Swotinski, a senior from Framingham, Susan Greenhalgh, a senior from Pawtucket, Rhode Island, and Elizabeth Smith, a senior from East Lyme, Connecticut. The three, all electrical engineering majors, evaluated the potential for photovoltaic cells — which convert sunlight into electricity — to become an economical source of energy

in the future. The study, conducted for the U.S. Department of Energy while the students were in residence at WPI's Washington D.C. Project Center, concluded that, with advances in technology and rising energy prices, photovoltaic cells will likely be economical in certain areas of the United States, primarily the West.

— Lisa Chaves, a senior from Hudson, Christine Wopschall, a senior from Enfield, Connecticut, and John Voccio, a recent graduate of WPI now doing graduate work at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. This team conducted an opinion survey of about 1,500 junior high school teachers involved in the first year of MATHCOUNTS, a math coaching program and math competition sponsored by the National Society of Professional Engineers.

The survey, conducted for the NSPE, determined that the program had been suc-

cessful and resulted in a series of recommendations which allowed the NSPE to improve the program the following year.

— Lee Marden, a senior from Waterville and William Supernor, a junior from West Boylston. Marden, an electrical engineering major, and Supernor, a mechanical engineering major, developed an interactive computer program for the Higgins Armory Museum in Worcester which explains the Siege of Jerusalem during the First Crusade. The program, which visitors can control, allows a viewer to choose different topics to explore. Graphics and a computer synthesized voice explain the topic areas. This IQP was prepared as part of WPI's Living Museums Program, which allows students the chance to do IQPs in several museums in New England.

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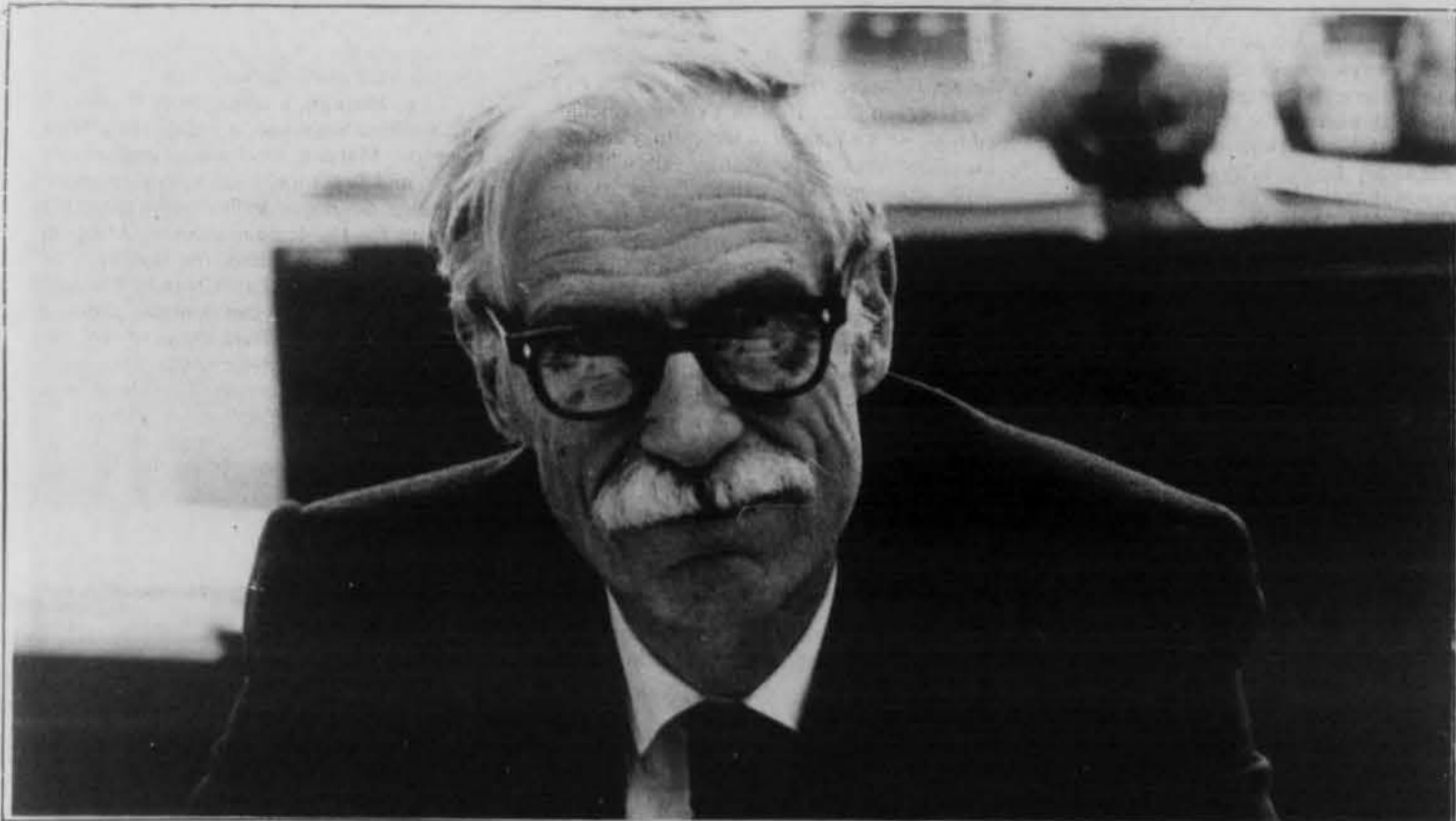
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## Create A Caption Results



### Create-A-Caption Results

There were many responses to last week's Create-A-Caption picture. The top three captions selected are:

- When tempers flew during a post season game, Jim McMahon gave William Perry a swift kick and wound up with more than Coke in the refrigerator. —Jon Tucker

- Independents, beware! This one was not on the guest list at one of our parties. If you attempt to enter, you will be discarded. —The IFC

—Jay Kapur

- WPI comes up with yet another way to aid the students.

—CG Wilder

## ... Tower

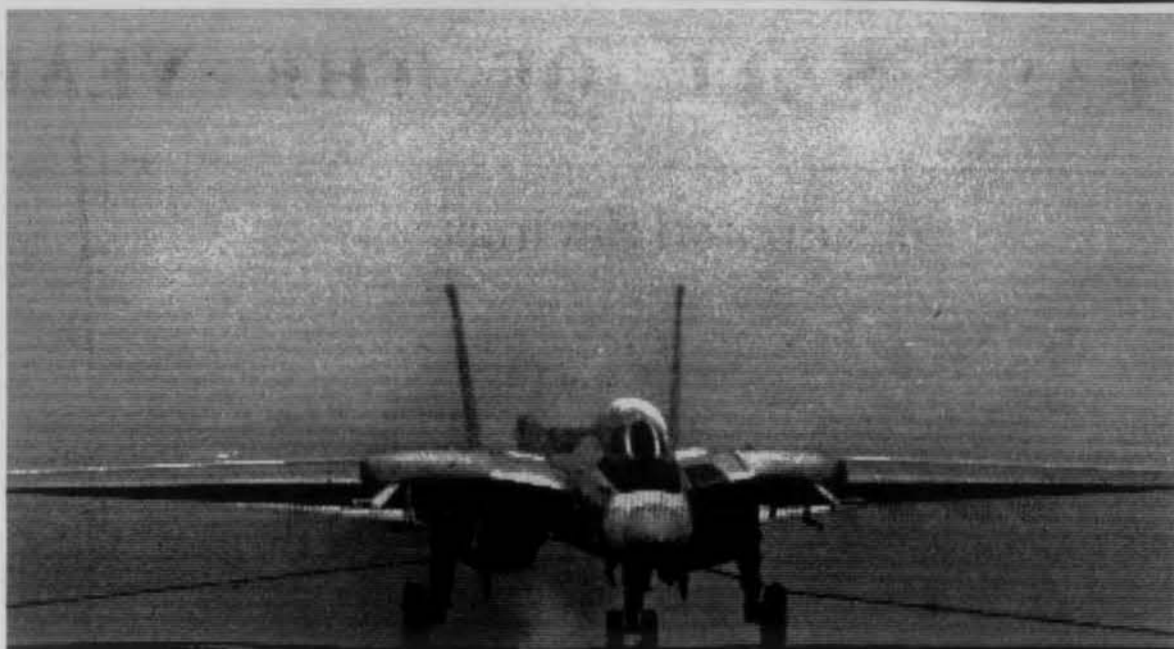
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testants thought there should be a prize for creativity, or even for just getting the uncooperative straws and pins to stay upright. Dale Hofling, a freshman biotechnology major whose solid although bizarre creation was about half the height of the winners, noted, as the taller structures threatened to topple, "ours will stand forever," which is normally the goal of builders.

The contest's undetermined contribution to the engineering science aside, it did give WPI students a chance to have fun and express creativity.



One of the winning structures engineered, designed, and built by Peter Revelas, Herman Purut, and Vince Solferino.



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Hey Elmer,  
Be vewy quiet, ya Woosa! I'm twying to find the woots of the equation!  
Love always,  
Butch

Hello? This is Herb, alias Mr. Jackson, calling. Could you tell your Aunt to leave, I really need to talk to you...

Oh DLC - JMT doesn't stand a chance! Your REPA drives me insane!!

How much are you WORTH?  
Find out on April 3 and April 8 Newell Hall

Remember that during C-term, it is "Survival of the Fittest."

WANTED-Used albums, cassettes, & 45's. Good prices paid. 742-3117.

Part-time Summer Entry Level and Alumni (Experienced) Jobs are posted in Boynton Hall-Third Floor-OGCP available from 8:30-5:30. Juniors may have Manual to prepare resume.

REMINDER!! 1986-87 WPI Financial Aid Applications (Buffcolored folders) are due in Financial Aid Office Thursday, March 6 by 5:00 p.m. We strongly suggest the College Scholarship Service Financial Aid Form be submitted to the College Scholarship Service in Princeton, NJ along with appropriate fee ASAP. Please be aware of the 4-6 week processing time required by C.S.S. before this info can be forwarded to WPI.

FOUND-One calculator! Call Bob, 793-5424 and describe it.

Reply to: "Curlytop"  
No, I didn't bring it, can't you put me on anyway??

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Mara - What did you think of your surprise?

Is your new favorite animal a gorilla?

Happy Belated Birthday,  
From your Hairy Friend

Mara - So we finally found you a Senior Dinner Dance Date!

Perry -  
Who says our parties don't have entertainment.

TW -  
My life just isn't the same since I don't spend my weekends with you. Your charms brighten my existence!  
-HB

Can anyone beat 44 ounces?

We blew up a Coke bottle last week and I almost blew up another one this weekend!

Wanted: IQP partners for B, C, and D terms of next year. Will be working on acid rain. If interested contact Cheryl at 757-5806 or Box 617.

Responsible co-ed sought, free room and board, 3rd floor apartment in our home minutes from school - child care and kitchen chores (20 hrs/wk - hours flexible) Randy 755-6687 after 6 p.m.

WANTED:  
IQP PARTNERS  
Topic: Market Competition Under Conditions of Rapid Technological Change. Contact Box 2253 or call 795-0873

My view from Morgan third: GET A CLUE J.S.!!

LET SAS show you what to do with your money

YO MAGGOT!  
I'm worried about you and the third variable.  
-JAC

Do you want lights broken? Bottles smashed, or just to hang out the window? Take lessons from the few, the proud, the Flying Fourth

MH,  
Flying shirts?!?!  
-Cheeks

Whatever happened to Alan Ditmore? Rumor has it that he is making his fortune by selling head bands and pre-ripped jeans back in North Ontario.

Hey Grusk!!  
Why is it that women always scream "Herb" whenever you walk into a room??  
Tch!!! Jack!!

Don't worry SLM we haven't forgotten you! Just don't have any really good dirt!!  
Roomies

Maureen  
You flamer, you.

Reminder to the Survivors:  
Don't forget to pick up your care package on Wednesday!  
S.A.S & MOM & DAD

Need to know about Real Estate?  
-Go to Managing Your Salary on 4/3, 4/8

Mary,  
How do things look from the top bunk?

Dom,  
The next time we go to the Metro, try not to wear such tight pants. The girls end up drooling all over the dance floor after looking at you... (feet)

Nando, Nando, where for art Nando?  
Always

DLC

LOOKING FOR AN IQP TOPIC -  
Interested in doing a topic that combines economics and high-tech industry. (Actual topic to be defined by group) Contact Box 2253 or call 795-0873.

Get this! - Word has it that Alan Ditmore has actually been on tour of the nation's great colleges for years!

To B.S. and S.S.S. -  
So what happened guys? Was it faulty materials, or bad workers?  
-guess who-

VOTE!!  
Danielle LaMarre for President  
Class of '89

Wench,  
Irish Jockeys?!? How was the ride back from NYC?  
-Cheeks

Hey Laverne,  
Hows come I neva sees ya at dinna no more?  
- Squiggy (note the double g)

[Editor's Note: Noting the unexcusable absence of a personal message to "the Doo" from his one and only, I have taken the liberty to insert the following message which I'm sure was her intention.]  
Donny-Doo,  
I cannot write for my hand is trembling. I cannot speak for my tongue is dry. My mind draws blank for my thoughts are cluttered with the light and warmth I find in you.  
ick.

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Squirt and Big Ben,  
Confucious SAYS: He who goes 4-wheeling with bald tires is more STUPID then Kendo and Steve O.

Alan Ditmore is believed to have dropped out to write his first book - 'Bass Ackward Ways to Enjoy Your Freshman Year in College'

To those who did not receive a "Survival Kit": Best of luck in the upcoming exams, project reports, and papers. We're all rooting for you!!  
S.A.S.

Mary,  
You didn't unleash those two on him - did you?  
-Cheeks

Dear Leela,  
We've been hanging around a long time and we need a bath. Could you please wash us?  
Love,  
Your sheets

Learn how to manage your salary on April 3 and 8

Seven little Dungeoneers,  
Searching for the Styx;  
One must do his IQP,  
Now there's only six...  
Snarling Dragon

HEY JOSHUA!!! GET SOME GLASSES,  
YOUR VIEW IS DEFINITELY  
DEMENTED!!

Need some legal advice? Go to managing your salary on 4/3 and 4/8

A.M.D.,  
Hope you have a great birthday this Friday.

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## RESUME

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# Cabaret Night To Be Held on JP Weekend

## Committee Seeks Acts

by Pete Gardell

Once again I would like to take the time to tell you about an up and coming event.

I just want to remind everyone that the Junior Prom weekend is quickly approaching. One of the main events of the weekend will take place on Friday Night April 18th, the Prom being the following night at Mechanics Hall. Yes, I'm speaking of Cabaret Night which will be a night of entertainment provided by those of you on campus who would like to perform. There are no real restrictions on the performances, except that we can't have any elaborate set ups considering there will be more than one performance.

The acts can be anything you want as long

as it is done in "good taste." If you want to sing, dance, stand up comedy, a skit, lip synch, improv, or even play in a band, it would be marvelous. Remember, we don't want any elaborate set ups, for we want to see as many performances as possible.

So everyone is invited to perform, but you must get your registration forms in soon. We do have a time limit for the night. So hurry and register now! Registration forms are available in the Dean of Students office, that is, if you threw out the flyer that was sent to you. And I know that most of you did and said, "Ah it's just junk mail." But, then again, the excitement for the weekend is up to you. Don't let yourselves down. Have some fun. Bring this campus back to life.

## GREEK CORNER

### Alpha Gamma Delta

The Alpha Gamma Delta raffle was a big success. Congratulations to the winners. Great job, Barb. Eleven roses to you (you'll get a dozen when you learn how to spell DELTA)! Now let's get psyched for the MS. WPI contest. Who will the lucky winner be???

Alpha Gam would like to thank all the outgoing NPC officers. The first year has been a great one. Welcome to the new NPC officers: President - Joyce Kline, Vice president - Patty Kennedy, Secretary - Lisa Anderson, Activities - Nancy Pimental. Let's make this year the best ever!

### Phi Gamma Delta

Congratulations to the new Fiji cabinet: President - Ken Spinelli, Vice-President - Alex Henrich, Secretary - Jay Hedley, Ritual Officer - Pat Boyle, Chaplain - Neil Skidell, Sargent at Arms - Dan Winchester, New Member at Large - Larry Lebel, IFC Representative - Bob Watts, Shower Master - Jeff Guella, House Manager - Apostle Laske, Fire Marshall - Mike Blaze, Hell Master - John Hart, Scholarship - The 1989 Pledge Class, Attic Restoration - Paul McCluskey, Rush Chairman - Tom Kubacki, Head Psychiatrist - Jamie Connelly, Historian - Bongo, Steward - Brandy Dunn.

### Sigma Pi

This article is dedicated to those pen warriors who have lost their lives to renegade printing presses.

Practices for the ping pong intramurals have begun in the dining room, but guys I don't think that beer cans are allowed in the rules. Congratulations to the dribblers for a fine season - who cares if it ended a little early?!

A new colony has been started by the wrestlers in the house - IETA NOTHING - it will be the first Ethiopian chapter at the international level. However, rumor has it that the colony will be closed by 11:30 a.m. Friday. A new book is also in the works - "How to Lose 20 Pounds Of Necessary Body Weight In Two Weeks." Big pump to the thin guys for Tuesday and Wednesday!!

Nut and bolt was huge, thanks to Sigma Phi Epsilon for the assistance given in beer

disappearance. (Of course, this is being written Friday, but publicity guy knows all)

In dedication to green people, green beer, and Leprechauns, we will be remembering St. Patrick some weekend real soon. Entrance to the Green Dimension?

Ham and Heavy object revolts have been suppressed - a renegade keg did jump out of the attic attempting to crush Block. (A few pledges were also in the locality, but who cares?!) Remember safety.

Wrestling word for the week: TRAMPLE / tram-pel / vb. 1: to tread heavily so as to bruise, crush, or injure.

Remember pledges eat too much - so steal their DAKA cards and eat their food...uh, scratch that idea.

## What's Happening

Tuesday, March 4 1986

6:30 - 8:30 p.m. - Student Counseling Center Seminar "Managing Stress," Part 1 (rescheduled). Alden Hall Alumni Conference Room.

7:30 p.m. - Cinamatech Film Series presents "A Sunday in the Country," Alden Hall.

Wednesday, March 5

4:00 p.m. - Department of Chemistry Colloquium presents Kenneth Baulkus, Univ. of Florida, "Metal Complex Facilitated Transport of Dioxygen in Polymer Membranes and Catalytic Oxidations with Heteropolyanions," GH227.

Thursday, March 6

10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. - Student elections, Daniels Hall

8:00 p.m. - WPI Humanities Department and Masque present "Insignificance" by Terry Johnson, a drama workshop, Alden Hall.

Friday, March 7

6:00 p.m. - Music Sufficiency, John Donahue performing various classical piano pieces, Janet Earle Room.

7:30 p.m. - Vocal Sufficiency, Denise Kuenzig performing selections from Rodgers

and Hammerstein II's musicals, Janet Earle Room.

8:00 p.m. - WPI Humanities Department and Masque present "Insignificance" by Terry Johnson, a drama workshop, Alden Hall.

8:30 p.m. - Dance Daze, Alumni Gym, \$2.50.

Saturday, March 8

7:00 p.m. - Chinese Film Festival, *About the Matrimony*, AK116.

9:00 p.m. - Chinese Film Festival, *Myth of a City*, AK116.

Sunday, March 9

7:00 p.m. - Chinese Film Festival, *Kuei Mei, a Woman*, AK116.

9:00 p.m. - Chinese Film Festival, *Jyan Ying Bridge*, AK116.

Events Off-Campus

March 5 - The Civil Liberties Union of Worcester county presents a panel discussion: "Is Pornography a Civil Right?", 7:00 p.m., Saxe Room, Worcester Public Library.

March 8 - Boston Philharmonic will perform the Brahms *Requiem*, 8 p.m., Mechanics Hall, Tickets \$13 and \$10, \$3 discount with student I.D., call the box office at 752-0888.

## ... ATO

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program, serving no alcoholic beverages at rush functions.

8) Chapters shall not sponsor or co-sponsor any function with any beverage distributor or brewing company, or lend its name to any such activity at which alcohol is being dispensed as a promotion.

In addition to alcohol abuse being contrary to Fraternity principles and purposes, it has decreased the availability to ATO (and other Greek-letter organizations) of blanket insurance coverage for the national organization and individual chapters against liabilities incurred through alcohol abuse.

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