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Students

fall into fun

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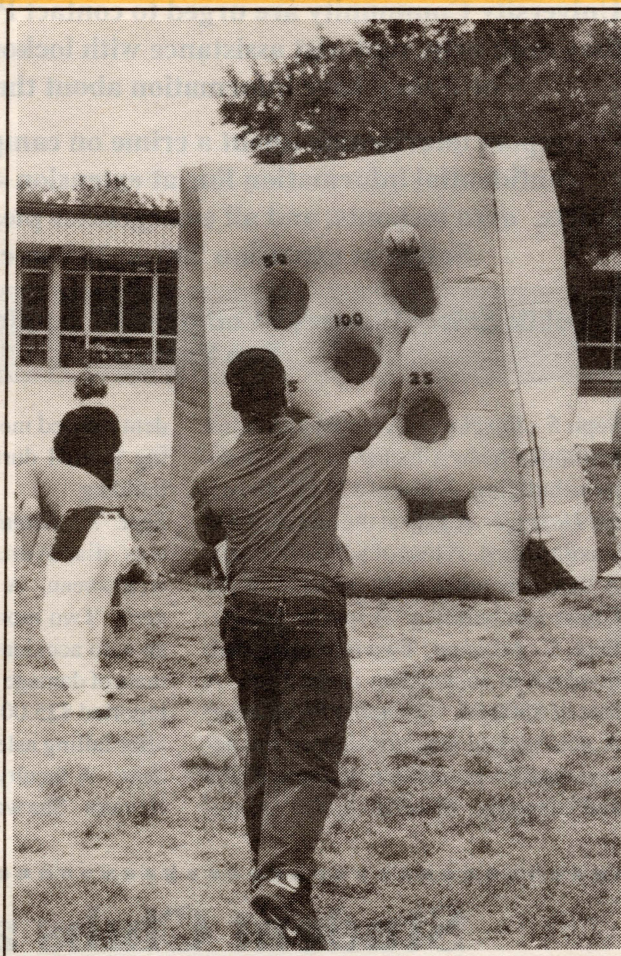
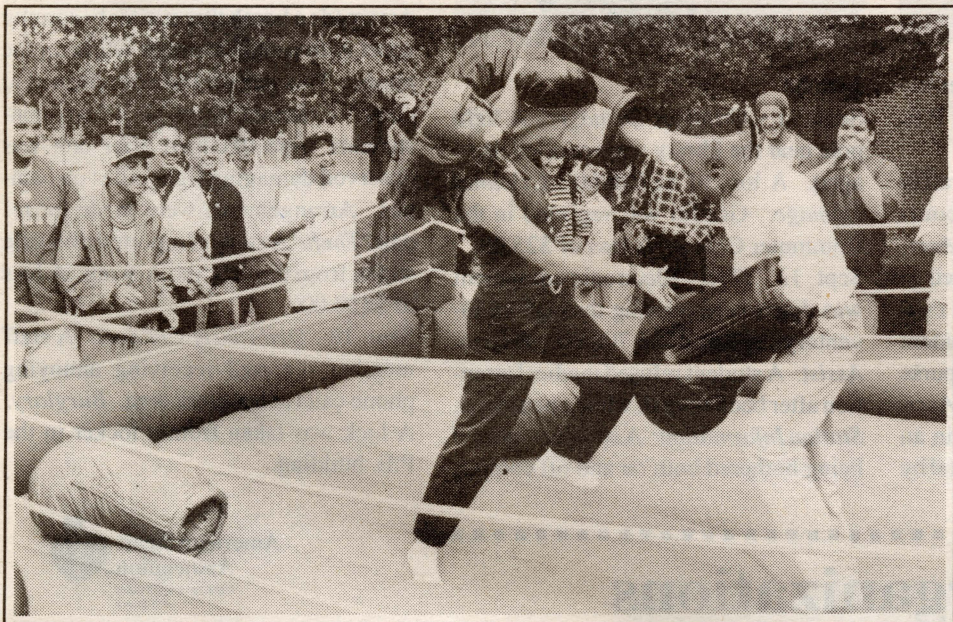


photo by Steve Fitzer

Over 500 students had a great time on the lawn between the B-wing and the Science building on Monday, September 18. They enjoyed the music of Brass Bullit, competed in Bugee Running, played Games Galore and watched other students beat each other up in Bouncy Boxing.

Steinberg presents State of the University Address

by Melissa Radja

photo by Steve Fitzer



Salme H. Steinberg

Acting President Salme H. Steinberg presented her State of the University Address to a full room of faculty, staff, and student representatives. Steinberg welcomed twenty-one new tenure-track faculty members to the staff and touched upon some of the new and on-going programs at Northeastern.

She focused upon the many parts of the university that serve to enrich and broaden the role of the university. The Community of Learners project will "increase the academic achievement of students from kindergarten through high school by engaging them in a collaborative process that involves just about everyone," she noted. Professors Rita

Brusca and Jeanne Baxter will initiate focus groups in order to develop a model for this project that will be used nationally and locally, if successful. Partnerships with The Center for Inner City Studies on Chicago's south side and with the West Englewood Community Health Care Project are "evidence of making a difference in the larger community to which we belong," she claimed.

Another noteworthy partnership, funded by the U.S. Department of Education Fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary Education, seeks to increase the number of minority students who further their education at graduate school and pursue studies in math, the sciences, and engineering. In accordance with this program Northeastern sponsored Dr. Zheng Zong's residence and Fredy Morales' studies at the University of Iowa.

Improvements within the university were also noted in the Dr. Steinberg's address. A Freshman Year Experience pilot program was begun in order to assure students' academic success. Northeastern will participate with the Illinois Consortium for International Education in a program that seeks to recruit students from varied backgrounds and disciplines into their extensive study abroad program.

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Truth in advertising?

by Ellen Shepard

The new course catalogs are out, but they do not accurately reflect the courses actually offered on a regular basis. Some courses listed have not been offered recently; others have not been offered for many years.

The *Independent* looked through course schedules for undergraduate classes from the past two years—from Fall '93 until now—and found that there are a significant number of classes listed in the catalog that have never been offered in that period.

For example, only 57 (68%) of the 83 classes listed by the English Department have been offered in the past two years. It has been much longer since there has been anyone on staff to teach the three journalism classes they list. The College of Business and Management seemed to fare better than the College of Arts and Sciences. Only 7% of Accounting classes listed in the catalog have not been offered since Fall '93. The other departments have similar records.

One possible explanation for the discrepancy between Colleges is actually a tribute to NEIU; in the College of Arts and Sciences, professors have the freedom to create their own courses, based on their specializations and interests. This allows for a wide variety of courses and helps professors keep their material fresh and interesting. However, those courses often remain in the catalog listings long after the professors

that taught them have left or the funding to offer them has dried up.

Dr. John Boni, Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, explained that "about every three years" he asks Admissions to create a list of courses not taught in the previous three years. The lists are distributed to department heads, who then specify which classes should be removed from the catalog. They were distributed last year, but not in time for the printing of this year's catalog.

Boni also noted that some courses stay on the books for years without being taught because the departments hope to be able to revive them.

Dr. Phyllis Goldblatt, Coordinator of Educational Foundations, explained that the courses listed by that department but not offered were "developed over years when there were more funds available to teach them." Now, "[we] can barely offer enough sections of the requirements people need to get through the program." Some of the Educational Foundations courses not officially offered can be taken by students as independent studies.

In a speech last week, Dean of the College of Education Dr. Michael Carl asked faculty to review the course catalog and suggest courses which should be deleted from it. Dr. Goldblatt noted that sometimes faculty are reluctant to do so because once a course is deleted, it has to be redesigned and resubmitted when the funds and faculty become available to offer it.

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Extension 200

Extension 200 is available 24 hours a day. Members of the University Community are urged to contact Public Safety when they need help, motorist assistance with lockouts or jump-starts or if they have information about these items.

To report information about a crime on campus please use the confidential information line at extension 4636. For jump starts, auto lockouts, and all emergencies please contact Public Safety at extension 200 or 203 on campus.

Public Safety Concerns Compiled by Public Safety Officer Bob Paprocki

Sept. 5 - *Burglary*: A student reported textbooks from a locker in the Classroom building. A loss of \$75.00. *Criminal Damage*: A gate at the athletic field was damaged. A loss of \$450.00. *Theft*: A lock was taken from a locker in the Classroom building. A loss of \$10.00. Sept. 6 - *Accident*: Two motorists were involved in an accident in the J-lot. A loss of \$500.00. *Cannabis Possession*: A non-student was arrested on the access road for possession of a stolen bike and cannabis. *Medical Assist*: A stu-

dent refused medical attention after being injured during a class in the P.E. building.

Sept. 7 - *Criminal Damage*: Graffiti was discovered on a tennis court windscreen. A loss of \$100.00. *Accident*: Two motorists were involved in an auto accident in the J-Lot. No estimate of damage given. *Theft*: A student reported \$25.00 missing from her purse after falling asleep in the library. *Accident*: A faculty member tripped in an elevator. She was driven to a hospital by



a friend.

Sept. 11 - *Criminal Damage*: A light pole near the library was reported damaged. A loss of \$2,020.00. *Criminal Damage*: Graffiti was reported in the Commuter Center. A loss of \$25.00. Sept. 12 - *Theft*: Electronic equipment was discovered missing through an inventory. A loss of \$6,708.00. *Medical Assist*: A student refused medical attention after becoming ill while on campus. *Station Information*: A student reported being bothered both on and off campus

by a non-student. The escort service and other information was recommended. Sept. 13 - *Disorderly Conduct*: A staff member reported receiving an obscene phone call while on campus. The escort service was recommended. Sept. 14 - *Disorderly Conduct*: A person claiming to be a student became loud and abusive in the library after being asked to comply with school procedures. This person also signed a different name than the one used to gain access to the department she attempted to use. Sept. 15 - *Disorderly Conduct*: A student made a bomb threat after becoming upset with a staff member while on the phone. This person has not returned to class. *Criminal Damage*: Two non-students were detained after one was observed damaging light poles on campus. Arrangements were made for repair. *Theft*: A student reported a bicycle stolen from the near the A-wing. A loss of \$150.00. Sept. 18 - *Disorderly Conduct*: A staff member reported receiving annoying phone calls at her work area. *Burglary*: A lock was taken from a locker in the P.E. building.

Student Clubs and Organizations



Research gave him a future



Support Research

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- **ALCHOLICS ANONYMOUS** - meets Tuesday (CLS-2020) at 1:40-2:50 pm and Wednesday (E-047A) at 12:00-1:00 pm. These meetings are for those already in AA or feel that they want what we have--Sobriety!!
- **APOCALYPSE LITERARY ARTS COALITION** - meets Tuesdays at 1:40 pm in E-041 or stop in anytime.
- **ART CLUB** - meets Thursdays, 1:40 p.m., B 119. Ext. 2918.
- **ASPIRA** - meets Thursdays, 1:40 p.m., S 112. Ext. 3153.
- **BLACK CAUCUS CLUB** - meets Tuesdays and Thursdays, 1:40 p.m., CLS 3094. Ext. 3142.
- **BLACK HERITAGE CLUB** - meets Tuesdays and Thursdays, 1:40 p.m., CLS 3094. Ext. 3142.

- **CRIMINAL JUSTICE STUDENTS ORGANIZATION** - meets at 1:40 p.m. in CLS 3003. Ext. 2622.
- **GAY, LESBIAN AND BISEXUAL ALLIANCE** - For more info contact ext. 2960.
- **EARTH SCIENCE CLUB** - meets on alternate Tuesdays, 1:35 p.m. and Wednesday at 3:00 p.m., call Marianne ext. 2536 for more information.
- **HELLENIC CLUB** - meets every Tuesday at 1:40 p.m., S-111. Ext. 2900.
- **THE INDEPENDENT** - only the best damn newspaper this side of the Mississippi. For information regarding membership, contact Kim at ext. 2812 or stop by room E-049.
- **MANAGEMENT CLUB** - For more information regarding membership, contact M. O'Malley at ext. 2650.

- **MUSLIM STUDENTS ASSOC.** - meets every Thursday in CLS-3044. Friday prayer in S-351 at 1:30 pm.
- **QUE ONDEE SOLA** - meets Thursdays 1:40 p.m., E 041. Ext. 2954.
- **S.C.E.C.** - Student Council for Exceptional Children meets on alternate Thursdays at 1:45 p.m. in CLS 3020. Ext. 3040.
- **THE SCI-FI CLUB** - meets on alternate Tuesdays, 1:40 p.m., CLS 2005.
- **THE SOCIOLOGY CLUB** - meets every first and third Tuesday, 1:40 p.m., CLS 2094.
- **STUDENT SENATE** - stop by E-210, above Beck's Bookstore, anytime.
- **U.P.R.S.** - Union of Puerto Rican Students meets Tuesdays, 1:40 p.m., E 041. Ext. 2718.
- **WZRD** - The campus radio station broadcasts on 88.3 FM. For more information stop by EBL - 059.

Clubs and organizations that have new locations and meeting times, please contact The *Independent* so these changes may be noted.

Events Calendar

compiled by Tammy Smith

Monday, September 25	Tuesday, September 26	Wednesday, September 27	Thursday, September 28	Friday, September 29	Saturday, September 30
4:00pm - 5:30pm HRDA meeting-CC216	10:00am - 3:00pm Art Club Bake Sale- Village Square	9:00am - 2:00pm Womens Softball Bake Sale-Village Square	11:00am - 2:00pm SCEL Bake Sale- Village Square 12:30pm - 1:45pm Science Workshop Meeting-CC217 Report from Beijing 1:40pm - 2:30pm-Heritage Room	7:30pm - 9:00pm Concert-J. Kenas, E. VilasecoandD. Richards- Auditorium	7:00pm - 11:00pm Concert-Persian Classical Music/Poetry-Auditorium
7:30pm - 9:30pm Jazz Combo Auditorium	1:40pm - 2:50pm Future Teachers Meet- ing-CC219				
Monday, October 2	Tuesday, October 3	Wednesday, October 4	Thursday, October 5	Friday, October 6	Saturday, October 7
	1:45pm - auditorium Woodwind Qunitet and Brass Trio	11:00am - 3:00pm Black Heritage Bake Sale-Village Square	1:30pm - 3:00pm Study Skill Workshop CC215	7:30pm - 9:15pm Chamber Music Series Pacifica Quartet \$5 admission	



Dear Goldie,

I'm thinking about dropping my classes and taking a year off from school to make money and figure out what I want to do with my life. Will I have to reapply to NEIU when the year is over?

Need a Break

Dear Break,

Ah, the old "take a year" off fantasy, eh? Beware: Goldie herself once took a "semester" off that lasted ten years.

You don't say how old you are or how much school you have left. If your year off will be your first outing into the adult world, be aware that it can be awfully hard to go back to school once you start working. If you can possibly afford or stand to stick it out, it's probably a good idea to do so.

On the other hand, a little perspective never hurt anyone. Neither did cash. So if you should decide that a year off is the right thing for you, go ahead. But if you don't want to have to reapply to NEIU when you're done, you'll have to take some classes over the summer. If you miss the fall, spring, AND summer semesters, you'll have to submit a new application.

If you figure out what you want to do with your life, let me know! I'm sure my readers could use some fresh ideas!

Dear Goldie,

I've just sent in my application to the Education department for the Fall of '96 section of SCED 303 & 304, methods and clinical experiences. Even though I applied by their deadline (September 1995), they're telling me that I won't find out whether or not I got into the class until next summer. I'd sure like to be able to plan the rest of my life. Is there any way I can find out sooner?

Waiting

Dear Waiting,

I spoke with Charlene in the Clinical Experiences office (x5151). Your information is correct. The list of students who made it into the class will be posted outside of their office, CLS 4023, just prior to advance registration for the fall '96 semester. I asked her if it was possible to at least find out if the class is already filled up; she said they don't know yet how many sections will be offered. Why ask why?

Dear Readers,

Have a question about services offered or procedures at NEIU? Let Goldie help you cut through the red tape. I'll give it my best shot or point you in the direction of experts here on campus. Write me at the *Independent*, c/o NEIU, or slip a note under our office door—rm E-049, below the bookstore—or e-mail me at uindep@uxa.ecn.bgu.edu. Please write "ATTN: GOLDIE" on the outside of each letter. And remember, there's no such thing as a stupid question.

Cyberspace: A Guide Written in English

by Timothy Scherman

This column is for the true beginner—the student who out of apathy, fear, resentment, anxiety, sloth, procrastination or some other good excuse has NOT YET visited the computer world at NEIU. Here I'll show you how to let the university know that you would like to use the system (by creating an "account" with Academic Computing), and how to log on for the first time.

Creating an Account

So, you've finally got your act together, cat fed, laundry done, bills paid (not an insignificant factor, as we shall see), and you want to explore the computer world at Northeastern. Your first step is to locate a computer. They can be found in the Science Building, Library or in the Classroom Building, but for the moment, let's consider the Classroom Building. The Academic Computing Center is on the second floor, in the center of the building. There you'll find 25 or 30 computers out in the "square," 40 or 50 more inside the next room. Forty more computers are to

be installed soon there (that's what all the construction's about). Sit down at any free computer.

If this is the first time you'll be using our computers, or if this is the first time in several years, you'll need to create an account with Academic Computing. To do this, turn the computer on), wait for the first On the menu—a list of do—you'll see the letter Vax accounts." This is and then follow the dis-screen. Go slowly, type puter will ask you for number to see if you a) and b) are a student you above). If the answer to turned away. If the com-nize you, either pay your bill (if you haven't), or see Jeff Beer right above you (on the next floor) in CLS 3108.

If you successfully complete the application, you will have an account in one to twenty-four hours. Come back the next day and try to log on.

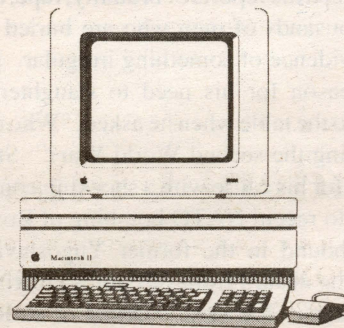
Logging On

To do this, get back to that first menu, but this time select "Z." This will get you into our e-mail system and beyond. First, however, you will see another menu or list of items asking you which "host" you're looking for. Sounds like you're trying to get invited for dinner. Just press "E" (for EcNet), or "F" (for Telnet). Another menu will ask you which service you're looking for. For email, you're looking for "ecom."

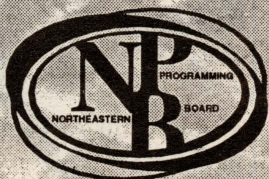
At this point, you will be asked to supply your login name. This will be the letter u, the first initial of your first name, and the first six letters of your last name. If your last name has fewer letters, just type it all. Thus, my login (for Timothy Scherman) is utscherm. The login for someone named Karl May (if he were a student here) would be ukmay. Once you type your login, press the enter key.

Next you will be asked for a password. Your "default" password (no, this is not some loan you can't pay—"default" in the computer world just means "the way things are set up at the start") will be your first initial and the first SEVEN (only) digits of your social security number. Thus if he lived in the U.S. and not Germany, and his social security number was 123456789, Karl May's password would be k1234567. Do not type all nine numbers, or the computer will not understand you. Remember, type correctly, and since for your privacy YOU WILL NOT SEE THE NUMBERS OF YOUR PASSWORD ON THE SCREEN, this may be difficult at first. If you type your OWN name or number wrong, the computer will claim you (or this misspelled person) does not exist—and the computer, as always, will be right.

So GET an account, LOG ON, and try typing "pine" or "gopher" when you see ecom% More about those next time.



Coming Soon



Support group offered for single parents

by Rory Donnelly

This fall, Women's Services is starting a new support group on campus for single parents. The aim of the group is to provide information and support for students who are trying to do two difficult jobs at once: going to college and raising kids as a single parent.

The group's first meeting will discuss "Juggling School and Single Parenting." It will meet Tuesday, September 26 at 1:40 in CC214. Come, participate and help launch this new and much needed support group. The group plans to meet the second and fourth Tuesday of each month, with some meetings being general support meetings and others featuring information speakers on topics of interest to the group. For further information contact Cassandra Riemer at x3699 or Rory Donnelly at x2771.

The war in Bosnia

by Melissa Radja

This is the third part of a series of special reports on the war in the former Yugoslavia. Melissa Stuart Radja has traveled throughout the region before and during the war.

Bosnian Serb leader Radovan Karadzic forwarded his malignant doctrines this week in an interview with Mike Wallace. Karadzic, the martyr, still contended that the Muslims are shooting themselves to turn the world against the Serbs. In reference to the recent Sarajevo marketplace massacre he contended that "It's quite clear that Muslims have arranged this killing in the marketplace." Karadzic continued his illogical rhetoric and claimed that Muslims were guilty of "intolerance, torture, anxiety, and deception." His misplaced paranoia may simply seem ridiculous when heard on the television or seen in print, but it must be clear that he is the powerful leader of the Bosnian Serbs and that his followers have massacred, raped, and maimed tens of thousands in the past 41 months.

Though he claimed that "nothing irregular happened" in the Bosnian concentration camps the reports of brutality, rape, and murder are certainly not regular. The thousands of men who are buried in mass graves outside of Srebrenica are evidence of something irregular. Karadzic, forever invoking history as the reason for his need to slaughter and steal, summoned an intriguing ghost to the table when he asked, "Who did more destruction, Hitler or the Allies during the second World War?" Startling enough, he tried to garner sympathy for his cause with a shocking comparison of Allied bombing in World War II to recent NATO bombing of Bosnian Serb positions.

Paradoxes abound in the former Yugoslavia. 'Operation Deliberate Force' presents the absurd truth of bombs creating diplomacy and possibly peace in the Balkans. Karadzic's denial of atrocities against Muslims and Croats coupled with his warning that "In a war you Muslims will be exterminated" exposes the maddening truth of the Bosnian Serbs' bloody tantrum. "Time has to decide whether we've been heroes or criminals," declared Karadzic at the close of the interview. As corpses are unearthed and grisly accounts are told, his legacy of carnage will be obvious.

Chairman of the Illinois Pollution Control Board to visit NEIU

by Chris Parson

Chairman of the Illinois Pollution Control Board Claire Manning will speak to the Brown Bag Network on Thursday, September 28th at 1:40 p.m. in Room S-202. Brown Bag Network is a function of the Geography & Environmental Studies Program that meets weekly to hear a presentation from an individual in the environmental field. The presentation is followed by a discussion. Flyers that list upcoming programs are available in S-202. All members of the NEIU community are invited to attend.

Ms. Manning is one of Illinois' top environmental officials. The Pollution Control Board (PCB) is an independent board that passes all environmental regulations for the State. In addition, the PCB adjudicates all citations for pollution violations issued by ILEPA and hears suits against the State that deal with disputes about pollution regulations. Illinois is the only state in the union that has an independent pollution control board. In all other states plus the Federal government, all these functions are handled by one agency, usually the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). This is a unique opportunity to meet and hear from an important State official.

Address continued from front page

The College of Education has launched a program that is expected to better organize academic programs within the college so that students will benefit from a collaboration between departments at the university.

The technology initiative has been furthered through "Smart" classrooms, faculty computers, and four multimedia lecture halls. The new student computing fee, she said, "will ensure the availability of necessary staff support to students, additional work stations, as well as upgrades as needed and additional lines to the Internet. Most importantly, plans are underway to create an Information Commons to bring state of the art computing facilities to students in a central location, the Unicorn." Steinberg asked that a Task Force be created to recommend uses for state appropriated funds and student fees toward technological advances at the university. This Task Force will be chaired by the Director of University Computing, Malik Rahman and the University Librarian, Bradley Baker and will be supplemented with a membership of one-third students, one-third faculty, and one-third administrators.

Steinberg's address was met with an optimistic reaction from the faculty, though many declined to express any reaction before seeing the synthesis of her words with action. Dr. Murrell Duster believed that "her presentation provided an opportunity for us to see that she has a holistic view regarding education and how it effects students, staff, and faculty." Indeed, Steinberg focused the sentiments of her address on an holistic approach to education and the organization of the university.

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The NEIU Child Care Center cordially invites you to the dedication ceremony for their playground on Friday, September 29th at the Child Care Center.

9:00AM - 1:00PM Open house

10:00AM - 11:00AM Nelson Gill, Caribbean rhythm artist

11:00AM - 11:15AM Ribbon cutting ceremony

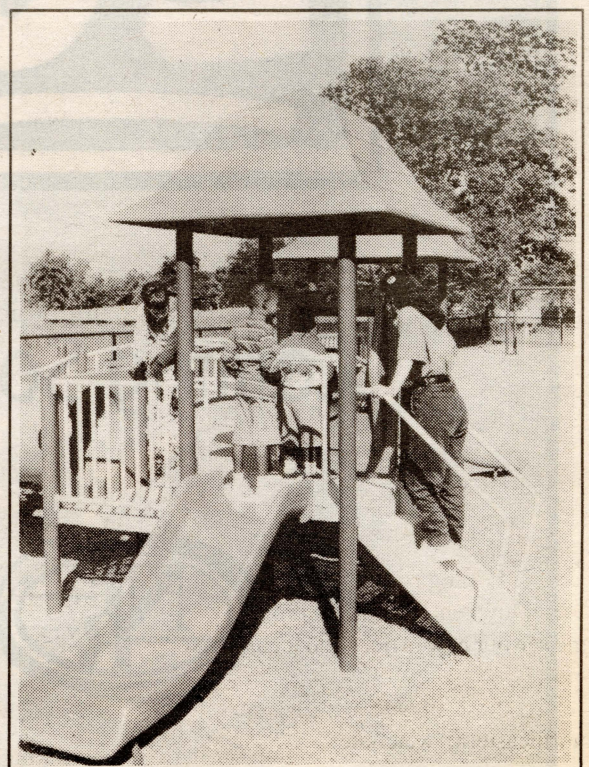


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Truth continued from front page

Listed here are six representative departments and a record of undergraduate classes listed vs. classes offered since Fall '93, excluding independent studies. Included is information about how many different classes are listed in the catalog, how many were actually offered, how many of those were only offered once (possibly not fitting into many students' schedules), how many were offered only in the summer, and how many are offered this semester.

Some professors are complaining about another matter regarding the accuracy of the catalog; a number of the "faculty" listed in the back are not in fact degreed teaching faculty, as their listing would indicate, but administrative staff members.

SUBJECT	Percentage of classes listed in catalog, but not offered for at least past two yrs.
Biology	36
English	32
History	34
Accounting	7
Ed. Fndtns.	63
PE Activity	31

Placement office moves to the Beehive

by George F. Bagel
Assistant Director of Placement

Normally at this time of year I like to remind students about the many services the Placement Office provides. This year, however, before I do that, allow me to alert you to the fact that the Placement Office is no longer in the B-Wing. The university has permanently relocated us to the third floor of the administration (beehive) building. There are a few things about this move that may be of interest to you. We now have more space, an additional interview room, and some much needed new furniture (modest but professional). All of us here are quite happy with the new arrangements and we sincerely hope you will be too.

Now that everyone knows where we are located, let me clear up another matter that can sometimes be confusing. The Placement Office is a career services department and has nothing to do with placing students in classes. That department is Assessment and Testing and is located on the third floor of the Classroom building.

The Placement Office offers a variety of services including individual career advising, resume critiquing, workshops on topics such as resume writing, job search methods and interviewing techniques, job fairs, internships, on-campus interviews, Alumni Career Information Service, videotaped mock interviews, and teacher credential file service.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding careers, job searching, or employment, we urge you to stop in and see our new offices and let us assist you.

To those of you who are new to Northeastern, welcome! To all students both new and returning, good luck in all you do this academic year.

Subject	Total courses listed in cat.	# offered since Fall '93	# offered only once since Fall '93	# offered only in summer	# offered this semester
Biology	25	16 (64%)	4	2	10 (40%)
English	83	57 (68%)	23	3	25 (30%)
History	93	62 (66%)	43	6	20 (21%)
Accounting	16	15 (93%)	2	0	12 (75%)
Ed. Fndtns.	24	9 (37%)	0	0	9 (37%)
PE Activity	42	29 (33%)	3	0	14 *(33%)

*includes two not listed in the course catalog

Parking made easier

by Michael McDermott

Public Safety has installed a new daily parking permit machine in the H-lot, just north of the Art Studios. According to Director of Public Safety William Curtin, the machine was the most economical choice in terms of overhead costs, maintenance and longevity.

The machine is as easy to use as an drive-up ATM machine. You simply drive up to the machine, deposit cash (the machine takes \$1 and \$5 dollar bills), change, or your NEIU debit card, and the machine produces a receipt. You simply park, place the receipt on your dashboard and you are off to class. No longer will it be necessary for you to park outside Public Safety, wait in line to pay for your permit, rush to park, and

then rush to class. With this new permit machine you do not even have to get out of your car.

The use of this machine will also make the persons driving to campus notice that there is a bountiful amount of parking available south of the Library.

If you have already purchased a semester or annual permit, you would only need to use the machine to purchase the daily permit if you had forgotten your regular permit at home.

If you are concerned about returning to your car after dark, Public Safety offers escort service to your vehicle free of charge.

All you need to do is contact Public Safety at ext200.

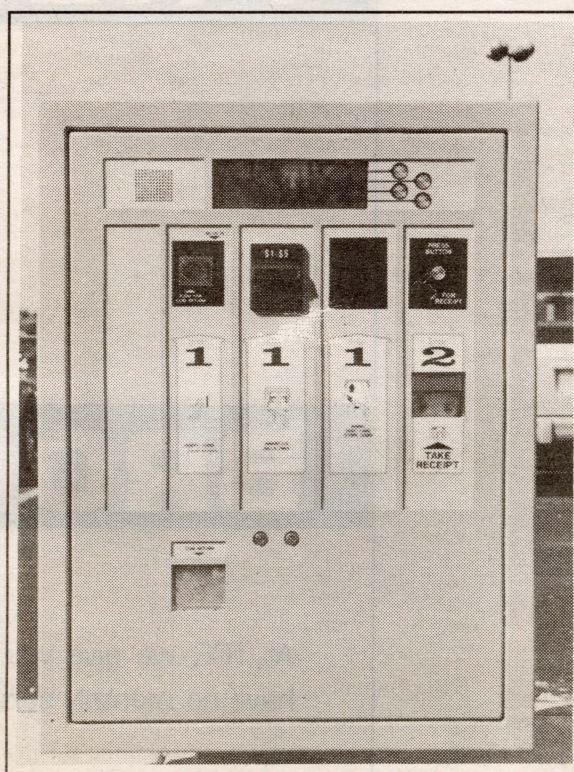


photo by Steve Fitzer

Schedule of on-campus interviews

Sept. 29 through Oct. 11

Career opportunities for seniors

Interested seniors should contact the Placement Office, (312) 583-4050 ext. 3119 as soon as possible for details on the specific requirements of these employers, as well as the deadlines and sign up procedures for interviewing.

September 29
Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company
Management Trainees

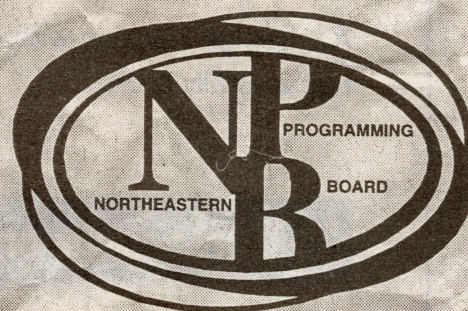
October 4
Watson Wyatt Worldwide
Benefits Specialists

October 5
Walmart Distribution Company
Distribution Management Trainees
(These are not retail management positions)
Pre-Screen Deadline - Sept. 26

October 9
Sears Information Systems
Entry-level Programmers

October 10
Prudential Insurance Company
Sales and Sales Management Trainees

October 11
Jewel Food Stores
Management Trainees
Pre-Screen Deadline - Oct. 4



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Who's who at NEIU

Student of the Week

by Sandy Ghanayen

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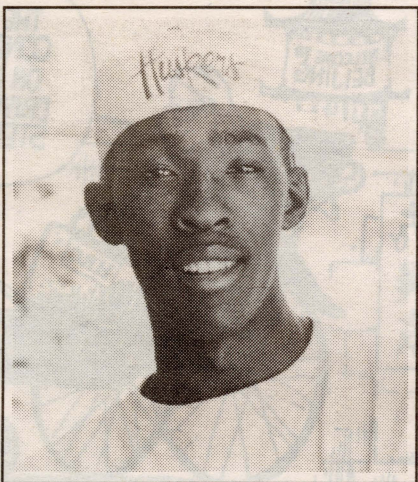
Jean Gaspard, born in Haiti, is a full-time Political Science major and one tough, hard-working guy! Jean immigrated to the United States in 1986 with the hope and determination that he would make something of himself.

Jean worked at accomplishing his dream by excelling in school. Now, Jean is tackling basketball, which he finds as challenging, if not more, than his school-work. Jean's biggest achievement is being selected as a walk-on for the basketball team. At 6:00 AM every day, he shoots a thousand shots in the gym to improve his skills, in hopes of being good enough to be picked as starter. He has been playing basketball since he was ten years old.

For added fun, Jean plays pool, sings, and plays the drums. Unfortunately, he has not been able to play in his Haitian band, "IAMEDIDINE," since his class load is so time-consuming. Jean also does promotional band work. He makes tapes, and records, and promotes music for Reggae, Jamaican, and Haitian bands.

On weekends Jean volunteers his time to help mentally disabled kids at LOW CITY in Palatine, Illinois. He acts as a role model, bringing them a different perspective on life. He makes sure the kids know that life has a lot to offer and that they should never stop trying to succeed.

Jean's philosophy is, "Life is a journey. Whatever you want, aim straight for it. Be strong enough in your mind to achieve everything you want. If you're a strong, mighty person, you'll make it in this world."



Jean Gaspard

Professor of the Week

by Sara Capetillo

photo by Kimberly A. Dudash

Name: Donald Shepherd**Birthplace:** Chicago Illinois**Field of Expertise:** Psychology**Years at N.E.I.U.:** 14**Degrees:** B.S. - M.S. - Ph. D. Illinois Institute of Technology**Teaching Philosophy:**

"I feel that our job as instructors is to teach students as much as they can absorb. If one teaching technique doesn't work, try another one."

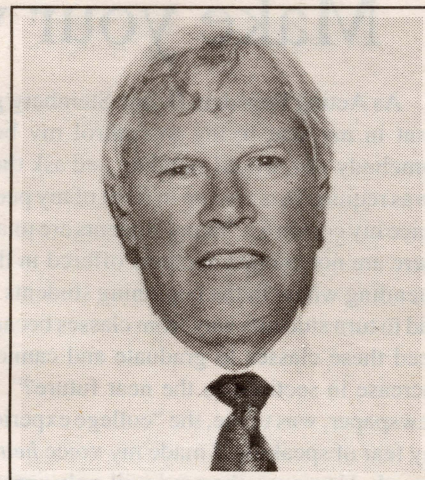
Hobbies: snorkling, traveling, and playing Bridge

Words of Inspiration:

Take responsibility for your learning. Become actively involved in the learning process. Learn proper studying techniques and use them."

Future Plans:

Retire down to Florida, try sky diving, and go back to school."



Donald Shepherd

Political Science Department appoints new chairperson

by Sandy Ghanayen

Who: Dr. Charles Pastors

What: Political Science Chairperson, Professor, Political Science Department 1972-Present

Goals in Life: "Complete Satisfaction! Whatever the job I'm doing, I want to maintain that feeling of self-satisfaction."

Points of Interest: "When it pertains to Political Science, I love American Government—everything there is about

it. In a broader sense at NEIU, I enjoy working with faculty on a day-to-day basis and sharing the Board of Governors activities."

Advice to Students: "Always be willing to ask others for advice, and do not be afraid to make up your mind."



Criminal Justice/Sociology/Social Work Department appoints new chairperson

by Glen Herman



Dr. BarBara Scott

As the offices get shuffled around in NEIU's administration, you may have noticed that the Criminal Justice/Sociology/Social Work Department has a new Chair: Dr. BarBara Scott.

Scott originally came to Chicago from Milwaukee. She calls herself a "product of the Chicago Public Schools," and started her college career in the Chicago City Colleges as well. She went on to Roosevelt University where she earned a BA in Sociology and two Masters degrees: Sociology and Philosophy. She earned her Ph.D. in Sociology at Northwestern University.

She started teaching at NEIU in 1975 as a part-time instructor and became full-time in 1984. "My Masters of Philosophy was actually a degree in teaching at the community college level. It gave me an experience in teaching commuter students, first-generation college students, and minorities. At NEIU, we have a lot of the same kind of students. I love NEIU, and these are the kinds of students I love to teach."

As Department Chair she would normally reduce her teaching load, but Scott took on an extra class because of department needs. "We're low on fac-

ulty. We just lost one professor, and I didn't want to bring in a part-timer to teach the course. But there is hope; next year we will have three positions open—one for each of my departments. We've also filled two positions this year—one in Criminal Justice, the other in the Social Work department."

As a new administrator, she has several goals. "I want to improve faculty moral. Over the course of the Lamb administration, moral went to zero. I want to show that faculty and the administration can work together. I want to show there's an appreciation for what the faculty does. I also want to make students' educational experience the best they can possibly have through good teaching, mentoring, and advising. That's our responsibility to them. I feel we all have to work together to serve the needs of the students. We have to remind ourselves that the students are why we're here."

Scott speaks well of our new Acting President, Dr. Salme Steinberg. "I have new hope. Under Lamb, I felt what we did [as faculty] wasn't appreciated. In my view, several policies were not necessarily good or effective for the faculty or students. I have worked with

[Steinberg] before, and I respect her highly. She comes from the faculty rank and has not forgotten what it's like at that level. She knows the needs of students and faculty. She's sensitive to the need for more sections and courses. I think we're moving in a good direction"

Scott offers this advice to students: "Take education more seriously. It's becoming increasingly important to become educated—not just having a career skill, but a good liberal education. Don't limit yourselves. I would suggest that students pay attention to their education and really come away from their classes educated."

In closing she adds, "I love NEIU. I don't want to be anywhere else."

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Eagle's Forum

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Editorial

Make your voice heard

As Acting President Salme Steinberg gave her State of the University Address, I sat in my seat trying to control my beating heart and sweaty palms, hoping somebody else would stand up and ask the much needed question, but to no avail. I was required to stand up in front of my peers, the faculty and the administration and voice my concerns, "many students are unable to graduate within four years because there are not enough sections offered in the schedule. There are classes that I am attending where in the beginning students were sitting on the floor—the professors had to turn students away from classes because there were too many students. People need these classes to graduate and cannot get in them. Are we going to see an increase in sections in the near future?" This, more than being the editor of the newspaper, was to me, the "college experience." Through this, I not only overcame my fear of speaking, I made my voice *heard*. And by doing so, I may have planted a seed. However, the seed will only sprout and grow with continuing support.

Dr. Steinberg informed us of many present and future endeavors that will require student participation. A self-study task force will be created in order to prepare for the accreditation visit by the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools scheduled for Spring, 1997. Dr. Steve Brown of the College of Education will serve as the coordinator of the self-study task force. Dr. Steinberg stated, "Through his leadership, we will form teams of students, staff faculty, and administrators who will examine and prepare reports on areas such as mission and goals for the university and the academic units; access, equity, and diversity; human and institutional resources, student services, and overall institutional assessment and effectiveness."

The technology initiative will also create a task force including a membership of 1/3 students, 1/3 faculty, and 1/3 administrators. The task force will be responsible for providing "clear understandings of campus computing needs." This task force will be co-chaired by Director of University Computing Malik Rahman and University Librarian Bradley Baker.

If you are interested in becoming an active participant in either the self-study or the technology task force, contact the faculty member leading the specific task force. If you have questions or concerns on any other matters, Dr. Steinberg stated that her door will always be open. You have received your invitation, but now, in order to make your voice heard, you must get involved, continue to support the seed's growth, and plant your own seeds.

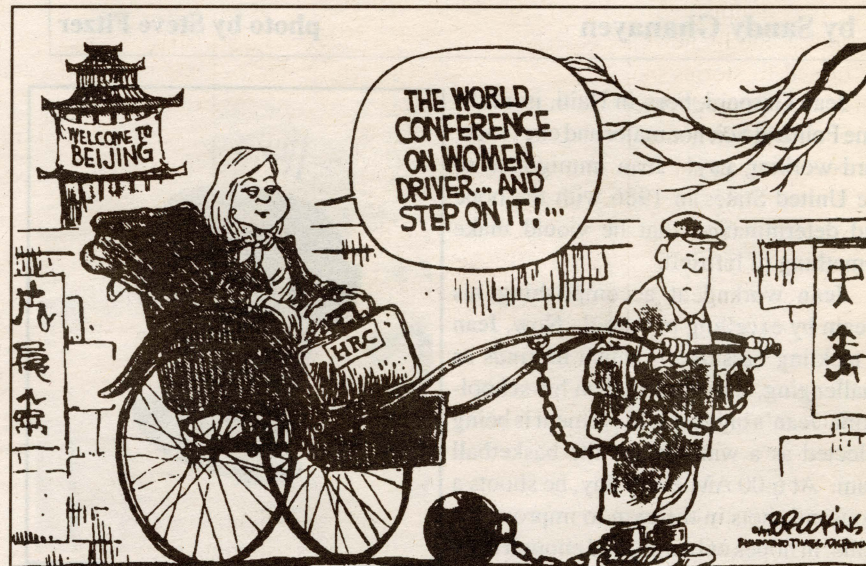
Voice

Religion and Politics

Many Republicans at both state and federal levels feel that if they are to be successful, they must adhere to the agenda set forth by the growing powerful organization called the Christian Coalition. It professes to be an inclusive organization representing the American family. In fact it is a political action group propagating the views of the extreme political right, posing a threat to the Republican Party and the social equality vested in democratic idealism. Republicans at both state and federal

levels are more and more routinely moving toward Coalition positions.

Ralph Reed, the thirty-three year old Executive Director of the Coalition and his top lobbyists vying for Coalition positions call on Republicans around the country. In addition, politicians seek counsel with the Coalition for political assurance. According to *Time* Magazine (May 15, 1995) Mr. Reed met recently with the Governor of New Hampshire and was invited to speak to the state Senate, to the disgust of two of their Democratic members. Unwilling to listen to him, state Senator Burt Cohen left, saying, "He represents a dangerous trend in this country. We should keep



Letters

Misunderstanding cults

Your recent article on "cults" perpetuates a number of misunderstandings that need to be clarified.

On the simplest level, cults are merely new religions, and new religions, by their very nature are small, enthusiastic, led by charismatic leader, and fairly free-form in organization. All religions began in this way. All religions once were cults.

However, "cult" has taken on sinister overtones in recent years, so that any new religion is now in danger of being perceived as downright evil. Persons who join them are thought to be weak personalities, vulnerable to psychological manipulation, in short, "brain-washed." This view, of course, denies members of new religions any autonomy, any right to choose freely, any ability to be rational—all of which anti-cult writers claim for themselves.

In fact, organizations such as the Cult Awareness Network practice the same kind of psychological manipulation with which they charge cultists.

religion and politics separate."

With almost two million active members around the country and a \$25 million annual budget, they are becoming a real force in American politics. Roughly 50% of the newly acquired GOP congressional seats are due to Coalition financial support and voter drives including "handing out 33 million voter

Cult members who do not wish to discontinue membership are lured away, or sometimes kidnapped, from the group. They are then isolated and confined, often in an anonymous hotel room, as teams of deprogrammers assail their senses. Such individuals may be deprived of sleep, and they are certainly deprived of any opportunity to collect their thoughts. The aim? Mindless acquiescence—exactly what cult leaders are accused of trying to create.

New religions may hold beliefs and practice activities that the majority of us may find unusual or even repugnant. However, they should not be denied these beliefs and practices simply because nonmembers don't like them. Nor should they be portrayed *a priori* as evil. While there are some groups that are both apocalyptic and paranoid and therefore a danger to themselves and possibly to others, most new religions do not fit this pattern. Most simply want to believe what they believe and do what they do, no matter how weird they may seem to others.

L Jayne Kamau
Department of Anthropology

guides - often in church pews - prior to last November's election."

The article also reported that the Coalition has infiltrated the camps of four major Republican Presidential candidates. "Former Coalition staff members hold key positions in the campaigns

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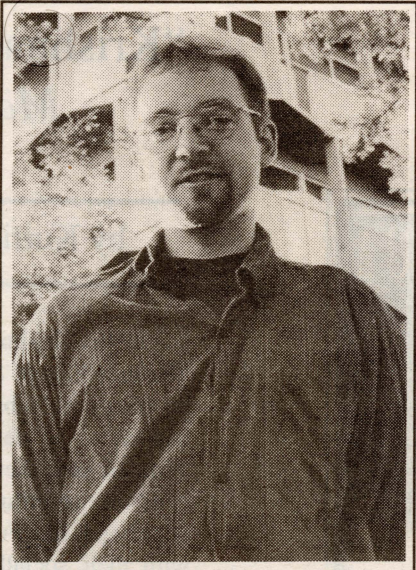
Voice of the Campus

AROUND THE BEEHIVE

by Glen Herman

I thought I could fight it; I lasted a year and some months. As soon as the TV news turned to stories of it, I changed the channels. When it came up at social gatherings, I would find some tactful way to change the subject. I was being surrounded by it, but I refused to attach any importance to its

Photo by Steve Fitzer



endless litany of non-news spew. Yes, I felt quite good about myself. I managed to avoid any and all of the hype surrounding the trial of That Ex-football Player Whose Name Mocks A Favored Breakfast Beverage (TEFPWNMAFBB).

I had my allies. There were those media outlets who boasted TEFPWNMAFBB-free news such as National Public Radio (NPR) and Pacifica News. I could always turn to them as a refuge. Or so I thought.

Last week, I was casually listening to NPR's *All Things Considered* while stuck in typical Chicago afternoon traffic. Then it happened. The bell indicating the top of the hour struck and the lead story kicked off the broadcast. Much to my ears' chagrin, the story was from LA — the trial of TEFPWNMAFBB.

The only time I was more disappointed was when I learned that Sinatra uses a TelePrompTer at his live gigs. Sad. While I expect this sort of non-issue blathering behavior from CNN and their ilk, I was more than surprised that NPR — the last bastion of scrupulous news media — were placing TEFPWNMAFBB in the spot of their lead story. I guess this stuff must be important. So, I focused my captive attention on the report without diving for my rusty radio dial. In doing so, I learned that detective Mark Fuhrman — the officer responsible for investigating the TEFPWNMAFBB case apparently said the N-word a few too many times in his tenure as an L.A. police officer, and the TEFPWNMAFBB defense team was successful in painting Fuhrman as the racist he is.

Five minutes passed. Ten minutes passed. Eleven minutes into the broadcast, they were still talking about the TEFPWNMAFBB trial! (The average radio news-piece lasts about 30 seconds). I was overwhelmed. During these times, one needs the comfort only a jam doughnut can give. I pulled my car into the first doughnut shop that crossed my path.

This was a typical doughnut shop with its typical characters lining its typically coffee-stained counter. To my right, a lone quiet man sat at the end by the toilets contemplating the swirls of cream in his coffee. To my left, a gaggle of police officers occupied the remaining seats, and some kids were laughing at the cash register after deciding what varieties would make up their dozen. I ordered my jam doughnut and began at once to eavesdrop on the cops. Their

banter consisted of the usual seven words that can't be said on television and dirty jokes that would offend a club of bikers.

One of my blue-clad dining companions yelled rightward to the officer who sat at my left, "Hey Lou, I hear they arrested the guys who robbed Navy Pier! You wanna take a ride over 'dere and check 'em out?"

Lou responded, noting I was listening in on their cross-shop dialogue, "Yeah, I'll go with 'ya. Sounds good. Hey Loretta, do you think it was black guys or white?"

Loretta shrugged her shoulders. "I guess we'll find out."

Lou looked over at me in a mildly annoyed fashion. I smiled. You can't help overhearing a conversation yelled across a doughnut shop. To lighten the mood, I probed officer Lou for the story, "What, did somebody rob the new Ferris wheel?"

"Yeah," he responded. "They got 100,000 bucks!"

"Wow." I said. "What's a Ferris wheel doing with that much money? Do you think it was an inside job?" I was cop bonding — cool...

Loretta chimed in, "Yeah, that's probably why it wasn't blacks. They ain't smart enough to pull off something that big."

"Eeek," I moaned in an inward fashion. I decided to look only at the remainder of my doughnut and not engage this group of officers in any more discourse.

Sometimes life is riddled with irony. Not five minutes ago, I was listening to a news story about a racist cop in LA and now I was surrounded by the same breed in a doughnut shop. It makes one want to throw his arms up like Tevye in *Fiddler on the Roof* and pray that one day this nation will grow out of its infancy. Folks, I wish I had some solution to the problem of racism. I could make an impassioned plea to you as the next generation of educators, business persons, and intellectuals, but hey, you're smart; you already know that racism has no place in our society. There is one small way you can help. The next time you see an officer acting in any other than a professional manner, get his or her badge number and call the city's Office of Professional Standards at (312) 747-6307. They're very interested in stories regarding officers who don't tow the line, and are sometimes even quick about bringing disciplinary action to such officers.

All I can add is if the LA Police Department had some similar mechanism for disciplining their police officers and a conscious citizen who had heard Fuhrman's less than pleasing banter had the gumption to call him on it, there might be a written record of Fuhrman's racist ways and we would have been done with all this nonsense surrounding TEFPWNMAFBB a long time ago.

The opinions expressed on this page are those of members of the university community, and do not necessarily coincide with those of the editorial board of the **Independent**.

Religion continued

of Dole, Alexander, Gramm and Pat Buchanan."

Lamar Alexander, two-term governor of Tennessee and Education Secretary to the Bush Administration, considered to be politically middle-of-the-road, spoke with Reed about his Presidential campaign. After consultation, Alexander flip-flopped his view on abortion, among other things. Here in Illinois, Lieutenant Governor Bob Kustra, seeking to fill Senator Paul Simon's soon to be vacated seat, was considered a moderate but came out of the blocks supporting every position advocated by the Christian Coalition. This included moral decay, abandoning racial quotas and preferences, welfare reform and immigration controls. Coalition propaganda has substituted for creative thought.

On May 17, the Christian Coalition unveiled their *Contract With the American Family*, a political manifesto they hope will be synergistic with the Republican *Contract With America*; it is also a road map to National homogenization. The Contract is a ten-point plan that includes agendas such as the "Passage of the Religious Equality Amendment." The "equality" amendment calls for a constitutional amendment allowing religious expression in public places. This is the vehicle needed to flood our public institutions with Christian Coalition dogma, further alienating those of other theological backgrounds. It is contrary to the Supreme Court decisions of 1962 and 1963 banning prayer and bible reading in public schools. There is legislation being debated currently in Congress bringing prayer back to public schools, in the form of mandatory moment of silence.

J. Brent Walker, General Council of the Baptist Joint Committee, published an article in *The New York Times* (Sept. 14, 1995) that calls attention to a provision "that would funnel public subsidies to churches to provide welfare benefits" as part of a bill sponsored by Majority leader Bob Dole and Senator John Ashcroft of Missouri. "It would permit states to give tax dollars to religious organizations that display religious messages in areas where people receive Government services ... and would enable churches to use federal funds to discriminate against employees who fail to adhere to their religious tenets."

This provision falls under point nine of the contract, "Support for Private Charities." It reads, "Enhance contributions to private charities as a first step toward transforming public welfare into a system of private and faith-based compassion." One of the reasons we have a welfare system is the lack of private and faith-based compassion.

A favorite target of the right wing for the past couple of decades has been dismantling of the Legal Services Corporation, a federally funded legal assistance program for impoverished Americans. The Corporation-funded lawyers have been able to stand in the way of welfare reform and other and other actions the Republicans favor. The Coalition has been lobbying for the abolishment of the Corporation, and recently the House Judiciary Committee voted to do just that, though this is an important component of assuring civil justice for those who can't afford costly attorney fees.

The Coalition says that their lobbying efforts were aimed primarily at slowing down the divorce rate. Privatizing the Corporation would also be positive for reducing federal budget expenditures, they say. However, barring people from the civil justice system, regardless of their income, is discriminatory. It is un-American and unworthy of a Republican Party effort.

For our country to reach its full potential every individual must reach his or hers. This ideal can only be reached through education. Public education at all levels is at the top of the Coalition hit-list, and Congress is again carrying the ball. Not only is Congress attempting to cut back student loans, but there are bills in both houses that would dissolve The Department of Education, which establishes policy and administers assistance to state and local institutions in the form of grants and programs for elementary, secondary, higher and continuing education.

Barry Lynn, Executive Director of Washington-based Americans United for Separation of Church and State, stated in the same article "It's a sad day in American politics when a TV preacher's political front group dictates the agenda for the U. S. Congress" (May 24-31). The Christian Coalition is anything but inclusive. The Coalition is exclusive by nature and Republicans should draw a broad distinction between themselves and a group with such extreme directives.

Amos Poole

McDermott's Muse

by Mike McDermott

I HAVE BEEN CORNERED!!!!!!
AS YOU CAN VERY WELL SEE
THERE ARE MORE PEOPLE SENDING THEIR THOUGHTS
TO OUR NEWSPAPER WHICH IS GREAT
KEEP THEM COMING!!!!
FINALLY WE CAN UTILIZE THE UNUSED SPACE THAT
MY MUSE'S GREY AREA USED TO BE
BUT THAT'S OK, I NEED THE BREAK
UNDER ALL THIS PRESSURE TO PRODUCE
AN AMUSING THOUGHT EVERY TWO WEEKS
IS DEFINITELY MIND BOGGLING.
SO LOOK FOR MORE FUN IN THE ISSUES TO FOLLOW
UNTIL NEXT TIME.

Arts & Entertainment

Campus art gallery will present new show

by Carl Walanski

The Art Gallery, located at the south entrance of the Commuter Center, will present a new show entitled "Painting Strategies and Processes."

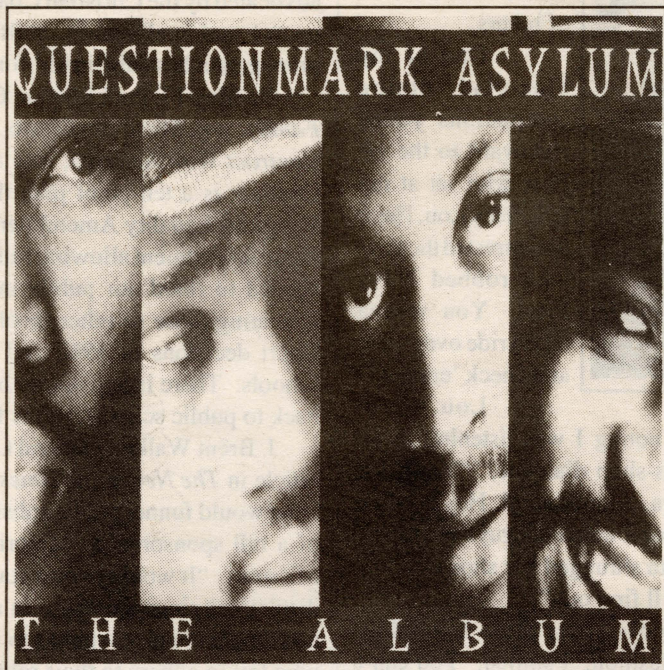
The show will feature four painters: Valerie Beller, Mario Castillo, Michele Tuoeu and Larry Walker. This exhibition will be curated by Art Department member Santiago Vaca.

Mr. Vaca, who teaches painting and drawing, explains, "The show is for the students to see the different processes of painting and how important process is to painting. Every artist has a different process and this affects style." Each artist will have two pieces in the show with their own unique approach to media including oil, acrylic, and mixed media.

The exhibit will open October 3 and will continue until November 2. The gallery reception will be on October 5, from 1:30 to 3:30. The reception is open to the public, and the exhibit is always welcome to visitors. Please join us to welcome these artists and their work.

Question Mark Asylum The Album

by Kurtis Daniels



If you watched BET on a regular basis this summer, then you're probably already familiar with the first single, "Hey Lookaway," from the group that's out to put D.C. hip-hop on the map. With a sing-song flow to their rhymes, Q.M.A. brings a more relaxed mood than the current trend of "hardcore" rap. Add the back up singers and the use of some live instruments instead of all prerecorded tracks, and the result is a hip-hop C.D. with a laid-back party vibe.

"Get With You" adds a drum kick to Boots Collins' "I'd Rather be With You," a 5 minute plea for a little you-know-what. "You Don't Understand" is a tale of hard times that does justice to a sample of Diana Ross' "Love Hangover," while on "Got Them Joints" they dis those who practice irresponsible sex.

Overall, Question Mark Asylum come off a little like Heavy D. The "hardcore" heads will be satisfied, but you can still listen to most of it in front of your grandma without causing too much of a shock. Most of all, 'Q.M.A. is out to make you party and have a good time.

Shelter Goes "Krishnacore" With Mantra

by Kurtis Daniels

A Hire Krishna punk band? Nope. The members of Shelter would rather be known as "a band whose members happen to be devotees of Krishna." With *Mantra*, their 4th album, Shelter combines an influence of 80's straight edge bands like Fugazi and Bad Brains with their socially conscious ideals. Lyrically, lead singer Ray Cappel (former front man for the band Youth of Today) is out to save the cows and the rain forests, promote world peace and abstinence, but most of all praise God and make good music. The lyrics are a bit redundant at times, as in the lead single "Message of the Bhaagavat," but they work best in the chants of the flip side, "Civilized Man": Well I've tried the best I can / I've tried to understand / Civilized man, so called civilized man.

Overall, those who are familiar with Cappel's former band Youth of Today may notice a slower tempo in Shelter. About half of their songs are radio friendly, but not nearly as bubble gum as Green Day (and I mean that in a good way). The rest of the time they show their Bad Brains influence without coming off quite as hard-edged. The result is a worthwhile hard-core album that has a little mass appeal.

Coming attraction of a serial killer

by Tina Haglund

Coming Attractions is a comedy about a serial killer. I know what you're thinking—probably the same thing the other people I've told about this show think—they look at me like I've gone loony. But *Coming Attractions* is wonderful satire, black and biting; and its very funny.

The play tells the story of Lonnie Wayne Burke (there's that three name thing), a small time criminal. Lonnie starts out just taking a few people hostage in a Laundromat so he can get the media to listen to his story. An agent specializing in singers, dancers, and "a few small dog acts" happens by and explains to Lonnie that he's going to have to come up with something much more interesting. Why, there's a women holding 75 people in a shoe department downtown! Fortunately for Lonnie, the agent has big plans for him, which include killing a lot of people. Suddenly, everyone wants to know Lonnie, and his "career" takes off.

Ted Talley's work lampoons everyone scrambling to make a buck off of the murders: the agent, whose highest aspiration is to have a house "...full of Lucite! with one of those toilet seats

with the coins embedded inside!"; the police arguing over film rights; obvious media slime who give the killer his name and whip the public into a frenzy;



and less likely exploiters like the old lady writing her "eyewitness" book.

The best reason to see this show is that it is presented by Powertap, one of

the most talented ensembles in the city. Collectively, they are fight choreographers, dancers, writers, costume and sound designers, and of course, actors. The cast alone boasts five Jeff citations between them and in addition to theatre work they've done radio, TV, and film. There's so much talent here, it's a little hard to breathe when they're all in the room together!

With 6 actors playing 43 characters, the pace is fast and furious. Scott Cummins is wonderfully slimy as the

making Lonnie sympathetic—not easy when you're playing a serial killer! Other cast members are excellent in all their roles, but there are some standout characters. Ned Mochel's show biz host Sammy Dazzle is a cliché on fire, and Julia Neary plays Miss America perfectly, turning her into Newt's dream date. Ann Boyd and Matt Kozlowski deftly round out the cast. Director Bruce Orendorf has brought all the craziness together skillfully, bringing out everything these gifted people have. Excellent design elements make the piece great to look at as well.

Coming Attractions had a rough birth—it opened in New York two weeks before John Lennon was shot. Needless to say, it didn't do all that well. Powertap is smart to bring it back though; it has much to say about how our society helps create, and maintain killers of all kinds.

Coming Attractions is at Famous Door Theatre Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays at 8 p.m., Sundays at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$10.00, \$5.00 at the Hot Tix booths. Reservations and information at 312-404-8283. Famous Door is located at 3212 N. Broadway.

agent, hitting every comic possibility. Lonnie is played by Frank Nall. With just the right mix of confusion and sweetness, he succeeds in

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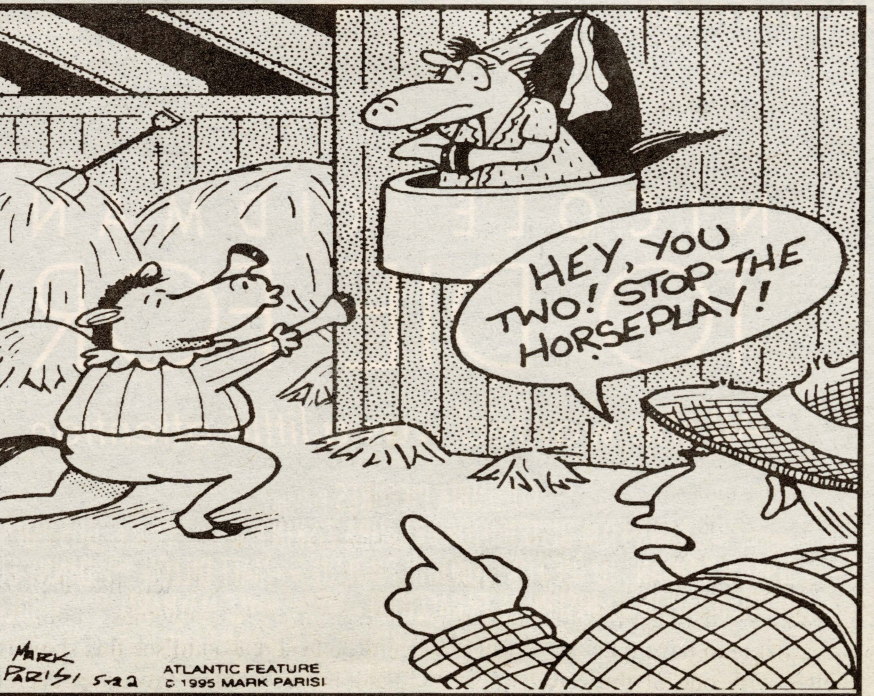
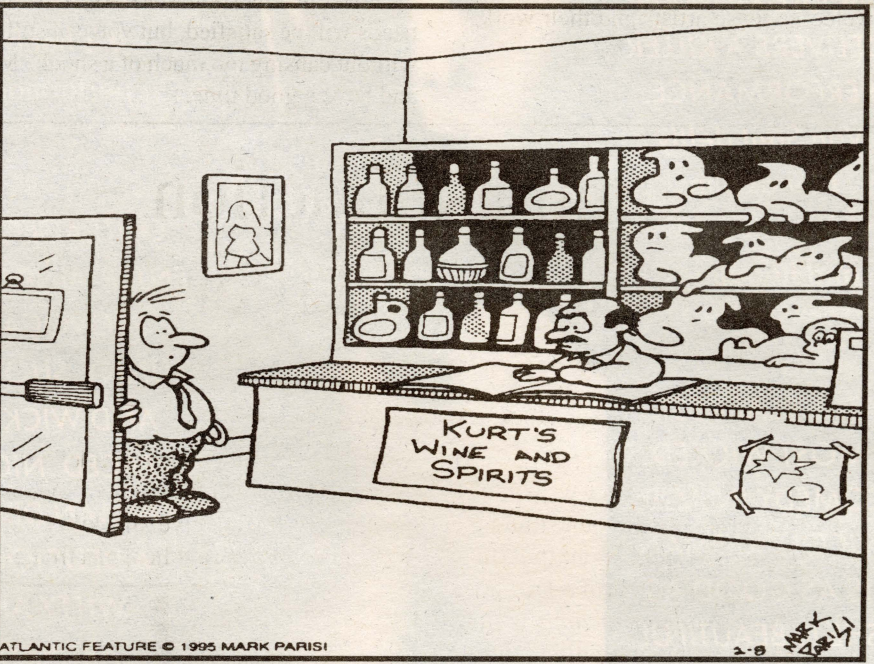
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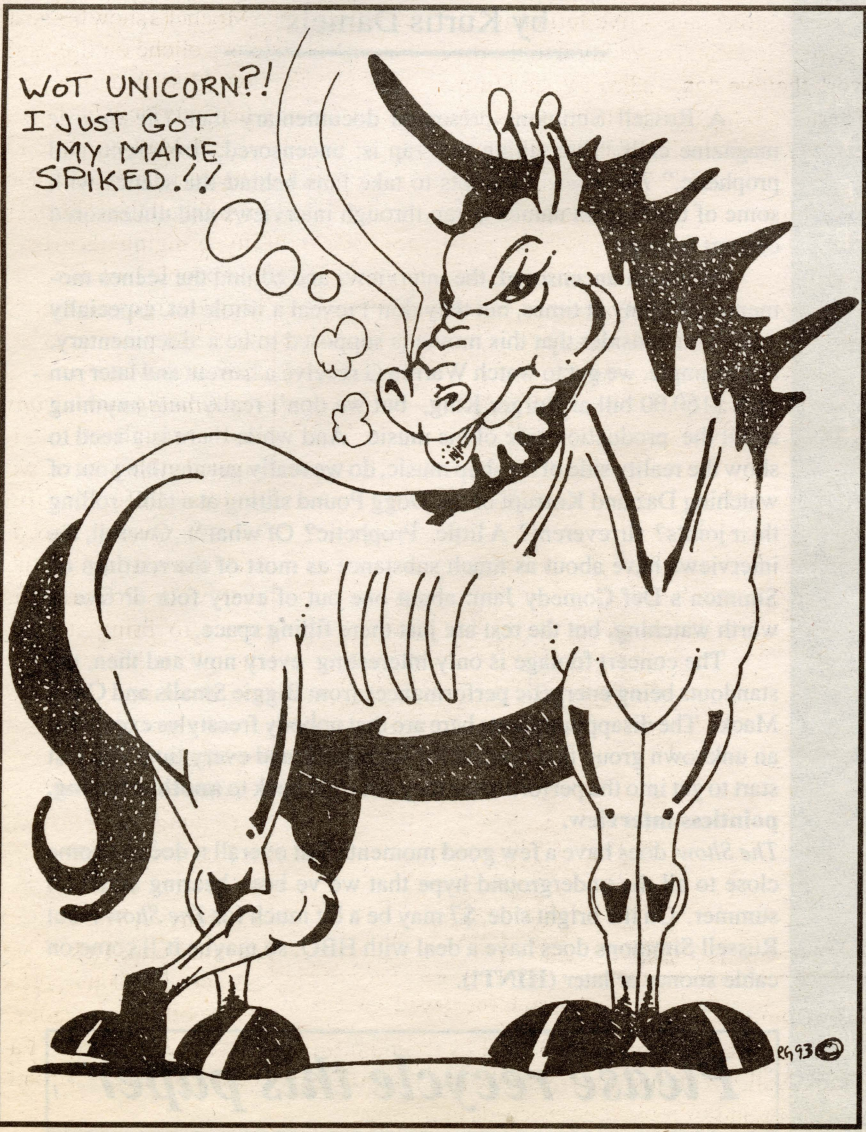
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Lenny Kravitz produces *Circus*

by Kurtis Daniels

Lenny Kravitz is back with his 4th album "Circus," once again showing heavy influences of 60's and 70's rock, funk and R&B. This time around, the king of classic rock-n-roll nostalgia seems to be a bit fed up with the trends of the post-Cobanian alterna-world. The lyrics of the lead single "Rock and Roll is Dead" pretty much sum up his feelings on the whole issue: "You can't even sing or play and instrument so you just scream instead / You're living for an image so you've got five hundred women in your bed / Rock-n-Roll is dead."

Songs like "Beyond the 7th Sky,"

"God is Love," and "Resurrection" profess Kravitz' faith in Christianity, while "Can't Get You Off My Mind" is a sappy love song that only Lenny could make sound good. Musically, the bluesy guitar-laden "Thin Ice" has to be the biggest standout. The mid-tempo "Don't Go and Put a Bullet in Your Head" takes a close second place, but almost all of the 11 tracks could stand out by themselves. Kravitz' musical "unique" style and inspirational lyrics make "Circus" a must have for any longtime Lenny fan, and a few of those who only know him for "It Ain't Over 'til its Over" may be pleased as well.

Bing, Bing, Bing

by Kurtis Daniels

Turn on a jazz radio station and what do you hear? K-Mart quality, elevator jazz. You know, the kind of song where a guy plays a Mariah Carrey tune on a saxophone and calls it "jazz." Well puke no more, music fans, The Charlie Hunter Trio is here: drummer Jay Lane, tenor saxophone player Dave Ellis, and former Disposable Heroes of Hiphoprisy guitarist Charlie Hunter plays an 8-string.

If you caught The Charlie Hunter Trio at The Elbo Room last month, then you're already sold on their collection of mostly upbeat instrumentals. There isn't a single song you'll want to skip over. Two of the standouts—actually they're all standouts—"Greasy Granny" and "Bing, Bing, Bing," are the kind of songs that get you up in the morning. Track 4, showing that Mr. Hunter and Co. obviously have exceptional taste in 90's rock, is a mellow reworking of "Come As You Are" (yes, that one!).

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Battlegrounds: A Collection of Hardcore Cyberpunk

by Kurtis Daniels

Warning: Unless you enjoy dancing to house and techno, and have several gallons of excess adrenaline in your blood, move on to the next article. You may injure yourself.

Now, for all you hyperactive dancing bears still reading this, *Battlegrounds* is a compilation of "songs" by gabber artists, courtesy of Mokum Records. "What is gabber?" you ask. It's a movement popular among working class youth that has recently invaded Europe. The words "high energy" best describe it, but would be a bit of an understatement. With speeds well over 200 b.p.m., the songs on this would make a B96 dance party sound like the quiet storm. Deep bass, 909 drum kicks, and the occasional samples of hip-hop catch phrases are the main ingredients. Lyrical content is not a factor. For those who still don't get the idea, play any Luther Campbell record - they're all the same song - at twice its normal speed, and voila: Gabber (or a heart attack waiting to happen, depending on how you look at it). Featured artists include Amsterdam's Chosen Few ("Party!" and "Ravedome"), and Technohead ("I Wanna be a Hippy"). Dance away, but use extreme caution.

The Show ... What Show?

by Kurtis Daniels

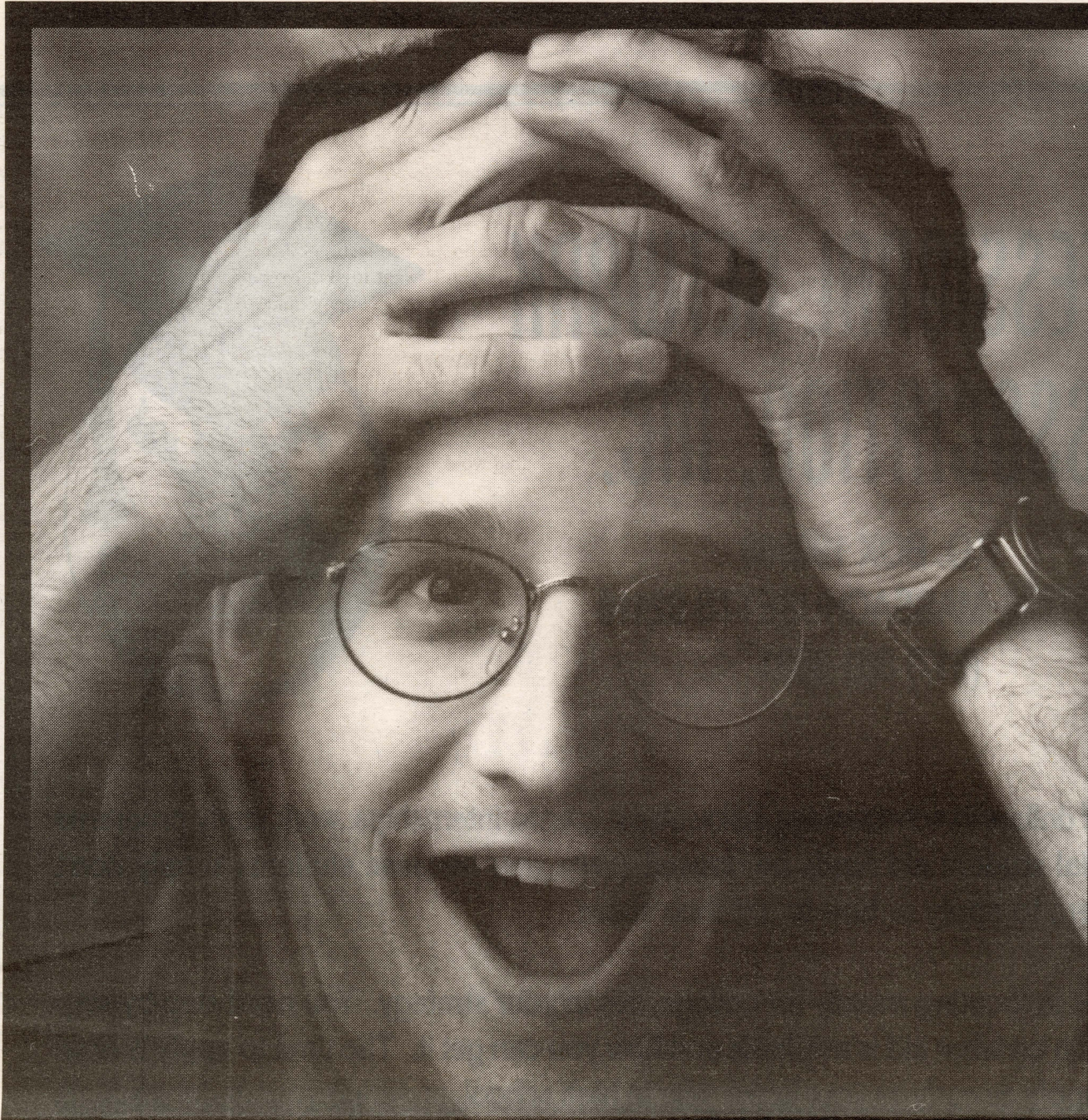
A Russell Simmons presented documentary that *The Source* magazine calls "Everything that rap is: uncensored, irreverent, and prophetic," *The Show* attempts to take fans behind the scenes with some of the biggest names in rap through interviews and uncensored concert footage.

Although uncensored, the interviews and behind the scenes moments are funny at times, but they don't reveal a whole lot, especially when you consider that this movie is supposed to be a documentary. For example, we get to watch Warren G receive a haircut and later run up a \$160.00 bill at Burger King, but we don't really hear anything about the production side of his music. And while there is a need to show the reality side of hip-hop music, do we really get anything out of watching Daz and Korrump of the Dogg Pound sitting at a table rolling their joints? (Irreverent? A little. Prophetic? Of what?) Overall, the interviews have about as much substance as most of the routines on Simon's Def Comedy Jam: about one out of every four or five is worth watching, but the rest are just there filling space.

The concert footage is only interesting every now and then, the standouts being energetic performances from Biggie Smalls and Craig Mack. The disappointments here are that nobody freestyles except for an unknown group that opened for Warren G, and every time you just start to get into the performance they cut right back to **another boring, pointless interview.**

The Show does have a few good moments, but overall it doesn't come close to all the underground hype that we've been hearing about all summer. On the bright side, \$7 may be a bit much for *The Show*, but Russell Simmons does have a deal with HBO, so maybe it'll come on cable sooner or later (HINT!).

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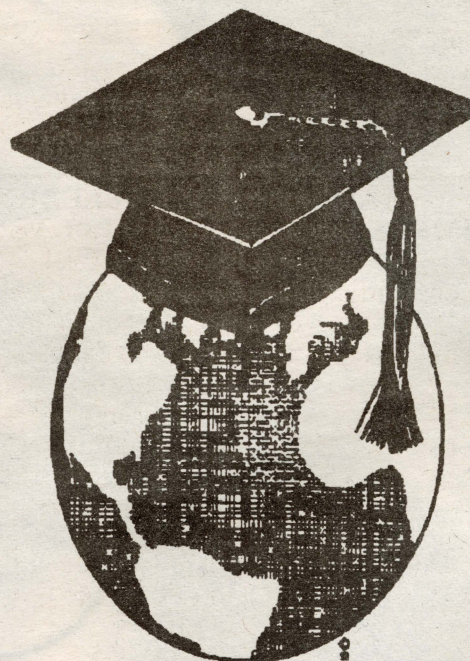
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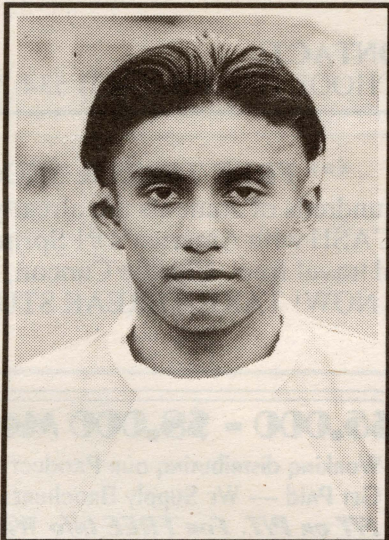
Cross country sets new terrain

by Gary Cahill

The first four weeks of the 1995 cross-country season have already proven to be the most successful in Northeastern history.

To start off their season, the team, led by former four-time Chicago City champ Dan Silva, won their first ever Division I dual meet over Wisconsin-Green Bay. Silva came in 4th and Chad Bauer came in 12th to pace the all-freshman squad to the win.

NEIU's two top runners again led their team to a strong finish at the Bradley Invitational on Sept. 8th. Silva's 42nd place effort in 26:14 over the 8k course was one of the top performances turned in by a freshman at the meet. Bauer finished in 27:30, Phil Spence and Mark Monelli also helped



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Dan Silva, Mid Continent Conference Athlete of the Week

the Golden Eagles that day. For his effort, Silva was named the Mid-Continent cross-country athlete of the week.

At the Valparaiso Invitational, Silva earned a great deal of respect by finishing 10th overall in the race, which included Division II powerhouse Lewis University and Mid-American Conference threat Western Michigan. Bauer again led NEIU's 2nd pack with his 35th place effort in the 110 man field.

NEIU's women's squad is also off to its best start in years. Led by Senior Kerry Fleischhacker, a two-time state qualifier in high school, and Emily Marquette, the Golden Eagles have defeated Chicago rivals UIC and Chicago State several times and are on the verge

of a breakthrough.

Fleischhacker led the young squad with a 7th place individual finish in the team's first meet against UW-Milwaukee and UW-Green-Bay. Her time of 12:18 for the two mile course was a mere 20 seconds off the winning time and helped pull teammate Marquette to a 13th place finish with a time of 12:47. These are both excellent early season efforts.

The following week at Bradley University, Fleischhacker became the first Golden Eagle in years to break the 20:00 for 5k with her 19:49, 52nd overall. Against many of the Midwest's top teams (Illinois, Illinois State, Northern Iowa, SIU and Drake), Marquette finished in 21:16 and teammate Michelle Secor came in at 22:03.

The Valparaiso Invitational served more as a training run than a race but several NEIU runners had some great races. Again, Fleischhacker paced the squad with her 22nd finish in the 100 runner field. Marquette was 47th and pulled the Golden Eagles 2nd pack to noteworthy performances.

Both squads aren't looking to peak until the MC Conference meet at the end of October. Consequently, the quick start of his runners has first-year head coach Geoff Masanet beaming, "I have been extremely pleased with our efforts thus far this season. We haven't begun to even round into total racing shape yet which leaves me very optimistic heading into the latter portion of our season."

Meet the coach

by Aimee Smith

NAME: Dan McGwire

SPORT: Men's and Women's Head Golf Coach

PERSONAL BACKGROUND:

Golfed for St. Norbert's College in DePere, WI Runner-up in the 1990 Cook County Amateur Competition, Graduated High School from Loyola Academy, Graduated College from DePaul University

COACHING BACKGROUND:

Started Junior golf in the city of Chicago, Assistant coach at Mather High School, Worked for the Illinois PGA

REASON FOR COMING TO NEIU:

This is a great opportunity to coach a Division I athletic program in the city. I met Dr. Fuller [NEIU Athletic Director] at a Junior Clinic I was running. I am very excited to be here. It is a new

program that needs building. Everyone in the athletic department is behind me 110%. I think I can help the University to bring respect and recognition to the school and the golf program."

COACHING PHILOSOPHY:

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ADVICE TO ATHLETES:

Always realize you are a student-athlete, not an athlete-student. Athletics are important to your mind and soul, but academics come first. You should come here for an education, not for a chance to get drafted.

NEIU sponsors 23rd golf outing

by Ray Kasper

Over the summer the Physical Education Department held the 23rd annual Charles G. Kane Memorial Golf Outing at the Wilmette golf course. The weather cooperated, and the day's activities included a putting contest, an 18 hole scramble, a dinner, and a raffle of excellent prizes.

There were 156 golfers who participated in the tournament. The golfers consisted of alumni, students, faculty, staff, as well as representatives from the community and various businesses. Approximately 117 individuals attended the dinner where prizes were awarded to the top foursome in the women's, men's, and mixed divisions. In addition, prizes were awarded for the longest drives and the closest to the pins on all par 3 holes. A highlight of the tournament was a hole-in-one by Elizabeth Kane, daughter of Chuck Kane. It was the first hole-in-one in the 23 year history of the Kane Outing.

During the dinner, thousands of dollars worth of prizes (hotel packages, sports equipment, boat rides, dinners, sporting event tickets, theater tickets, i.e.) were raffled in order to raise money for the Charles G. Kane Scholarship Fund. The '95 tournament broke all records for attendance as well as money raised (over \$5000). This past spring, the Physical Education Department awarded two, \$500 scholarships to the outstanding male and female physical education majors of the year. The success of this year's outing will allow us to continue awarding scholarships in 1996.

The Department of Health, Physical Education, and Recreation wishes to thank all of you who either attended the festivities or supported the outing with a donation. Your help is truly appreciated. We are already looking forward to next year; we guarantee another great day of fun!

Intramural sports offered

by Mike McDermott

This semester the Department of Athletics, Intramurals, and Recreation is sponsoring three intramural sports which are open to all students. The sports being offered are a 3-on-3 Basketball league, a 4-on-4 Volleyball league and a Racquetball singles division.

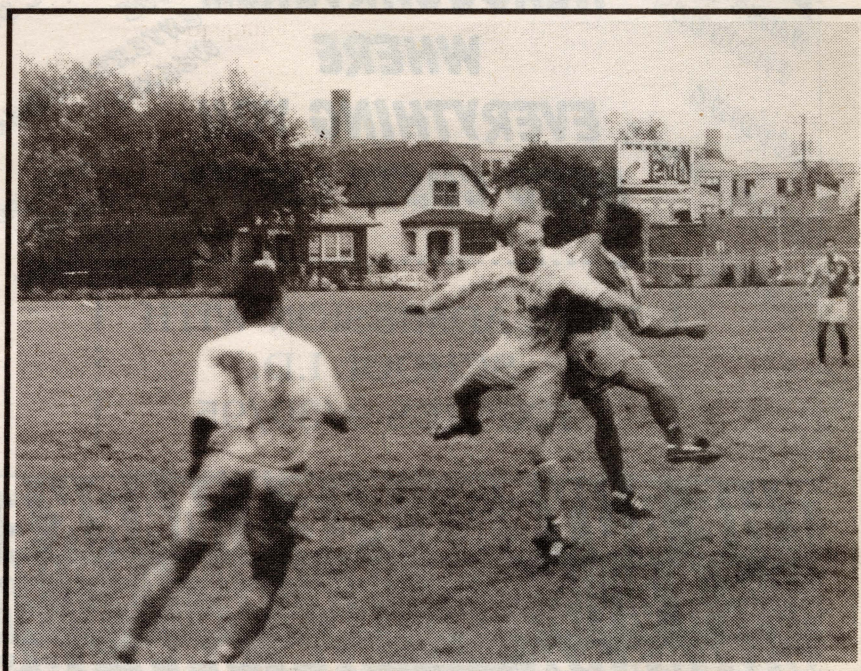
The basketball intramurals will be divided into Men's and Women's divisions, with the games being played on Tuesdays at 1:45 p.m. and on Mondays at 6:15 p.m. The divisions will play in a round robin format with the top two teams in each division competing for the championship. Deadline for registration is Thursday, September 28.

The volleyball intramurals will be

coed, with each team requiring at least one female. Matches will be either on Thursdays at 1:45 p.m. or Wednesdays at 6:15 p.m. The deadline for registration is Thursday, September 28.

The racquetball singles will be split up into Men's and Women's divisions in two separate leagues, competitive and recreational. Matches will be played on Tuesdays and Thursdays between 6:00 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. Participants will be required to play only once a week. The deadline for registration is Friday, October 6.

For further information regarding intramurals please contact the Department of Athletics, Intramurals and Recreation at ext. 6128.



Defender Brad Worth helps stop Eastern Illinois in their tracks.

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