

Letters to the Editor

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John Brown, Admin '80

Editor:

Hello again, gang! After a one issue absence, I have decided to return to these pages. I just can't stand to see an issue of the **Reader** without a contribution from myself in it.

A lot of things have happened since my last letter. First of all, let me congratulate SGA on its accomplishments so far this year. The present student government has already done more this year than the 1979-80 administration did in its whole term of office. That is not to say that last year's members of SGA were all worthless. Far from it! The good members were just held back from performing their duties by a group of last year's senior officers who were in there for a free ride and a nice resume. I am proud to say that I am acquainted with some of this year's members.

I am especially impressed with the renovation of Vendorville. Things are really looking up there compared to last year. So there are only five more campaign issues to resolve, Rosanne.

Lest any of you think I'm some kind of cheerleader, all is not roses with SGA. Namely, how many poor-sounding, eardrum shattering concerts do you have to have in the gym before you learn it's no place to have a concert? Haji is a great band. It's just too bad that their two performances on campus have been marred by the terrible acoustics of the gymnasium. Noting the size of crowds at campus concerts, I might even suggest the Student Center as a better place to hold such an event.

Another thorn for SGA, but mostly for the Humanities Department, is the lack of Multi-Media students participating on the staff of the C.C. Reader. Poor Harry is tearing his hair out trying to produce good journalism, when with the help of just a few more Multi-Media students his job would be much easier and the paper would be much better. Let's see SGA and the Humanities Department get together to formulate a policy of cooperation to help the Reader out

A great big Leonard Wumke pat on the back goes to the Coordinator for Residence Living, Pat Murphy. She has a fine group of resident assistants working for her in the dorms, Heights, and apartments. And Ms. Murphy has also continued to demonstrate her unique talent for keeping order in residence facilities while allowing informal organizations and activities to flourish on campus. We appreciate it, Pat. I am also impressed with the work of her assistant, John, in the dorms. Keep it up.

Housing and Food Service is another story. Why the dorm students put up with the short meal-hours and reductions in service and quality of service with an increase in price each term is beyond me. Just keep in mind that if you really want something at CC, you keep asking and complaining (I hate that word) to people higher and higher up the bureaucratic ladder. You'll probably get what you want eventually, especially if there's more than one of you doing the 'asking,' And for any really difficult problems you have, keep Dr. Jerry South, Director of Student Affairs, in mind. Jerry generally understands what you're talking about when no one else on the staff seems to.

Just one more thing. I'm glad to see that former senator?, current Vice-President?? Austin is keeping his fingers off other people's property on walls and bulletin boards. Just ask Dave if you don't understand.

You all (You'uns) keep your noses to the grindstone and your seats on the bar stools. And remember: 'A good leader is the person who does the stuff no one else wants to do.' Until next time, I remain LEONARD WUMKE

Editor

Many of the seniors are accustomed now to the continual moanings of our beloved Student Government Association and the Student Activities Office about the lack of student interest in campus organizations. Does anyone remember who gleefully sets up tables for the Marine Corps and gives out free packets of promotional goodies for all sorts of big companies, but refused the Gideon's request to distribute Bibles in the buildings?

Those of us who were present over the summer term also remember how a legitimate group of dedicated, though naive, Anderson supporters tried futilely to become an official student organization. The students thought that Penn State "University" could be a forum for free and open exchange of ideas. Fools. This is the same campus that refused Jane Fonda permission to speak because she might be considered too controversial.

The Anderson group filed a petition in July for the right to exist as a campus organization. Acting in the student's best interest, SGA decided to protect our virgin minds from the hideous ideas of a "political" candidate. The group was told that they might be considered again in late September or early October. Who knows, they may have even received a charter by November 5th!

Juniors are due an apology from us naive upperclassfolk. We elected these people and put up with this nonsense. Sorry. I only hope that when you are seniors, Capitol Campus will treat controversy like a true university instead of like an ostrich.

Bob Wert

FACULTY WOMEN'S CLUB TO AWARD \$500 MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

At its recent meeting in late September, The Capitol Campus Faculty Women's Club established a Memorial Scholarship in memory of Susan Cole, wife of Dr. Charles Cole, Professor of Engineering.

Applications for the Scholarship (an award of \$500) are now available in the Admissions/Financial Aid Office (Room 214 of the Multi-Purpose Building) and must be returned to the Admissions Office not later than Monday, November 3, 1980.

Applicants must be full-time undergraduates who will be enrolled at Capitol Winter or Spring Terms 1981, and should have a strong academic record and high financial need. The Faculty Committee on Academic and Athletic Standards, Awards, and Scholarships will review the applications and select the recipient before the end of Fall Term 1980.

Interested students who feel they may qualify for consideration are urged to complete an application as soon as possible. Contact Wayne Nelson, Financial Aid Counselor, 948-6250, in the Admissions Office for full details.

Students get good buys on bigger cars

Campus Digest News Service

With the rich leaving their big gas-guzzling cars behind for more fuel-efficient autos, used car lots are filled with these one-time symbols of prestige.

Who are buying all these gas-guzzlers? Those on low and fixed incomes, which includes many students.

The ever-increasing cost of gasoline has made big used cars cheap enough for the poor to afford. Although the cars are the cheapest to be found, they are not cheap when trying to satisfy their appetites for gas.

Students and others with low incomes realize that these cars are inefficient and the cost of fuel is high, but they find that small cars do not come cheap. When gas prices jumped sharply last year, the rich began dumping their big cars for models which got the best gas mileage. This served to push up the price of subcompact cars. Even used subcompacts were bringing a premium price. Today the price difference between small and big cars is dramatic.

For example the National Automobile Association estimated last year that a 5-year-old Toyota Corolla subcompact could be purchased for \$1,850 which was approximately \$225 less than a fancy Oldsmobile Delta 88 station wagon of the same age. Today the Corolla costs \$2,125 or \$375 more than the Delta 88.

The tightening of credit has created problems for students wanting to buy cars. With lenders requiring large down payments and high interest rates, small cars are out of the reach of most students. On top of that, many lenders few students as poor credit risks.

Students who want to drive to classes and work are then forced into buying the cars no one else wants — the gas guzzlers.

ICE FOLLIES/HOLIDAY ON ICE Tuesday, October 28, 1980 8:15 p.m. Hersheypark Arena

Dear Friend:

We are proud to announce that CCNB has once again "bought out the house" at Hersheypark Arena for opening night of the 1981 edition of the Ice Follies/Holiday On Ice Combined Shows! This gala event will take place at 8:15 P.M., Tuesday, October 28, 1980.

We have done this so that individuals and groups may obtain tickets at greatly reduced prices. We invite your school, club or organization to take advantage of this offer and see the great display of skating talent, costumes, music and comedy that only the Ice Follies/Holiday On Ice Combined Shows can present.

We would encourage you to purchase group tickets early to insure selection of the best seats and to receive the substantial discount prices.

Sincerely,

Dolby M. Nottingham Assistant Vice President

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-	PHONE #
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	NO ORDERS ACCEPTED AFTER OCTOBER 13, 1980!
	TICKETS SHOULD BE DICKED UP THE WEEK OF

OCTOBER 20th IN THE STUDENT ACTIVITIES OFFICE.