



Lyda Baker

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Lyda said she would like to see more faculty news included in the paper, and perhaps some national and international news highlights.

"I think it would benefit the campus community to have a weekly paper," she said.

She feels that this would give the feeling that something is happening on campus.

In summing up her thoughts on the future of the paper, Lyda said: "It can be anything anyone wants to make it."

When asked about her feelings about the total experience, she said: "I, personally, have grown a lot being editor of the paper."

The responsibility of the position, and keeping up with all of the problems ("And there were a hell of a lot") were two of the things that contributed to that growth.

"Every Thursday the paper came out it felt terrific having been the editor. Just getting to that point -- it finally became worth it," she said.

Lyda says she will still write some articles now and then, and maybe hand in some photographs; but she admits that: "It's nice being able to leave when I want to leave."

As for the day her resignation becomes effective, it's a Wednesday because "I became associate editor on a Wednesday and editor on a Wednesday."

For those who are unfamiliar with the operation of the C.C. Reader -- Wednesday is "lay-out day," the busiest day of all for the staff. They're not worried, though. Lyda might have resigned as editor, but she'll still be there on Wednesday. She wouldn't miss it for the world.

Victim of Car Crash



Curtis Miller

automobile accident on Saturday, December 15, when his car went over an embankment on the airport connector highway. Curt was 31 years old.

A commuter student, he lived on South 14th Street in Harrisburg. He had transferred to Capitol Campus this past fall from HACC.

Curt was a Vietnam era veteran, having served in the U. S. Air Force from 1967 to 1971. At Capitol Campus he was active in the XGI fraternity, assisting at the meetings which he attended regularly as well as with the XGI blood drive. Keith Yundt, an XGI member, said Curt had considered representing the XGIs on the executive board.

"Curt enjoyed life and enjoyed challenge," Yundt said. "He was always smiling, could give and take jokes, and could laugh just as hard either way."

Curtis Miller, who was a 8th term business major at Capitol Campus, died in an

Harry

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-- Harry came to the office and introduced himself to editor Lyda Baker. He asked what needed to be done, and did it.

He told Lyda: "If I do something I like to do it right or not at all."

And true to his word, after working on his first issue, he made out a long list of questions about the operation of the paper which he presented to Lyda.

"I bombarded her with questions," Harry said.

She must have been impressed, because not long after that she asked Harry if he would be interested in the job of co-editor, a long-vacant position.

Harry, who admitted that: "It shocked the heck out of me," nevertheless accepted the offer.

He continued the rest of the term as co-editor -- learning the operation of the paper -- and now, because of Lyda's resignation, he alone will be responsible for that operation.

Harry has studied past issues of the newspaper, from the time the campus first opened to the present.

He said he noticed that: "Whenever there's an editor change, the editor always changed the logo."

"I like the logo," he said.

As for the future of the C.C. Reader, Harry said, "I'm more conservative. I view the paper as serving the campus community."

He includes students, faculty, staff, and administration in that community. He said that in the past the paper has criticized only, creating a "face-off" situation.

"I view myself as an underdog. I'm in one of the hardest majors, I'm an SGA senator, and editor of the paper. Maybe I won't be effective in any of the above, but I want to say that I gave it a try. I like to view topics as the faculty would view them -- I don't like to take a solid student view. I try to view it from their viewpoint. I try to be open," he concluded.

That is the "impossible" task that Harry has set for himself. He wants to get the students, faculty, and administration to work together in a way that all parties are satisfied.

Harry admitted that there are at least two major problems at Capitol Campus: because it is a two-year program, the student turnover rate is too fast; and it is difficult to get commuter and graduate students involved in student activities.

How will the C.C. Reader contribute to solving those problems?

"We're giving a chance to all organizations to have activities published," said Harry. "I'd like to get enough students involved in the paper that all phases of campus community involvement -- including off-campus events related to students -- will be included in the paper. And in that way we can serve the students. We want to give as much publicity as the students want."

The first step, obviously, is to have something to publicize.

"The editor can't do the whole job himself," Harry said. "We need people to contribute in specific areas: clubs, poetry, reviews, sports, police, SGA, faculty council, the provost, administration, and cultural events."

Harry would like to have someone to report on each specific area. This might amount to a lot of work at times, but often it would involve only a few hours a week. He would like to see more of the Multi-Media students join the staff of the paper, but also students from all the other majors.

Harry seems to have it all mapped out. Others have tried and failed to get more students involved in activities at Capitol. Some have been afraid to try at all. Harry isn't afraid, and he might just be the one to do the "impossible."



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I.M. issues snowflake awards

Editor:

Well, it's past the Christmas season and I.M. is still full of holiday cheer and good wishes. SGA gets five snowflakes for their stand on nuclear energy. Now if only those Keystone Kops on the NRC and legislative leadbotoms in Washington would heed the word of the people.

The CC Reader also gets five snowflakes for the fabulous job it's been doing. Now if only people on this campus would respond to some responsible editorials.

The library people also get five snowflakes for undertaking a renovation. Now if only they would get rid of that exit turnstile which threatens the continued genital functioning

of the youth of America. It is a public health menace.

Five snowflakes for the I.A.A. May they raise enough money to save even one life in Cambodia.

Now for the Bah Humbugs!

A great big Bah Humbug! for all those who can ride the C.A.T. but don't!

A Bah Humbug! on both the Ayatollah Khomeini and the Shah! May they both be tried and held accountable for their sins against humanity by the Ultimate Judge! By the same token, five snowflakes for President Carter, other Presidential candidates and the American people--all of whom have (until the date of this writing) kept their collective cool.

A double Bah Humbug! to Met-Ed, but a half a Bah Humbug! to the Kemeny Commission for its half-hearted stance on nuclear power and TMI.

And finally, a triple whammie Bah Humbug! for professors who give final examinations during the last week of class! Dozens of snowflakes for those of us who can survive it with decent grades!

And lest I forget--a multitude of Bah Humbugs! for Vendorville!

Pax, Peace, Salaam, Shalom

I.M. Fedup