

Letters to the editor

Editorial Cartoon

ANTI-GREEK?

Recently some of the Greek organizations on campus received a flyer from Ray Graham stating my position on Greeks and how I would treat them if I was elected to the position of Student Organization Council.

Ray quoted me as saying that I'm "anti-Greek" and "if it was up to me all Greek organizations would not exist." I cannot recall ever saying that but I think some things should be cleared up. I'm writing this to try to tell you why I'm running for Student Organization Council and to set the record straight.

When I first came to campus I had the typical "Animal House" picture of Greek life. I also noticed that most of the positions of power were held by Greek leaders and I fell into the typical stereotyping mode.

I had some tough times sorting through these feelings of envy that might have driven me to say those statements. However, over the past semester and a half my perception has changed.

People say that the only way to break a stereotype is to get to know the people who you are stereotyping. I started meeting people from the different Greek organizations on campus and became friends with many of them.

As the president of Eco-Action, I could honestly say that my organization couldn't afford the Earth Day Celebration if it wasn't for the brothers and sisters of Kappa Delta Rho and Alpha Sigma Alpha. Without their people power, and the help of many other organizations on campus, this event would have never gotten off the drawing board.

Ray tires to tell everyone that by Paul Lorio becoming SOC president this would hurt the Greeks on campus. The truth is

that SOC doesn't even represent the Greek organizations on campus; that's the job of the Interfraternity Council and the Panhellenic Council.

SOC is in charge of the non-Greek organizations on campus.

The main reason I have decided to run for SOC is to promote more interaction among the groups on campus including the Greek organizations.

I came from the Penn State Schuylkill campus where there was an organization called the Student Union Board. This group consisted of all the presidents of ALL organizations on campus. There is interaction between the clubs and many great things were accomplished through this group.

Behrend lacks this interaction and this is what I feel can be accomplished through SOC.

In conclusion, I would just like to state that Ray Graham wants this position so bad that he is willing to step on a friend's back to get it. If you read HIS flyer, he believes in "strong long-lasting friendships." He's batting 0 for 1 on this promise.

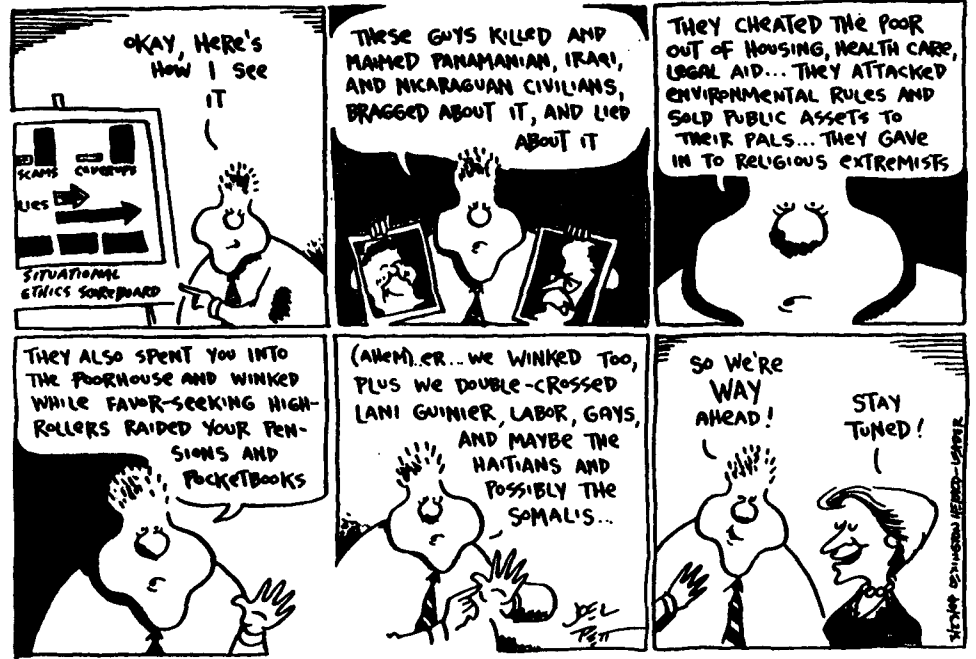
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CONGRATULATIONS

Thank you for your most recent issue. I was very pleased to see that this year's Collision was notably less sexist, racist, and homophobic than last year's. Apparently you did get my point after all.

Congratulations.

Archie Loss



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