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Fun in the mud

It would have been better if they were naked, though

As the weather turns warmer, what we all need are new diversions on the weekends. How about if we all get together and raise some money for charity? Great idea. But we need a unique idea because every weekend some social organization is sponsoring a different fundraiser.

Our fundraiser should be innovative. Something that people will really want to attend. Sex and violence usually bring out the crowds. How about something involving women and fighting?

Mudwrestling is the latest rage in California and Europe. That's the perfect solution. OK. The rules will be that only women may enter and must wear shorts or bathing suits during the bout. With a minimum of clothes on the wrestlers, we should get a maximum number of men to come.

Since we do not want the women to be portrayed as real wrestlers, we'll make up some cute weight classifications, like primrose, carnation and daffodil. That way, people

will know this wrestling tournament is strictly for chicks. To make it even more interesting, referees will hose the women down between rounds, kind of like a glorified wet T-shirt contest.

Naturally, the tournament will raise money for a good cause. That way we won't have those radical feminists on our backs. After all, what's wrong with some good clean fun that benefits someone in need?

Next year, we'll come up with something really good. How about a slave auction selling women students out for a weekend to do cooking and cleaning? Or maybe we could have women participate in a burlesque or striptease show.

Obviously, when it's being raised money for charity, it doesn't matter whose dignity we sacrifice.

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It's a good time — that's all

By JOE GOW 10th-grader
I had a smile on my face Saturday afternoon as I watched the women's mudwrestling contest held on the front lawn of Delta Sigma Phi.
The contestants, all girls wearing bathing suits or T-shirts and gym shorts, also were smiling throughout the better portion of their time in the brown slud.
And most of the people in the audience had smiles on their faces.
The only people who weren't smiling on Saturday afternoon were those who had come to protest the event as sexist exploitation.
I guess this all has to do with the nature of the contest, or should I say spectacle. I — and most of those who showed up to watch, I'm sure — had never seen anything like it. Oh sure, you see this sort of thing on TV, but the live experience is more interesting.
I could not begin to describe what it felt like to view the wrestling, but suffice to say it was weird. And that's why I went, because most weird things are a hell of a lot more interesting than the predictable occurrences we are so used to in our lives. If a running race were

being held, I do not think I would want to go watch it. The race would not be protested, either.
I suspect that in a strange way the protesters were glad the event took place. It provided them with a forum for their views. An event featuring women rolling over each other in a ring filled with mud while an audience cheers them on is quite nicely extrapolated into a much greater conflict. If, of course, that is what you're interested in doing.
But I don't think the people came to the Delta Sigma Phi lawn on Saturday afternoon for the purpose of debating equality of the sexes or whether the equal rights amendment is a good idea. They came to have a good time, to drink a few beers and to be entertained. It's nice to be able to escape reality on a Saturday afternoon, and if a few dollars can be raised for charity, the American Diabetes Association, all the better.
Granted, all the participants were female, and they were wearing less than a normal amount of clothing, but this was not a skin show. Believe me, mud is about as sexy as a pimp. When the girls came out of the ring, it was hard to tell that they were, in fact, girls. As I said before, this was quite a strange spectacle.

As for the fact that the participants were female — and this seemed to bother the protesters — one can only imagine that if a sorority were to sponsor a similar event the participants would probably all be male. Contrary to what some people say, there is a difference between the sexes. The management of Mr. C's, where male strippers were featured until the Liquor Control Board decided it would try its hand at governing morality, knows this fact, but more importantly knows the fact that men and women like to have a good time. And I had a good time on Saturday. So did most of the people, both male and female, whom I talked to.
The most interesting part of the day, though, wasn't the contest, but the events that took place after it had ended. At this point things deteriorated into a free-for-all, with many people, guys as well as girls, ending up in the mud whether they wanted to or not. It was quite odd seeing people walking through the streets of State College as if they had just come out of a jungle.
I sure as hell didn't want to be tossed into the mud, so I fled the area and went back to reality, with a smile on my face.

'Stop name-calling and start listening'

By DOUGLAS GREER 3rd-liberal arts
In response to Gene Grygo's column of April 7.
When the alarm rang at 10 Saturday morning, I told myself not to go to this idiotic presentation of corporate identity. The presentation was organized by General Public Utilities to extol to the community the virtues of nuclear power.
While driving to the Three Mile Island observation tower (where the presentation was to be held) I wondered about the purpose of it all. I arrived at the tower around noon, promptly lost a parking space to a new Cadillac, and was started at by three men in pinstriped suits.
Inside the tower I was confronted by pamphlets. I picked up one titled, "Nuclear Energy — The Cheap Alternative," and one about nuclear energy with Adam the Atom and his friends, Mr. Electron and Joe Neutron. Many mechanical sights greeted me, such as women with slicks and long coats on. It was hard not to notice their money.
Unfortunately, none of the visitors brought their children. I assumed they were too busy climbing trees at home. However, the area was not without its child behavior. Many stupid people arriving at the tower were turning into the parking lot at 50 miles-per-hour, and driving through the lot at 30 miles-per-hour.
Some strange people were there also. Men in suits (gray — believe it or not), and I saw one woman wearing a mink. There she was with the skin of a dead animal lying right across her shoulders. A man remarked to me about her — and said she had probably finished watching Jerry Falwell on television.
I noticed that some of the more intelligent members of GPU had prepared little charts and graphs for our enjoyment. The even more intelligent ones were showing a movie in an adjoining room. Another man remarked to me that he thought, "the entire experience had been a basically successful attempt at informing the populace."
Of course, I did meet some poor people. Most interesting was the man who had graduated from Middletown High School and was now working for Armstrong. He said he didn't know what was going on. I speculated that perhaps making five (or all) day, day after day, had somehow affected his brain.
When the speakers finally took the platform, most of the people were too tired to care. Of course, the engineer who spoke was very mundane, and spoke barely loud enough to be heard in a mortuary.
He argued that no one had been killed or hurt in the accident, and that the only reason our electric bill was 40 percent too high was because Metropolitan Edison couldn't start Unit 2, not because the unit

Mudwrestling and mudslinging

A funny thing happened on the way to the women's mudwrestling contest. Someone else said "no."
As pairs of women grappled in mud at Delta Sigma Phi fraternity on Locust Lane on Saturday, April 11 to raise money for the American Diabetes Association, the point was passionately argued that it was all in good fun and for a good cause.
The point was also passionately argued that it exploited women's bodies, and encouraged the image of women as playthings.
But the critical difference between the two antagonistic groups was that those who argued for women's mudwrestling shouted in one voice of about 150 people. Those who argued against it shouted in one voice of about 10 people.
In addition, the smaller group had mud and ice thrown at them; were heckled and discredited through name-calling, and were taunted and provoked.
One thing can be said for this small group who said "no" to the festivities and festivities when it would have been far easier to say "yes," is that they are in good company.

Susan B. Anthony, in 1850, wrote: "Cautious, careful people, always casting about to preserve their reputation and social standing, never can bring about a reform. Those who are really in earnest must be willing to be anything or nothing in the world's estimation, and publicly and privately, in seasons and out, avoid their sympathy with despised and persecuted ideas and their advocates, and bear the consequences."



For the women protesters on Saturday, neither the brave nor comforting words of past or present are consolation against their most pressing reality — the threat of having their opinion obliterated because they said "no."
A large part of feminine acceptance

still revolves around the readiness to say "yes." "Yes" to marriage when she may not want it, "yes" to sex when she may not feel like it, "yes" to motherhood when she may not desire it, "yes" to a lower salary when she may not deserve it.
Saying "yes" makes a female a good woman, feminine, and lovable. Saying "no" makes her, in the eyes of men and even other women, an evil woman, an oddity, and hateful.
The history of dissent has always been a trying and discouraging one, whether it be the anti-monarchy leaders who created our nation, the labor demonstrators who urged the end of slavery, or the "anti-patriots" who revealed a corrupt president.
For women, dissenting has been even more difficult, whether it be against sexist roles, against unequal pay, or against sexual harassment.
Because, not only is saying "no" unduly like, it's viewed as just plain crazy. In *Women and Madness*, Phyllis Chesler documents how women, since the days of Sigmund Freud, have been institutionalized for being depressed, anxious, ag-

gressive, angry, or stubborn. In short, women are called insane for saying "no" to the female stereotype.
Studies have shown that the desire to be the same in a large group is partly inherited. Pigeons reject the pigeon that is painted differently. We "pack drive" our cars. We wear "alligator shirts" if they are in style. Saying "yes" is easy. But often, as history has shown, saying "no" has led to needed change and improvement. Those who seek to obliterate dissent do a great disservice to their own right to say anything at all, as well as threatening to impede progress.
Frances Wright, in 1829, said, "Happy, most happy shall it be for humanity, when all independent individuals, male or female, citizens or foreigners, shall feel the debt of kindness they owe to their beings, and fearlessly step forth to reveal unthought truths and hazard unpopular opinions."
Some things never change. One of those things is the certainty of dissent.
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—reader opinion

No problem

In refute to Anne Bickford's letter in the April 9 issue of The Daily Collegian: We, as participants in the Delta Sigma Phi Women's Mudwrestling Contest, do not feel this was a sexist event.
Ms. Bickford was correct in stating that the wrestlers wore T-shirts and some wore bathing suits — but what were we supposed to wear, head-to-toe vests? The attire suggested by the Delta Sigma Phi brothers was not meant to be provocative, rather it was meant to be practical.
The members of the crowd were not there to oggle the wrestlers, but to cheer them on as in any other athletic event. And an athletic event is what it was. The crowd, consisting of both males and females, chose the recipient of their spirited encouragement by the wrestler's athletic ability, not by their appearance.
Ms. Bickford mentions in her article that the names of the wrestling categories were demeaning to women's athletic capabilities. But we feel these names had nothing to do with our athletic abilities, after they simply alluded to our femininity. Further, all that should be categorized by name: Bovine, Moose and Bison?
It is true that mudwrestling may not have had any direct connection with diabetes. But we have seen our share of marathons, funruns and walkathons and would like to commend Delta Sigma Phi for being innovative enough to try something new.
We would like to extend our thanks to Delta Sigma

Phi, the crowd, and our fellow wrestlers for making this an event that was not only fun, but worthwhile. And we would again like to let Ms. Bickford know that when this contest is held again next year, we will be the first two to sign up.
Kim Boeshore, 3rd-meteorology
Liz Poplawski, 3rd-petroleum and natural gas engineering
April 11

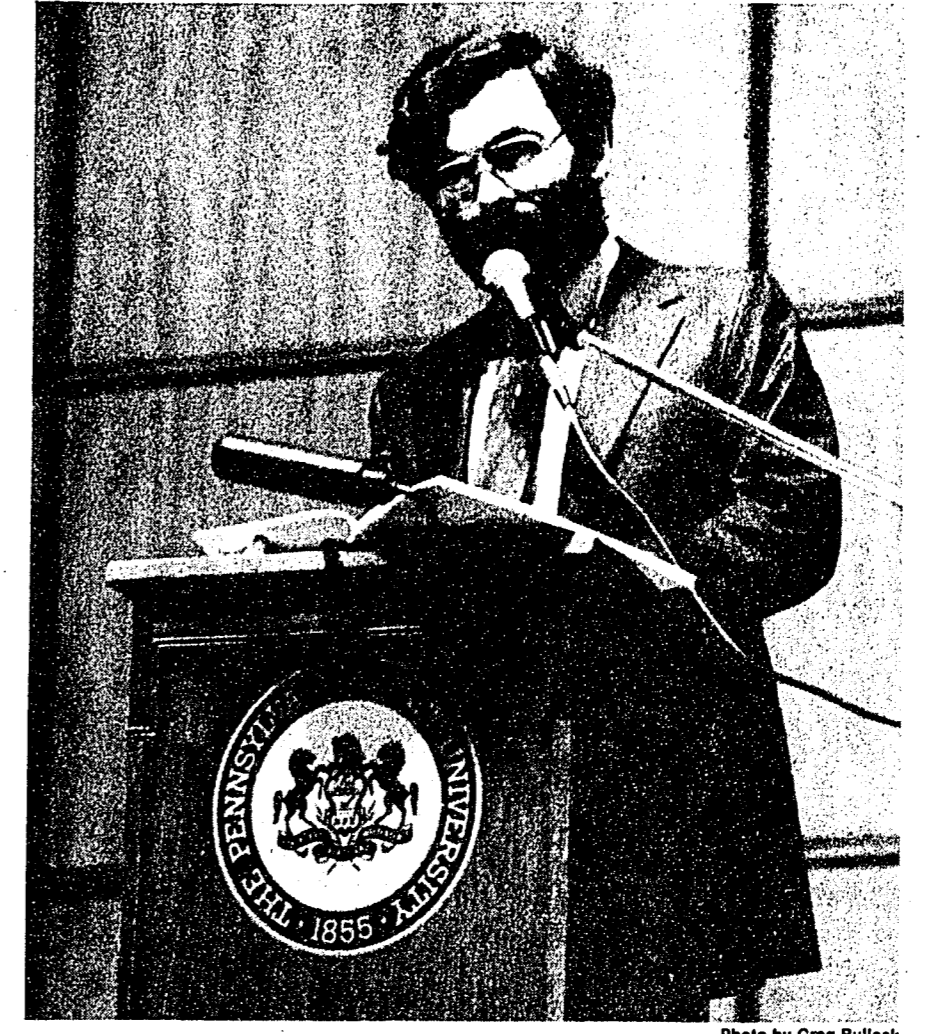
Drink up
I would like to relate an unusual experience I had recently. On Thursday, April 2, I was down at the Saloon listening to Backseat Van Gogh (the best damn band around) like I do most Thursday nights. Near the end of the second set, I was asked to leave by the manager because I "wasn't drinking enough" to satisfy him. He went on to say the Saloon has no cover, of which I was fully aware, and that he expects people to drink a lot more than normal to make up the money lost from no cover charges — or something to that effect.
When I went down that night, I had planned beforehand to stay for only two sets, so I didn't drink as much as I usually do when I stay for the full three sets. Actually, I only drank one beer less than I usually do and I never got hassled before.
Why should I buy I full night's worth of drinks when I'm not going to receive the benefit of a full night's

worth of music? I was going to leave at the end of the set, which was always over, so the table would be empty for any of the few people who were standing. I've seen a lot of women there that drink less than I do and they never seem any of them get sexual or leave.
The manager also said that I had been sitting there for 25 minutes after the waitress had removed my glass and that is totally untrue. I wasn't that buzzed that I couldn't remember something like that. I know that it was only two songs after the waitress had removed my glass that the manager came over.
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'Holocaust' caused anger, speaker says

By KARA THEAL Daily Collegian Staff Writer
NBC's mini-series about the Nazi holocaust depicted ethnic groups in a way that caused anger and confusion, Bohdan Wytwycky said Friday night at a presentation sponsored by the Ukrainian Club.
The holocaust can be considered the most frightful, man-made calamity ever recorded in the annals of history, said Wytwycky, author of "The Other Holocaust."
Wytwycky said the holocaust has caused mischief for intergroup relations for chicks.
"The holocaust has managed to bequeath to the present, memories, myths and misunderstandings which stir to poison the atmosphere of intergroup relations," he said.
0170201NBC's screening of the holocaust depicted different ethnic groups in incorrect ways, he said.
"The mini-series served as a powerful stimulus for reviving an interest in the Nazi holocaust as an issue, not only of historical, but of political and moral significance."
The mini-series also produced widespread anger and bitterness, Wytwycky said.
"It is an indisputable fact about the Nazi holocaust that both in Poland and Ukraine there were people who took place in some way of the brutalization of Jews as well as non-Jews," he said.
"Ukrainians appeared in approximately a dozen scenes and were portrayed as anti-semitic killers. They were shown to have killed



Bohdan Wytwycky, author of "The Other Holocaust" addressed the Ukrainian Club Friday night and discussed NBC's mini-series that dealt with the Nazi holocaust.

more Jews than the Nazis." He pointed out that Ukrainian portrayals were selective and lacked objectivity.
"Out of all the Ukrainians, only the thousands who collaborated were visible in the mini-series, but the millions who perished — nor the billions who were enslaved were not," Wytwycky said.
"It is a small wonder that television did cause such anger and bewilderment to simmer in the hearts and minds of Ukrainians in the United States, Canada and elsewhere."
Wytwycky said there has been some misunderstanding concerning Ukrainian anti-semitism.
"To say there has historically been outbreaks of anti-semitism in Ukraine is not the same as to say there have been outbreaks of Ukrainian anti-semitism activity."
"Many Jews were forced to live on Ukrainian soil and the secret police provided and carried out such activities."
Any valid interpretation of the history of Jewish-Ukrainian relations must take into consideration the conflicting social, political and economic interests of the two, Wytwycky said.
Wytwycky is currently completing a study of the treatment of eastern and southern Europeans for social studies textbooks.

Indians need role models, program director says

By SHARON TAYLOR Daily Collegian Staff Writer
Minority groups have always shared the problem of not having an effective number of their own people in administrative positions to provide role models — and American Indians are no exception, the director of the University's Native American program said.
Grayson Noley said there are 45 to 450 Indians in administrative positions at public schools where 98,000 or more Indian children are enrolled. To reach an effective number of administrators, at least 1,000 more Indians would have to be hired, he said.
"For the number of Indian administrators to reach parity with the students served, the present total of Indian administrators in public schools would have to be increased two times, at least," he said.
There also is a shortage of Indian teachers, he said. Because this is so, Noley said state regarding education in the United States shows the education offered to Indian students does not compare with that offered to white students.
In attempting to alleviate this problem, the federal government has funded programs such as the University's Native American program, which funds graduate Indian students while they are enrolled in an educational administration program at the University.
But because the program is expensive — costing over \$16,000 a term to fund 14 students — the number of Indian administrators is not increasing substantially, he said.
"Obviously, 14 people a year is not the kind of progress we need to have," he said.
Other universities such as Harvard, the University of North Dakota and the University of South Dakota have programs similar to the University's Native American program, but because they are also funded through the federal government, they cannot enroll many students, he said.
"Because education is not high on the list of President Reagan's priorities, funds are going to be tighter," he said.
However, the University program has made some progress, he said. Because students who enroll in the program are committed to serve in an administrative position in a school with Native American children, the majority of participants do hold positions after graduating, he said.
According to a 1981 progress report, 82 percent of the program's former students now occupy a wide variety of positions in Indian affairs and education.
Students now enrolled in the program feel these programs are important because they do make a difference.
Larry Ray Brayboy, a Lumbee Indian from North Carolina, said, "It is the responsibility of the administration to be an outlet for parents to voice their concerns. When Indians see that their own people are in these positions, they are less hesitant to open up — it gives them a direct line for communication."
He also said Indians in these positions provide role models for the children.
"Knowingly or unknowingly, we act as role models for our children," he said.

Dean honored with title of University Professor

The Dean of the College of Engineering Nunzio J. Palladino will be honored with the special title of University Professor when he retires in July.
University Professor is a rare position awarded to distinguished scholars from Penn State who represent the University instead of a college, Provost Edward D. Eddy said.
As a University Professor, Palladino will be lecturing here and on the Commonwealth campus, writing a book on nuclear design and teaching courses in nuclear design this winter and spring.
Palladino will report directly to the provost in "his new position," he said.
"I have done this before, but not often," Eddy said. "It's to recognize a particular scholar and use his knowledge on a University-wide basis."
"His knowledge will be available to a much wider audience," Eddy said.

Palladino was awarded the position a year ago when he first announced his retirement. The administration announced a successor to the dean's office two weeks ago — Wilbur L. Miere Jr. from Purdue University. Miere will take over as dean in July, and Palladino will assume his new position.
Palladino said that he will hold the post until he fully retires in June 1982, and that he is pleased with having the position.
"They have had many (University Professors)," he said. "I would like to do this and I think it will be beneficial to the University."
Faculty Senate elections for the College of Sciences are being held today and tomorrow. The elections will continue from second through sixth periods in the lobby of Osmond Laboratory.
The Tyrone Area High School, Clay Avenue, will be filled with the sound of music when jazz musician great Maynard Ferguson takes the stage tonight at 8 in a benefit concert for the Second Mile.
Campus briefs
Second Mile, a program to help troubled boys, said the proceeds of tonight's concert will go toward the construction of a home on 20 acres of land on Berard Road in Patton Township. It completed payment on last week.

Room locks in Hartranft Hall were changed Friday in response to a report that students had master keys to the building.
Patricia Peterson, associate director of Residential Life, said information was received from graduate Indian students while they are enrolled in an educational administration program at the University.
Harry Meyers, a locksmith for the University said that beginning Friday morning, a pin in the core of every room lock was changed.
"Changing a pin in the lock, rather than the whole core, he said, prevents the use of a master key, while allowing residents to use the keys they now have."
—by Dianne Garyantes, Joseph Kays and Iris Naar

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