

Advisory board to aim for lower book prices

Lower book prices, although it might be hard to believe, may be just around the corner.

The Undergraduate Student Government is now in the process of organizing a Student Advisory Board to the Penn State Bookstore, which might be able to help bring this about.

According to Vicki Sandoe, head of the Policy and Procedures Committee that is organizing the board, trying to get more students to shop at the Penn State Bookstore and lowering textbook prices will be the two main objectives of the board.

The formation of the SAB was sparked by a survey taken last fall of 30-35 textbook prices at the three bookstores.

Rick Roadarmel, former head of the Policy and Procedures Committee and the man in charge of the survey, said new book prices were identical at all bookstores.

But the Penn State Bookstore, which is supposed to run as a service to the students, Roadarmel said, claimed not to be making a profit.

Obviously, Roadarmel said, the stores downtown were making a profit.

As a result, a list of recom-

mendations was given to the Bookstore which will be worked on this year's SAB, Roadarmel said.

USG is now organizing the board, which will consist of: five students currently enrolled at the University, at least one of whom must be in a graduate program;

— two faculty members;

— John Bischoff, manager of the Penn State Bookstore;

— and George Lovette, the University's assistant vice president for business in charge of the bookstore.

Applications are being accepted for the student positions on the board. Applicants will be screened by the Policy and Procedures Committee and then approved by the USG Executive Council, Sandoe said.

Anyone interested in filling one of these positions should contact Sandoe before Friday, Oct. 13.

Once the board is formed, Sandoe said, it will spend the rest of the term familiarizing itself with the Bookstore's policies and functions.

By the beginning of winter term, the Board will be ready to function, Sandoe said.

—by Mary Annessi

Dance marathon might move to White Bldg.



Photo by Lynn Dudinsky

Participants in last year's Interfraternity Council Dance Marathon, above, assembled in the HUB Ballroom. This

year, IFC would like the event held in the White Building, but the move has not yet been approved.

A request has been made to move the location of this year's Interfraternity Council Dance Marathon from the HUB Ballroom to White Building, IFC President Mark Mazanek said Monday. "After last year's marathon, we decided that because of the number of couples dancing and the large crowds watching we need a larger area," Mazanek said.

Robert J. Scannell, Dean of the College of Health, Physical Education and Recreation, said a decision has not yet been made on moving the marathon. Scannell said he does not believe the space in White Building would be much greater than that in the ballroom, but understands that a major concern in changing the location is the tall windows in the ballroom.

Mazanek said there is concern over the windows breaking because of the heat and large crowds of spectators against the windows.

"We like the location of the ballroom since it's right in the cross traffic of the students, but we're expecting maybe 250 couples this year and we don't know that the ballroom can hold it," Mazanek said. Scannell said a decision will be made within the week, after he has consulted with the people who might be using the White Building gym at the time of the marathon.

The marathon is usually held on a weekend in February, and benefits the Four Diamonds Fund for leukemia.

USG Date Match gets highest turnout ever

By JAN CORWIN

Daily Collegian Staff Writer
Almost 4,200 University students, faculty, and staff have signed up for the Undergraduate Student Government's Computer Datamatch, according to USG figures.

USG Business Manager Jon Zweizig said this year's turnout was the biggest of the three years that USG has run Datamatch. Exactly 4,159 people turned in applications during the two-week registration period, which was extended a day due to the program's popularity.

The average age of the participants was about 20 or 21, Zweizig said. The oldest participant was 41, and several were in their thirties. Zweizig said there's no way to tell the ratio of males to

females "until we get the results back," but said he felt that the ratio was about one-and-one-half males to every female, a lower ratio than in previous years. He said more sororities and groups of girls signed up this year.

Participants in the Datamatch will receive their computer-printout sheet about Oct. 23 through 25. The results are sent to the USG office from Interpersonal Research in Bloomington, Indiana, and will be sent via campus mail or regular mail to the applicants.

Each participant will receive a list with between three and 15 names and phone numbers, and each match's rank on the categories of appearance and background, attitudes and values, and

special interests.

He or she will also receive information on "computer etiquette," coupons for downtown restaurants, and a free ticket to a USG-sponsored on-campus movie. Anyone receiving less than three mat-

ches will receive a refund.

Zweizig said he was pleased overall with the program's success, but said one problem was the lack of volunteer workers. "People don't want to get involved," he said.

Second test-tube baby is born

CALCUTTA, India (AP) — A three-man research team went on Calcutta television Thursday night to announce that a "test-tube baby" — the world's second — was born here this week.

The three researchers said in a televised interview that their procedure was different in some respects from that which led to the July 25 birth in Oldham,

England, of Louise Brown, the world's first baby conceived outside the human body.

The television station said the names of the Calcutta parents were being kept secret, apparently because the stigma of laboratory conception might jeopardize the baby's future marriage prospects in the conservative Hindu society.

Candidate says injury has not hurt campaign

Congressman Joseph S. Ammerman, D-23rd, who was released from the hospital earlier this week, said he didn't think his injury would have a strong effect on his campaign for re-election and that he will start making public appearances by the end of next week.

Ammerman, who was hospitalized for injuries suffered in a car accident in August, said he didn't think his immobility has hurt him that significantly.

"The telephone is the salvation of the thing," said Ammerman. He said

he has been doing all his campaign work by phone, keeping in touch with his campaign aides who have been making appearances for him.


Next Friday, Oct. 13, Ammerman will make his first public appearance since the accident at the fund-raising reception and dinner in State College for his campaign which Vice President Walter F. Mondale is scheduled to attend.

After that, Ammerman said he will be making appearances throughout the district.

—by Dave Gilmartin

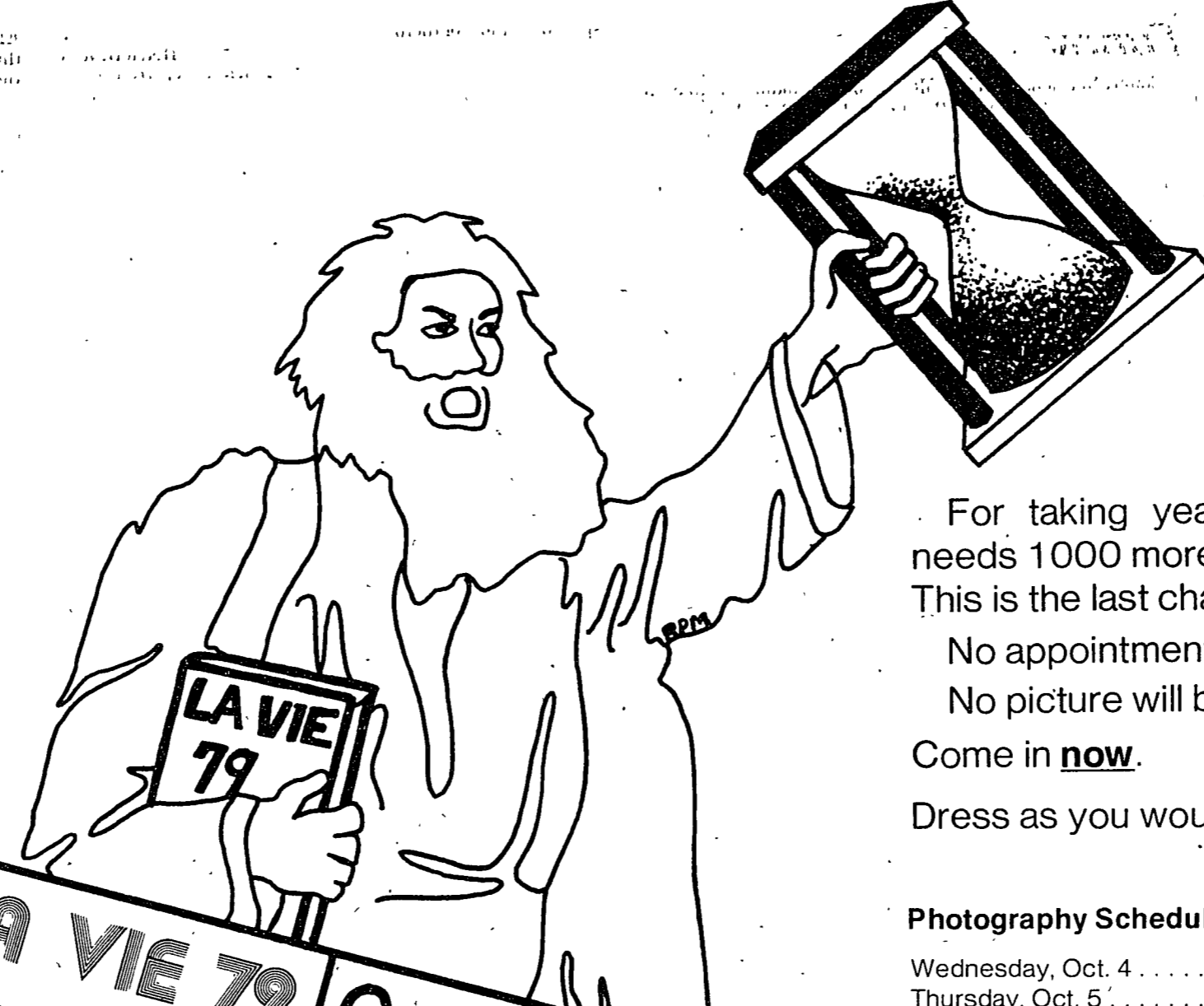
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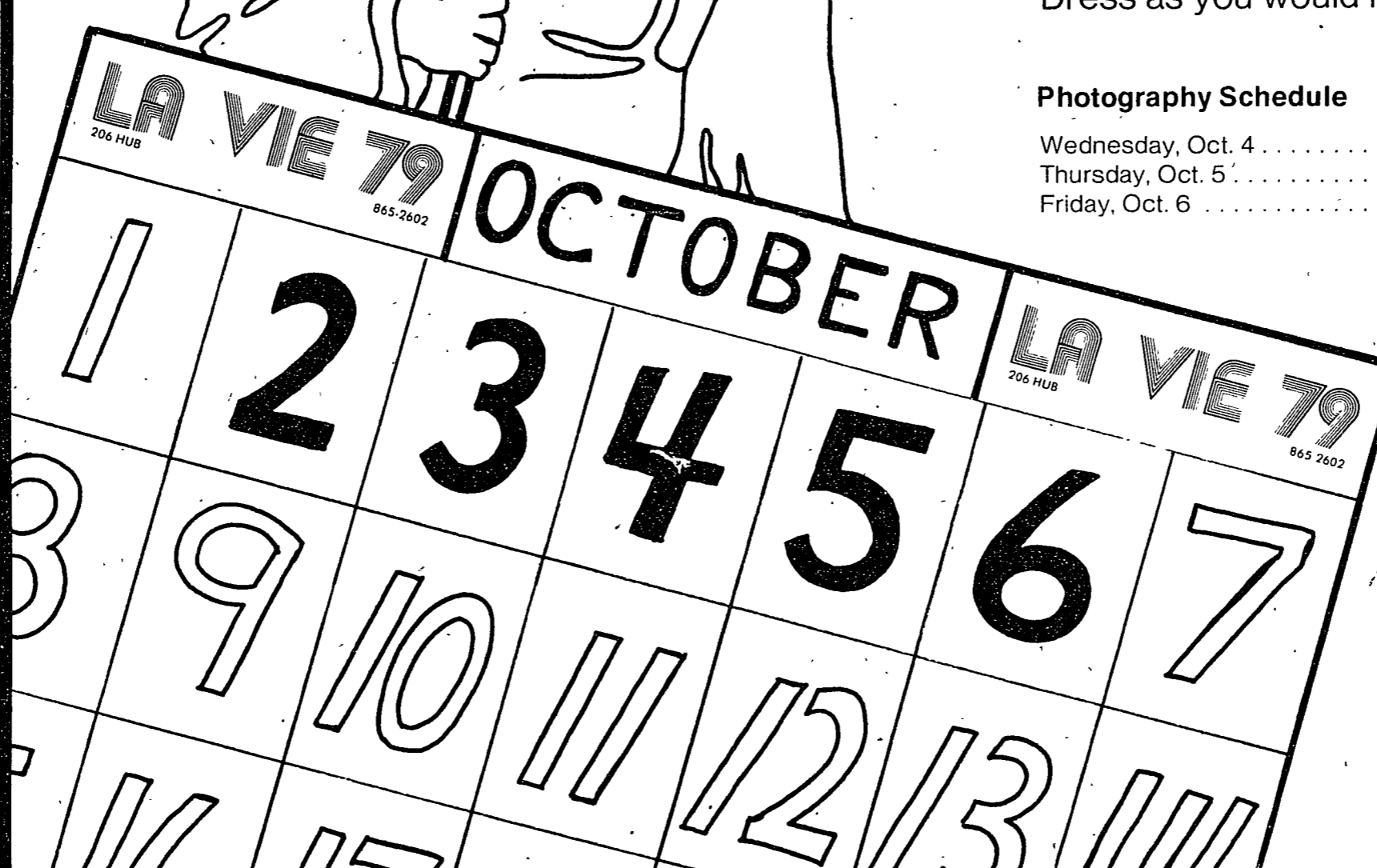
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Thursday, Oct. 5 8 am - Noon; 1 pm - 5 pm; 6 pm - 9 pm
Friday, Oct. 6 8 am - Noon; 1 pm - 6 pm



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