

# A Note From The Editor



## What is the C.C. Reader?

On several occasions during this past term, I and members of the Reader staff have been queried as to just what is the C.C. Reader? By that, they mean, are we a newspaper, a magazine, or just a plain old piece of shit. Well, being the editor, it's my inherent duty to make some kind of statement about this publication's goals, policy, and purpose. Personally, I sometimes feel the Reader is a pain in the old glutteous maximus, but this question does deserve serious attention, since it does involve a large part of the student population (if only by implication).

Well, my first impulse might be to classify the Reader as a newspaper, and indeed, in many respects (not the least being appearance), it is just that. However, we are not strictly a newspaper. We cannot afford to be strictly a newspaper. We try to maintain the appearance of a newspaper especially on the front page, and we do try to live up to the general concepts include 'of' newspaper journalism: to report the news.

But there, the resemblance ends. We haven't the skilled staff to be able to furnish a high-degree of journalism to the campus. Indeed, only one of the top four on the Reader staff is in the journalism option, and plans to take journalism as a career. In fact, I myself am a Business major, with no delusions of being a Pulitzer Prize winner.

However, we aren't exactly a magazine, either, although we do attempt to include some concepts inherent in those publications. We are a rather uncommon mixture of many things found in the printed medium, including photogtaphy. We do not pretend to be anything we aren't. We don't have the staff or the money to really specialize in any particular format, so we have become a newspaper - magazine - newsletter - literary - scratch - sheet. We do this because we are the students' publication, and we must try to be as diverse as the students may be, and as involved as the students aren't. What are we? In short, we are the Capitol Campus READER.

-J.S.B.

## Aviation Club

The Aviation Club visited Harrisburg International Airport on November 19 to conduct preflight inspection of a light aircraft. A Piper Cherokee was used and all members had the opportunity to determine the plane's airworthiness as each pilot does before each flight.

There will be a business meeting on Tuesday December 3, at 7:00 in room E-224. Election of officers will be held, please plan to attend this important meeting.



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In an effort to provide better security service for the campus, we have arranged to be included in the Dauphin County emergency dispatch network. This now provides the campus with 7 day a week, 24 hour emergency service.

To make use of the service students should call 236-7976 when police, fire, ambulance or security assistance is needed. Dispatch will immediately notify campus security via two-way radio --if security is not available at the time, Lower Swatara will automatically be notified.

For routine business continue to use 787-7936 to contact our security office.

Remember the number 236-7976 for police and security emergencies.

J. H. Paul



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# XGI REPORTER

--November 19, 1974--9:00 P.M.-- The XGI Fraternity held their regular meeting at which 26 new members were initiated into the organization by drinking from the fraternity mug. All kinds of gulping records were broken. The old record was 4.0 secs. set by George White in March, '71. Bill Potter equalled the record in January, '74. However, on Tuesday evening Robert Monath (Fish) chugged the 12 ozs. of golden brew in 2.3 secs. and made a "BACK+UP" CHUG OF 1/4. --SECS. John Estes also broke the old record with chug of 3.5 secs. Congratulations are extended to all the new members of the fraternity. The remaining applicants will be initiated at our next meeting on December 10.

The football team is still 5-2. We were cancelled out twice last week because of inclement weather and a wet field. Apparently someone forgot to roll out the tarp in the stadium???

I want to once again extend my thanks to all the donors of blood at our Blood Drive held on Nov. 21. We collected a total of 59 pints which is a new on-time collection record for the drive. Thank-you once again to all who participated.

Watch for an exclusive newspaper article in the Patriot News Sunday edition soon. Mr. Bruce Howland interviewed approximately ten members of the fraternity on Nov. 19 in reference to problems encountered by veterans at Capitol Campus and how the GI Bill affects their lives.

HEY PEOPLE! Get your XGI Raffle tickets now. Dec. 13, the drawing date will be here before you realize it. Tickets may be purchased from any frat member or stop in the XGI Lounge (W-114) anytime. Remember only a few more days of ticket sales are left. The prizes are outstanding and the more tickets you buy the better chance for you to win those terrific prizes. Don't delay, buy those tickets today. I mean right NOW!

XGI REPORTER, AL THE DUTCHMAN

## An American Tragedy: "Your kind of place"

After an enjoyable cultural interlude, "The Disintegration of James Cherry" presented by Capitol's own Strolling Muggers, I proceeded to the nearby McDonald's with my date for some coffee and conversation.

Ordering the coffee was handled normally, with the plastic thank you as the cash register was closed. I do believe that the management of this fast food palace keeps track of each counterperson's closing words, lest they lose profits by forfeiting a Big Mac and fries due to the lack of a thank you.

The tragedy of the evening was the atmosphere of the dining area. As we sat down, a uniformed rent-a-cop paced down the aisle with his eyes glaring at a motley group of teenagers to our left. As he passed, some remark was made among the teenagers and the security guard followed the remark with a quick retort.

It was at that moment that I noticed what appeared to be a fancy version of an electric cattle prod. The basic purpose of this weapon is to immobilize a person by a jolt of electric current. Here it was, in the hands of a security guard at McDonald's - "Your kind of place."

The absurdity of this situation was compounded even further after seeing "James Cherry." Violence was very much a part of this play in quite an unconventional and inexcusable context. If someone displeased you in this play, that person was simply killed. This is not to imply that the scene at McDonald's was that drastic, but the ambience that evening was definitely threatening.

The reason to this madness, the need for a cattle prod was explained by a McDonald's employee cleaning up the tables. A teenager himself, the young boy explained that there was a fight at the restaurant recently in which the security guard was injured and which prompted a visit by the local police. Ever since, he stated, the guards have been carrying these electric weapons.

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