## Restructuring in ME department prepares it for the future

by Javier Diaz Class of '95

Background to the actual problem:

For about 12 years WPI's Mechanical Engineering Department has been trying to get more physical space for its educational needs. A projection made in 1943 assured that the existing ME facilities would not be sufficient if the number of students exceeded more than 350 for the actual physical structure, this being the maximum number in the prediction. This is part of the actual problem, since WPI's ME Department has been pointed out to be the 7th largest out of 250 ME departments in the country in number of B.S. degrees awarded in 1991-1992. Last year, a survey was conducted by WPI's ME department with the following objectives:

 Investigate the future trends in the growth of Mechanical Engineering as a discipline.

(2) Compare the educational facili-

ties of our department with those at the top 20 Mechanical Engineering Departments in the country (ranking in terms of student population).

(3) Find out what areas within each of 250 ME departments across the country are potentially the fastest growing and how these schools are responding to the

needs for expansion and curricular changes.

A close look at the list of top 20 ME departments was taken finding that, out of the 20 schools surveyed, our ME department was ranked the lowest in square footage used by the department.

When interviewed, the Head of the ME Department, Prof. Mohammad Noori, commented "it was not encouraging to see this figure;" furthermore, "we are not even close to our competitors." In this

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> -Prof. Mohammad Noori Head of the ME Department

interview Prof. Noori mentioned that when he attended University of Illinois for his undergraduate studies, he noticed they had better facilities there. "Our students do not have such facilities", asserted Prof. Noori. "We are not offering the best quality education program due to obstacles such as the lack of good facilities." Prof. Noori seemed concerned with the fact that WPI's ME department counted high with quality student and faculty, but not so high with the avail-

ability of many physical resources. There exists a need for approximately 25,000 additional square feet of laboratory space, as documented in numerous reports by the ME Department Building Committee, and verified by several architectural studies over the past nine years. This is crucial and

essential for the survival of a program which has contributed a lot to WPI.

The need for re-structuring of the department is not limited to its physical facilities. "We, as the faculty of the department, are in the process of over-hauling our curriculum to address the

future needs of the discipline and the country."

What is being done?

About the Space Needs: Thanks to the overall sensitivity of WPI's administration to this issue, the efforts of my predecessors, Professors Zwiep and Durgin, ME faculty, and in particular the office of University Relations, a significant amount of money has been raised by the institution. The Department was also recently involved in writing a major proposal to the National Science Foundation seeking funds for the ME Space project," Prof. Noori said. A plan for the total renovation of Higgins Labs, and the construction of a new building was presented to the

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## A Dry Campus No More - Gompei's and Alcohol

by Michael Caprio Newspeak Staff

Those who frequent Gompei's Place, our own campus pizza parlor, may have noticed one or two changes - the most obvious being the signs on the wall next to the cash register proclaiming the state and county liquor laws. One might also notice the small "table tents" advertising beer after 4 PM, along with the wine lists at each setting.

The motivation behind the move back towards a "wetter" campus is being accounted for on all sides as a general expression of need from the students for more access to alcohol. At the same time, there has been an expression of concern from several camps over possible security problems and the danger of inadvertantly serving alcohol to minors. To date, however, there has been no clear difficulty of any sort; in fact, it hasn't changed business very much at all, a fact that DAKA Manager Ed Murphy interprets as "a clear result of responsible drinking."

When interviewed, Mr. Murphy (who has managed DAKA Restaurant Services at WPI for 11 years) stated that DAKA's position is one where they attempt to satisfy perceived needs on campus - and it seemed like such a need existed. When asked how DAKA would handle the change of venue, Mr. Murphy replied that "DAKA is a restaurant service. We've served alcohol at Higgins House for dinners and weddings in the past, and also handle it on several other campuses." DAKA also caters and serves alcohol at Clark University, though Mr. Murphy was unsure of the specific licenses or policies on their campus.

DAKA has supplied the WPI campus with food services now for 21 years, and has been managing Gompei's for the last two and a half years. The establishment has not served as a pub (in the true sense of the word), however, in the last eight or nine years. The push towards a dry campus was, in fact, nearly coincidental with the change in drinking age, when it was raised from 18 to 21. Now that alcohol is being served as part of the basic menu, several changes have occurred in both staff and procedure.

An interview with Gompei's Management provided information of several of these new changes; at least four of their employees have undergone what is known as TIPS training, a course that teaches methods of creating house policy, the selling laws of the local and federal area, and ways of identifying false ID's. One person per shift with this training is there to serve alcohol. Apparently, their average volume of liquor sale on a Friday has been about a case-and-a-half of alcohol.

When asked about security measures and procedures of sale, they replied that the doors to the Riley dormitory have now been alarmed, due to the amount of underage residents there. As to procedure, the customer is first asked for an ID; if there is any noticeable fault, such as a broken hologram or a tattered edge, then Gompei's must refuse service. The customer orders their drink, after which it is served in a large plastic glass (which makes it difficult to carry from the restaurant.

As to activities and concerts held in the function room, the policy is apparently that Gompei's is not responsible for keeping alcohol out of the area. If an organization wished to prevent alcoholic beverages from being served, they would have to post someone at their entrance and police the function room themselves.

In the observation of one student purchasing a beer, all policies were followed; to date, there have reportedly been no problems with ID's or misconduct

## Community Council to emphasize communication in new initiatives at WPI

by Lance Schachterle Project Center

The Community Council, a permanent student, faculty, staff, and administration communications group created by the Commission on Residential and Social Life last year, began the 1993-94 year with its first meeting on Monday, September 13. The Council, which is chaired by President Strauss, will serve this year as the steering committee for the collegial implementation of the recommendations of the Blue Ribbon Task Force, which reported its findings to the faculty last May. A major focus of those recommendations in the academic area is working with faculty to identify new "interface technologies" that might provide opportunities for majors and careers. Interface technologies would likely be innovative programs at the intersections of different technologies, or at the interface of technologies with social and policy issues. Examples would include photo-optics engineering communications, technical writing and communications, or environmental ethics and/or

The Blue Ribbon Task Force unfortunately completed its report after most students had left campus at the end of term D 1993. Thus the first decision of the Council was to schedule an Open Meeting for the whole WPI community to report on the recommendations of the Blue Ribbon group. This meeting, at which task force members will speak and field questions, is scheduled for Monday, September 27, at 7 pm in Perreault Hall. A follow up meeting on the proposed process to implement the recommendations of the Blue Ribbon Task Force has been scheduled for Tuesday, October 12, also at 7 pm in Perreault Hall

Additional major community meetings will be on parking, on Wednesday, November 10, 7 pm in Perreault Hall, and on the Campus Center plans, Monday, December 6, 7 pm in Perreault Hall.

In addition to organizing these meetings and opening up communications on the Blue Ribbon Task Force recommendations, the Community Council will discuss other issues as they arise that affect the whole community. As in 1992-93, a major concern for the Council is getting people on campus actively involved in all aspects of community life, especially the athletic events at the different seasons. The Council is, for example, again planning some publicity and support for the winter baskeball season.

Members of the Council include representatives of both the undergraduate and graduate student body, the administration and staff, and the faculty. The Council usually meets the first Monday of each month, and all its members would be happy to hear from you about your questions and concerns. The current members of the Council are as follows:

Professor Lee Fontanella Head of Humanities Department

Sgt. Cheryl A. Martunas
Campus Police

Janet B. Richardson
Dean of Student Life

Professor Lance E. Schachterle Associate Dean of Undergraduate Studies

Mrs. Joan M. Shanahan Faculty Governance Coordinator

Mr. Terrance J. Pellerin Support Services Manager

Ms. Blanche Pringle
Director of Minority Student Affairs
Mr. F. Michael Shipulski

Mr. E. Michael Shipulski Manufacturing Engineering Department

Mr. Warren D. Smale President of Student Government Association

> Mr. Mike Pereira Class of 1994

Mr. Nathaniel L. Fairbanks Class of 1995

> Mr. Ryan Daly Class of 1996

Ms. Danielle J. Snow Class of 1997

Dr. Jon C. Strauss Chair



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A leaking oil tank was removed from behind the Power House last

## SGA Vans' future to be discussed

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#### **COMMUNITY NEWS**

#### Unlocking the secrets of WPI's on-campus recruiting system

by Sanjay Raja Class of '94

It's senior year and I've just turned in my RESUME EXPERT Diskette and received an information packet with 9 preference cards. Upon perusing this packet and struggling to make my resume just right, I had decided that the Career Development Center's system of oncampus recruiting could use some major improvements. After talking to my classmates it was apparent that they also put very little value on the on-campus interview process set up by the CDC. The focus of the frustration with the system seemed to mainly be the actual preference cards. Most students don't exactly know why and how these cards are handled by the CDC. I had a lot of questions and suggestions that I and many others believed to be more beneficial to the students. Basically I decided to voice some of these concerns with Yvonne Harrison, the Director of the center. As most everyone knows the preference card system was in existence prior to the arrival of Ms. Harrison. Since last year she has been looking into more computerized scheduling systems for WPI's graduates. When I went up to Boynton Hall, it turned out to be a full-blown discussion which also included Dorothy Campaniello, The Administrative Assistant, and Alice Walker and Arline Koontz, the two Recruiting Coordinators. At the end of the discussion I decided to summarize some of the key questions and re-

Me: Why is it that we only get nine preference cards?

The Staff: Basically if we included a limitless number, let's say one to 40 or so, the volume of cards we'd have to handle would be enormous. We'd have to push back the due date for the cards further back and we don't feel that that's in your best interest. Also, when preference cards get into the double digits they really have less meaning in terms of preference.

Me: How do you process these nine cards?

The Staff: It's completely random by number (all the 1's, etc.), similar to picking playing cards out of a deck. The other method of interview selection is the lottery system, which is independent of preference cards. I would like to point out that the actual employers never know what preference card you turned in.

Me: Why not switch to a system of giving out five preference cards now (1 to 5) and handing out another five or four(1 to 5) at the beginning of the next semester?

The Staff: Believe me, we've discussed this many times, as recently as this summer. This may seem advantageous to the student but it really makes little difference. The playing field is more fair with 9 cards. Some students don't use their first few preference cards this semester and hold onto them. At the same time some decide to use their cards right away (often the reason for this is that some people don't know if they will graduate on time). Therefore, there will be a mix of low and high preference cards in both semesters. If there were a new set of one through five, a lot of people would be unable to get an interview since everyone would be able to turn in high cards. The system we have now gives people with lower cards more of a chance. Believe me when I say that the lower order cards (6 to 9) do get interviews. Also, for example, if 12 people apply for an interview with 12 spots and 11 are #1's and the twelfth one is a #9, which happens to be yours, you still get the interview and the interviewer doesn't know your preference was originally a 9!

Me: What about all of the companies which may be coming next semester that are not on the list we have? How can we choose preference cards when our number one company is already here this semester or may or may not be coming next semester?

The Staff: Unfortunately, that is something we have no control over. Some companies hold back and are unsure if the want to recruit this year. Other companies may not choose to interview on-campus at all. Many companies will appear suddenly on this semesters schedule itself (which would also address the idea of splitting the cards into two groups). We just have no control over when a company decides to show up on our front door. It has to be a student's decision whether he/she decides to hold back any cards for just such a possibility. If an employer decides not to interview on-campus, you can still always contact them personally and try to arrange an interview.

Me: Why did we switch to RESUME EX-PERT last year as opposed to keeping individual resumes which leave room for personal touches?

The Staff: Resume expert allows us to sort resumes by such factors as major. Resume Expert provides resumes more expediently to employers. Employers can review all student's resumes by the requirements they specify. Students no longer have to replenish their resumes at the CDC or print out another batch if a minor change needs to be made. Also, it gives us the ability to participate in more national job searches than previously. It's quite impossible to look through over 600 distinct resumes (about the number of seniors) and sort and distribute them. The National database is very

convenient for these purposes. If you fool around with Resume Expert enough, it is possible to make certain changes to individualize your resume...it just takes some patience.

Me: Most students don't like the fact that the meetings are mandatory. Should they be?

The Staff: Students used to complain that the CDC or OGCP did not provide enough information on the process. Only 2/3 of the seniors registered with the CDC last year. There have been times when interviewers have had cancellations or spots that were vacant on a given day. Won't an interviewer start thinking that it's not worth his time to stop at WPI? Our goal is to get as many people involved in the process and give employers the impression that there is a strong demand from WPI students to work at their respective companies. In spite of the mandatory meetings last year about only 30% of the students registered prior to this year or attempted to get a summer job. We did mail out all the resumes we had to prospective employers. We make these meetings mandatory for your benefit. If you decide not to go to the meetings or take advantage of the process you are simply reducing your chances of finding employment.

I'm hoping that the above described discussion will answer many of the common questions posed by the student body. I'd like to thank the entire CDC staff for taking the time to listen to my concerns and answer them so effectively. The CDC is very willing to answer any questions or listen to any suggestions you may have concerning the placement process.

#### **Mechanical Engineering Department**

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Board of Trustees and the administration of WPI, who seemed supportive about improvement plans for the ME department. The following are some of the structural changes that could be satisfied with the implementation of this plan:

(1) A four to five story building in which several laboratories will be allocated:

- Aerospace Laboratory.
- Experimentation Laboratory.
- Design Laboratory.
   Projects Laboratory.
- Numerical Methods Computer Laboratory.
- Rehabilitation Engineering Laboratory.
- Multi Purpose Lab
- Vibration/Controls/Dynamics.
- Materials Processing Laboratory."

The location of the new space is under study and final decisions about the details will be announced soon. One speculation is to build an addition behind Higgins Laboratories on the north-west wing (filling the H).

(2) Total renovation of Higgins Labs:

Classrooms, offices, among

Prof. Noori seemed optimistic when commenting that if the project is approved, work would start during summer '94 and be finished by August '95. He also commented that, if approved, the project will be executed in several phases, but the details need to be worked out.

About the Internal Restructuring:

Prof. Noori was glad to mention that the following steps are being taken for the internal restructuring of the ME department:

(1) The undergrad/grad curriculum is being updated. The department is revising the ME program using the following question: "What should the ME student of the year 2010 know?"

(2) "We are constantly striving to enhance our teaching. We have a faculty in the Department with an outstanding record of quality teaching, including several colleagues who have been the recipients of the Trustees' Teaching Award. Last year, we started an "Effective Teaching Seminar" series. In these monthly seminars or Discussion Panels, a number of new senior colleagues presented wonderful talks and shared their experience in classroom teaching and project advising with all the faculty, graduate and undergraduate students. We will continue these Teaching Seminars this year and they are open to the WPI community."

(3) Introduction of two awards for the faculty: "Teaching Faculty of the Year", and "Project Advisor of the Year".

Prof. Noori was also glad to discuss what is being done at the grad level:

 Improvement of external support. The Department now enjoys having five industrial fellowships.

(2) Summer Support Research Program: Last year ten students were supported for the entire summer. "This provides continuity in our research and grad program," Prof. Noori said.

(3) Grad Student Seminar: Three to four grads present their ongoing research activities.

(4) Visiting Scholars: Collaboration between faculty from other universities from all over the world and WPI researchers including both faculty and graduate students.

(5) Funds to support graduate students to go to conferences to present their research.

(6) Graduate Level project/research Centers: "We are about to initiate this program which will offer the opportunity for any graduate student to spend up to six months at other research institutions abroad, and take courses or conduct research work."

Where the department stands:

Prof. Noori asserted, "WPI's ME department has an advantage you can hardly find in most other institutes." Our department is structured similarly to colleges such as Georgia Tech and Cornell which are departments with features of an ME school rather than a department. This provides an interdisciplinary environment in a natural setting. "We have programs in design, aerospace, biomechanics, thermo-fluids, manufacturing, materials, nuclear, and other disciplines of interest."

Prof. Noori's last quote for our interview summarizes what he thinks about our ME department's future:

"Our Manufacturing Program, a relatively young program, is one of only eleven ABET accredited programs in the country, and we we are engaged in many exciting activities in that field. We enjoy a unique opportunity for collaboration among a high quality faculty with an interdisciplinary environment, very high quality undergraduate education, a graduate program with potential to establish itself as one of the best in the country."

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#### **Global Programs Analysis**

During the May 10 meeting of the Blue Ribbon Task Force it was reported that "Globalization is seen as a clear strategic advantage; concerns have been raised that each site be looked at for its total costs and revenue." In response to these concerns, a detailed

cost/benefit analysis and benchmarking of the global program has been carried out. The results will be presented to all interested members of the WPI community from 4:30 to 5:30 pm on Tuesday, Sept. 21, in the Gordon Library Archives Room.

#### The Blue Ribbon Task Force

## PRESENTS ITS RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE COMMUNITY Hosted by the Community Council Monday, September 27th 7 pm Perreault Hall

## **Announcing Immediately Available Position**

#### Fine Arts Publicist

Responsibilities:

The Fine Arts Publicist will be responsible for producing, coordinating and disseminating all promotion/publicity materials for fine arts programs created by the Humanities/Student Affairs Departments and Social Committee. This will include:

- 1. Writing and distributing weekly and/or monthly calendar listings to local and regional media;
- Writing press releases for local and regional media;
- 3. Maintaining a 24-hour fine arts telephone service;
- Producing and distributing posters, flyers and brochures on the WPI campus as well as at local fine arts establishments (Mechanics Hall, other colleges, etc.);
- 5. Coordinating any interviews or appearances by visiting performers with the media;
- 6. Developing and implementing an interest/attitudinal survey of fine arts for use with the WPI Community;
- 7. Developing a direct marketing mailing list of "patrons of the arts at WPI".

#### Qualifications:

The successful candidate will exhibit good organizational and writing skills. Knowledge and ability in desk-top publishing preferred. Previous experience in publicity or document design desired. Candidates need not be eligible for federal work-study.

#### Renumeration:

The position is part-time, ten (10) hours per week at \$5.25 per hour throughout the academic year. The Fine Arts Publicist will operate out of Alden Memorial Hall. Interested individuals should inquire in The Student Activities Office.

#### COMMENTARY

### **Motoring News**

#### How to buy a used car

#### by Jim Aduskevich Class of '96

Hi there and welcome to a new column here at Newspeak. This column is going to deal with the automotive aspect of the WPI experience. Topics will include buying a used car, winter preparation and driving techniques (for all those non-New England drivers), maintenance, updates on motorsports and activities, and anything else that might be of interest. Today I'll deal with the most important thing to car ownership; how to buy a used car.

There are just two main types of people who want to buy a car. Those who just want reliable transportation and those who want something special. For those who just want transportation, I would recommend looking for a small to mid-size car from the late seventies on up, like a Honda Civic, Olds Cutlass, Dodge Omni, Ford Granada, etc. The main idea is to buy a car that everyone else has. This makes the initial price lower, parts cheaper and indicates the car's reliability. I will cover the special considerations for buying a non-mainstream vehicle, for those enthusiasts who want their vehicles for something other than just getting from point A to point B, in another installment.

The first thing to do when looking for a car is getting a few publications (like the Want Ads and a local paper) and going through them. Mark off any cars that seem to be a possibility

and compare prices. If you don't need a car right away, its a good idea to do this for a few weeks, just to get a better idea of the local prices. I've found that price books (where people get the notion of "book value") are rarely accurate, but they can't hurt to have. Once you've found a number of possibilities, call to set up appointments. Don't worry about finding the perfect car and then having to cancel the rest of the appointments. You will want to resist the temptation to buy the car right when you see it. Always look at all the options before you decide. Also, you may need estimates for repair work, which you can set up at a time of a second look. Keep in mind that these guidelines are for people who want a car to drive right away; I'll be covering project cars under specialty vehicles.

A car can be divided into three main sec-

tions: the body (most of today's cars have the frame integrated into the body), the drivetrain, and the interior. The body is the most obvious section to see problems in. The main thing you have to look for is rust. All of the salt put on the roads in winter quickly destroys metal. Look all around the car for rust, especially underneath. If necessary, jack the car up and crawl under. Surface rust is O.K., but you want to make sure it is not an indication of a more serious problem. To check this, take a screwdriver or key and poke at the suspicious area. If it pushes in, it will need to be fixed soon. Take the car to a reputable body shop to get an estimate for repair (most body shops give free estimates, though you may need an appointment), and include this price into the cost of the car. Dents are perfectly alright; living in this city you will probably get some more. Just

make sure the damage is not so sever that it hinders the operation of the car (check that all doors open, lights function, etc.)

The interior is really not that important for a basic car, just make sure all of the gauges and warning lights work. Anything else is just a matter of personal preference.

The hardest thing to evaluate is the drivetrain. Drive the car and listen for unusual noises, like clunks and whining, and unusual vibration. If there is nothing that seems out of the ordinary and the car has relatively low miles (under 50,000), then it is a good bet that the car is good. The best idea, if you don't know cars that well, is to have someone who is knowledgeable look at it or take it to a garage.

Now you have the basic guidelines for purchasing an every day car. Remember to add the price of any repair to the cost of the car. Good luck and happy motoring!

#### **COMMUNITY NEWS**

#### Campus Center ideas committee announces community meetings

by Kevin Parker Editor-In-Chief

The Campus Center ideas committee, under the direction of the Dean of Student Life, Janet Richardson, announced a partial listing of campus groups they will meet with this term. Among the groups are representatives of the Greek system, SGA, the international groups, Food Services, SocComm, WPI's support staff, faculty representatives, Plant Service representatives and graduate student representatives. Meetings will also be set up in the residence halls to solicit residents' ideas on the Center.

Richardson and Chris Jachimowicz, Assistant Dean of Student Life, both stressed that they want this process to remain open. People should feel they have access to the process but "realistically, [we] can't hit all of the students," said Jachimowicz. They invite community members to send them email with comments or simply stop by their offices.

Richardson will be asking SGA to host an open meeting for student organizations to gather and express their needs for the Campus Center. Richardson hopes to get a feel for what student activities and clubs want from the Campus Center without focusing on specific items during this meeting.

Notes from all of their meetings will be compiled into a list of goals and needs for the Center. Richardson said that they want to "gain information from the meetings, synthesize it with the committee and feed it back out to the community with ideas on how the needs can be met." Once the rough plan is presented to the community, some time in B term, Richardson hopes to "bounce [it] back and forth and massage the list...[to see if] some needs could be met by moving things out of one space and into another." She went on to explain that construction of the Campus Center will undoubtedly free up space in other buildings, creating a domino effect, as some offices leave their current locations to move into the Campus Center.

Both Richardson and Jachimowicz stressed that they are open to new ideas and invite community members to stop by their offices and talk about the Campus Center.

## Vans' future to be discussed

Nat Fairbanks SGA Van Committee chair, Class of '95

The Student Government Association Van Committee has three vans that we rent to student organizations. However, this term, due to many problems including repairs to the vans and reorganization of how the SGA Van Committee does business the vans are not usable. In order to inform people of the situation regarding changes that must be made, and changes the SGA Van Committee feels should be made, the SGA Van Committee will be holding an open meeting on Thursday, September 23, in Perreault Hall at 7:00pm.

Some of the changes that must be made include driver registration in order to identify "high risk" drivers, and make sure all drivers have their own personal auto insurance. Also all drivers would have to go through some sort of training course, so that drivers will be familiar with the difference in driving a large van and a car. As a result of those two actions we would also have to create a driver pool, so that groups without registered and trained drivers would be able find someone to drive the vans for them. A regular maintenance schedule, including checking of the vans after each use, would have to be implemented. This would greatly cut down on available usage times. The scheduling system will also be changed.

Other ideas include eliminating the vans and finding other methods of transportation for groups; or contracting with a bus company for club sports, and keeping the vans, with a much smaller group of users. This meeting is being held so that the SGA Van Committee can take your input in regard to these matters, and your attendance will be greatly appreciated. No course of action has been decided upon yet, but one has to be decided on soon. Again, please attend this meeting, on Thursday, September 23, in Perreault Hall at 7:00pm. For more information contact the SGA Van Committee in the SGA office (831-5565) or drop a note in mailbox 1307.

#### SCHEDU FOR Freshman/Sophomore Tracks Junior/Senior Tracks Time 9:00-Building Your Resume: Interviewing Skills: First Job Hunt Strategy Career Opportunities in B1 How to Make Your Four C1 Impressions Do Make Al Your Major 10:15 Years at WPI Count! a Difference! TBA Kinnicutt Perrault Newell 10:15-B R E A K 10:30 Interviewing Skills: First 10:30-**Building Your Resume:** Career Opportunities in Job Hunt Strategy A2 Your Major C2 Impressions Do Make B2 How to Make Your Four 11:45 Years at WPI Count! a Difference! TBA Kinnicutt Perrault Newell 11:45-L U N C H 1:30 Making the Right Opportunities in 1:30-Professional Degrees Career Development A3 Center/Co-op: What C3 Small, Growing Companies D3 Decision—Sales, Engineering B3 in Law and Medicine 2:30 we can do for you! or Management Salisbury 105 Washburn 229 Kinnicutt Higgins 109 Resume 201: The Resume 2:30-**Knowing Your** Summer Job Search Graduate School as an D4 Revisited 3:30 Option Own Skills and Interests Higgins 109 Salisbury 104 Washburn 229 Kinnicutt 3:30-B R E A K 3:45 A5 Summer Job Search 3:45-Resume 101: Selling How to Get a Job Through **Business Etiquette** D5 Networking B5 Yourself on Paper 4:45 Washburn 229 Newell Salisbury 104 Salisbury 105 D6 Networking and Raffle Harrington 4:45-A6 Harrington Networking and Raffle Networking and Raffle B6 Harrington Networking and Raffle C6 Harrington 5:30

#### TO REGISTER

Just complete and send the Registration form to the Co-op Office on the 1st floor of Boynton Hall. When indicating which sessions you would like to attend, list the letter/number code shown at the beginning of each session description. This is for our planning purposes only and will not commit you to attend these particular sessions.

Students who pre-register may pick up information on room locations in the lobby of **Harrington Gym** on the day of the program beginning at 8:00 a.m. and continuing throughout the day. Students who **pre-register** will be eligible for a **RAFFLE** with prizes valuing \$125!!

Students may also register on the day of the program in Harrington Gym.

## PRE-REGISTRATION FORM CAREER DEVELOPMENT DAY '93

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CLASS:	MAJOR:	

Please bring completed form to the WPI Co-op Office or mail via campus mail by September 22nd. Any Questions? Please call Mary Beth Harrity, Director of Co-op and Major Selection Program, Ext. 5012.

#### **ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT**

#### Worcester Art Museum welcomes Judith Leyster Exhibit



Judith Leyster, "SELF-PORTRAIT," canvas, 72.3 x 65.3 cm.

by Jennifer Kavka Features Editor

The newest exhibit in the Worcester Art Museum is Judith Leyster: A Dutch Master and Her World. Judith Leyster is perhaps the most famous woman artist from the Dutch seventeenth century which is also called the "Golden Age". She was quite accomplished; she was the only female artist from the Haarlem artists' guild to open a market for sales. Her style is similar to Frans Hals, a popular artist whom she worked with in the guild. Her paintings have been mistakenly thought to be by Frans Hals,

but her distinctive monogram labels all her paintings. Her mongram, which is an L shaped letter with a line and a star through it, stands for "Leading Star," and can be seen in the upper/middle parts of her works.

There are 16 paintings by Leyster in the museum. Her paintings are symbolic of modern attire and everyday life. She used a single light to shadow her portraits and paintings in a unique way, although it can be seen in paintings by her contemporaries. Her "Self-Portrait" is a very famous painting because it shows her painting a boy with a violin, which shows her love for music and also for modern figures. She also chose to paint people drinking and smok-

ing, two vices that were not looked up fondly at the time. The "Jolly Toper" (Toper means drink) and "The Last Drop" are two paintings that show the effects of drinking and smoking. In "The Last Drop" there is a skeleton holding an hourglass lurking over one character, meaning he will die soon from drinking. Before the painting was in the collection, it was owned by a private collector who did not like the skeleton and painted over it. It was refurbished to its original form later. The last picture in the room of the collection is a water-color of a tulip. There is a tulip named after Judith Leyster and Spag's has donated 5,000 dollars to the museum to promote this particular water-color. The exhibit ends with paintings by Leyster's

contemporaries including Frans Hals. Similar styles can be seen in these paintings compared to Levsters.

A Discovery Room called "Let's Go Dutch" depicts a 17th century Dutch kitchen with tables, games, decorations, and costumes from the era. This room allows children to better understand the paintings because here they can try on clothes, collars, and can play typical games from this time.

This exhibit is continuing until December 5, so be sure to visit this temporary collection plus the permanent collection. Admission is free to WPI students with ID and it's just a block away at 55 Salisbury St.



PHOTO COURTESY OF WORCESTER ART MUSEUM Frans Hals, "SINGING BOY WITH FLUTE," canvas 62 x 54.5 cm.

#### **Dorkestra Fact**

by Mike Caprio Newspeak Staff

Clarification: In the Dorkestra review last week, the bass in the article was mentioned as "aluminum-looking". The bass was indeed made of aluminum, specifically from the wing of an airplane that crashed in Czechoslovakia in 1953. There are only five others like it in the world.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **EMS offers First Responder class**

by WPI Emergency Medical Service

WPI Emergency Medical Service has been on campus since 1990 when it was started as an IQP. Besides handling medical emergencies, EMS also offers several different types of classes to educate the WPI community. EMS regularly offers a class in CPR. In addition, it offers a certification class for Massachusetts State First Responders. This certification is the minimum requirement for all active members of EMS. The skills of this class fall between that of basic first aid and of an Emergency Medical Technician (EMT). Skills include everything from dressing minor cuts, to administering oxygen and managing an unexpected childbirth.

EMS is holding a First Responder class beginning Thursday, September 23. Classes will meet every Monday and Thursday from 7-10pm. The cost of the class is \$50.00 which includes all books and photocopied material. Students are given extensive hands on experience through practice on mannequins and on each other.

Mark Burke is the instructor of the course. He is a '94 Biotechnology/Premed major and is currently a Massachusetts State EMT and a CPR Instructor. His experience in the medical field is extensive. In addition to having taught last year's class, he is a Nationally Registered EMT and has added several Advanced Life Support Skills (ALS) in New Hampshire. He is a member of his hometown fire department and currently works for a major ambulance company that is based in the Boston area. When asked why he teaches the class, he replied, "I like to pass on the knowledge that I have learned in the hopes that it will allow at least one of my students to be able to save someone's life. The potential for accidents is always around us and quick action can be the difference between life or death."Those who successfully complete the course are encouraged to join WPI

Anyone interested in enrolling in the class should contact EMS by mailing a note with your name, phone number, and WPI Box Number to Mark Burke, WPI Box #212.

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#### **COMMUNITY UPDATE**

#### WPI Greek chapters win national recognition Sig Ep Recognized for Excellence

by Todd Kelleher Class of '96

The 1992-93 academic school year was a banner year for Sigma Phi Epsilon. Massachusetts Beta was recognized by the National for their lofty standards, drive for perfection, and their desire for the molding of the balanced man. Sigma Phi Epsilon was recognized by the national for numerous achievements: membership recruitment, risk management, manpower excellence, scholastic achievement, and lastly for being the outstanding chapter in the nation.

The Buchanan Cup, awarded to the best chapter in the nation, is the most prestigious award that is presented by the national conclave in Dallas, Texas. In order to be the recipient of this award, the chapter must be outstanding in a number of areas. The areas examined when a chapter is recommended are scholastic achievement, manpower, finances, membership development, alumni support and relations, ritual, care and con-

The Massachusetts Delta Chapter of Sigma

Alpha Epsilon has won the highest honor that can

be given to a chapter of SAE. The coveted John O.

Moseley Award for the Fraternity Zeal was pre-

sented to the Mass. Delta this summer at the 58th

annual Leadership School in Evanston, Illinois.

Started in 1956, the Moseley is presented annually to the best chapter of Sigma Alpha Epsilon. Chap-

ters are judged on their scholarship, pledge pro-

gram, risk management, community service and

other aspects of Greek life, but winning the Moseley

also has a great deal to do with fraternity zeal.

Since the Moseley's origin in 1956, SAE at WPI

has been nominated twenty times. There are two

hundred chapters of Sigma Alpha Epsilon in

theUS and Canada, so competition for the Moseley

is intense. The winner of the Moseley is an-

cern, self evaluation, goal setting, internal operations, health and well-being and campus and community involvement.

As many brothers that could find time out of their busy summer schedule to attend the conclave went to Texas. It was an eye opening experience because it showed the Mass. Beta delegates how Sigma Phi Epsilon is not only a leader in the community of Worcester and on the campus of WPI, but rather across the whole nation as well. At Sigma Phi Epsilon there is a busy schedule for the upcoming school year and a good feeling about what has been accomplished as well as the challenges the year will bring.

#### WPI AGD Honored as top chapter

Alpha Gamma Delta's Zeta Zeta Chapter at WPI has earned a Five Star Recognition for the 1992-1993 school year. Alpha Gamma Delta developed the Five Star Program to recognize chapter accomplishments for each school year. There are eight Alpha Gamma Delta chapters in the United States and Canada that have earned the full Five stars. One star is earned for each of the following areas:

The Scholarship Star — The chapter must have had for the calendar year a 3.0 average or be ranked number one in scholarship of all the NPC groups on campus. The Leadership Star This star is earned through a balance of philanthropy, social and campus involvement. The Standards Star - Chapters must uphold

School. This year, in front of an intensely spirited

crowd of chapter representatives from across the

nation, the award was accepted by their five

leadership school delegates, including President

Brian McNeany. "We put a lot of hard work into

our house and it's great to finally bring it home

after all of those times being nominated," says

Brian. Mass. Delta was also chosen for the

Chapter Achievement Award this year. Started 11

years ago, the Chapter Achievement Award is

given annually to the top thirty chapters of SAE.

Based on similar credentials as the Moseley Award,

they have been awarded the Chapter Achievement

Award every year. Vice-President John Belfonti

says, "Winning the Moseley the year of the hun-

dredth anniversary of our chapter is perfect timing." Founded in March 10, 1894, Mass. Delta is

having a huge celebration for their centennial this March. Sigma Alpha Epsilon plans on continuing

their high standards of excellence for their second

hundred years on WPI's campus.

the ideal Fraternity standards to earn this star. The Quota/Total Star - The chapter must pledge their quota and reach their chapter total

by April 15 of each year. The 90% Initiation Star - The chapter must initiate 90% of their pledges to earn this star.

#### College Bowl '93 begins new season

by Stacey Watrous Class of '95

College Bowl, the Varsity Sport of the Mind, is back! College Bowl is a fast-paced question and answer game of general knowledge and quick recall. Created in 1953 as a radio program, College Bowl became a wealthy television series in 1959. Since then, the National Championship Tournament has been televised several times. College Bowl has provided an arena for the fastest minds on college campuses to demonstrate their great skills under the fire of intense competition.

College Bowl is played between two teams of four students each. The game is played in halves, each lasting seven minutes. A whistle starts and ends each half. Points are scored by correct answers to questions. There are two types of questions: Toss-ups, worth 10 points each, and bonuses, worth a stated number of points, from 20-30. Questions cover every conceivable subject from history, math, science, literature, geography, current events, the arts, social sciences, sports, and popular culture. Multi-cultural questions are also featured in each format.

Official Entry Form

Name(s)

Teams consist of four players, with one of the players acting as a captain. All campus clubs and groups of any kind are encouraged to send a team to College Bowl to compete | against their rivals. Individuals may sign up as a member of a four person team, or alone, as they will be combined with others to form

Teams will compete in tournaments held on September 30, October 7, November 4, 11, and 18, and December 2 and 9. The time will be 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. each night. Only 8 | teams will compete each night with the winners advancing to the next round. The tournament champions will represent WPI at offcampus tournaments and the Regional Championship Tournament. This is an open competition for all students, graduate and undergraduate.

College bowl is an all-campus event. It has drama and excitement from the campus tournaments through to the National Championship. It recognizes intellectual achievement and helps students learn the values of group participation, gamesmanship, and more. It successfully combines entertainment and academics into a popular game.

nounced at the fraternity's annual Leadership

Sigma Alpha Epsilon wins national award

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(if four people are signing up, please designate the captain and list an alternate)

Healthy Alternatives come to WPI

by Lexie Chutoransky Newspeak Staff

This year, WPI has received a two-year FIPSE grant in the amount of \$220,918 from the United States Department of Education's Fund for the Improvement of Post\_Secondary Education program. The purpose of this FIPSE grant is to improve the awareness of, and expand efforts to focus on the alcohol and drug abuse at WPI.

The Healthy Alternatives Program will be increased through new options, activities, and functions available to WPI students. The focus of expansion will include support for non-alcoholic activities, increase peer education, and development more options in the residence halls for new lifestyle options.

(EAI) is being implemented by FIPSE in order to asses the campus environment here at WPI. This EAI that is being seen at WPI is only being implemented in 5 other universities nationwide. EAI will study alcohol and drug-abuse at WPI in order to find new preventions in our campus

environment.

The funding that has been provided by FIPSE includes a full-time coordinator who will be in charge of developing programs in order to implement the alternatives that are going to be part of campus life. The coordinator will work in association with Residential Services, Campus Police, the Social Committee, the Student Life Office, the Athletics Department and the Greek System in order to evaluate the substance abuse on campus.

There are multi-faceted services, in addition to these that are already on campus, which will enhance healthy opportunities. some of the opportunities that are now available are referral services, the Peer Education Program which studies alcohol, HIV/AIDS, and sexual assault, as well as Chain Link Fence who portray education through skits which represent real-life situations. Additionally, EMS (Emergency Medical Services) are trained in crisis of overdose of substances as well as Residential Advisors are instructed about campus policies.

mented is the Healthy Alternatives House at 25 Trowbridge Street. In the past, there was a substance free area in Stoddard Hall for those students who wanted a substance-free environment. The Healthy Alternatives House is an expansion of the substance-free commitment that began in Stoddard Hall.

Through the funding from the FIPSE grant, WPI will be implementing new and healthy alternatives on campus in an effort to reduce alcohol and drug-abuse.

#### Lambda Chi Alpha Plans Food Drive

by Peter Apollo Class of '94

The local chapter of Lambda Chi Alpha is planning a food drive in anticipation of the upcoming Thanksgiving and December holidays. This is in conjuction with Lambda Chi Alpha's North American Food Drive on November 6, 1993. The National goal is to collect 100,000 pounds of food, making it the world's largest single-day philanthropy event ever sponsored by a fraternity. There will be 22 Lambda Chi Alpha chapters throughout the United States and Canada collecting nonperishable food that weekend.

From November 1-5, the brothers will be canvassing the area and dropping off empty grocery

bags to about 5,000 area residents with a listing of foods that the Food bank is in most need of. Collections bins will also be located at various businesses and schools throughout the city. On November 6, all the bags will be collected and brought to 16 Elbridge Street for sorting and weighing. The goods will then be turned over to the Worcester County Food Bank for distribution to local charities.

Our goal this fall is to raise 15,000 pounds of food for the needy. Our chapter is looking forward to this challenge. If you are interested in making monetary donations, you may send them to Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity. All money donated will be used to buy canned goods. We need your support to make this a successful event.

752-3038

### **Prometheus Speaks:**

YOU are Generation X!

Admit it. It's okay to express your true self - do a tour on the talk show circuit, and tell everyone how comfortable you are with yourself, and how you'll continue life just the same as everybody else does. Write a book encouraging others to follow your enlightened path; self-help is so en vogue these days. If you're lucky, they'll make a mini-series out of it...

What's that, you say? You have no idea what I'm talking about, right? Actually, I'm sure you've heard of our little subject in one place or another; Generation X is not the only description of our syndrome. Others have called the disease "13th Gen", representing the fact that our generation is the thirteenth one to live in America. Or perhaps you've simply heard the phrase, "Your generation will be the first to be less well-off than the previous one." I think that fact is fairly well demonstrated - just ask any WPI graduate who's working at L\*\*\*ing Edge who's still waiting for a real job to match their educational background. The "traditional" definition of a mem-

ber of Generation X is firstly, the age group - ages 14 to 26 or so, for the broadest range. Other symptoms include chronic laziness, an unnatural interest in things electronic or computeroriented, lower-than-average self-esteem, gobs of attitude, self-destructive impulses, anti-authoritarianism; the list goes on and on. In fact, the Cyberpunk genre is probably a good example of the kind of thing I'm talking about. I wouldn't be so bold as to say that the two trends are exactly alike, but I think that there is a definite influence of one upon the other.

At any rate, Cyberpunk is only one facet of this complex situation. There are other clear warning signs: the dropping of SAT averages, increased suicide rates and drug abuse, rises in reconstructive surgery, and so forth. Look at the newest trends in music - Nine Inch Nails and Nirvana aren't exactly like Elvis and the Beatles. And yet, hasn't the same thing been said of every previous generation? Doesn't everyone from the former generation always say that "you kids: have no respect/don't know the value of <br/>
<br/>
don't know what it was like in

my day/all of the above"? Well, apparently, the thing that makes us distinct is our economic/political situation.

It's not possible for us, as a whole, to do as well as previous generations economically, at any rate. It would seem that the previous generations, and for the most part, the Baby Boomers (the largest age group in the country) already have it all. And then there's always that mention somewhere about how our generation is going to have to "clean things up", whether it's environmentally or monetarily or whatever. In the political realm, we are technically a minority - our age group is one of, if not the smallest compared to the over 60's and the Baby Boomers (there's that dirty word again). We really have little or no impact on things political.

So is all this really happening? Are we really the butt end of an era gone by? Do we have any kind of a future? Personally, I think this whole labeling business is a crock of you-know-what. The Boomers have always had this wierd habit of naming things, as if doing so gave them some kind of power over them. So far, they've dubbed themselves Boomers, Hippies, Yippies, and Yuppies - and now they're starting to enter their mid-life crisis stage. Calling us "Generation X" is just their way of

categorizing something they're afraid of. After all, TV has always been the focal point of their lives, and the stuff that's on there reflects the kinds of things they think. They love the tabloid stuff on those "inside edition" type shows, Oprah and Geraldo make them shiver, Sitcoms let them laugh at someone else's expense. Even so, their political power cannot be denied. They are in charge right now, and may be so for at least another twenty to thirty years.

However, we do have several advantages over our competitors in the race for resources. The most functional weapon we have right now is youth - unfortunately the opposition has the power and the experience. Our most powerful resource is of course, the computer. In a few more years, it's quite conceivable that a new elite will be on the rise; the information saturated leftovers of the dawn of the computer age... us. I can pretty much guarantee that just about everyone in Generation X who's reading this article has had some kind of exposure to the computer age - even if it was just an Atari or Nintendo. The tendency for people to resist change will be their biggest drawback; older Americans who utterly refuse to have anything to do with computers will fall

behind those who've already had a lifetime of experience, growing up with the Intellivision like we have. We know how to program VCRs... that is our hidden strength. Instead of merely watching the TV screen, we have the power to change it.

If it sounds at all like I'm exaggerating the conflict between the age groups... well, frankly, I'm not. Whether we like it or not, things are going to keep moving faster and faster towards some technological vanishing point that's not as far away as it seems. There will be problems adjusting to it as a society, especially since the core of the new technology opens up possilbilities for new kinds of subversion, and power that's really been undreamed of. As Orwell put it - "If you can control history, you can control the present; if you control the present, you can control the future." George knew the implications of information control imagine what it would be like if you were never able to see a TV or read a newspaper; that's what it will be like for those who will not follow our generation into the new era. We really can't afford the kind of political claptrap that the previous generations cling to - instead of simply giving our problems names, we're going to have to do something about

#### All My Mother Ever Told Me

by Matt Meyer Class of '94 Copyright 1993

all my mother ever told me was "DON'T HAVE IT!"

and it was a threat like so much of my education 15 years worth of sundays spent in the salt spray of sermon 8 years of parochial school to protect me

and 10 years of catechism to confirm the fact that my parents

that i was going to be Roman Catholic

and i hear the march of christian feet upon marble floors casting fire from candles and brimstone from lips to the vaulted ceilings of their ornate chapels condemning everything they assign

the label of pornography,

but this is where i received my remedial education in sex, a pile of magazines stacked loosely

beneath my father's bed, studies of form and function and image perhaps skewed through the lense of a camera

and the stories that stank of sex so moist.

this over-ripened fruit displayed

and splayed across the stapled glossy

and all my mother ever told me was "DON'T HAVE IT!"

and they persist with their holier than thou

"accept my teachings for i know they are right

and i can prove it with my bible and handy dandy Webster's Dicitonary" attempting to quiet the only voices

willing to speak

with concrete terminology of a tangible nature

they refuse to realize you cannot not eliminate a bad influence you must replace it

because silence is a lousy teacher

## Just a Thought

Get a life ... and enjoy it!

#### by Stephen Brown Protestant Campus Ministry

Raymond Burr, the actor, died last Monday at the age of 76 of liver cancer. For many of you under 30, and that is a lot of you, Raymond Burr may have been someone you saw once or twice in a movie. For me, he was Perry Mason. Every Saturday night for nine seasons (1957-1968), Perry Mason solved murders and made the guilty person burst out the truth on the witness stand. As soon as ol' Perry bore in with, "Isn't it true that...." you knew he had his sights on the truth and that the innocent defendant would be freed.

He never lost. Well, almost never. When the writers let him lose his first case, they were inundated with 35,000 letters saying, "Please don't do that again." And they didn't. Even now when he shows up in a Perry Mason TV movie, he wins. Burr also made over 90 movies; remember the murderous husband in REAR WINDOW, and also had another hit television series called "Ironside." He was a winner all the way.

Except in his own mind. In an interview several years ago, Burr told a re-

porter he had mixed feelings about his success. He spent more time at work and in the dressing room than at home. "I have all the millions of mistakes, but it is the one thing I should not have done...I should have been helping raise a family. I did none of those things. I should have maintained a closer friendship with some of my friends." He was married three times, twice divorced and once widowed. His only child died of leukemia at

When I read that, I was really saddened. Here was someone who had become a "success" and yet believed he had failed at the most important things in life. I know this is a constant theme in my writing, but I just can't say it enough. All around me I see people knocking themselves out to get the promotion, obtain the raise, achieve the glory so they can triumph. And clergy are often the worst examples. I have attended far too many meetings where my colleagues almost brag about how busy they are.

Perhaps we need to learn something from Raymond Burr. A little while ago, I asked a friend if she would be a part of a project I am starting this Fall. It would only mean one Monday a month, an hour

and a half dinner/conversation. My friend liked the idea but had to refuse. Every Monday night is her special night with her son. Her husband is away each Monday, and she and her son do special things together that night.

Rather than being upset with my friend, I was glad for her. She has her priorities right. It reminded me of an interview I read of a famous professor who was asked by a student, "What should I do with my life?" (sound familiar?) The professor responded, "Whatever you want, just as long as you don't miss the main thing." "And what," the student asked, "is that?" "Your life," The professor replied.

Reading Raymond Burr's regrets about his life, I think he believed he had missed the main thing...his life. It's easy to do. How tempting it is to take on one more project, serve on the right committee, go to the "best" party...to do all you can so you can achieve...get ahead...be a success! But you know, I think my friend had it right. Staying home on Monday nights to play is doing the "main thing." She hasn't missed her life. Neither should we.

#### LETTER TO THE EDITOR

#### Changes and thanks at the CCC

by Don Farley Supervisor of Software Operations

The purpose of this article is twofold. The first is to let the WPI community know the status of software for sale at the College Computer Center (CCC) in Fuller Labs. Due to an administrative decision last fiscal year, the CCC can no longer buy software packages for resale to individuals. Some site-licensed software packages, where a fee is required for each installation, are still being sold by the CCC but only to WPI departments and only for WPI-owned computers. Most of these site-licensed software packages are WordPerfect Corporation prod-

The second purpose of this article is to gratefully acknowledge the past services of the one most affected by this administrative decision. Mrs. Arline Koontz was the Manager of Purchasing and Inventory Control of the CCC and of the former Office of Academic Computing (OAC) whose position was eliminated by the decision. Her job was to buy and stock PCs, PC accessories, and software packages, to keep track of this inventory, and to resell them to students, staff, faculty, and departments. She served in this capacity and as secretary in OAC starting in 1984, and by

1993 her job role almost entirely consisted of her managerial duties.

Arline, with some help from others, did a wonderful job of finding good prices on PC products. For many products she managed to get lower prices that were only available to educational institutions. Arline was able to get discounts on many products because of bulk purchases. Members of the WPI community could buy these products for the same (usually very low) prices that the OAC and CCC paid. These savings were passed on to the WPI community as a service of those two departments.

Arline performed her duties efficiently and professionally, much to the delight of her bosses, co-workers, and customers. As one of her coworkers in the OAC and CCC, I miss her quite a bit in my daily routine. However, I am blessed to be able to visit her on occasion in the CDC, where she now works, when software problems come up. I wish to thank her publicly for her 9 years of excellent service at WPI in the OAC and CCC. I also wish to thank her personally for her friendship and working relationship over the last 8 years. The greatest compliment that I can give Arline is not that she is praised (though she is), but that God is praised because of her. I pray that He continues to bless her throughout her life.

## EWSPEAK

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#### STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

Student Government Association Minutes for the meeting of September 15, 1993

I. Meeting called to order at 5:45

II. ATTENDANCE: Executive Council: Warren Smale, Pres; Barbara Doyle, VP; Michelle Giglio, Treas; Amy Scott, Sect.

At-Large-Senators: Jen Keenan,

Kyle Stephens

On-Campus-Senators: Lexie Chutoransky, Cathleen Connelly, Ryan Daly, Nat Fairbanks, John Grossi, Daniel Larochelle, Dwalin May, Chad Schools, Off-Campus-Senators: Erik Felton, Parliamentarian: Dave Wheeler

III. PRESIDENT'S REMARKS: SGA will soon be making some capital investments which will be an upgrade for the copier and a set of steel mailboxes. The Dining Services Committee is looking for a student

representative and Warren asked that

any interested parties approach him

for more information. It was also announced that SGA senator Christine Jesensky will be the student representative on the WPI Campus Safety Committee, she has already been attending the meetings and therefore she is up to

speed on the current business of the committee. The Camp Harrington retreat was mentioned and the senate was informed that during B-term senate orientation SGA will be returning to Camp Harrington for another re-

IV. VICE PRESI-DENT: An ad hoc committee to design a miniature golf course for the

Homecoming festivities was formed, and a sign-up sheet passed around. New SGA committee assignments were then announced for Van, Elections, and Public Relations. Barb also asked for more volunteers to help plan the program for New Senate Orientation during B-term.

V. OLD BUSINESS:

- On/Off Campus Senators: This question was brought up again and whether or not it is the most effective means of representing the WPI stu-

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dent body. Much discussion followed pertaining to the current lack of motivation on the part of senators. The fact that off campus representatives should be trying to more effectively reach their constituency, rather than getting rid of the off campus designation was also discussed.

V. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Items Discussed.

-Should the SGA discontinue running the vans? There was a very large amount of discus-

sion on this topic from both senators and from some non-senators that had come to represent their organization's in-The Van terests. Committee's purpose in bringing this question to the senate was to generate ideas about whether or not SGA is adequately, and safely meeting the needs of those student organizations and clubs that

regularly use the SGA vans. If not how could SGA meet, and fulfill those needs. The discussion that followed was very heated and covered many issues such as safety, costs, insurance, and could SGA more effi-

ciently spend its time trying to find other means of representing students, and meeting their needs. Jen Keenan moved to charge the van committee with finding out the cost of the alternatives if SGA were to get rid of the vans, the motion was not passed. Finally, it was decided that the van committee would prepare an article for Newspeak outlining the requirements that will have to met in order for SGA to continue running the vans, and that the following week (week of September 20) an open meeting would be held where all groups, organizations, faculty and administrators who have previously used the vans could come and see a presentation outlining the new guidelines that would have to be followed and presenting a cost analysis of the alternatives.

VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Election, Michelle Giglio reminded those senators which had signed up for Thursday's InfoNite to be there at 4:30.

VII. Adjourned at 7:12 pm.



#### CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

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The Travelers You're better off under the Umbrella.

#### **CLUB CORNER**

#### **ACM**

Thank to everyone who came to our meeting last week. If you missed the meeting you can still take part in all we've got planned.

For starters the ACM/CS Fall Bar-B-Queue will be Friday, September 24 on the patio behind Fuller Labs from 11:30am to 1:00pm. All CS majors and ACM members are welcome. If you are not a member and would like to join just bring \$5 with you to the BBQ. Veggie kabobs will be provided for vegetarians. If you plan on eating the veggies please email yamamoto@wpi as soon as possible so we will have enough food.

Other plans for the first semester include the ACM vs. IEEE Volley Ball, programming contests and the lecturship series. We'll keep you posted on these and any other events.

Questions or suggestions? email acm@wpi

#### **AIChE**

Hello! How's everyone doing? Hopefully all of the freshmen are settled in by now. I hope you've been getting involved in all that we've had so far. If not, don't worry, we're having another meeting this Wednesday and everyone is wel-

We have a great year planned and thanks to the hard work of all our officers, it has gotten off to a really fun start. We already had a movie night and volleyball and we have a raffle soon and much more. So get involved and you'll be sure to have a great time!

#### Alpha Pi Omega

Another week, another club corner here at the Omicron Iota farm.... Yes I am getting around this week, first the newsletter (Yes, I know I left out Butthead) and now the club corner, can I be your information god? Well in club news please show up this Friday for Travis's multi-times rescheduled car wash! Congratulations to all of our pledges, you made a good decision guys. Oh ya! Party first weekend in October... we have had requests for a party from many many chapters, Carla must have been spreading the word....last one had 52 people show up from 6 different schools other than our old whoopie tech! Now on to Shout Outs: Dan see this is an inside joke, because it's in the middle of the text. Gundy & Mike; see ya tuesday... please come ready to lose. Officers; you're doing a great job, especially Sly (No innuendos this week), Gundy, Jen, and most especially Carol. (Hi Meryl!)

#### Christian Bible Fellowship

Today is the halfway mark for A term. As the last half of the term accelerates to its conclusion, we should have many exciting things happening. Right around the corner, in fact coming this Saturday, is our trip to Mt. Monadnock. As always, the usual weekly events are in same places at the same times. Friday night in Higgins 101 at 7:00 p.m. is our general fellowship meeting (provided we haven't outgrown the room by the time you read this). Wednesday night in Beckett conference room of Fuller Labs at 7:00 p.m. is our prayer and share meeting. Bible studies are just beginning or will be shortly, as well. For more information, Highland Heights is the place to call

"Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path." (Psalm 119:105). God has given us many wonderful gifts. One of these gifts is His word. By studying this precious gift, we too can say as the psalmist did that it guides our lives. The reasons to not study it seem many, and the benefits of study seem few, but consider God's promise: "Do not let this Book of the Law depart from your mouth; meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be prosperous and successful." (Joshua 1:8). God will reward the study of His word. A word of caution: to act on the first part of that verse will have the effect of continually changing your life, and the prosperity and success that God gives you may not be in the sense you originally desired. Spend some time in meaningful study of God's word. It will be time well spent no matter how important all the objections to its study appeared.

#### Glee Club

Hope the weekend went well for everyone. This night (tonight) there is a Tuesday Night Club at Mooch's (Ellsworth 15). Mooch's figures are in. He's determined that if you collected 401,900 returnable cans, that you could pay for one year at WPI. That's 1,607,600 for a four-year college career. His can drive starts soon. And don't forget, Career Day is this Thursday which means no classes. Being that I am interested in developing my own career, I surveyed some recent graduates and asked them what I should do on Career Day. So here it is, the Top 10 Activities to do on Career Day, recommended by recent graduates:

10. Go out and buy the most recent issue of

Playboy Magazine

9. Find a piece of cardboard and a marker and make a sign "Will Work for Food."

- 8. Sleep all day on a park bench in Institute Park
- Volunteer to work at DAKA for the day
- 6. Pick through garbage finding cans for Mooch 5. Go to the Red Cross and sell them a pint of
- 4. Make a donation at the sperm bank
- 3. Build a house out of cardboard
- 2. Stop someone on the street and ask for money
- 1. Apply to graduate school

Follow these 10 steps, and your career will be on its way to being fully developed.

#### Global Affairs Party

Hi everyone! We're still getting things together for the UPenn Model UN. Next week we will meet on Thursday at the regular time in the regular place, hope to see you there. We will be having the election for the position of Treasurer, don't miss it. We will also be talking to GAEA.

Have fun, and we'll see you around!

How's everyone doing? The 3rd GAP meeting coming up next week. It's on Thursday (Career Development Day) from 7:15. Place is undecided. Check your e-mail & you'll find out.

From 7:15 till 7:30, we are having an election for treasurer position. If you want to nominate someone or yourself, e-mail hidenori (hidenori@wpi.edu) by Tuesday (Today). Make sure to show up & vote.

From 7:30, GAEA will have a joint session with us to discuss the benefits and problems in establishing a recycling program for this campus. Anybody who is concerned with environmental issues is welcome to this discussion. I'm looking forward to seeing you on Thursday.

#### Lens and Lights

Well, we are halfway through A-term already. Hard to believe. We just had our first S1! Last week's LnL Dinner was really cool,

although Jon was "unimpressed" with the 3M's attempt to disassemble his apt. "Hey, Jon, where does this go?" And, in typical LnL fashion, we invented a new game: this one involved a cat. It started out as Keep Away >From Jeremy ...... "Hey, Greg, I thought you're supposed to be a dog, not a cat! L+L Charades Too was lots of fun.

"We have to be at the loading dock in seven and a half hours, and we haven't even been seated yet!" I wonder where we were..

Since I have run out of quotes, I will insert this week's LnL Trivia(I) Question, brought to you by His Ultimate Wackiness, our very own Biotech TD, GRW the weird:

Name the 6 members stuck in the Harrington Elevator around this time last year, the event at which this extremely comical mishap occurred, the current location of the malfunctioning part, and any other misc. info about it that you can dig out of your memory (e.g. the crew chief(s), any quotes, the person who almost went down as the 7th victim)

Since this question is SO easy there will be NO partial credit. Creative responses are always appreciated.

Well, I can't think of anything else to write .... maybe it's because I just don't rip well. Remember, Don't Sail and LnL.

General Meetings are Wednesdays at 5:00 in HL224, exec boards are at 5:00 on Mondays in Beckett Conference room in Fuller.

#### Muslim Student Association

Assalum-o-alaikum

Dear Brothers and Sisters, MSA's first general meeting was held on 9-16-93. For those of you who weren't there we discussed the upcoming events of A and B term and some of the projects that the MSA would like to initiate this year. The MSA would appreciate a more active participation in the meetings in the projects and events. We also want members to write articles for the MSA newsletter. If you have anytime to do so, please drop them in the MSA box#2511 or box #165. We will be holding the next general meeting in two weeks and you will be notified as usual.

#### **Outing Club**

Welcome back! Ok.... So we're off to a slow start....so let's go! Camping, hiking, canoeing, climbing and anything else you can think of. If it's outside we'll do it. Our meetings will be held on Wednesday in the HL224 at 8:00. If you can't make it but are still interested contact Jeff Proul at 791-3748 or email Jazz@wpi.

#### SocComm

Hey everybody...the Exec Board would like to thank all the General Assembly members who made the effort to attend our special meeting with Rick Miller. Everyone who attended learned a lot, and had a good time. Also, CONGRATULA-TIONS TO MIKE LEPORE, THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEMBER WHO WON 2 TICK-ETS (and they are really good seats too) TO

BILLY JOEL, raffled off at this last meeting. Who knows what might happen next time...Membership has it's priveleges...Our upcoming events are...

Thursday, Sept 24, 7:30pm-Coffeehouse Laugh Lines show -Comedian Steve Schaffer, in Alden....\$1 WPI

Friday, Sept 25, 8pm-Pub Show-The Swirlies w/ Small Factory & Johnny Bravo (from WPI), in Gompei's.....\$1 WPI

Sunday, Sept 26, 6:30/9:30 -Film-Loaded Weapon I, in Perault.....\$2

Thursday, Sept 30, 7-9pm- The first College Bowl match, Salisbury 104/105 FREE!!!!!!!

Good luck on your exams-come and unwind at our shows this weekend... And as usual-if you would like to join a committee, or want to find out more about what we do, just stop by the Student Activities office in Daniels (near the mail room)...we are always looking for new people with new ideas ....

#### Society of Pershing Rifles

Well, I'm back, sorry for missing last week, but that just means I have twice as much to talk about this week. Two Sundays ago we had our car wash, and it was a great success. Those of you who came did a great job, even the four high speed pledges that showed up. Speaking of pledges, you guys better start working on those pledge pads of yours. Also, your semester will go by awfully fast if you do not get going on your project and paddles as well, so snap to it!!

We had our preparation for Daring Plunge last Saturday, and it went reasonably well. The classes were all prepared, and the instructors were just about ready to take on the Battalion next Saturday. Just make sure those rope bridges are up, the grenade assault course is ready, and there are injured people for the first aid class. Daring Plunge will be this Friday and Saturday, the 24th and 25th of September. Those of you who have not told the S3 when your last class ends better do so soon so we can get transportation down there for you. Also, everyone going early should bring some money for pizza, pop, and donuts. Everyone should have heard the OpOrd, and if you have not, get a hold of the next person in your chain of

DUES!!!!!! I should not have to say more, but I will. Two weeks ago I told you that if you paid for the entire year up front, you will get a five dollar rebate, but that offer is only good through A-term, so call now, and keep that money coming in!!! Ahem, yes well, anyway, pay up, our illustrious XO emptied the troop account to pay for you guys, so bring'em in.

We are still accepting new pledges, so those of you who have not pledged and wish to do so, you better show up to a meeting soon, or you will have to wait until C-term for your second chance. We meet on Wednesday, in the ROTC office by Harrington at 7PM SHARP!!!! Staff: Continuity book inspection this Wednesday, so make sure they're ready for Heidi Sue to pick through.

#### WhooPI Ski

Hey everybody, welcome to another year of Whoopi Skiing!! I'd like to say hi to all the new freshmen. HI! I'd also like to give a big warm what's up to the returning team! I hope everyone got in shape for dry land this summer! I ran a whole mile and a quarter everyday and Loaf can attest to it (and if not, I know where he lives ... ) Woody's been doing some exercising too - his new workout is called "back dive into glass table". Sully's (the coach, for the freshmen who don't know him yet) boats have been loyally towing most of us around all summer. How are everybody's feet doing? What a life - footin' by the summer and skiing by winter. Not bad for frying our brains and spending our parent's money on engineering knowledge. So, to the freshmen: anyone who is interested in joining the ski club or ski team should really go to the informational meeting on TUES-

DAY SEPTEMBER 21 (that's 1993) at 7:00 (pm) in OLIN HALL 107. You'll meet our coaches (if you're interested in racing) and the advisors of the ski club. Tamara McKinney may make an appearance too (Just kidding.) We seriously really encourage anyone who's interested to go and get informed. We have a lot of fun, and you don't have to be an expert to join. We'll make you into one. Congrats to Emilio and his new bride. Best of luck to everyone's idol, Burrett, who's now learning how to save people's lives at med school. (God help us.) Everyone get psyched for this season chics have to go back to regionals, and the guys are looking really able to kick some Babson and GMC butt this year. (Regionals, men ?!!) Dryland for travel team starts September 30. For those not on the travel team and/or who are just joining, we'll keep you informed and updated. Go to the informational!! We're looking at an awesome season. I, by the way, am putting myself in the position of naming Loafas the weekly birthday boy for the season. Is this a good guideline, Nisa? Until the next column, start waxin' the boards and prayin' to the gate God!

#### Women's Chorale

Greetings! I hope everyone had an awesome weekend and found some time to relax! Our concert was great, and I know that everyone enjoyed it a lot. Thank your parents and friends for coming. Come prepared tonight for an interesting discussion on you know what! We have serious business to discuss... Bagel Day went very well last week; thanks to all who helped out! I know we were greatly missed, but staff and students are glad we are back. And we ARE here to stay. Fantastic job once again on Saturday! Remember Thursday is BAGEL DAY!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

#### WPI Men's Crew Team

The freshmen took a giant leap forward last week with the assistance of the varsity team. You guys are really lucky, I wish I had a chance to row with varsity when I was a freshman. So how are the legs feeling guys? Looks like a lot of you are getting pretty comfortable with the run. It just takes time and a lot of perserverence. Just keep up the good work and stay focused.

The varsity team would like to wish Dom a happy birthday and a hardy ROW HARDER cheer. Gentlemen, the race season is soon upon us. The Textiles is just a few weeks away. We really need to up the concentration in practice if we're going to kick some serious butt this season. And as for the ergs: They're getting better, the scores are dropping. Don't forget Bancrofts on Wed. and a 10,000m due Fri. Let's ROW HARD and TAKE DOWN CROSS this

#### WPI Area Vehicle Enthusiasts

WAVE is a new club which deals with vehicles of all sorts, including trucks, cars, motorcycles, snowmobiles, boats, R/C cars, and anything else with a motor. We have planned events like off-roading/camping adventures (turn left Paul, left!) and junkyard hopping (I always wanted one of those ... ), trips to car shows and swap meets, and random silliness (hey, I wonder if we can lift Paul's truck even higher...).

Having a vehicle is not necessary (but we'll convince you that you absolutely need one to survive), and neither is being extremely interested (you will be soon enough). However you do have to be able to deal with overly obsessed gear-heads (I NEED A V-8! MAKE THAT A BIG-BLOCK! WITH A TURBO!). Also, it can't hurt to be able to swim if you're riding in Paul's truck. (was that lake here last night?) Anyway, if you're interested, e-mail jimzad@wpi. That's all folks.

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#### **GREEK CORNER**

#### AXP

Newsflash....after months of confinement, the laziest of them all has escaped and is once again on the loose! Women of Worcester, beware! What a timely escape it was, too, since he was last seen only two days before Sex on the Beach! Anyone who may have seen this man smothering innocent freshmen girls or lurking behind party rooms is encouraged to call Campus Police. Except for his victims, the party was enjoyable for all, to say the least, but more about that next week. Even more enjoyable than the party was Parent's Day the next afternoon...there's nothing quite like shoveling four cubic yards of beer-saturated sand when the room refuses to stay in one place!

More important than the party, though, is that RUSH starts on Thursday! All of the freshmen (including those who tried earlier...) are strongly encouraged to check out <u>all</u> of the houses, and in the process are welcome to stop by the Crow house (8 Boynton St.) anytime, for lunch, dinner, or just hang out with the brothers. Never again during your college days will there be as many different activities available to you (at no cost) as there will be in the next few weeks, so take advantage of them!

As for the brothers, don't drink all of that soda - it's for the rushees! Besides, if Karness catches anyone anywhere near his kitchen without proper identification, he'll snap on the spot (which, coincidentally, is the same spot where the new kitchen swimming pool is located!)

Lastly, if anyone needs to vent any mid-term frustrations, you can now do so in Schnoufer's "Vandalism Shrine", located past the fork in the road, Apartment #33. Just blanks, right? RIGHT!

#### $AT\Omega$

O.K., while Terry was busy looking for his Sport's Illustrated, he hurt his funny-bone and unfortunately he can't write the article anymore.

This week in ATO Sports. A-team football chalked up its second win. Meanwhile, for the second straight week, B-team managed to score. Don't get down on yourselves guys, you're not...you're not good. You stink. Congrats to soccer for another win. AWWWWWWYEAHHHHHHH...nice goal Rad. Nice hair Bouch, OK goal.

Triple or nothing, Buganski? Cullen, has everything stopped spinning yet? Officer Qwerty reporting for duty Lt. Mitch. After graduation, chief plans to join the Demolition Derby.

Meanwhile, at last Friday's party: Jimmy, next time you get the munchies, eat in your own room. Mike, take a breath already! Ricky, ever the gentlemen. tuck, Doughty would be proud. And of course, Tapley got attacked by girls. What else is new? If anyone needs a date for Friday, I hear Kervin's sister is eligible....next year. Until next week, Godspeed!

#### ΔΦΕ

Here I am, three weeks in row. This was a week from hell... I should be studying for my exams, but how could I let you guys down. Lisa, we had fun last Friday night, even if I did win the moron of the week award. Thanx for your help, Mike. Dave, do you understand what we mean when we ask for lotion; which kind and what it's for? We tried our best to explain.

Nicknames were recently handed out. I will always be the GimP, but tease and lush were added to the list for some of us who will remain nameless. Can someone explain where liver-boob came from? Martha, your tongue was the same color as Maria's shirt (snake names to Maria's box 373). Donna came to the social!

John, next time be careful what you say when you kick down the door and find a couple of sleeping beauties. They just might not be sleeping, but just too lazy to get up and answer the door... Lisa, Sharron says to throw it away, throw it away! Raymond Burr, best know for playing Perry Mason, died this week of liver cancer. (Is that a hint?) We will miss him.

Make sure you sign up for the Blood Drive and remember to actually give blood! Thank to OX for letting us use your party room for the tri-sorority social. Is it too early to say "We love our Seniors"? It seems like the NKOTB are making a come back! Thank for dinner, big sis! Gail, you'll get a package sometime soon, I'll make sure of it. Oh, and Sharron, I love broccoli. How many calories and grams of fat? We will get around to running some day.

Quote of the Week: It's really sad when everything you know will fit on one 8'x 11' sheet of paper!

#### $\Lambda XA$

Rush is finally here. Get psyched! So wear your Rush T-shirts and get down to the house. Remember, it's where you belong. Check-out the Rush Calendar and make sure you make all the events. Membership has its privileges.

Congratulations to Phi Carpenter for passing his Nuclear Regulatory Commission exam. He will now be allowed to run the WPI reactor. (Just don't come down to the house if you are glowing.) Can we have a nuclear reactor in the new house?

We are gearing up for the Food Drive. This is sure to be a huge event. Our goal is to collect 15,000 pounds of food for the Worcester County Food Bank. We also want to win the national competition so we can send a lot of people to the national conclave next year. We want to keep

winning those awards!

Happy belated birthday to Findlen and Dean. Correction from last weeks column: Lagrant, Findlen, Single and Anderson also worked on the mural. Great job! Don't forget to go see Oliva and Stanton play on the 25th and sign up for the Haunted House.

See you all tonight.

#### Order of the Omega

In case you didn't notice, and judging by attendance you didn't, Order of Omega had its first meeting September 15, 1993. Major topic of discussion was "What the hell are we suppose to be doing?" Answers to the million dollar question included Greek Life 101, raising money for charity, and uniting the Greek system. The topic of when do we get our pins was brought up which naturally left Hollybeth to ponder the eternal question, "If I receive another pin, where do I put And while we are on the topic of pondering questions, the first meeting made all who attended it acutely aware that Carla asks more inane questions than Lowell from the TV series "Wings" does. For more detailed information go to the next meeting which will be held on Tuesday, September 28. Time and place TBA, so check your mailboxes. If you are not there Ted will find you and he will kill you! That is all.

#### ΦΚΘ

- Joe, since you asked twice, congratulations for your one week of glory.
- Buck, nice job on the red, white, and blue, people are still recovering.
- Bill, thanks for making our late night guests feel welcome.
- Bowser, with a physique like that you should wear that shirt at every party. Maybe someday, if you keep working out
- your brother will be able to stay late night.

   Wassel, Destefano requests that you stay out
- of his room after parties.

   Hey O' Sully, I guess size really does matter.
- Bennett, nice job on making your girlfriend's
   21st a memorable one.
- Winnie, who ever said short spirits aren't better than marathons

Guz Proverb:

Its better to have Guzzed and lost than to never have Guzzed at all.

#### ΦΣΣ

Greetings Phi Sig Sigs!

Last week was quite a busy week for most of us. Thanks to everyone who coordinated the Tri-Sorority function last Friday-it went extremely well and everyone had a great time. Also, thanks go out to Cindy Mitchell & everyone who worked at the Phone-A-Thon, we did a great job guys! Parents' weekend also went extremely well, and all the parents who came to visit the pretty house were quite impressed (standing O's to Leigh Barry for putting on the reception- you did a great job, Leigh). Finally, thanks go out to the guys at Alpha Chi Rho for cutting our wood- now the house has a PRETTY SIGN again!

Congratulations to the field hockey team who crushed Assumption & Bridgewater last week (Beamer, you scoring machine!). Also, congratulations to Tracy Adamski for being re-elected as women's crew captain!

Don't forget everyone...BEDSHEET VOL-LEYBALL'93 will be held on September 25 (this Saturday). The teams can consist of 6 people, and all the proceeds will benefit the Special Olympics & the Red Cross Disaster Aid Relief for the flooding in the Midwest. So, if you're looking for lots of fun, you love to play volleyball, and you want to win some great prizes, SIGN UP!!

Standing O's go out to Amy Knapp (great work on the photo album), Becky Kostek (thanks for all your hard work on the Bedsheet Volleyball Tournament), Shannon (awesome job with all of the rush stuff), and Senya (just for always making me laugh)

Finally, special hellos to Maria Benson, Leila, Lisa Caponi, Jocelyn (we'll do lunch!), Jeralyn, and Joh.

GO SUPPORT THE FALL SPORTS TEAMS.....AND GO GREEK!!! LITP

#### ΣΑΕ

First off, congratulations to all of the new officers, especially Beta for winning house dink hands down. It's nice to see Ian, Merry, Tibs, and Gibba finally paid their dues for parting with their pins - although the only thing Gibba and Tibs had to show for it was a date with Belfonti. It's nice to

see Ashley's leash on Dante reaches 1000 miles.

While the trend in the house seems to be getting rid of your girlfriend, Sted Lover has acquired one much to the amazement of the brotherhood although where will Harley fit in? Pudge - we hope the chicken of depression goes easy on you. T.F.S. would once again like to thank Corky for rescuing him form a night of ecstasy - we all frown upon that around here. The spirit of Tetblock is carried on by one of our fearless Nibs. On an endnote, good

luck to Argento in keeping his pussy-cat healthy.

#### ΣΠ

We have encountered another lost weekend at the Pi House. Our party had a beautiful turnout with some not-so-beautiful late night guests. That's OK though... Beal needs love too. I don't think I've ever quite seen dancing performed as poetically as that Dave. Lima was in stealth drink mode as he redefined the Sober Joe position to Slobber Joe. Let's all thank O'Toole for some rare video footage of the party. We will need the slowmotion instant replay to truly determine the winner of The Ugly Contest. Don't feel left out, even if you didn't make the video, we still have our personal favorites. Well, Nate hasn't had much time to party with us lately because of work. And yet he still has time to go deep C diving in his closet. Did she find your "raincoats" yet?

The Co-op guys have been very busy with work. But of all people, would you believe Brady has been having trouble getting up in time... That's right, Brady. Well we have compiled a list of excuses he should have handy for the next time they want to fire him:

Top Ten Excuses Why Brady Was Late For Work

- Jammed a whole can of dip in his lip
- 9. His big ear engulfed a pillow
- 8. Got snowed in
- 7. Ran out of cologne
- 6. Accidentally cut off his face while shaving
- 5. Hit a water buffalo
- 4. Waiting outside Brady King for doors to open
- Only four alarm clocks went off
- 2. Busy studying for a test
- Having a wet dream about his BOSE 901 speakers

#### - The Pi Guys

#### TKE

Bedsheet Volleyball is coming this weekend! The games will be played out on the Quad, weather permitting. First prize is \$100. If you signed up already, you should be getting your schedules soon! All proceeds benefit Special Olympics, and the Red Cross Disaster Aid Relief for the Midwest flooding.

Rush is officially underway, and I hope that everyone, whether or not you went on house tours Monday, will come by for the second half on Wednesday. this is a great chance to see what the houses and the guys are like. Make sure to pick up calendars and rush booklets, too!

In construction news, The shed is done, now lets make it look nice. Also, Zippo has finished his room, becoming the first to try the reverse loft concept. Harold, Fitz, and Pete are still in the... uh, planning stages.

Sodacom has started, so at least we have plenty

People can't change their opinion on something from 2 years ago, you can't hand out party invites at Assumption (well, don't get caught), and you have to change your clothes before entering a dorm where people might see your letters. Like no one knows rush is coming up. Excuse me, I thought this was America. Open your mind, >click< or I'll do it for you.

I got 4 coins in the mail yesterday, was visited by the bowling pin fairy, and saw Henry Rollins hosting MTV's Alternative Nation. I guess things aren't as bad as they seem.

Later, G.

#### ΘΧ

Freshmen, Rush is almost here. House tours were last night and tomorrow. If you're thinking about going greek then come down and talk to some brothers. Being greek at WPI is an important decision so think about it.

A job well done to Sal for his attempt to dead lift 350 pounds into his bed on Friday night. Unfortunately he threw out his back and will be in traction for a week. Sal, I have those wooden shoes and the mini windmill that says "From Norway with Love" that you left in my room. If you don't pick it up by Thursday, I'll have to give them to Leary, or is it Jesse.

A salute also goes out to Greg Holbrow for doing a stand up job at bar during the party. There was some stiff competition as to who would be the best at such a hard detail. Just looking at the naked truth of the situation showed who came first.

Intramurals have started and C-Team football is undefeated. The Line from Hell, led by Matt "The Blender" Weig and Scott "The Toothbrush" Griffiths, held back some tough competitors the other night as we went on win (forfeit-0). C-Team volleyball won too, and if the purple had showed up, we would have won anyway.

The Circle of Doom the other day went well. The match up of the night occurred when Jason Bowie took on Sean O'Hearn. Bowie stuck to O'Hearn like a bad wart and eventually tired him out. Upon losing, Sean said, "I haven't had rug burns this bad since that night in New Delhi with Babb."

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#### **COMMUNITY UPDATE**

#### The sky's the limit for Career Day

Career Development Day which takes place this Thursday, September 23, 1993. Career Day offers workshops, programs, panels and networking opportunities focused on exploring career opportunities and searching for a job. Undergraduates, graduate students and alumni are invited, with suggested tracks for freshmen and sophomores and juniors and seniors. (A complete schedule of the day's program is listed below.) This year's program includes a Career Fair in Harrington Auditorium from 12:00 to 3:30pm. Representatives from over 25 companies will be on hand to speak to students and alumni.

This is your last chance to pre-register for the program. Students who pre-register are eligible to win in the first of two raffles taking place during the day. Prizes for the pre-registration raffle

include several pairs of Bausch and Lomb sunglasses, a telephone alarm clock and a \$50 gift certificate for O'Connors Restaurant in Worcester. Later in the day, all Career Day attendees will be eligible for prizes raffled off during the afternoon session, including a Kodak PhotoCD player and a choice of software from Microsoft Word.

Please note one change in the Career Day program. The evening programs for seniors and alumni have been rescheduled. "Success and Survival in Today's Marketplace" will take place on Thursday, October 28 at 7:00pm in Salisbury 105 and "Truth and Consequences: The Challenges and Rewards of Starting Your Own Business" is scheduled for Thursday, November 4 in Kinnicutt Hall. There will be no evening programs on Career Day.

#### Homecoming, the countdown begins

by Jeremy Little Class of '95 and Tony Sacchetti Class of '94

We're back again, with only ten days till Homecoming Weekend! This year's Homecoming promises to be yet another outstanding weekend jam packed with many diverse and exciting events. Friday night the Goat's Head Pub is open for business for students age 21 and over and young alumni. The Class of '93 will celebrate their Zero Year Reunion at the Pub.

Saturday from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm an electrifying festival, filled with games, food booths, a mini golf course (sponsored by SAS) and entertainment will change the Quad into a showcase of talent, food and fun. Entertainment will include performances by WPI's own Men's Glee Club,

Stage Band, PEP Band and improv specialists, Chain Link Fence.

The Miniature Golf Competition, returning this year by popular demand, promises to be a fun activity for all. Already two thirds of the nine holes have been sold. If you are thinking about designing a hole, you must hurry and bring the completed registration form along with five dollars to the Student Activities Office.

Later that afternoon the Rope Pull, a WPI tradition for decades, will feature the freshmen class pitted against the sophomores in a pride filled battle over a pungent mud bog. One is left to wonder if the sophomores will squander away their last chance at the Rope Pull and leave with an 0-2 record. Show some school spirit and enjoy a fun filled day with the WPI community.

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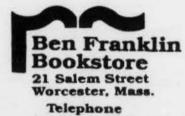
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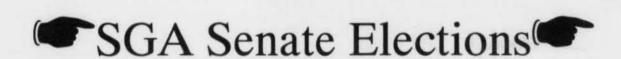
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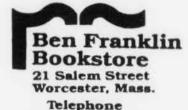
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Monday, September 6

3:28pm - Leak reported in Goddard Hall 3rd floor fixed, but water is leaking through ceiling to 2nd floor, custodian needed to clean up.

Tuesday, September 7

4:13am - Disturbance: Morgan resident reports fireworks being discharged outside of building on west side. Officer responds. 4:19am - Officer reports locating remnants of fireworks, perpetrator gone upon arrival.

5:19am - Assist: Resident of 1 Drury Lane reports dog barking for the last 45 minutes, would

like perimeter of house checked. Officers respond.

5:25am - Officers clear 1 Drury Lane, all OK. Raccoon observed in area, possible cause of barking.

Wednesday, September 8

11:38pm - Alarm - Graduate student reports audible alarm of unknown origin sounding from Goddard Basement Lab. No alarm registered in station on alarm box. Officer to investigate.

11:40pm - Re -alarm. Officer reports audible alarm from room 23 with flashing trouble light and warning sign indicating not to enter room. Officers responding. Officer reports that no apparent disorder or trouble within room.

11:48pm - Officer reports Prof. Weiss as contact person for alarm for room 23.

11:52pm - Prof. Weiss contacted. States has had recent alarm trouble in that location, and that it seemed to be linked to the boiler system. Officers informed, but will not enter as precautionary. Investigating fire alarm system as possible lead to alarm activation.

Thursday, September 9

12:05am - Goddard room 23 alarmed silenced. Discovered to be linked into fire alarm system. 4:56pm - Officer disarm alarm Riley function room doors for Lens and Lights so that they can set up for a function within.

Friday, September 10

1:17am - Medical - Male student at Founders who desired 2nd opinion on stitches he had received yesterday. One appears to have popped out of location and minor bleeding is present. Officers and EMS respond.

1:36am - Re-medical: Officer reports bleeding from stitches in the chest. Will be transporting patient to Hahnemann from Founder in a few minutes. Bleeding is serious enough to cause concern. Apparently several stitches have torn.

Saturday, September 11

12:39am - Assault complaint: Officer responding to 10 Regent St. (ATO) re: complaint of assault alleged to have occurred at 99 Salisbury St. Officer assists.

12:46am - Officers into station with two Becker students, re: assault complaint.

11:37pm - Possible fire: Subject in rear of the station reporting fire on football field. Officers investigate.

12:46pm - Officer reports entire area checked, no sign of fire on the field.

Sunday, September 12

2:03am - Transport/Assist: Holy Cross PD reports WPI student stopped on their campus for operating motor vehicle under influence, requests transportation for student back to WPI. Officer responds.

3:43am - Assist/suspicious vehicle: Officer reports black Blazer parked behind Sig Ep fraternity with several occupants. Vehicle matches description of vehicle wanted for larceny of food bill at Acapulco Restaurant.

What's Happening

Tuesday, September 21

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Wednesday, September 22

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3:00pm and 8:00pm - Holy Cross Film: "Passion Fish," Kimball Theater, Adm. \$1.50 w/ID. \$2.50 gen. adm.

7:00pm - Anna Maria College - NASA Environmental Slide Lecture - Zecco Performing Arts Center. Students free. \$3 gen. adm.

7:30pm - Assumption College - Poetry Performance - Mark Pawlak and David Williams. Auditorium, La Maison Française.

Thursday, September 23

Career Day - no undergraduate classes.

7:00pm - Clark University - David Hinkley, Amnesty International, to speak on human rights crisis in Bosnia and Somalia, Johnson Auditorium, Sackler Science Building, free.

Friday, September 24

7:00pm - Holy Cross Film, "Indecent Proposal," Kimball Theater, \$1.50 w/ID. \$2.50 gen.

8:00pm - Comedian, Steve Schaffer, Gompei's Place.

Saturday, September 25

7:00pm - Holy Cross: Film "Indecent Proposal" Kimball Theater, \$1.50 w/ID, \$2.50 gen.

8:00pm - Pub Show: The Swirlies with Small Factory and Johnny Bravo, \$1.

Sunday, September 26

6:30pm and 9:30pm - Film: "Loaded Weapon," Perreault Hall, Fuller Labs, \$2.

Monday, September 27

7:00pm and 9:00pm - Holy Cross Film: "Strange Brew" Hogan Campus Center, room 519,

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