

# ACROSS THE NATION

## Antics

IT'S A SMALL SCHOOL, but the alumni of Kendall College of Art and Design (MI) make up for numbers with a flair. To kick off alumni week this fall, several Kendall grads went through Grand Rapids and sprayed manhole covers with fluorescent shades. "We were going to use the manholes as a directional signal, a gigantic dot-to-dot," explained Richard Cooper, chair of the reunion committee. But they settled on simply colorizing about 120 covers, which helped alumni find their way back to alma mater.

OLD BEN LIKED A GOOD JOKE, but someone may have crossed the line between antics and vandalism in moving the bronze statue of Ben Franklin at the U. of Pennsylvania. Investigators determined that a vehicle first broadsided Ben, breaking his anchor bolts. Then someone moved the monument--about 500 pounds--some 10 feet. Jacqueline Jacovi, associate curator of the UP Art Collection, reported that repairs may cost several thousand dollars.

PAPA'S GOT A BRAND NEW BAG? In what may have been a continuation of the Lewis Streak tradition at the U. of North Carolina, about 10 men recently ran through campus wearing nothing but brown bags over their heads. Identification will be a problem, but UNC administrators want to pursue the matter. A police officer remarked, "It's a childish practice and we have better things to do, but if we get a complaint we will have to act on it." But how will police conduct a lineup to identify the guilty.

## Around Campus

**VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES** that knock for Valparaiso U. (IN) students are now behind a single door. This year the Town-Gown Committee, composed of VU faculty, students, and representatives from the community, established the Volunteer Services Center in the student union. A survey last year indicated that some 1800 VU students worked about 9000 volunteer hours around the country. Now it's easier to help make easier for others.

### Athletics

**WHO'S RUNNING THE SHOW?** A faculty senate meeting last month at the U. of New Mexico raised that question. Faculty criticized UNM's athletic director for scheduling basketball games during finals week this term. The former senate president also reproached UNM's athletic department for allowing a basketball player to skip the first four weeks of classes, while he finished play for the Australian national basketball team. The senate then voted to take action to cancel or reschedule the games in question.

### College Market

**VOULEZ-VOUS MANGER?** No problem in the age of plastic on campus. The U. of Washington food service offers students, faculty, and staff A La Carde, a computerized debit card program. Users simply keep money in their account and the card puts food in their mouths at any of nine campus dining locations. And, to better plan ahead, they can dial 543-MENU for a recording of daily menu choices.

### Finances

**WHAT'S \$26.80?** Maybe it's the

straw that broke the camel's back at the U. of California-Santa Barbara. For five years UCSB officials had been pushing to build the University Center and the Recreational Center from student fees. In 1986 and 1989 students voted down the project. In February 1990 the proposal finally passed. But in May administrators and regents, without student input, approved a additional tax of \$26.80 for summer session. Faced with massive student protests, UCSB administrators backed down late last month and dropped the summer tax.

### Good Ideas

**THE EFFECTS OF ALCOHOL** had a dramatic impact on U. of Dubuque students last month. As part of campus programming during Alcohol Awareness Week last month, the student life office conducted a mock trial for driving under the influence, with a real judge, real lawyers, and UD resident assistants, who played other roles.

### Greeks

**FIRE KILLED THREE IN A FRATERNITY HOUSE** at the U. of California-Berkeley this fall, but investigators believe the deaths could have been avoided. A toxicology report indicated that all three had high blood-alcohol levels; two were also under the legal drinking age. "Anyone with any common sense should realize why these people were found in the building," said the Berkeley fire chief. "This probably would explain why smoke detectors were heard in the building, but these people didn't get out ... This should tell the fraternity brothers that if you're going to drink, you better be prepared to pay the consequences."

**SOME PEOPLE HAVE NO SCHOOL SPIRIT!** About 50 members of the Northern Illinois U. chapters of Alpha Omicron Pi sorority and Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity gathered to practice chants for homecoming "Yell like Hell" competition--in a field after midnight. Neighbors called the police to complain about the noise. After NIU police asked the spirited students to go elsewhere, they moved a short distance down the road. More complaints, more police. And an arrest of one of the nocturnal noisemakers. Police measured the noise level at 68 decibels, eight over the limit for night noise.

### IN CLASS

**CLASS ENCOUNTERS OF THE THIRD KIND.** Students at the University of North Dakota in Grand Forks interested in UFOs and alien life forms can now pursue those interests with other ufologists. This fall John R. Salter, Jr., chair of Indian Studies, launched Honors 299, which he describes as "an orderly and studied sensitization project designed to acquaint humans with the nearby presence of intelligent extraterrestrial life forms." The official enrollment is 151 students, but visitors are probably welcome--if they phone home first.

### LEGAL ISSUES

**"ZERO TOLERANCE" IS THE POLICY** and law enforcement officials mean business. The police are cracking down on University of Vermont students for engaging in...noise. The mayor of Burlington has declared a "War on Noise" and citations are flying, sometimes over a dozen a night. Procedures are clear: if the police receive a complaint and the responding officer can hear noise outside a building, citations are issued without warning.

### RESEARCH

**SEXUAL HARASSMENT IS ALIVE AND SICK** in the University of Minnesota system. A recent first-time study by the University of Minnesota surveyed staff and students at five campuses on sexual harassment, which the survey defined as teasing, jokes, remarks, sexual questions, touching, cornering, pressure for dates or sex, attempted rape, or rape. Among undergraduates, 56% of the women and 36% of the men reported being victims of some type of harassment. For graduate students the figures were 41% and 19%.

**MINORITY STUDENTS ARE MORE LIKELY TO GRADUATE** if they attend a white-majority college than if they choose a minority institution. A researcher at the University of Chicago, Eric M. Camburn, conducted a study that showed graduation rates for minority students about 6% higher at schools with a majority of white students than at schools where minorities constitute the majority.

### RESOURCES

**TRAVEL AND LEARN: THE NEW GUIDE TO EDUCATIONAL TRAVEL** offers valuable information on more than valuable information on more than 1,000 trips around the world that combine education and foreign travel. Author Evelyn Kaye has organized the book not around geographic regions, but around activities, such as "Wildlife" or "Human Relations."

## WPSH Top 25

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### ARTIST

1. THE CURE
2. COCTEAU TWINS
3. JANE'S ADDICTION
4. PIXIES
5. SOUP DRAGONS
6. SONIC YOUTH
7. SKINNY PUPPY
8. CHARLATANS UK
9. SOUL ASYLUM
10. TRASH CAN SINATRAS
11. INXS
12. YO LA TENGO
13. PYLON
14. LEMONHEADS
15. POSIES
16. AN EMOTIONAL FISH
17. CONCRETE BLONDE
18. THE SUNDAYS
19. THEY EAT THEIR OWN
20. LOVE CLUB
21. THE CONNELLS
22. BOB MOULD
23. INSPIRAL CARPETS
24. THE HIGH
25. THE LIGHTNING SEEDS

### TITLE

- Mixed Up  
Heaven or Las Vegas  
Ritual De Lo Habitual  
Bossanova  
Lovegod  
Goo  
Too Dark Park  
Some Friendly  
Soul Asylum & The Horse  
They Rode In On  
Cake  
X  
Fakebook  
Chain  
Lovey  
Dear 23  
An Emotional Fish  
Bloodletting  
Reading, Writing and Arithmetic  
They Eat Their Own  
Lime Twigs & Treachery  
One Simple Word  
Black Sheets Of Rain  
Life  
Somewhere Soon  
Cloudduckooland

### LABEL

- Elektra  
4AD-Capitol  
Warner Bros.  
4AD-Elektra  
Big Life-PG  
DGC  
Netwerk  
Beggars Banquet-RCA  
A&M  
  
Go! Discs/London-PG  
Atlantic  
Bar/None-Restless  
Sky  
Atlantic  
DGC  
Atlantic  
I.R.S.  
Rough Trade-DGC  
Relativity  
MCA  
TVT  
Virgin  
Mute-Elektra  
London-PG  
MCA

(Chart information is based on DJ  
airplay and listener response.)