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letters to the editor

Dear Editor:

It was with great disappointment that I read (the October 25) issue of the Lion's Eye. My disappointment stems from what I believe is rather poor coverage of local Delaware County Campus Sports.

I am not disappointed that you have "saved" our coverage for the last two pages (after even the classified ads!). I am not disappointed for myself, I seek no personal recognition. I am however disappointed for my team and for the overall athletic program on this campus.

Since the last issue of the Lion's Eye, the Delaware County Campus soccer team has played some fine contests. During this time the team has won three games and lost none. It has put itself in a position

where, with two more victories, it can represent this campus in the Commonwealth Campus Championship game. These fellows have been working hard and representing YOUR University.

John Kimport's article about the sorry state of attendance at our games was indeed correct. I wonder if a little more promotion by our own student newspaper might not help the situation?

What was the "biggest" story in this week's Lion's Eye? An article on Beaver Stadium grass, of course, and a reprint article at that! While most of your reprint articles are somewhat interesting, I believe most of the students on your campus would like to read more about the accomplishments of their fellow students. In one paragraph, you summarized two complete soccer games, wins over York and Cheyney State. In 13 paragraphs, you explained about the turf at the stadium.

I understand the great interest in Penn State football and it is certainly justified. Could we not, with your help,

try to create some of that same interest in our own athletic program and events?

The Delaware County-Ogontz game received most of the "ink" in this week's paper. Counting players, cheerleaders, and students, I would estimate around 70 of our students were involved in that contest in one way or another. I can find only one other article in the Lion's Eye which deals with an on campus event attended by as many or more students.

Having worked myself for several "media oriented" organizations, I feel somewhat qualified to suggest to you that it would be of great benefit to all of our athletic programs if we could work together with your organization to promote and create interest in these programs, interest that currently seems to either be nonexistent or at least nonapparent.

I hope you will view my thoughts as positive suggestions and not negative criticism.

Sincerely yours,
Ronald Case
Men's Varsity Soccer
and Basketball Coach



Campus Observer Final Acts

hyper-study, pouring ourselves over unfamiliar text-books and dimly recollected notes.

Don't be buffaloed by instructors who downplay the serious consequences of finals, those who tell us all tests are of equal value and the final is not cumulative. Even if the last test does only cover the last third of the term and even if it is multiple-choice, do not be calmed into a false sense of well-being. This is the last chance to offset previous low marks, to secure a "C" or better, and to pass the term insuring family funding for three more months.

Cramming is our tuition-paid right to panic, and it is the common bond among students. It is more than programming ourselves like Honeywell computers; it is mystical; it's method is intuitive. It is when students transcend the boundaries of common ignorance.

There are many creeds of cramming practiced in these final hours of preparation for students to choose from, but three stand out. There is the

church of group-study, claiming to be the most serious student committees ever formed. They meet in libraries, on street corners, in private homes, and finally just before the zero-hours of their last classes. There are the hermit monks of individual study, who withdraw into their rooms taking vows to abstain from television, radio, and stereo while they indulge in all-night marathons of review. There are even progressive students among us who mix the previous two methods arriving at a hybrid form of study.

Any method of cramming is an honorable and legit effort to subdue the terror of finals but steer clear of tales suggesting easier paths to passing grades.

There are many stories of derring-do, students "borrowing" tests and answer sheets beforehand, students hiding crib notes in unsuspected places, and even students paying off imposters to sit in for them. While many of these tainted approaches are definitely the product of student fan-

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