

A November-festive Affair

by Kevin Spiegel

Soft pretzels, knockwursts, polka dancing and plenty of beer highlighted the first-ever Novemberfest.

The Resident Student Council (RSC) sponsored this gala festival which brought out the dancer in all of us.



The READER surprises Ruth Ann Bryner and Rob Russell on the dance floor.

Direct from the Arthur Murray School of Dance were Thomas Eurick and his lovely partner Sandy Pierce, both instructors. Their main job was to get the crowd off their "buns," and on to the dance floor, for a time never to be forgotten.

Last Tuesday was a night for the students to put their studies aside and enjoy themselves at the Novemberfest. The music was strange to some people, but -- face it, folks -- polka music is fun to dance to.

Kathy Ryan, who was constantly seen dancing, said, "The Novemberfest was the best organized event I've been to this term. I had a super-fantastic time dancing the night away with my partner Dave."

When it came time to give dance instructions, Tom and Sandy provided the necessary lessons. For some students who had two left feet, these lessons were very helpful. But for those lucky "Fred Astaires," the lessons were a quick "brush-up" on polka dancing.

When there were no more girls for partners, Sandy Pierce was even dancing with the students, mainly basketball player Ron Hunziker. There was no stopping the students once they started to dance. Another couple tearing up the dance floor were Rob Russell and Ruthann Bryner. This writer was very much impressed with this couple; their communication and total concentration with each other made it appear they had been practicing. Could it be another dance team starting? Next thing you know they will be making movies!

Overall, it was a splendid evening and one to remember. A special thanks to the Polka Platters who provided the sounds and inspirations, and to the SGA Social Committee who donated the money for this event. Joe Bozik, secretary of RSC, said that he was pleased with the turnout, and all seemed to have a good time.

The Novemberfest took over a month to plan, but in four short hours there was plenty of dancing, plenty of soft pretzels eaten, plenty of beer drunk, and especially, plenty of happy people.



Tish and David take it one step at a time.



James Flately and Frank Notturmo enjoy a little break between all the dancing.
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