

Waiting for a breeze...



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Strike up the band: Students crowd the Wintergarden Wednesday to hear The Chicago Winds open the 1991-92 "Music at Noon" series. The series, now in its second year, is designed to break down the barriers that often surround classical music performances.

SGA leadership retreat lights senator's fire

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There are two schools of thought on leadership. Some experts think leaders are born and naturally rise to the top, while others say leaders are made; their skills a product of their environment.

Believing in the second theory, the Student Government Association sponsored a leadership retreat this past weekend, called "The spark that lights the fire."

Planned and organized by J.J. Scribner, Commuter Council President, the retreat covered how members of SGA could enhance their image on campus and increase enthusiasm within the organization.

"What we wanted to do with this retreat," said Scribner, "was get SGA members to establish a better working relationship with each other. Hopefully they have learned skills that can make SGA the best organization on campus."

"They came up with a lot of great ideas for SGA this year... we're very hopeful about putting some of these ideas to work."

- Dave Mahoney
5th semester
MIS major

The schedule included four different informative sessions which emphasized education and leadership, as well as fun icebreakers such as balloon football.

The first session, led by Chris Reber, dean of Student Services, and Dave Mahoney, SGA president, covered what SGA is and what it's supposed to do for students and Behrend.

The next Session divided the participants into two groups. Half went to a workshop on "Catching people doing something right," led by Jason Bates, while the other half attended a workshop on creativity and vitality, led by Mark Owens.

Brain storming, presented by David Kravitz, gave (continued on page 7)

Correction

In the Sept. 5 issue of *The Collegian*, the winners of the recent commuter senator election were incorrectly identified. The new commuter senators are Paula Holabaugh and Mike Brennehan.



World

Belgrade, Yugoslavia -- At least 15 people are dead following outbreaks of violence in Croatia Tuesday, but leaders from the Serb-controlled territory of Krajina in western Croatia signed a cease-fire truce negotiated by representatives from the European Community. Meanwhile, Macedonia moved to become the third republic to split from Yugoslavia after an independence referendum taken Sunday. Results showed 95 percent of Macedonia's voters wanted independence.

Nation

Washington -- Democrats on the Senate Judiciary Committee continue to press Supreme Court nominee Clarence Thomas about his position on abortion, civil rights and privacy, and Thomas continues to avoid taking a position on abortion. "We want to learn what you really believe," said Sen. Herb Kohl, D-Wis. "Don't hide behind the argument that you can't discuss the issues." Democratic senators are hoping to avoid a repeat of last year's confirmation hearings, when then-Supreme Court nominee David H. Souter avoided answering questions on abortion and civil rights by using the argument that such answers could compromise future judicial decisions he might make.

Milwaukee -- Jeffery L. Dahmer pleaded innocent Tuesday to 15 murder charges and said if found guilty he would claim insanity. Dahmer earlier this summer confessed to killing and dismembering 17 people since 1978. Dahmer's defense attorney said there was a "strong likelihood" that Dahmer would change his plea to guilty, but ask the court to rule he couldn't be held responsible because of mental illness. If found sane and guilty, Dahmer would have to serve a mandatory life term for each murder. If found mentally incompetent, however, he would be admitted to a mental hospital and be eligible for release every six months after one year of treatment.

Local

A survey conducted at a local truck stop on Interstate 90 confirmed what a national poll had to say: Pennsylvania's highways are some of the worst in the nation. The national poll, scheduled to appear in the October edition of *Overdrive*, has 21 percent of respondents claiming the Commonwealth has the most undrivable highways, closely followed by New York with 15.9 percent. Ohio was a distant third with 5.4 percent. A Pennsylvania Department of Transportation spokesperson said the state was unfairly blamed because its roads are used more often.

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