Topics

Student participation made to look easy

Without mass demonstrations, letter-writing campaigns or any other pressure tactics, the Interfraternity Council put itself on the winning end of a decision by the State College Municipal Council this

The council decided on Monday to concur with a State College Planning Commission recommendation that rezoning the Hillel Foundation property to allow for a parking lot was not a good idea. And some well informed, carefully planned and tactfully worded input from IFC members —who didn't want part of their fraternity district re-zoned —helped the commission and the council reach that conclusion.

Fraternity members didn't want the re-zoning for several reasons: The parking lot would set a bad precedent, perhaps paving the way for commercial development among fraternity houses; it would increase traffic in the area and perhaps cause safety problems for pedestrians; and building the lot would involve cutting down quite a few gorgeous pine trees which the municipality has an historical penchant for

So IFC community action chairman Luke Taiclet, who had read the couple-inch-thick zoning manual and knew the law, contacted planning commission members individually and voiced his concern.

He then brought IFC's case to the Oct. 15 planning commission meeting and explained everything again for the record.

"We went down as citizens and part of the community and said. 'Look, did you see it this way?' "Taiclet said. IFC pointed out that the intent of the boroughs zoning regulations is to preserve the "aesthetic integrity" of borough neighborhoods such as the fraternity district, and to discourage proposals like the Hillel re-zoning. IFC also showed that the Hillel case constituted "spot

zoning," zoning for individual properties and not for the interests of a community area. The planning commission and municipal council agreed with those arguments — and will look for other sites for the seemingly inevitable parking lot.

"People I worked with were really receptive, and if they weren't, I'd be the first one to scream and yell, But, as IFC's experience shows, screaming and

yelling often aren't necessary to get things

Draft update The Selective Service said this week it is undaunted by

accomplished — outside University boundaries, at least.

figures indicating that nearly one-fourth of the nation's 18-year-old men — about 300,000 in all — have failed to

register for the draft this year. Steps already have been taken toward putting more pressure on the 800,000 men born in 1960-63 who have not

yet registered. They face huge fines and a 5-year prison term if convicted, and the names of 183 registration-resisters have been forwarded to the Justice Department for possible prosecution.

Ten months into his presidency, President Reagan has not taken a position on the draft, though he said during his campaign he was opposed to a "peacetime" registration and draft — whatever he meant by "peacetime."

The Washington Post reported that Selective Service officials expect a statement from Reagan perhaps as soon as next month, after Reagan reviews a report from his Task Force on Military Manpower.

One local draft counselor, however, may have predicted Reagan's position quite accurately by pointing out that when the Reagan administration finishes buying about \$1 billion in new military hardware, somebody's going to have to man the

Incidentally, if Reagan disregards his campaign rhetoric and endorses compulsory registration, he may actually help his political standing. A Sept. 24 Harris Survey showed that 83 percent of the American public favors registration for the draft.

A germ to live in infamy

Some time ago, public image-conscious members of the American Legion tried in vain to change the name of Legionnaires' disease — which was christened such after several Legionnaires died from the mysterious pneumonia-like illness after attending a conference in

Well, the American Legion's PR department has lost again. Scientists at the National Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta said this week they have isolated bacteria that appear to cause the disease. The bacteria's name? Legionella pneumophila

And finally

Just about one more week, everyone

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Keeping up

prepared to fight and win a 'limited' nuclear war in order to be able to deter the Soviet Union from

Soviet Union were in the mind of the anonymou author who coined the phrase, "keeping up with the Joneses," but this seems to be the attitude that these two countries have developed. Memories of the hook-up between the U.S. Skylab and Soviet space lab of less than a decade ago are apparently permanently stricken from

It is improbable that the United States and

the two governments' minds. They no longer seem to care to venture upon present, let alone future, joint expeditions for the ake of mankind. Instead each country wants to be the top family on the block and intends to accomplish this task by stockpiling nuclear arms. It appears as if each of these two major

world powers are trying to outdo the other. The Reagan administration's stand on nuclear armament is clearly outlined in the Oct. 5 issue of Newsweek: "As the President and his men see it, meaningful negotiations cannot begin until the and Soviet Union is redressed."

It seems uncertain as to how far the United nuclear chess game

tion of weapons? Will they make monetary cutbacks in the allotments for other governmen programs in order to finance this present mania? We are already witnessing a decrease in the

infavorably upon our president's decisions. We

afford to pay the necessary bills, so what i wrong with a little step backwards? Isn't it more important for us to prepare as well as we can for the obvious nuclear war threat? Let us be sensible, we can't have everything. Doesn't the man in the White House always know what is best for our country

Ed Leszcynski Jr., 6th-English

Unfair loss

Last weekend at the Penn State-WVU game an ncident occured in the senior student section that upset quite a few people. I was one of them. The first 15 rows of seats in the senior section to the right of the Blue Band were "reserved" for were Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority and Alpha Kappa Lambda fraternity). These seats on the 40-vard line are the best seats in the senior senior or graduate tickets. They are in the senior

nolding senior or graduate tickets can sit here on first come, first serve basis shouldn't be any reserved seats, except for the seats for the Blue Band, in any student section.I vould like to know how people doing these projects get the best seats and why on earth they hould have any seats reserved in the firs

ection and as I understand policy, only students

I'm not putting down the various groups that lo have projects for good causes — it's fantastic that they do this — but I don't see why they should have the best seats reserved for them when people holding senior tickets have gone maybe two hours early to the game to get their seats in the proper manner of first come, first

If they have to save these "project people seats, put them somewhere else - not in the best seats in the senior section. Furthermore, many n these groups hold freshmen/sophomore or junior tickets and by rules, again, shouldn't be in

This trend of reserving seats in the senior section started at the second home game when game, about six were reserved; then at last aturday's game 15 rows were reserved. At this eople and ushers — ushers that are to be vorking in the stands at the games and not sitting and watching as a regular fan. There is a shortage of ushers at games — where are they They are sitting in "reserved" seats in the senion

ogresses I am forced to sit farther and farther back in the stands and for no legitimate reason I can see. Another thing that puzzles me which ccurs in all student sections is how Grandma Grandpa, Mom and Dad can sit in the studen sections. They are not students and therefore houldn't be sitting in student sections taking up student seats. There are barely enough seats

I hope that these incidents don't occur for the not following rules. It would be a shame if a fight were to break out over this but, it wouldn't surprise me because one almost broke out last

"Reserved" student seating better stop — the policy is first come first served - or so

Correction

the Race Relations Board was given incorrectly in Tuesday's edition of The Daily Collegian. The correct number is 863-0295.

wants, uses what he needs and tosses the rest him to get the wrong idea about his decision to



The combination of being too riled up to sleep B.D. everything was above board. It seemed general direction of The Wall. The Wall is was looking for too. B.D. took him at his word. always awake and, if nothing else, always Unfortunately, he didn't see the fishing rod

Gin flowed over ice and tonic back at the guy's apartment. And the conversation flowed two men to do the same.

quickly made the connection. No problem, able just drinking and talking with the guy. He though. B.D. has no qualms about gay people, was smooth and sounded so sincere. But Justin Catanoso is a 10th-term journalism although he has no such inclinations of his subtly, he was baiting the hook. major. His column appears on Fridays.

as the guy he was with, and his advance was easily brushed aside. But any trust that B.D. placed in the guy had diminished. It was time

To B.D., it didn't matter whether the guy was gay or straight; the ulterior motives were

think about Jack, the accomplished fisher-

placed in B.D.'s position. I wonder if he would have recognized himself in the mirror. I wonder if it would have made him think twice before going fishing again. 237-8086 Pro-individual

their information on issues that are extremely important to the students through The Daily

Collegian rather than through their own es tablished communication system? Bridging this student-administration gap will require a mutual effort on both sides to restore the effectiveness of the one communication channel offered students for the expression of serious and intelligent concerns.

Breakdown

We have put forth the effort in the past and we are committed to doing so in the future. We do not feel the corresponding effort has been offered by the administration. We can no longer assume full responsibility for the two-way communication that is essen tial at a university of this size. A system that offers a single channel for

input is not adequate. Alternate paths must be established t correct the inherent weakness in a hierarchy that necessitates dependence rather than al lowing for independent expression. ARHS demands that our concerns be heard. The established system is not effective. Steps must be taken to correct the problems that

We need an administration that is sensitive to the student voice.

exist, in order for ARHS to remain true to

ourselves and the concerns of our constitu

This is the statement that we read at our press conference on Wednesday, Nov. 4. We felt that it was important for everyone to know what we said and how we said it. We are still committed to working to solve the problems that are present in the communication channels that exist now. We hope that other student leaders and students in general are also committed, so we may have a stronger more effective student voice.

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Charles F. Dougherty, R-Philadelphia, (Daily Collegian, Nov. 2) is quoted: "the best abortion poll was in November 1980 when the American people sent a pro-life president to the White-House." Mr. Dougherty was (ostensibly) rebutting the idea that different (public opinion) polls say most Americans are in favor of abortion in

I've lost the exact figures, but at that "election" only about 50 percent of registered American voters voted. From that figure, we get the media-manufactured "landslide" of electoral votes. Reagan's popular vote total was just about the same as Mr. Carter's popular vote; each man had almost 50 percent of the total; that boils down to popular vote (public opinion?) of only about 25 percent of registered American voters who voted for Mr. Reagan (as well as the 25 percent who voted for Carter). The electoral system made Reagan's slim margin into the socalled landslide "mandate" we are constantly

hearing about. Mr. Dougherty also claimed that, "It's one thing for a legislator or a pastor to speak out against abortion, but it is much more effective when young people take a stand." If the legislators legislate a morality which makes abortion illegal for young as well as for old people - read "women" — the stand(s) that those women take will be irrelevant. Mr. Dougherty continues: "To have a young college girl (sic) say she is against the taking of an innocent life far outweighs

anything we can do." Can we assume, Mr. Dougherty, that if college woman chooses abortion, that choice for abortion far outweighs anything the government can do? Can anyone assume that a young college woman's stand on abortion is the same as would be her choice for herself? Abstract choices/concepts are somtimes very different from the same choices/concepts when they become personal.

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most part) BLACK AND WHITE decisions; when problems/choices/concepts hit close to home, become personal, the questions, issues, and alternatives multiply. For decisions of personal morality, I would think (and hope) that faculty and for that matter, of graduate and there are no easy answers; when decisions are undergraduate students who make important based on social and/or legislated morality, the contributions in their field? Perhaps the Colleanswer exists before the question is raised — and gian can cooperate with the colleges and create a "society" makes human/individual/personal de-

Jean S. Guertler, graduate-religious studies

Great idea

his stand on abortion going to be the same as his compared with academic accomplishments? When you get past all of the emotionalism that continue his pregnancy or to end it — even question can raise and consider it objectively. though he may (in the abstract) take a pro-fetal-As long as these social majority decisions can at the University do have these priorities in the be abstract and impersonal, they involve (for the proper order, perhaps all students do. The ma-

Collegian was excellent. There is definitely a can afford half a page to hold up Penn State's am very proud of here at Penn State is our other heros should be looked at seriously. After excellent football team and the abundant school

academics should outweigh sports accomplish ments by a wide margin. I believe most students jority of varsity athletes put academics before

So the question is again raised. Where can students read of the accomplishments of the regular feature. Others who share Professor Roy's views, please tell the Collegian. This idea needs good input to work. C. Green, 6th-civil engineering

Fair weather fans

lack of awareness of faculty accomplishments at I've heard regarding the unfortunate result of Penn State. Your suggestion that the Collegian our last football game. One of the things which I

great to see these quality athletes work together to produce an outstanding team — one which Penn State is very lucky to have. The pride of Penn State students was widely

expressed while we were ranked No. 1 in the nation. "We are No. 1" and "Penn State is the best" were heard all around campus. Unfortunately, when we lost our last game and, consequently, lost our No. 1 title, we also lost the loyalty of quite a few fans. I was totally awestricken and extremely dissappointed to hear such comments as, "They blew it, those jerks," "Those *!!*//*s lost out title," and "They

To those unloyal "fans": Football players are human too, unfortunately they make mistakes like everyone else. If you won't stand by them when the going gets tough, they don't stand by them at all. Your insensitivity and cruelty towards the football team and their loss are nauseating

And to the football players: There are plenty of us loyal fans out here. Win or lose, we'll always "luv ya, lions." Best of luck during the rest of the season — we'll be rooting for you!

Elizabeth Bonino, 1st-biochemistry

Group works against world injustice

State College resident

I've been walking around town, putting up ral million such people in prison - by no means grant that person amnesty and to let those offiflyers for Amnesty International's annual fund- all of them behind the Iron or Bamboo curtains - cials know that people the world over are aware of raising wine and cheese party. From the ques- and their numbers are growing. The newspaper tions people have asked me when I've shown them reader feels a sickening sense of impotence. Yet if the flyer to post on their bulletin board or in their these feelings of disgust all over the world could than 2,000 local groups in 39 countries. Each group store window. I've decided the community here is be united into common action, something effecies is responsible for following the case of at least one in need of an explanation of what Amnesty Inter- tive could be done. national (AI) is and how it works.

I am a newcomer to AI. I had heard of the organization several years ago, but until some more worldly city-living friends informed me otherwise, I erroneously pictured Amnesty Internaional as being composed of people stranded in the protest mentality of the sixties and seventies, noisily proclaiming vague plans for achieving their idealistic dreams. My friends corrected by misimpression; AI is an international human rights organization, they told me. The organization is based in idealism but the thoughtful, well-

a packet of information, from which I began to reservation and advocated fair and prompt trials Open your newspaper any day of the week and The main thrust of the common action advo-

forum

the organization now know as Amnesty International. The organization, as the small print at the informed and well-ordered approach to achieving tially for the release of prisoners of conscience, to which the letter is being written. the ideals works. AI won the Nobel Peace prize in men and women detained anywhere for their 1977. "Get involved," my friends said. "It'll make beliefs, color, ethnic origin, sex, religion or language, provided they have neither used nor advo-I did contact AI in State College, headed up by cated violence. Amnesty International opposes Noreen Herzfeld, a graduate student. I was given torture and the death penalty in all cases without n much about the organization. Amnesty for all political prisoners. Amnesty International international grew from a letter written by a is independent of all governments, political fac-London lawyer, Peter Benenson, printed on May tions, ideologies, economic interests and religious

unacceptable to his government. There are seveand care about an individual's predicament. Amnesty International is composed of more individual and writing letters on that individual's behalf; thus local groups are know as Adoption Groups. In the State College Adoption Group we have been working on the case of Frantisek Lizna. a Czechoslovakian priest who is currently in prison in Olomouc, Czechoslovakia, on charges of illegally publishing and distributing religious

letter a month, and are schooled in the interpersobottom of AI stationary says, ". . . works imparnal skills and customs appropriate to the country

literature for profit. In a separate case, we have

begun making inquiries into reports of torture in

Although I am just becoming acquainted with the State College members, it seems the group here easily incorporates the work of individuals motivated by a diverse range of ideologies and interests. The involvement of individuals varies as well, from those who can afford no more time

you will find a report from somewhere in the cated by Mr. Benenson seems surprisingly simple the first Thursday of each month at 8 p.m. at the world of someone being imprisoned, tortured or to me: that is, letter-writing. Letters are written Wesley Foundation, 256 E. College Ave

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Male aggression: Honesty and respect don't belong on 'fishing' expeditions

He knows all the tricks. He has the right looks, the right lines and just the right timing about came over and sat next to him, it looked to make it all work. He's a man who orders his as if B.D. might find some interesting conver-Jack is the personification of male aggres- They exchanged pleasantries and traded a siveness, yet he's so subtle. And if you don't few stories, but it was getting cold. Much too women think so. Perhaps it's something in his Telling B.D. his apartment was nearby, he eyes or the smoothness of his voice, but once asked him if he would like to take the converhe baits the book and drops the line, he usually sation back there. With little hesitation, B.D. makes his catch. He is not one, however, to agreed to go along. He neither feared the guy have his catch preserved. He takes what he nor condemed his lifestyle. But he didn't want

I grew up with Jack. I know his life almost as well as I know my own. And as much as I reject his hedonistic lifestyle, I cannot bring myself to condemn him for it. He tells me there are plenty of fish in the sea and that he is simply an accomplished fisherman. To argue Honesty and respect have their places —but not when he's fishing. He refuses to accept

open in town had just swept B.D. out the door.

attention: "Just because we have something accepted for two women to express platonic pointed at as someone he knew to be gay. He apart at the bar and B.D. felt rather comfort-

Before they got in the guy's car, he assured

as well. It was friendly; it was topical; and it argument. The argument was familiar to B.D. was interesting. They discussed the double and listening in, one pointed barb caught his standards forced upon the sexes, how it was affection for each other, but not accepted for

It was nearly daybreak when B.D. left the pointed about what happened, but later he came incensed. It wasn't that the guy tried that everything he said from the moment he

a typical chain of events that many women know well: the casual pick-up, the smooth, flow of liquor, then with any luck, a chance to

wonder how he would have reacted if

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