

Letters To The Editor

Do you know the value of student government? Like any other organization, effort must be applied in student government before any rewards can be gained. This fact confuses many students. They take no interest in student government, and so, see no returns. As a results they can see no value in the Student Union Board or in the Student Government Association. A cycle of apathy is initiated.

The size of the Highacres campus make it an excellent place to make yourself heard. Surely, not everyone can have a direct voice in policy making. The responsibility of every student is to take an active interest in the election of the students to represent them.

Come election day (today) will you know the opinions of

the candidates you vote for? There is no reason why you should not. Meet the candidates. those seeking election and those seeking re-election. Discuss with them your goals, your opinions and the welfare of the Highacres student body. A blind vote or a popularity vote does not help good government. Vote wisely.

After elections, the work begins. The Student Union Board and Student Government Association members need your help to represent you effectively. They need your ideas and opinions. Also, at times, they need you to remind them of their duty. They were elected to represent you.

Do you remember the petition that was circulated, calling for the removal of the air-hockey machine from the Commons cafeteria to the game room? Nearly 200 students signed this petition. The number of students that voted in the last student government election was not much greater. The demand made in the petition was voted upon by the S.G.A. and defeated soundly. The noise continues.

I urge that YOU do some reminding. Ask your representative their views on this and matters. These people are responsible to you.

To the board of the S.G.A. I wish to make known my views on the air hockey machine. I believe that you may be correct in your consideration of the vandalism factor concerned with relocating the machine. Possibly you should consider relocating all the equipment in the game room to the cafeteria. This would solve the vandalism and the noise problem. No one would be bothered by the clatter while eating or talking--there would be no room for anyone to so either. Seriously, though, I think that vandalism to all the equipment would be reduced by putting the air hockey machine downstairs. The more people using the downstairs recreation room, the less vandalism will occur. Vandals like solitude. Also, I don't think the air hockey fans will stop using the machine simply

because they will have to walk down a flight of stair to play.

Jerry Pratt

APATHY?

Apathy, apathy, apathy. That's all we hear nowadays. Many people say that the word was made to describe the campus. But apathy isn't our problem. Ignorance is.

The people responsible for publicity on this campus have been knocking themselves out trying to let everyone know what events are taking place and when they are happening. Still, after signs and a announcement, snow writings, sidewalk graffiti and some publicity stunts, many people on campus never know that and event is taking place.

The other day I talked to a student who didn't know that any dances were held on campus. How many of you know that the Commons is open from 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. Monday through Friday?

What is it about the game room? Everybody is crying about the air hockey machine. Yet they are the ones responsible for its being upstairs. Use the pinball machines, play shuffleboard (free), and beginning this term, ping pong paddles will be available for all students to use. Card tables have been placed down there for everybody to use. If everybody would use these facilities, it would make it safe to move the machine downstairs, and maybe, with enough student interest, we can get more machines downstairs in the game room.

I know you all care about this campus, but now is the time to PROVE it. Go to the dances and movies, join clubs, vote during elections, and most of all, check the bulletin boards daily so that we may use loyalty to describe our campus, rather than apathy.

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