

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Well Rounded Education Needed

To The Editor:

I must make an objection to Ms. Weber's letter of April 29. Apparently Ms. Weber envisions and desires a university to be a trade school. It is unfortunate that Ms. Weber does not appreciate the advantages of a liberal education whose intent is to develop general intellectual capacities, NOT productive potentials. She sees college as merely career training, and thereby argues that all subjects must fill a "need".

As life becomes more harried and pressured, we try in college to get done, get out, and get around, but it is also important to have some people around who are concerned with the quality of life and spirit in society as a whole, rather than in some specialized corner of it.

Ms. Weber states that she saw the need to have a well-rounded education in high school. In contradiction, she then states that taking calculus in high school was valuable because it helped her make a career choice. She fails to see that even if you never have any use for the material, a liberal education makes life more interesting than it otherwise might be.

It is less likely that you will be bored with life or that your friends will find you a bore. In short, it allows you to see, understand, and think thoughts which the undereducated seldom do.

It is just not an alertness to things around you that makes life richer; one must find one's self and only a liberal education will give you a chance of finding a sense of where you are, where you have been, and where you are going.

These are some of the merits of a liberal education, but many people in the United States have attitudes towards education similar to those of Ms.

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Litter

To The Editor:

A serious problem exists on our campus. Its consequences may not seem dire or particularly harmful; but they are real. The problem is litter.

the next time you walk through the classroom building of down to the dorm, or out to the tennis courts, take a good look around at all the cups, beer cans, and cigarette butts lying around. There are many parts of our campus that are becoming quite unsightly.

Litter causes problems other than eyesores. Litter is taken as a reflection of our attitudes toward our campus and our environment. So please put litter in its place -Can it!!

Dan Smith

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Douglas Heller and John Sengle, staff writers for the COLLEGIAN, won second places in the individual awards category. Heller received his award in the best feature article category for his article "COLLEGIAN Personality; Leonard Shaevel", which appeared in the February 17 edition of the COLLEGIAN. Second place was won by Sengle in the best news article category for his article, "Library Losses High, Says Ferry." That article was published in the March 30 issue.

The COLLEGIAN competed against the 18 other Commonwealth Campus newspapers that comprise The Press Association of Commonwealth Campuses. In the general category of best newspaper, the COLLEGIAN placed only 30 points out of a possible 1250 points behind the second place winner.