

Editorial Opinion

'Big Weekend' Troubles

Fraternity men are faced with a peculiar situation on the issue of what to do about supporting the Interfraternity Council - Panhellenic Ball.

The ball has been losing money consistently for years. Apparently many fraternity men are not particularly interested in it, since many houses have their own formals on the same weekend. The dance certainly has never been an outstanding success among Greeks.

However, if they let the dance die from lack of financial support, the accompanying "big weekend" will die with it. This means the end of special privileges granted for a big weekend—two o'clock permissions on Friday nights for coeds and, for many houses, housing of import dates. This the fraternity men don't want.

The IFC agreed to underwrite this year's IFC Ball in case of financial loss and each house wound up with a \$14.50 assessment to cover the loss. This system, although it kept the dance alive, was unfair because the assessment applied in equal amount to all fraternities, regardless of the number of men in the house.

The IFC approved a more equitable solution to the problem Monday night. The new plan calls for the dance tickets—after a 1-day sale to non-fraternity men—to be sent to each house on the basis of the number of men in the house, leaving the individual fraternities responsible for the tickets.

Each house will have to pay for the number of tickets it receives, regardless of whether all the tickets are sold within the house. The plan adds that 50 tickets will be withheld and put on sale the day of the dance.

The one day allowed for sale of the tickets to non-fraternity men seems to be rather short. Perhaps an arrangement could be made to extend this period to three days, giving all students ample chance to buy tickets if they want them.

The newly-approved plan, however, seems to be the simplest and most logical solution to the problem of keeping the dance. The method eliminates the unfair assessing of small houses the same amount as large houses, as practiced in the last plan. The IFC acted wisely in formulating and approving the new plan.

No Letup Now

The 140 graduating seniors who have pledged to join the Alumni Association represent a good start in the association's drive for membership.

The unusually early return of pledges may be considered due partly to this year's enrollment campaign, with its system of personal contact through class agents.

At least 500 to 600 graduating seniors—about one-third of the class—are expected to sign up before the drive closes on Commencement Day.

To achieve this goal, the efforts which have already been exerted must be continued. We hope the senior class agents will continue to promote the Alumni Association even more vigorously than they have to date. We hope more and more seniors realize the benefits of membership in the association and become members.

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Letters

Pivot Repeats Its Success

TO THE EDITOR: It should be good news to our friends and subscribers and contributors that Pivot, our campus poetry magazine, has repeated its success of previous years, and consequently remains self-sustaining—"a rather unique distinction for a poetry magazine," as Poetry (Chicago) comments.

All this, of course, we owe to the support and enthusiasm of our well-wishers here at Penn State and elsewhere, who have made Pivot what its name implies: a pivotal force that helps to shape our cultural community. The staff and I offer our profoundest thanks to The Collegian and to all those who have sustained Pivot for 8 years and made it "an impressive college production, representing a very high level of talent and taste." Praise such as this testifies to the quality and value of Pivot.

Its chief value, however, lies in that it offers an outlet for the creative efforts of our students and staff. Toward that end we are happily dedicated.

—Joseph L. Grucci, associate professor of English and Pivot adviser

Gazette

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AIM Judicial, 7 p.m., 218 HUB
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Baseball, varsity, Colgate, 3:30 p.m., Beaver Field.
Beta Gamma Sigma, 5 p.m., 214-215 HUB
Board of Dramatics and Forensics, 8:15 p.m., 214 HUB
Chess Club, 7 p.m., 7 Sparks
Christian Fellowship, 12:45 p.m., 218 HUB
El Circulo Espanol, 7 p.m., 109 Boucke
Graduate Mining Seminar, T. M. Robertson on "Application of Continuous Mining Machines to Hard Rock," 4:15 p.m., 24 MI
Illustrated lecture, Charles J. Woodsworth, consul-general of Canada in New York, on "Canada and its Cultural Developments," sponsored by the Social Science Research Center, 8 p.m., 111 Boucke
International Relations Club, social, 8 p.m., Chapel
Lecture series, Professor Case, p.m., 104 Chapel
Metallurgy Seminar, John Kosco, graduate assistant in metallurgy on "Oxidation Resistance of Cement Materials," 4:10 p.m., 317 Willard
Novena, 7 p.m., Our Lady of Victory Church
Physical Education Council, 8:15 p.m., 212 HUB
WDFM open house, 7 to 10 p.m., 304 Sparks
WSGA, honor code, 8 p.m., 217 HUB

Senior Hat Society Elects Kolb Head

Ronald Kolb, junior in industrial arts from Philadelphia, has been elected president of Skull and Bones, senior men's hat society.

Other new officers are John Bott, vice president, and Gerald Carlson, secretary-treasurer.

New members of the society are David Allison, Thomas Buckley, Eugene Curry, William Davidson, David Fineman, Robert Franklin, Richard Friedman, Edward Frymoyer, John Gingrich, Martin Harris, Robert Jubelirer, Alton Kendall, Fred Kerr, James Meister, Joseph Patton, Robert Piccone, William Sekeras, Gary Young, Donald Zepp, Kolb, Bott and Carlson.

WDFM Open House Planned Tonight

WDFM will hold an open house for seniors and persons interested in radio work at WDFM next year, from 7:30 to 10 tonight, in 304 Sparks.

Wilbur Lewellen, WDFM station manager, said the station has planned the open house in order to acquaint people with the physical set-up of the station and to show how the equipment works.

BusAd Keys, Shingles Available in Boucke

Keys and singles for last year's members of the Business Administration Student Council are available at the main office in Boucke Building.

James Meister, president of the council, asked that members, especially those whose names are not correctly listed in the student directory, pick up the keys and shingles this week.

WDFM Programs

Wednesday night: 6:50, Sign on and news; 7, Telephone Bandstand; 7:50, State News and National Sports; 8, Jazz Panorama; 9, News; 9:15, At Your Service; 9:30, Music of the People; 10, News; 10:05, Virtuoso; 11:30, Sign off and news. *Also carried on WMAJ.

Little Man on Campus by Dick Bibler



"Frankly, I don't believe in using grades as a 'motivating' force."

from here to infinity A Shoeless Coed, Frisbee Substitute by bob thompson

After our sermon of last week on "sockless" coeds, I was afraid to be seen on campus for fear of being stoned by one of the sockless set. Luckily—or unluckily—I wasn't.

While ambling aimlessly around campus last week looking for a picture, I was shocked to see a coed doing the big trick—walking around without shoes or socks. There she was—in the rain yet—carrying her books in one hand and a pair of black flats in the other.

Always having camera at hand, I immediately snapped



Shoeless Josephine?

a shot of her and proceeded to find out what made her go around without shoes or socks. Her answer was quite simple: She said it felt good. In fact the girl is so addicted to going barefooted, that she only wears shoes inside buildings. She says

she only does this because her feet might get stepped on.

Frisbee, which has swept the campus here, has managed to finally make the columns of The Daily Collegian in picture form. We at State may take the silly game for granted, but mothers and fathers up here last week for Mother's Day weekend were buying the things up like mad. It was the first time that many of the parents had ever seen the game before this week. In fact the demand was so great for frisbees that prospective customers had to place orders for them. What price Frisbee?

While witnessing a match Sunday, I learned how the frisbee got its name. At least this person thought it was the truth. A little man pulling a wagon stopped me and asked me if I was watching frisbee. Hearing my affirmative answer, he proceeded to tell me how the disk got its name.

Seems that a Mrs. Frisbee used to bake pies for students at Harvard—or was it Yale? Anyway, she always stipulated that the men who bought her pies return the plates. So the men from Yale—or was it Harvard?—found that the plates could sail with a little effort.

Those of you who are not able to get a frisbee—or can't afford one—can raid the kitchen and use pie plates.

Another good substitute for (Continued on page five)

