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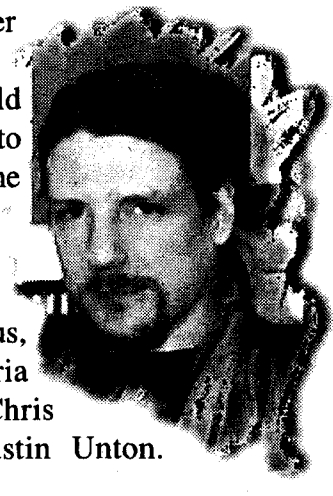
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## COMMENTS FROM THE EDITORS

By MITCHELL DAVIDSON BENTLEY AND CATHIE MCCORMICK



Welcome to another issue of our fair paper. We would like to draw your attention to a few new additions at the same time we welcome those who signed up during Clubfest: Christina Cambria, who wrote about Clubfest for us, Renee Chrustowski, Maria DiSanto, Jamie Houck, Chris Patterson, Brooke Potteiger, and Justin Unton.

Thank you for joining us!!

Featured on the cover -- and in the color centerfold -- is the first in a series of articles by our foreign correspondent, Marko Primorac. Many of you will remember Marko's travel articles from the past two semesters. Well, Marko is off to a different kind of travel. Shortly after the holidays, he was called to active military duty. He has been a reservist and wrote a noteworthy article on our upcoming war on terrorism in the first issue following the attacks on Sept. 11. Now, it seems, he may be getting a closer look. We sincerely hope it's not too close. Our thoughts are with him.

Marko delivered the articles and photos of his holiday backpacking tour in Europe the night before being shipped out. He couldn't tell us where he was going, but he said he would try to write and keep us posted.

Some other features you may have noted are signs of the times. With a growing interest in the World Wide Web, we are now running several new features: "Net Surfer," "E-mail Giggles" and "E-mail Thoughts." The Net Surfer column consists of Web site reviews by Maggie Frank, and features a different type of site each issue. The E-mail Thoughts and Giggles will feature some of the humorous and heart warming e-mails recieved by the editorial staff of *The Capital Times*. We hope to include something different for each upcoming issue, space permitting, but will bump this kind of content in favor of more newsworthy articles, if submitted.

On that note, this paper is only as good as its input. The old adage of GIGO (Garbage In—Garbage Out) applies in many areas of life, and this is a prime example. Our staff works hard to bring you, our readers, the best they have to offer because they want to be involved and they want this campus to have a noteworthy publication. They also want to get something more out of their on-campus extracurricular activities than a song and dance . . . or a pajama party.

It isn't always easy and there is always something else that needs to be done but, bless their hearts, they try. What we really want to know is—where are all the Communications majors? Mitch does layout—he's a Humanities major. The next in line to be editor is an Education major. Several of our staff are English or Liturature majors, but where are the Communications majors (you know, those of you who have taken Journalistic Writing, or Writing for the Media)?

Unless you already have the job of your dreams lined up, we suggest you run -- not walk -- to to our next meeting (Mondays, 12:30 p.m. in Olmsted W341). The knowledge gained through the day-to day reality of putting together this paper will set you apart from the others who have the degree, but not the experience. As far as we know, it is still important to have a portfolio when applying for jobs in the media. *The Capital Times* is EXACTLY what you need -- and it's here for you compliments of your Student Activities Fee.

If this publication is to survive after the current administration steps down in April, then it will need people who want the experience and portfolio additions to step forward NOW, so they can learn how to carry on when we're gone. We can only hope that some of you will see the value in this, and step up to the plate.

It is not up to the professors to push you into action, nor is it up to us to badger you into it—it is up to you to decide that you want that extra \$20,000 a year you can negotiate for, against that *inexperienced* college graduate who's applying for the same position, when its time to get a job and pay back your student loans.