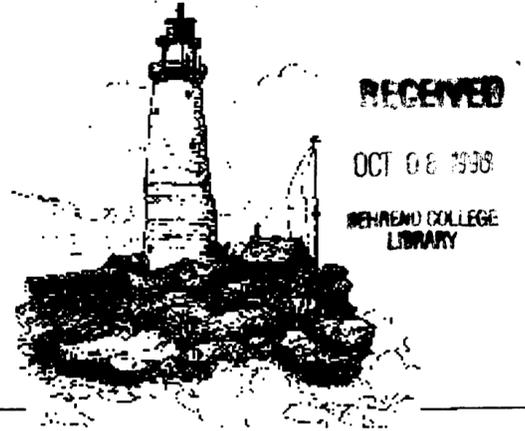


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SGA postpones elections, Computers in Reed prove popular with students

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"Catching up to the 21st century," Chris Rizzo, Director of Student Activities, commented about the computers which are on the first floor of the Reed Union Building.

"The Reed Union Building is the living room of the campus," said Rizzo. The computers are there to give students a chance to check their email and surf the internet. Putting the computers in the Reed Union Building was a collaborative project between the Computer Center and Office of Student Affairs.

Ron Hoffman, Manager of Network and Information Systems, said, "the computers are there to try to relieve pressure off of the computer labs." The cost of putting the computers in Reed Union Building was approximately \$7,000. This money was taken out of the student computer fee. "The furniture was the most expensive part," Hoffman stated. The tables were specifically built for this purpose. The other expenses were the wiring and networking.

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computer labs which was recently upgraded. The use of these computers instead of buying new ones was to help keep the costs down. Ron Hoffman stated that, "this is the best strategic location for the computers so that students can quickly check their email and surf the web."

Demeca Howard, 01 Business, said, "being a commuter, it is very convenient for me because I do not have to walk all the way down to Hammermill to use the computer lab." Jill Paetzold, 01 Elementary Education, said, "I think it's really awesome. It makes it a lot easier. It is much more

are always full."

Heather Hinz, 01 Elementary and Special Education, said, "I find it convenient to have these computers in the Reed Union Building because I'm able to check my email throughout the day rather than having to wait for an open computer in the computer lab." Chris Buchanan, 01 Political Science, said, "they need some stools because people are tired of standing. People are always forced to sit on the back of the couches and eventually they are going to break. And if they are worried about someone stealing a stool, they should just nail them down."



SGA senators at last night's open forum

photo by Andrea Zaffino

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The Student Government Association held the first fall semester open forum at which none of the student body was present. On Wednesday, October 7, SGA gave students an opportunity to voice their concerns and grievances about campus life. The only problem was that the only students present were those who compose the SGA Senate.

Several SGA Senators contributed their gripes about the campus, including SGA Secretary Michelle Benjamin. Benjamin, who lives in apartment 506, described how the window in her bedroom came off track and fell

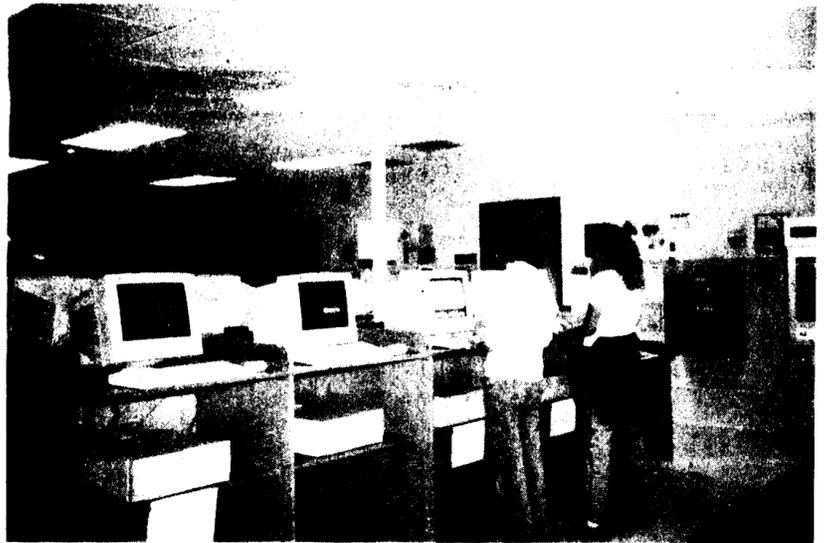
on her roommate. Despite this colorful anecdote, other students complained about the dumpster by the apartments emitting a less than pleasurable smell. The lack of numbers on apartments in the quad was also mentioned. Doug Watkins, a leader of Joint Residence Council, noted that Housing and Food Services was planning to install a directory of the apartment quad at the kiosk at the top of the hill.

Interrupting the forum was a phone call for "Chris." SGA Senator Michael Kern answered the caller and told him that he contacted Reed 117 and unfortunately the only "Chris" in

attendance was Chris Rizzo, Director of Student Activities.

Senators for the two open freshmen seats will officially be appointed next week. Yolayne Merced has dropped out of the race leaving the two remaining candidates, Michael Ames and Christopher Buchanan, to gain these offices by default.

The Joint Residence Council and the Commuter Council are planning to host a Police and Safety Forum. The time and date has yet to be announced. On November 04, SGA will hold its second forum hopefully with the addition of more students.



Students surf the net at the new computers in the Reed Union Building

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SGA President Buck Goedicke at Wednesday's OpenForum

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Married writers read recent work

By Anne Rajotte
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Wife and husband, Judith Kitchen and Stan Ruben, were described as "a

her family based on their various shades of blue eyes to a recounting of all of the forms of art she has attempted and failed at which were singing, dancing, pottery and photography.

Kitchen tries to "blur the edge between nonfiction and poetry." "But," she added, "you can only do that for a second."

Stan Ruben a self described "lyric poet," read poems that ranged from jazz to the Bog people in Scotland. He also read several poems from his book *Midnight*. He put the poems in the context of the various places he and his wife have lived which range from Massachusetts to Ireland.

"Poetry is partly about self-recognition," Ruben commented.

Both Kitchen and Ruben teach at SUNY-Brockport, where Ruben is the

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joint literary institution," by Behrend English professor Dr. Diana Hume George. Each read selections from their recent works on Tuesday night.

They "are almost as in love with words as they still are with each other," commented Dr. George in her introduction.

Judith Kitchen, a creative nonfiction writer, read several essays from her autobiography, *Only the Dance: Essays on Time and Memory*. The topics ranged from a description of

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