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Students prefer Clinton

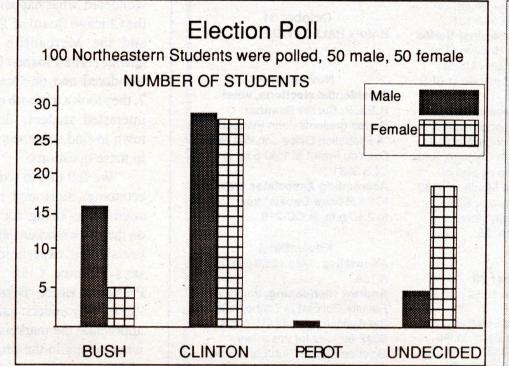
Lisa Greenberg Staff Writer

Fifty-five out of 100 students who are registered to vote will be casting ballots for Arkansas Governor Bill Clinton (D.) in the presidential election on Tuesday, November 3. Out of these 55 people, 28 are male, and 27 are female.

The poll, which was conducted on Northeastern's campus during early October, randomly asked students who they would vote for in the presidential and why.

One of the reasons Clinton was favored by the majority was, "I believe this country needs a change. Since the beginning of the Reagan administration, of which [President George] Bush was a part, I've watched the economy weaken and fall apart. We have employment, health care and education crises. I don't believe that our current problems will be improved or solved with current administration, therefore I am voting for change," said an NEIU student. Because voting is a private matter, names can not be disclosed.

Of these 100 students, 16 males



Graph byLisa Mandl

and five females will be casting their votes for Republican incumbant George Bush.

One of his faithful supporters said, "I'm a republican, and I don't

trust Clinton. I wasn't

See additional election coverage, pages 3 & 4

happy with Bush towards the end of his four years, but I think he's seen his mistakes and will change."

Ross H. Perot, an independent canditate, had a single supportor who will vote for him "because I like his future plans for this country. For example: health plan, and economical plan."

The undecided vote at the time of the poll outweighed the students who said they would support Bush.

One student said, "None of the candidates has given the people any concrete information about what they intend to do to improve the Ameri-

can economy, homeless, education . . ."

Independent's poll shows that the small sampling is in tune with what is happening nationwide. As reported in U. The National College Magazine, October 1992, 1,052 students were asked a series of questions. When asked who they were planning on voting for, the results were: 53 percent for Clinton, 23 percent for Bush, 22 percent were undecided, and two percent for other.

Lamb delivers address

by Ellin Beltz Managing Editor

The President of NEIU delivered a rousing State of the University speech to about 300 faculty, staff and students, two weeks ago. Gordon H. Lamb began by discussing the financial difficulties of the state of Illinois and how new limits on spending affect higher education, particularly at NEIU. "Until recently, higher education was practically untouchable. This is no longer the case. We are expected to demonstrate accountability, which is relatively new to the higher education community," said Lamb.

He said that our faculty participated in annual and seven-year reviews of programs and other facets of educational content. However, internal reviews do not affect plans that the Illinois Board of Higher Education (IBHE) has to provide more focus and less duplication among all the Universities in the state. Lamb added that too many factors remain unknown and that this should pre-See 'Accountabiliy,' page 2

Second Annual Volunteer Fair is success for students

Staff Writer

"You Can Make a Difference" was the theme of the Second Annual Volunteer Fair held October 13 at Northeastern in Alumni Hall.

The fair offered a chance formany NEIU students to find out details about volunteer organizations. "This is a great opportunity for students to

ferent organizations at one time under one roof," said Michael Martinez, Site Coordinator for NEIU's Student Volunteer Corps/Volunteer Referral Ser-

Many representatives were on hand from various organizations to answer students' questions including the NEIU Campus Tree Nursery, Habitat for Humanity, Red Cross, and

learn more about several dif- Kohl's Children's Museum, sity Partnership Program, who of interest before making final among others.

> Students attending were surprised by the number of organizations present.

> "This is great, I had no idea as to the extent of this event," said NEIU Student Josephine Frank-Long. Students weren't the only ones impressed with turnout, Richard Rutschman, Director of the School, College and Univer

was a participant in last year's

Rutschman was pleased with the number of new volunteers who signed up for the Bridges to the Future Mentoring Program.

He also said that he felt the fair was a great idea for the students attending and would encourage students to volunteer and explore various fields career choices.

As this year's volunteer fair was a success, many organizations are looking forward to the 1993 fair.

Students who were unable to attend who would like more information on volunteering can contact the Student Volunteer Corps/Volunteer Referral Service at (312) 794-6115 or stop by their office, C-311.

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Finance Club takes a trip to the Mercantile Exchange Page 4 VIEWS

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What people can wear to where this Halloween

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EVENTS



October 26
Independent meeting at 2 p.m. in E-049.

Science Fiction Club meeting from 12 to 1:30 p.m. in CC-215.

October 27

Gary Salve, trumpet, Graduate
Recital at 7:30 p.m. in A-131.
H.E.L.P. Career Seminar Series
presents Dushan Urukalo "The
Federal Government - Uncle
Sam at His Best," at 1:40 in CLS
3031

Aspira Club presents "Noche Cultural," dance performances by folkloric dance groups; Machu Picchu, Panama in Chicago, and Tierra Colombiana as part of Hispanic Heritage Month, at 7:30 p.m. in the Auditorium. NEIU students and faculty; free, general admission, \$5.

October 28

AA meeting 12 to 12:50 p.m. in A-108.

Robert Channing - Mysteries of the Mind - ESP at 7 p.m. in the Auditorium. Call (312) 583-4050, extension 3865 for fees to this event.

October 29

OA meeting from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. in D-213. H.E.L.P. Office Activities will be providing a workshop featuring reknown Learning Disabled Professors Margaret Learner and Jeff Messener to provide information about learning disabilities to faculty. Contact the H.E.L.P. Office for location and time of event. The office also presents as part of Career Seminar Series, Nick Coletta "Join the City That Works," at 1:40 in CLS 3031. **Accounting Associates** meeting at 1:40 p.m. in CLS 2031. Management Club present "Preparing for the GMAT." A speaker from an outside firm will provide information to students on review courses for the GMAT and on entrance procedures and requirements for graduate school. Materials will be provided by Becker, Cambridge, and

October 30

Stanley Kaplan, from 1:40 to 2:50

p.m. in CC 217.

Young performers variety show at 7 p.m. in the Auditorium. Call (312) 583-4050, extension 3865 for fees to this event.

CODA meeting from 12 to 12:50 p.m. in D-213.

AA meeting from 12 to 12:50 p.m. in S-301

H.E.L.P. Office Activities in conjunction with the Department of Rehabilitation Services presents Transition Fair from 10 a.m. to 3

p.m., contact the H.E.L.P. for location.

NSAB and Student Senate sponsored Pre-Halloween Lunchtime Party from 12 to 2 p.m. in the cafeteria featuring Rockin' Billy and the Wild Coyotes.

October 31 HAPPY HALLOWEEN!

November 3
Presidential elections, vote!
H.E.L.P. Career Seminar
Series presents John Flanaghan
"A Probation Office Job Will Help
Set You Free," at 1:40 p.m. in
CLS 3031

Accounting Associates present "CPA Review Debate" from 1:40 to 2:50 p.m. in CC-218.

November 4

AA meeting 12 to 12:50 p.m. in A-108.

Andrew Glendening, trombone, Faculty Concert at 7:30 p.m. in the Auditorium. Call (312) 794-3042 for fees for this event. Science Fiction Club Bake Sale from 9 a.m. to ? in Village Square.

November 5

"The Chalk Garden" a play by Enid Bagnold, directed by Anna Antaramian at 7:30 p.m. in the Stage Center. Call (312) 794-6109 for fees for this event. OA meeting from 12:30 to 1:30

p.m. in D-213. Science Fiction Club meeting from 1:40 to 2:50 p.m. in CLS 2005.

H.E.L.P. Career Seminar Series presents Dr. Alen Piening "Learn to Love Yourself - Employers Will Know It!" at 1:40 p.m. in CLS 3031.

Music Department presents the Mostly Music Children's Program at 12 noon. Contact the music department for location.

NSAB presents the "Young Performer's Variety Show" at 7 p.m. in the Auditorium.

Wilderness Club meeting at 1:40 p.m. in S-111.

November 6

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November 7

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To receive a listing on the Upcoming Events calendar, send pertinent information to Independent, c/o Lisa Mandl Room E-049, 10 days prior to an issue.

Finance Club 'Exchanges' stock at Mercantile

by Thomas Sears Finance Club President

Hedging, Forward Market, Futures Market; have you ever heard these words and wondered what they meant? Or have you ever wondered what happens at the Chicago Board of Trade and the Mercantile Exchange? The Finance Club wondered and on October 7, they took a trip with other interested students downtown to find some answers to these questions.

"We felt that in today's economy, more and more attention is being focused on the stock market and this years' crop expectations," says Finance Club Vice President Bruce Brzoska, "so to fully understand and appreciate the markets and what occurs in the process of futures trading we felt a firsthand look would provide a better understanding

of what we are hearing on the news and in the classroom."

In all, 15 students rode the Ravenswood line downtown to get a look into one of this countries largest trading exchanges. Student Rita Butler described the events as "educational, and exciting. We study all about the markets in the classroom and hear about them on the news, but you gain a new appreciation and understanding when you can actually see how the process works; this is something everyone should experience."

Any students who missed out on this semesters trip shouldn't worry, because the Finance Club is planning another next semester. Students may also go down to the Mercantile Exchange during regular trading hours and watch from the visitors gallery.

Accountability

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vent faculty, staff and student speculation on the future of specific programs at NEIU and other state schools.

"Science is central to all students," said Lamb. Heremarked that the elimination of science programs would shortchange primary and secondary education students as well as threaten scientific literacy for all students.

The IBHE also wants to eliminate the Center for Inner City Studies within the next two years. Lamb argued that the center provides in irreplaceable resource for inner city students who would be unable to participate in higher education if it were to be closed.

Lamb said that before this year the process of program review began with the faculty, proceeded through the college, to the provost, the president, the chancellor and then to the Board of Governors.

This pattern is being changed now. Although the IBHE does not have the authority to remove specific programs, it can make adverse budget recommendations.

He urged faculty staff and students to consider this challenge the opportunity to become stronger. "Let's show them how strong we really are," he said, "We have faculty in our classrooms, not teaching assistants, and insure quality to our students."

Lamb mentioned that this year, in spite of budget cuts, that the faculty had received a raise, that there were no reductions in research funds, that 30 visiting lecturers are teaching classes and that tenure-tracking has not been eliminated. He said that these benefits had come from a substantial reduction in administrative costs, but did not mention the tuition increase.

Additionally, NEIU has begun a program of international involvement, primarily with the Urals State Pedagological Institute in Ekatarineburg, Russia. Provost Salme Steinberg and other faculty recently returned from a trip to Moscow and Ekatarineburg.

The two schools are similar. Lamb said, "They're both inner city, with talented faculty, and focus on education." The Institute is planned to be a teacher-training center for all of Russia, as well as being the first ecology center in the Urals.

Lamb also mentioned that the partnership with Motorola Corporation was their only educational partnership and one of only 15 in the world. He closed by saying NEIU must "meet the new IBHE challenge. It is time to present what we do best. Let's tell them to come and review everything we have here. I'm proud of it."

After the address, several faculty members asked questions and made statements.

Presidential Platforms

BUSH

President George Bush said, "This country is not coming apart at the seams, for heaven's sakes. We're the United States of America. We should not change for change sake; it is not enough. With a new congress we can work towards my agenda for America."

CLINTON

Govenor Bill Clinton believes, "You can have the right kind of experience and the wrong kind of experience. Mine is rooted in the real lives of real people, and it will bring real results if we have the courage to change."

PEROT

Ross H. Perot said that he was redeclaring his candidacy because Clinton and Bush had failed to "address the problems that face the nation. We gave them a chance. They didn't do it." Perot continued, "The volunteers in all 50 states asked me to run as a candidate for president of the United States."

EDUCATION

Calls himself the "education president." Opposes an increase in Pell Grants which affects college students. Opposes increased funding for Head Start programs.

Supports Head Start and school lunch program. Wants to establish tougher standards. Wants to reform school curriculum, and to increase security for learning. Supports lifetime learning.

Proposes comprehensive preschools, and national standards. In favor of "learning as a first priority" by empowering parents and teachers.

CRIME AND DRUGS

Against legalized drugs. Is a member of and is endorsed by the National Rifle Association. Refused to support a ban on assault weapons claiming that it would interfere with hunting. Refuses to support the Brady Bill, which requires a seven day waiting period to buy handguns.

Against legalized drugs. Wants to add 100,000 more police on the streets and to expand federal crime assistance. Supports the Brady Bill and a ban on assault weapons. Wants to get tough on white collar crime.

Against legalized drugs. Wants to reduce crime and violence, and rebuild cities.

ENVIRONMENT

Promised to be the "environmental president" during campaign against Michael Dukakis. Signed into law a new Clean Air Act. Supports increased logging in old-growth northwest costal forests. States that saving endangered species is less important than affecting local economies.

Supports a reduction in pollution and solid waste. Wants to preserve America's natural beauty and key resources. Supports use of market forces to encourage environment protection. Supports world wide conservation agreements. Supports improved energy efficiency.

Wants to provide tax incentives for environmental conservation. Wants to develop an intelligent energy program.

FAMILY

Committed to family's economic and moral rights. He's anti-abortion, although eight years ago, he was pro-choice. Refused to sign family leave bill. This rule would have only applied to companies with over 50 employees.

Proposes to guarantee every family the right to quality, affordable health care in public and private sectors. Supports the Family and Medical Leave Act. He's pro-choice. Wants to crack down on deadbeat parents.

Wants a strong family unit in every home.

WORK

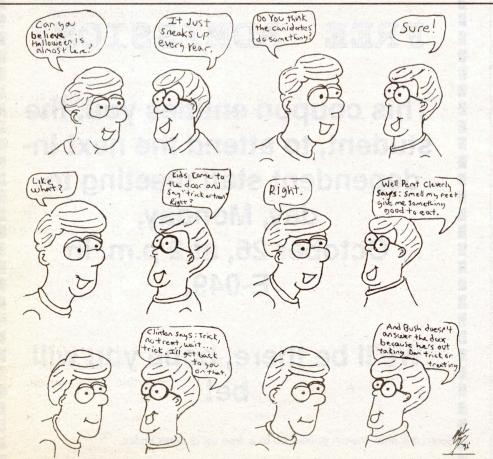
Supports job retraining for the unemployed and underemployed. Wants to stimulate savings and investments.

Proposes to guarantee a working wage. Wants to help low-income Americans build savings. Proposes to stimulate investment in innner-city and rural area.

Proposes to rebuld the job base and put Americans back to work. Proposes to maintain and build our manufacturing base. Plans on developing key 21st century industries.

Information compiled by Lisa Greenberg, Ellin Beltz and Lisa Mandl

A Bit O' Fun by Nelson Tapias



LSAT Preparation Program

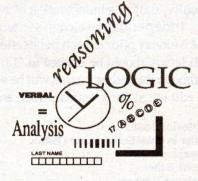
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Opinion

Clinton is the right man for the job

Where were you four years ago, and what was your life like? Was it easier, or more difficult. Were you on your own, or living at home?

Did the war in the Gulf affect your life? How about the recession that gripped our nation for the past three years? Does the national deficit affect you? Do you yote?

The United States of America is practically unique among governments of the earth in having orderly transitions of power. We call them elections and take them quite for granted. Too for granted in many cases, because few of us bother to vote. In fact, 18-25 year olds are regarded as the least represented section of the electorate, since few go to the polls.

Unfortunately, it is the people who are 18-25 now who stand to be most affected if the current policies and programs of our government continue. Young people are more likely to be killed by violence and involved with the police. They also need funds for education, need welfare or other temporary benefits, need child care, need health care, need to know that their future has not been mortgaged in the interest feeding a government so swollen by waste that the federal deficit is spiralling out of control.

The interest is reported to be

\$1 billion a day. That is an additional \$365 billion a year. Even at currently low rates of interest, that is a lot of money. Like a credit card bill, it's going to come due, and today's youth are the ones who are going to have to pay if the government doesn't change its ways.

Obviously, it's time for a change. "Trickle-down" economics have had 12 years to produce results. They have - a double-dip recession that threatens the American dream for most of the population.

The drug wars have merely resulted in escalating prison populations and increased budgets for all types of law enforcement. Unfortunately, all the laws, money and effort have had no effect on the availability of drugs on the street. The environment is no better than it was four years ago, even though we've had an "environmental president." Education is not easier to obtain, or better than it was four years ago even though we've had four years of an "education president."

Bill Clinton, governor of Arkansas and democratic nominee for President of the United States, is the only candidate of the three who has the resume, resources and experience to improve America.

Incumbent George Bush (R.) has proved to the American people over the last four years that his biggest campaign promise, "Read My Lips, No New Taxes," was a blatant lie.



He, like a good magician, wanted the public to concentrate on his face and to not watch his hands signing the papers.

Independent cannot in good faith endorse the independent candidate Ross H. Perot for the position. We feel that although his financial ideas are great, if there was a situation that came up that he didn't like, he might run away as he did when he quit the race when Clinton's nomination was assured.

Clinton feels that "Hope has been destroyed" under Bush.

He wants an America that is no longer divided by race or region, a lid to be put on health care costs and Cartoon by Juan Fernandez Saines to add 100,000 police officers to the streets to fight crime.

Clinton also expresses views about "family values" including one-parent families, that are more in touch with the times than the position of Bush and Vice President Dan Quayle.

Quayle bashed Murphy Brown for having a child out of wedlock, but a large number of American families are only oneparent households because of the high divorce rate.

Your vote for Clinton and your encouragement of others to vote, will ensure that America is changed for the better.

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October 26, at 2 p.m. in E-049.

We'll be there, hope you will be!

Sorry, this offer doesn't entitle you to a free set of steak knifes.

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Extension 200

During the period of October 4 through October 16, 1992 the following Public Safety incidents occurred compiled by NEIU Officer Bob Paprocki

October 4

Theft: Parking permit number 01964 was taken from a car parked in the K-Lot.

October 5

Deceptive Practice: A student who reported his parking permit stolen was discovered with the permit parked on the campus. His car was booted. Found Property: A student found a purse with \$97 in the library and turned it into the Public Safety Office. The owner was located and the money and purse returned.

October 6

Disorderly Conduct: A student aide refused to relinquish office keys to his supervisor. The student aide resigned and the keys were returned to the supervisor. Theft: The above student aide complained that a fellow employee stole \$25 of his. The employee agreed to pay the student aide the amount of the missing money. Accident Non-Injury: A student's car was damaged by the driver of a white Buick LaSabre. Accident Non-Injury: A student's car was struck by a garbage truck while parked in the J-Lot. Theft: Parking permit number 01067 was taken from an auto parked in the J-Lot. Theft: A textbook was stolen from a student in the library. Beck's Bookstore was notified of the theft.

October 7

Lost Articles: A student reported her driver's license and school I.D. lost in the A-Wing. Theft: A student reported his borrowed bicycle stolen from in front of the Classroom Building. Criminal Tresspass: Two juvenilles and one adult were arrested after they were chased from the roof of the physical platn. Theft: A faculty member reported some government documents from her office.

October 8

Theft: An aneroid barometer was reported stolen from the Science Building. Theft: A bicycle was stolen from outside of the Classroom Building. Disturbance/Fight: Two students became involved in a disturbance over a paint brush. This was reported to their department head. Disturbance: A student complained of loud high school students in the library. The students were moved to another floor of the building.

October 9

Theft: A student reported her purse stolen from an unlocked cabinet in the library.

October 12

Criminal Damage To Vehicle: A student who left his auto in the A-Lot overnight found it damaged. A witness to the incident had taken the plate of the offender and reported it to the Public Safety Of-

October 13

Station Information: Parking permit number 01487 was reported stolen. Criminal Damage: A mat in the P.E. Building was damaged by unknown person(s). Criminal Damage: Marble molding around a heating vent was reported missing. Aggravated Battery: Two students were inolved in a fight in the P.E. Building. No camplaints were signed. Station Information: An NEIU vehicle was involved in an auto accident on Foster Avenue.

October 14

Other Police Information: A drunk driver was stopped by an NEIU Police Sergeant. The driver was turned over to the Chicago Police Department for processing. Burglary: Two lockers in the P.E. Building were broken into. theft: A student reported a wristwatch stolen.

October 15

Criminal Damage: Graffiti was discovered in a study carroll. Criminal Damage - Vehicle: A student reported an auto windshield damaged on campus. Burglary: Parking Permit number 01294, Level I, and other material were reported stolen from a vehicle parked in the K-Lot. Investigation: A student was discovered in an office using a computer.

October 16

Criminal Damage: An Illinois Bell pay telephone was discovered damaged. The phone company was notified. Burglary: Level I parking permit number 01563 was reported stolen from an auto parked in the K-Lot. Criminal Damage: Graffiti was discovered in an washroom in the P.E. Building. Theft: A wall plate was reported stolen from the library. Traffic Offence: NEIU Police and Chicago Police were involved in a chase on Bryn Mawr Avenue when a driver disregarded a stop sign on campus and tried to elude police.

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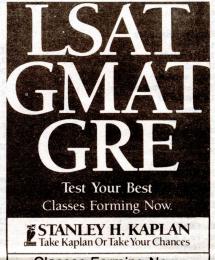
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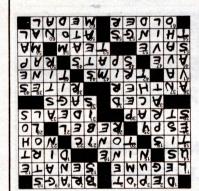
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ACROSS

- 1. Station
- 6. Boasts
- 12. Legislative body
- 15. Roman IX
- 17. Soil 18. It is (poetic)
- 20. Medicine that restores
- 23. Variant of no (Japanese)
- 24. Glimpse
- 26. Resist 28. Behold
- 29. Strip of leather
- 31. Conceptions 33. Get the better of
- 35. Sinks 36. Upper end of stamen
- 38. Ceremonies 41. Eastern state (abbr.)
- 42. Clips
- 45. Fork prong 46. Hail!
- 48. Shoe coverings 50. Hit sharply
- 51. Safeguard
- 53. Squad 55. N.E. state (abbr.)



Second Glance

59. Without tone

61. Aged

DOWN

- 1. Stop
- 2. Exempli gratia (abbr.)
- 3. Play on words 4. Leave out
- 5. Singing voice
- 6. College degree (abbr.)
- 7. 2nd scale note 8. Also

- 10. Walk lazily 11. Stringed instruments
- 13. Character of certain
- 16. Direction (abbr.)
- 19. Small marine fish food
- 21. Wading bird
- 22. Hard wood tree
- 25. Expensive boat
- 27. Legitimate (slang)
- Looks 32. Ado
- 34. Drop 36. Desist (naut.)
- 37. Indian tribe 39. Protective coating
- 40. Calyx of flower
- 44. Hot mist
- 47. Wicked
- 49. Glut 52. Finis
- 54. Modern (slang) 57. Symbol for germanium
- 58. Senior (abbr.) 60. Sodium symbol

by Irene Flebbe



Album Reviews

This band is 'Sick of it All'

by Ranan Engelhart Music Critic

In a musical scene that certainly has no shortage of underground punk groups, what sets one apart from another? Whatever it is Sick of it All has certainly found a formula that works. With their first album on a major record label (Relativity, and no, they are not yet another death metal group.), Sick of it All finally has a chance to gain some recognition as one of the best hardcore punk/thrash groups

The album, "Just Look Around," is appropriately titled for the overall theme of the album seems to be: Wake up and take a look at the current state of affairs! The first song on the album, "We Want the Truth" jumps right in with both feet into the political arena. The lyrics are about dishonesty in the government, specifically the Iran-Contra situation. Other songs on the album equally display Sick of it All's social awareness and their desire to share it. "Locomotive" is written from the perspective of an underprivileged individual, frustrated about not being able to break the chains of poverty.

The song goes into the emotional aspects, as well as physical, and creates, what I believe to be, an accurate portrayal of someone in this situation. "What's Goin' On" is a powerful plea to gang members to end the senseless waste and see what they are doing to themselves and their community. And the title track, "Just Look Around," is about how racial and religious tensions and other such issues are used to divide us and divert our attention while the government does what they please. Heavy stuff!

All I've discussed so far has been Sick of it All's lyrics. Well, musically, Sick of it All has not strayed much from their old style. The songs are still short (There are 13 songs, and the album is less than a halfhour long.), but they get their point across in this time. You will never find a guitar solo in one of their songs. They just slam right in, make their point, then end. A song may be less than two minutes in length but it will pack a point and is guaranteed to never get tedious or boring.

The only change in Sick of it All's sound is that, being on a major label, the album was mixed a lot better than their previous releases. The bass is a lot more prevalent in the music and the guitar has a lot crisper sound. This was a big and much needed improvement.

All in all, if you like hardcore punk/ thrash and music with a message, this may be the album for you. Sick of it All are extremely talented musically, and their social insights will probably impress you, especially coming from the often trivialized world of punk. In an attempt to do justice to Sick of it All's points, I would like to close this review the way Sick of it All ended their album. It can be interpreted as a word of warning or words of encouragement: "Silence Equals Death!!!" ***:

When it comes to shove, Gruntruck can 'Push'

by Derek Monroe Miszczak Music Critic

In the army of grunge music troops from Seattle, Gruntruck is probably the elite unit along with Mudhoney and Nirvana.

Their new album, "Push," starts out with a guitar attack on "Tribe" and "Machine Action" that bring out the resemblance of

> Nirvanish style of anger and frustration. However, the music on this album sounds more bleak and tired, compared with other Seattle productions.

"Crazy Love" and "Above Me" sound all right with the additional feeling of nonchalance exercised by Ben McMillan's Ozzy Osbournesque vocals. "Break" and "Slow Scorch" are continuing this brain trip to stop at "Body Farm" which is a sad satire on life. Gruntruck's lyrics are often a descriptive account of warped society that revolves around sex, violence and bodily transplants. All of this is a package of aggressive, screaming instruments and corny wailing vocals. If you like modern grunge with some other elements (Black Sabbath), Gruntruck will take you on a good, rocky ride.



Happy Halloween!

Scary videos for Hallow's Eve

by Lisa Mandl Entertainment Editor

If plans to go celebrate Halloween out fall through, or if you're too afraid to leave your domain, refuge can be sought with some friends, popcorn and some scary movies.

Now I'll openly admit to you that I don't enjoy gory, bloody horror flicks like "Chainsaw Massacre," so if that is the type of movie that tickles your fancy, you might not enjoy these films.

Silence of the Lambs

This is an eerie film, and if you have a weak stomach or heart, I wouldn't advise you to rent this. Anthony Hopkins wonderfully portrays the cannibalistic psychiatrist who was institutionalized. Eating his client's heart when he thought his client's therapy "wasn't going anywhere" was just one of the things he did. His perverse attitude and mystique are incredible to watch especially when he becomes a prominent character: he is asked to help Clarice Starling (Jodie Foster) catch a Dahmerlike murderer who skins his female victims. Both Hopkins and Foster received Best Actor and Best Actress Emmys respectively for their portrayals in this film.

Jacob's Ladder

This film, starring Tim Robbins as Jacob, is just one of my all-time favorite films. It is so twisted, it's great. The story has many settings because of a drug. This drug was supposedly given to soldiers in the Vietnam War which the soldiers had no knowledge of to make them fight harder and longer. The twists are caused by Jacob's trips between reality and fiction make it difficult for the viewer to follow at times, but once the film ends, it's fairly simple to know what was real. The almost saintlike chiropractor, played by Danny Aiello) helps Jacob throughout the film with his problems and adds some very interesting lines throughout the film.

Rocky Horror Picture Show

Although this is still playing at a few theaters at midnight on the weekends, it's just as much fun to sit around and watch it at home. I first saw it on Halloween a couple years ago. Starring Tim Curry as Dr. Frank-N-Furter, Susan Sarandon as Janet, and Richard O'Brien as Riff Raff. Frank-N-Furter

is a mad scientist from the planet Transexual whose only desire is to make the perfect man. An innocent couple happen by in the night, and the film is a record of their loss of innocence. The main part of this film is the audience participation, so try to get with people who have seen it already if you haven't. The audience's lines are a definite plus.

Adams' Family

The Adams' Family movie is based on the cartoon that was first drawn and not the series on television. This is a film for the whole family. Those chosen for the main roles couldn't have been any better. Gomez, played by Raul Julia, was suave and debonair, and wife Morticia, wonderfully portrayed by Angelica Houston, was unbelievably beautiful. Together, they run into problems, along with the rest of the clan, when their house is taken away from them and they're forced to lead a "normal" life. It's not a scary film, but it has the qualities of one, combined with a touch of humor.

Halloween III -The Season of the Witch

Okay, okay, I know that killer/psycho Michael Myer is not even in this one, but it's still excellent. Part three takes a stab at getting rid of the population in the easiest way - by killing the children. A mask-making company called Silver Shamrock has placed computer chips in their lifelike masks which will explode Halloween evening, killing the kids. One man has found out and he goes on a quest to save the kids. Can he do it. . . ?

House - Ding Dong You're Dead & House II - The Second Story

So you've found me out. I LOVE those stupid taglines. Sometimes I don't know which pulls me towards a video more, the taglines or the pictures on the boxes (which usually are not even in the film). House and House II are about, you guessed it, a house. This is no ordinary house, this house comes equip with what seems to be a mind reader. When Roger Cobb (American Hero's William Katt) comes to the house, the stories he writes come true and the house makes him relive his past horrors. If you watch these and like them, whatever you do, DO NOT rent House IV. Three was released under a different name altogether (which makes no sense), but IV has nothing to do withthe first film or the second film and is really bad.

Zorro Goes to School Art by John Piotrowski, text & design by Patrick Sanchez



Batman, Catwoman costumes are the rage

by Ellin Beltz Managing Editor

Boos and ghouls seeking to slavishly adhere to Halloween fashion may find our survey of 10 top Chicago costume shops of interest.

Batman and Catwoman top the most rented list at the shops. From yuppieland to Howard Street, it seems partiers would rather be the caped crusader and the latex shrouded feline female, than crash dummies, vampires, hobos, witches, ghosts or any of the other old standbys according to the survey. Exceptions to the Hollywood influence were noted by Kaufmann Costumes which says that flappers are their top renters, Elvis at Razzle-Dazzle Costumes and, of all things, Cleopatra at the Mar-Ray Costume Shop.

Needless to say, renting the most popular costumes will not win you any bar prizes, or second glances at the clubs. For that, you'll need some imagination, and someone with talent to whip something up for you.

Places to go on Halloween

by Ellin Beltz Managing Editor

Halloween began as a fall festival in pagan times in Europe - a time when witches rode broomsticks, ghosts flew and shrieked and the dead came forth to boogie. Nowadays, Halloween is celebrated by folks riding Harleys or BMWs, flying on special bar drinks, and the Dead - unfortunately - are not boogie-ing in Chicago this year.

However, have no fear, being Saturday, this year Halloween promises to be more excessive than usual. Chicago is famous for its Halloween parties, blocks of fab costumes, and huge bar prizes for best. Some whole neighborhoods turn out in costume and are happening places to be. Other neighborhoods are in costume the other 364 nights, but become much, much weirder on October 31.

For those looking for a bit of witches' brew, eye of newt or whatever, here are a few clubs and entertainment spots for those not planning to stay home on all hallows

Oak Theatre, 2000 N. Western, 9 p.m., 21 and over, Vampire Circus II. \$10 advance, \$12 door (312) 509-6311 hot line number.

Cubby Bear, 1059 W Addison, (312) 477-show. Freddy Jones Halloween Bash, 10 p.m.

The Big Nasty, 2242 N. Lincoln, (312) 404-1535. Claims you won't want to be caught dead in their car, \$4,000 in prizes includes Cadillac Hearse and cruises, Friday, October 30 and Saturday, October 31.

Metro, 3730 N. Clark, (312) 549-0203. Dhamba 8, Kui Lee Five, Public Servants, Avocado Jungle Fuzz, 10 p.m. 21 & over only.

South Beach, 2251 N. Lincoln, (312) 327-2300 til 4 am. Voodoo Halloween.

Shelter, 564 W. Fulton, (312) 648-5500. Night-mare Hotel performance at 12 p.m. Outrageous Costume Contest \$500 for person most dressed to kill. DJ's.

River West, 1860 N. Elston, (312) 276-4846. Motown Show and Halloween Ball.

BossaNova, 1860 N. Clybourn, Halloween in Rio "the ultimate Masquerade ball." \$15 benefits Musicians Service Bureau.

The Aragon Ballroom, 1106 Lawrence. WXRT sponsors the Ramones, Social Distortion and Overwhelming Colorfast, Rock Horror Show.

Club 950, 950 West Wrightwood,. \$100 Prize Best Costume.

Weather Serivce office opens at NEIU

"The time is 8:05 a.m. and the temperature at Northeastern Illinois University is a cool 61 degrees... and now the news."

Northeastern has become the site of a new climate/weather information office for the National Weather Service (NWS). Also, a weather observation substation will soon be operating on campus for the NWS, the federal government's weather and climate information and research agency.

The NWS, with help from the Midwest Climate Center/Illinois Water Survey at Champaign, Illinois, will assist NEIU in the organization of a climatological data base system.

The NEIU climate and weather office provides weather information as a free service to the public, but many requeats come from commercial ventures such as real estate or insurance professionals, energy companies, agricultural consultants, etc. who are charged a fee for customized data.

The NWS has been seeking to develop working relationships with universities.

In a reorganization of the Chicago-area weather service, the NEIU Climate/Weather Service has become the major research and data collection office for the NWS not only for Northeastern, but for the entire Midwest. The office replaces all functions of the O'Hare (Rosemont) NWS office excet for daily readings, which are in the future at NEIU.

The new NWS substation at NEIU will be operational soon and its observations (temperature, precipitation) will eventually be published and otherwise made available to the news media, along with other Chicago area climactic data.

Project Director and a major catalyst for the new facility is NEIU Earth Science Professor Charles Shabica. Through his efforts, NEIU has been a leader in water research in northeastern Illinois and the Great Lakes; the Earth Science Department already has substantial files of climate-related data.

Joining the NEIU Earth Science Department as a research fellow, Herbert Hoffman of the NWS heads the new facility. As a NWS physical scientist, Hoffman will also do local research in conjunction with Earth Science faculty.

Office hours are 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday. the phone number is (312) 794-6688. Services are available in person, by phone, or by fax.

Golfers close season; finish in 5th place

The very short fall golf season has come to a close for the Northeastern golf team as they captured fifth place at the Chicagoland Collegiate Golf Conference Tournament in Rockford, Illinois on Friday and Saturday, October 2 and 3.

The bright spot fot the weekend and for the season was senior Tom Fanselow (Leyden H.S.) who was the low scorer for the two-day tournament with an average of 76. He was also honored as the low man of the season in the coonference with an average of 78. For both averages he received a trophy.

"Tom has been outstanding for me," said Head Coach Red Seltzer. "He has been our mainstay all season, and for his college career for that matter. His consistent play will be hard to replace next year."

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NEIU pumps it up with weight-lifting contest

If you're searching for a fun, exciting, interesting, and different activity to combat the midterm blahs, then check out the weight-lifting contest in the P.E. Building. The contest takes place on Tuesday, October 27, and Thursday, October 29, at 1:45 p.m. in the weight-lifting room (room 2136).

According to Julie Morgan, coordinator of activities and intramural affairs, this is the third year that the weight-lifting contest has occurred. Morgan hopes that the amount of participants will continue to grow each year, with her final goal being competition with other universities.

"Weight-lifting competitions are big events at other universities; I hope that NEIU will also be able to compete with other schools in the future."

The competition is open to male and female participants 18 years of age or older, and all competitors must have a valid student I.D. This years competitors are all different types of people coming from different backgrounds, but all can be otherwise known as "ironheads."

At the competition, each contestant will have three opportunities to perform each of three events: bicep curl, bench press, and leg press. The highest weight moved by each contestant in each activity will be recorded, and the contestant with the highest combined poundage will be the first place winner. In total, three prizes will be awarded (to 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners) - usually plaques or trophies.

In addition to the annual weight-lifting contest, an annual bench press contest is held in March. This has transpired for the past four years.

Although it is too late to participate in the weight-lifting contest, it is not too late to watch your friends sweat while showing support to athletics at NEIU. Even the expert weight-lifters Hans and Frans from Saturday Night Live would agree that the audience is certain to have an "uplifting "experience!

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