

Editorials

Blue in The Face

We at the Reader: those students who have been working hard in the Constitutional Revisions Committee; and those club presidents that have also been working hard to make this school become something - are fed-up. Fed-up with the lack of interest in its students. Sick of carrying the load of others. We wonder how loud and how long we have to shout. How blue in the face we have to get before students take notice and an interest in what our organizations have to offer.

On Thursday, October 27th, the Student Government Association held its annual Junior Senatorial Elections. Included on the ballot was a Constitutional Revisions Referendum which, had it been passed, would have given S.G.A. a viable and responsible constitution. A majority vote from a twenty-five percent response of the student body was all that was needed to make the revisions law. (Twenty-five percent is approximately four hundred students.) Only ten percent voted on Thursday and consequently the constitution was not passed.

S.G.A. cannot hope to accomplish anything this year without a workable constitution. So, now, it is necessary for S.G.A. to present the student body with another referendum. Only this time they are resorting to grade school tactics - holding hands. Should that upset people here at Captiol, then consider our position. We, the hard working individuals, are attempting, as best we can, to give the necessary channels for students' voices to be heard. Whether it be on parking fees and fines or the school calendar, or graduation, we're giving the students that chance to speak out. It's obvious that no one cares, but we do and we refuse to be brought down by your apathy! If we want to take an interest in this school then don't keep us from doing it! Take your apathy to another school.

Maybe S.G.A. should hold its meetings in a cemetery where there would be just as much response as here. Maybe S.G.A. should give up and turn the whole school into a mausoleum. There's no law that says we have to have a newspaper or a yearbook or dances or movies or plays. That's all up to you, the student body. We at the Reader only want to know who ties your shoes and who holds your hands when you go to the bathroom.

Need Money

James D. South, Director of Student Affairs, has announced the following short-term loan fund procedures which have been approved by the Administration.

1. Loans may be made by any Capitol Campus student in need of temporary financial assistance.
2. Loans are to be made without interest or other charges.
3. Loans are to be approved by the Director of Students Affairs or his designated representative.
4. Loans will normally not exceed fifteen dollars (\$15.00). However, loans may be granted to any student by the Director of Student Affairs or his representative to a maximum of fifty dollars (\$50.) Loans to one hundred dollars in amount may be made upon approval of

the Director of Student Affairs and the Capitol Campus Administrative Officer.

5. Loans may be made by the Director of Students Affairs or his representative for a period not to exceed three weeks. Longer periods of time not to exceed six weeks may be made with the approval of The Capitol Campus Administrative Officer.
6. Procedures established for Commonwealth Campuses Emergency Loan Funds will be followed in administering this fund.
7. In cases where students do not repay on the stated date, the Finance Office will notify the student that his note is overdue. Failure to make payment within ten days will result in the Finance Office placing a registration or graduation "hold" on the student's records.



The Capitol Campus Reader

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Letters to the Editor

Are you the type of individual that does nothing and takes credit for everything that is done right?

or

Are you the type of individual that does nothing and the first to complain about everything that goes wrong?

If you are in either or both categories stated above, you are probably a student that did not vote, does not care about your school, fellow students or yourself.

The past election was a good indication that this school has the distinction of having about 89% of the student body consisting of this type of the above student.

Your Student Government Association consists of a few dedicated students that participate in representing the whole student body. Without team work by the Assoc. and full cooperation by the student body, the goals of the students will never be met.

The main issue confronting the SGA is the constitutional revision. For those that are not aware that the present constitution was adopted illegally by the prior administration. The prior administration put the present constitution in effect last fall without 25% of the students voting which is a direct violation of Article XIX, Sec. 3 of the constitution. This error was not discovered until this administration reviewed the constitution. The present SGA president ruled the invalid constitution valid, on the grounds that usage sets precedents, and the statute of limitations.

This does not solve the problems for future Student Government Association, so this SGA has decided to hold another election for the sole purpose of constitutional revisions. If you are concerned by this present situation, and would like to see that your present and future Student Governments are NOT hampered by an antiquated, ambiguous constitution, vote yes to the revisions and insure a solid base for a progressive future.

Bus. Senator
 Nick Spengler

To Whom It May Concern:

I hope the "person or persons" who decided to clear the bulletin boards will realize they destroyed a wealth of information which will not all be easily replaced. Some articles are unreplacable. A lot of work goes into the typing, placing and keeping up to day the material put there. This information is for the students' benefit. Do these "juveniles" realize that for a few moments of "fun" they have wasted the efforts and trust of the "secretaries" who do try to help the students as much as possible. Why not do something constructive for a change?

/s/ Louise Frego, Doty Broxterman, Jean Billet, Joanne Burkhart, Jane Kinsey, Ann Campbell, Doris Hughes, Georgia Burkett, Betty McCloskey, Rose Reedy, Betty Wilcox, and Betty Van Shura.

Thank you

The C.C. Reader wants to thank the Maintenance men who took the lock from one cabinet door and put it on the other cabinet door and gave us a key. Now if we could only get the lock on the other door once again and get another key for the lock, then we will be very happy. The efficiency in this school is simply amazing.

Don't Read This

Last year the newspaper was denounced as an "inefficient news-weekly," but not one of the persons responsible for that idiotic criticism were on the staff or ever planned to join it.

This year the paper has new editors, a new format, and a new staff. We still get the feeling no one is reading it and whether or not it is still an "inefficient news-weekly," no news is good news. We have gotten very little response as to what your opinions are and therefore have been unable to cater to your needs and interests. At this point, all we can do is experiment and hope you like it. So, let us explain some things that may be of importance to you.

Our goal, which is paramount and the underlying thought behind printing, is to make this newspaper the best this school has ever seen. A universal goal, but simple enough. We also wish . . . well, let's put it this way, without your response, opinions, and interest this paper is nothing and nowhere.

You, the students of this college, are the staff of our newspaper. We need you, graduate students as well as under-graduate students. Let us know what's going on. Stop down to see us.

This is not another plea for help. It's an explanation of our policies.

Our reasons for a bi-monthly paper were explained last week, we feel it is a good move. Maybe, someday, when the staff gets bigger and the students become more interested, we can go back to a weekly. Till that time, the paper will only be printed two more times this year: November 22 and December 6. We will be printing a schedule for Winter and Spring terms in our December 6th issue.

If you would rather see us print a paper like the Daily Collegian we're afraid that it just can't be done without a larger staff or an A.P. wire service. Instead, we hope to accomplish something much different. We want to bring you a paper that is individual, creative, and unique. A paper that doesn't try to be like the Daily Collegian or any other big school newspaper. A paper that is solely a product of our individuality. None of this can come true without your support and help.

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WHAT WE PRINT

We are able and willing to print anything that is of interest to you, but like all organizations we have a few basic rules that must be followed. It's not much.

Any articles or letters for publication must be submitted to the Reader office in W104 the Thursday prior to publication. November 15 for the November 22 issue and November 29 for the December 6 issue.) We would greatly appreciate that your submitted works be typed and double spaced or legibly printed and signed. Please be aware of out-dated material.

We are also looking for drawings and photographs of any nature for our front covers.

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ON ADS

Noteworthy campus events will receive news or advertising space in the Reader at no charge. However, these events must benefit the campus community in general or have full - campus participation to qualify. Cultural events, the talent show, plays, and others will qualify at the discretion of the editors. Be sure to include all pertinent information such as dates, times, events, places, where to be contracted, etc. I. It would be helpful if these ads were typed.

The same applies to Classified Ads which will still appear in every issue.

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PRINTING

Due to the newsprint paper shortage, we are printing only 1500 copies at a time. Five hundred of these copies are distributed by Ms. Betty Duke (Public Relations), to Junior Colleges in the state. A substantial amount of those five hundred copies reach HACC. The others are distributed here at school at the roundtable and in W104.

Layout will take place on Monday evenings and Tuesday mornings and afternoons. If you're interested in how it's done please feel free to stop by and watch but you can't read it. The paper is printed on Wednesday and is then distributed on Thursday.

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If you have any questions or answers - just stop by. Ask for Charlie (944-0506) or Frank (944-3078), we will be glad to help you.



Hey Look At Us

The Photo Club is having their first exhibit this year. The show will start on Monday, November 12. The pictures will be in the Gallery Lounge.

The Club is a young one and none of us are really great photographers. We need your response to our work. Most of the members work in the photo lab, which is located in the rear of the Placement building. We develop and process all our own film and all our own prints. The actual chemical process is easy, but to develop a technique in

order to get consistently good prints is quite a different matter. The number of variables involved in printing is what makes the mystery of photography. Light is the basic principle behind every step in both taking and developing pictures.

We hope that everyone will walk into the Gallery Lounge and sample our humble works. Please let us know what you think. The president is Charlie and the vice president is Gerry and we can be reached in the C.C. Reader Office W-104.
