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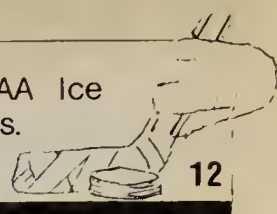
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## *New smoking policy*

# COD to restrict smokers in spring

by Eric Wasserman

A new policy to restrict smoking on campus beginning spring quarter was adopted by the COD board of trustees after they reviewed a report from the smoking/non-smoking committee Feb. 11.

Smoking will be permitted in the cafeteria, the game room, and other areas in the building.

In the IC Building, eight lounges and every other entrance will allow smoking.

Two lobbies, two lounges, some tables at the concession stand, and other areas will be designated smoking in the AC Building.

Smoking will be prohibited in the PE building except in one area of the north commons.

Sections will also be designated in Building M, Building K, and in the Open Campus Center.

These areas were recommended to the smoking/non-smoking committee by custodial manager **Frank Gervace** on the basis of convenience for smokers.

All other places, including halls, bathrooms, and classrooms, will have no-smoking signs posted.

"I don't foresee problems with large congregations of people in the smoking lounges," states Gervace.

Cigarettes will no longer be sold on campus and ashtrays will be removed from smoking prohibited areas under the guidelines of the new policy. Also, programs to assist people in stopping smoking will be made available through health services.

Employees of COD will be allowed a

smoke-free work place, which means smoking will be prohibited in most offices, according to the committee's report.

Smokers will be expected to respect the restrictions, but no enforcement will exist, said **Robert Parker**, associate dean.

"We're not telling people they don't have the right to smoke," stated Parker. "We're just trying to protect the right of those who don't smoke. Smoking is a hazard to those around who don't smoke. One person's right ends where another person's begins."

The smoking/non-smoking committee was organized in November 1985 by COD President **Harold McAninch**. The committee examined the current policy on smoking and discovered it was never properly implemented.

The committee then compiled a report consisting of student and faculty surveys showing support for restrictions, a summary of articles on public health and smoking, and nine recommendations for the new policy.

On Dec. 16, 1986, McAninch and the president's advisory council reviewed and approved the committee's report and recommendations.

The committee consisted of half smokers and half non-smokers to ensure fairness to everyone. The members were **Val Archer**, **Daphne Berg**, replacing **John Bedi**, **Mary Gayle Floden**, **Sharon Grandrud**, **Lori Hanson**, **Cherryl Johnson**, **Ann O'Keefe**, **Vince Pelletier**, **Harold Temple**, **Debbie Weiser**, a student, and **Bob Peters** as chairman.



A student gets a few puffs in before the smoking ban, slated for most of the college, goes into effect spring quarter. Photo by Carl Kerstann

## *D.U.I. crackdown*

# DuPage proposes substance-abuse center

by Tom Eul

DuPage County may be the first in the state to provide a center for the confinement and treatment of repeat D.U.I. offenders, thus jumping on the anti-substance abuse bandwagon by joining the 20 to 30 existing programs nationwide.

The program, if approved by the County Board, will consist of confinement for a minimum of 14 days, a probation period, case management, and substance abuse treatment for up to one year.

The proposal, submitted by the D.U.I. subcommittee, calls for a recommended confinement of 30 days for residents of the county with two D.U.I. offenses in a five-year period.

According to the National Highway Transportation Safety Administration, both jailings and probation have proved ineffective for repeat offenders, and the subcommittee reports that confinement centers like the one proposed "appear to be effective."

The seriousness of drunk-driving offenses is emphasized in the proposal, and daily breathalizers and periodic urinalysis are recommended to assure inmates retain sobriety during confinement.

Psychological testing to attain the inmates' history of substance abuse, social history and medical history is also recommended by the subcommittee. Physical exams and interviews of people involved in the offender's per-

sonal life is also a possibility, according to the report.

The probation period suggested by the committee would be instituted to provide the following:

- The maintaining of sobriety
- The breaking through the denial of alcohol/drugs as problematic in the offender's life
- Teaching the alternatives to alcohol/drugs
- Teaching offenders to make responsible decisions about drinking and driving
- Teaching offenders to utilize community resources for ongoing rehabilitation

According to the proposal, an initial visit by a probation officer would be conducted while the inmate is still in confinement. Following the initial visit, regular checks of the inmates would be required and would dissipate as the probation period progressed.

Costs for the construction of the confinement facility are estimated at \$500,000, and an additional \$732,110 has been suggested by the committee to initiate the project.

Funding for the facility would come from several sources, the report states.

The possibility of revenue, and the recommended avenue by the subcommittee, is to place a county-wide tax on liquor. Other funding could come from fees charged to inmates, special assessments levied from various medical and psychological testing, state and federal grants, and private contributions.



## Help! Ghostbusters!

These COD students look rather insubstantial and illusory as they perch on the stairs in the multi-purpose area. Photo by Chris Baumgartner



### First aid offered

COD's Open Campus is co-sponsoring first aid and cardiopulmonary resuscitation courses with the American Red Cross beginning March 30.

Non-credit classes in CPR modular (basic), CPR instructor, CPR race for life, multimedia first aid, first aid instructor, and health services education will be offered.

For more information, call 858-2800, ext. 2208.

### Basic math offered

A pre-chemistry one-hour skills development course is being offered this spring to aid students in basic math required in beginning chemistry classes.

For information on course content, time of class offerings and permit requirements, call Marilyn Scott, 858-2800 ext. 2130.

### Phi theta kappa

There will be a meeting for all members and all prospective Phi Theta Kappa members on March 10 at 1:00 p.m. in the SRC, room 1024. Plans to attend the national convention in Dallas, Texas will be discussed.

### Student activities now hiring

The student activities program board is accepting applications for the following positions for the 1987 through 1988 school year:

- \*Chairperson
- \*Educational Programs Coordinator (Lecture Series)
- \*Publicity Coordinator
- \*Special Events Coordinator
- \*Thursdays Alive Coordinator (Daytime Programs)
- \*Spring Break Trip Coordinator
- \*Volunteer Coordinator - Secretary

Job descriptions and applications are available in the student activities office until Friday, March 13. For more information, call Mark Geller at 858-2800, ext. 2450.



### Slanted point of view

Cyrus Hornosi and George Christopoulos kick back and catch some rays on a recent warm day. Photo by Chris Baumgartner

### Speech team highlights

The College of DuPage speech team will present three evenings of "Speech Team Highlights" on March 11, 12 and 13 for free at 7:15 p.m. in the Arts Center lecture hall, room 153.

Each evening the team members will present a variety of individual and group events which include performances of prose, poetry, drama, duet acting scenes, speeches to entertain and inform and readers theatre.

The events have been performed at various tournaments throughout the year and will be sent to the national tournament in Odessa, Texas, in April.

### LRC temporarily extends hours

The LRC will extend its hours the last two weeks of the winter quarter on a trial basis. During that period hours will be as follows:

Sunday, March 8	1 to 6 p.m.
Monday, March 9	until 10:30 p.m.
Tuesday, March 10	until 10:30 p.m.
Wednesday, March 11	until 10:30 p.m.
Thursday, March 12	until 10:30 p.m.
Sunday, March 15	1 to 6 p.m.
Monday, March 16	until 10:30 p.m.
Tuesday, March 17	until 10:30 p.m.
Wednesday, March 18	until 10:30 p.m.
Thursday, March 19	until 10:30 p.m.

## THE STUDENT ACTIVITIES PROGRAM BOARD PRESENTS:

# Family Fest '87



## Featuring Lee Murdock

A master folk musician, presents a lively "Kids Songfest" Great entertainment for children and Adults alike. Sunday, March 8, 1987 at 2 p.m. in the SRC Building, room 1024 A. Admission only \$1— tickets are available at the door. For more information call Student Activities at 858-2800 (ext 2712).

### MARCH 8

Thursdays Alive presents the College of DuPage Theater Guild-Improvisational Comedy Group. At 11:30 a.m., in the SRC Student Lounge-FREE.

### MARCH 13

Deadline for Student Activity Program Board positions. Applications are available in SRC 1019 or call 858-2800 Ext. 2712.



# COD to seek input

by Dave Grzenia

The Gallup organization will conduct a community assessment survey for COD in the spring in order to gauge how well the school is serving the public.

According to Ronald Lemme, vice president of planning and information, the survey is a first for the college and will provide the school with feedback from the public.

"The whole idea of the survey is to check the image that the college is projecting in the community," explained Lemme.

All areas in the county will be represented, based on enrollment, by local respondents chosen at random, Lemme said. He estimated that about 1,500 people would be surveyed, but said that the school is still deciding on the exact number.

"With all the factors taken into account, the survey will be valid and reliable," Lemme asserted.

The Gallup organization, which has completed studies for other local schools, has been hired to advise the college on how to ask questions and conduct the actual survey, explained Lemme.

The survey will be done over the telephone and run an estimated 15 to 20 minutes. The questions will remain general and will cover specific programs rather than classes, Lemme maintained.

"The college wants to know what information the community has about the college and where they got it from," Lemme stated.

The school is concerned about the Quarterlies and radio announcements on WDCB reaching people, said Lemme.

The college would also like to find out if people who are searching for new job skills would consider attending the college, Lemme remarked.

"It is the community that will benefit from the results of the survey," Lemme maintained.

According to Lemme, the survey will cost between \$35,000 and \$40,000, depending on the length of the survey and the number of people interviewed.

The survey is expected to be completed by June and the results assembled and presented to the administration sometime during the summer.

"This is a community college and we will make changes as indicated," Lemme remarked. "If the results are inconclusive, however, we'll wait to get more information before making any decisions."

After the community assessment is finished, the college plans to survey community employers and politicians and combine the results of all three to plan the school's future.

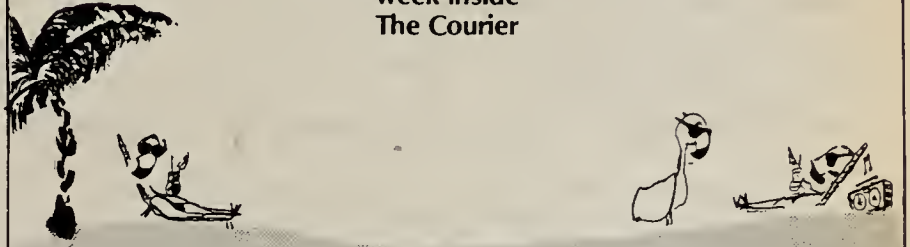
# SPRING BREAK

*We're Making It An Issue.*

March 13, 1987

March 13, 1987, will mark the debut issue of Student Trends Magazine. This first edition will focus on spring break as well as other "trendy" subjects.

Look for it next week inside The Courier



## China, Tibet trip

A 17-day field trip to Tibet and China will be taken by the College of DuPage Field Studies Program July 25 to Aug. 11.

The trip will be led by Tom Lindblade, coordinator of field studies, and David Eldridge, geography professor, and will be preceded by evening classes designed to help participants learn about the area.

Further information may be obtained from instructional alternatives at ext. 2356.

## Soviet class offered

English 290, Soviet Civilization, will be offered in the spring quarter at 10 a.m. Monday through Friday in Room 2081 of the Instructional Center.

The five hours of credit are applicable to the humanities requirement. No prerequisites are needed for registration.

For further information, contact Marion J. Reis, at 858-2800, ext. 2115/2195/2047.

## Political science class

A new three-credit hour course will be offered this spring at the College of DuPage which will focus on major events shaping and affecting our modern courts. Political Science 130 (1620-130-10), titled "Courts and the Community," will meet Thursday evenings from 7 to 9:50 p.m.

The class will meet for ten weeks beginning April 2. For more information, call the social and behavioral sciences division office, at 858-2800, ext. 2156.

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# Editorial

## '88 budget hurts students

Ronald Reagan seems to be forgetting more than just the Iran arms deal these days—he is also forgetting about the next generation of adults: namely, students.

In his infinite wisdom, the president has decided to rescind \$1 billion in student aid money he had at one time appropriated for that purpose for fiscal year 1988.

Why? Perhaps it was a whim—maybe he just changed his mind. After all, being fickle is becoming something of a Reagan characteristic lately.

Or, quite possibly—could it be? The budget deficit has hit the trillion dollar mark. Of course!

The government has to rob somebody to pay Paul; why not Peter Student?

This proposed budget cut has the potential to impact all types of financial aid currently available to over 125,000 students just in Illinois alone. Possible recipients would either no longer be eligible, or would lose a good portion of aid now offered. In addition to the skyrocketing cost of higher education, a loss in student aid monies means big trouble for many of today's and tomorrow's college students.

If the U.S. truly wants to keep up with the supposed intellectual superiority touted in countries like Japan, then it had better put its money where its mouth is.

It seems, however, that, despite the fact that the U.S. is already armed well enough to blow up the earth and the fact that charity begins at home, defense weapons and Nicaraguan rebels rate higher in this administration's book than the valuable human resource that is the average American student.

# Letter

## Legislation lacks insight

To the editor:

Illinois presently has two classifications of nurses: the licensed practical nurse (LPN), and the registered nurse (RN). Educational requirements for the practical nurse consist of approximately one year in an approved program, many of which are at community colleges. A prospective student in the registered nursing program has several options including attending a junior or community college for approximately two and one-half years to earn an associate in applied science degree, enrolling in a hospital-based nursing program for three years to earn a diploma in nursing, or attending a university for four years to earn a bachelor of science degree in nursing. Successful completion of any of these three types of education will allow the graduate to take state boards and, if successful, become an RN. The practical nurse is also required to take state board examinations.

This year, the Illinois Nurses Association (INA), which represents less than six percent of all registered nurses in the state, will require that all students complete four years of college before being eligible to take state boards to become a registered nurse. The legislation will also require two years of college for students wishing to take state boards and become licensed practical nurses.

A large number of nurses, nursing students, long-term care administrators, and organizations (i.e. DAVTE and IFT) are in opposition to this attempt to change the Illinois Nursing Act, and for good reason.

First, the associate-prepared nursing student has traditionally scored higher than the baccalaureate-prepared nursing student on state board examinations. The College of DuPage's associate-program nursing students consistently pass state boards (96.5%). I

do not believe there is a baccalaureate program in the state that can claim such a high pass rate. The exam measures competency to practice safely. National studies confirm that, in patient care and educational settings, the competencies of associate graduates are as high, or higher, than those of baccalaureate graduates.

Secondly, I have often wondered where the INA plans on graduating all of these baccalaureate nurses. Sure, there is an abundance of baccalaureate programs in northern Illinois, but what about central and southern Illinois? Currently there are only 7 or 8 baccalaureate nursing programs south of Interstate 80. The consequent void created if the legislation passes would cause some serious staffing problems for health care facilities in these areas. Decreasing the number of available registered nurses automatically creates extensive medical, legal, and management problems in the health care field. The patient is the one that suffers the final impact of the decreased ability to meet Illinois health care needs.

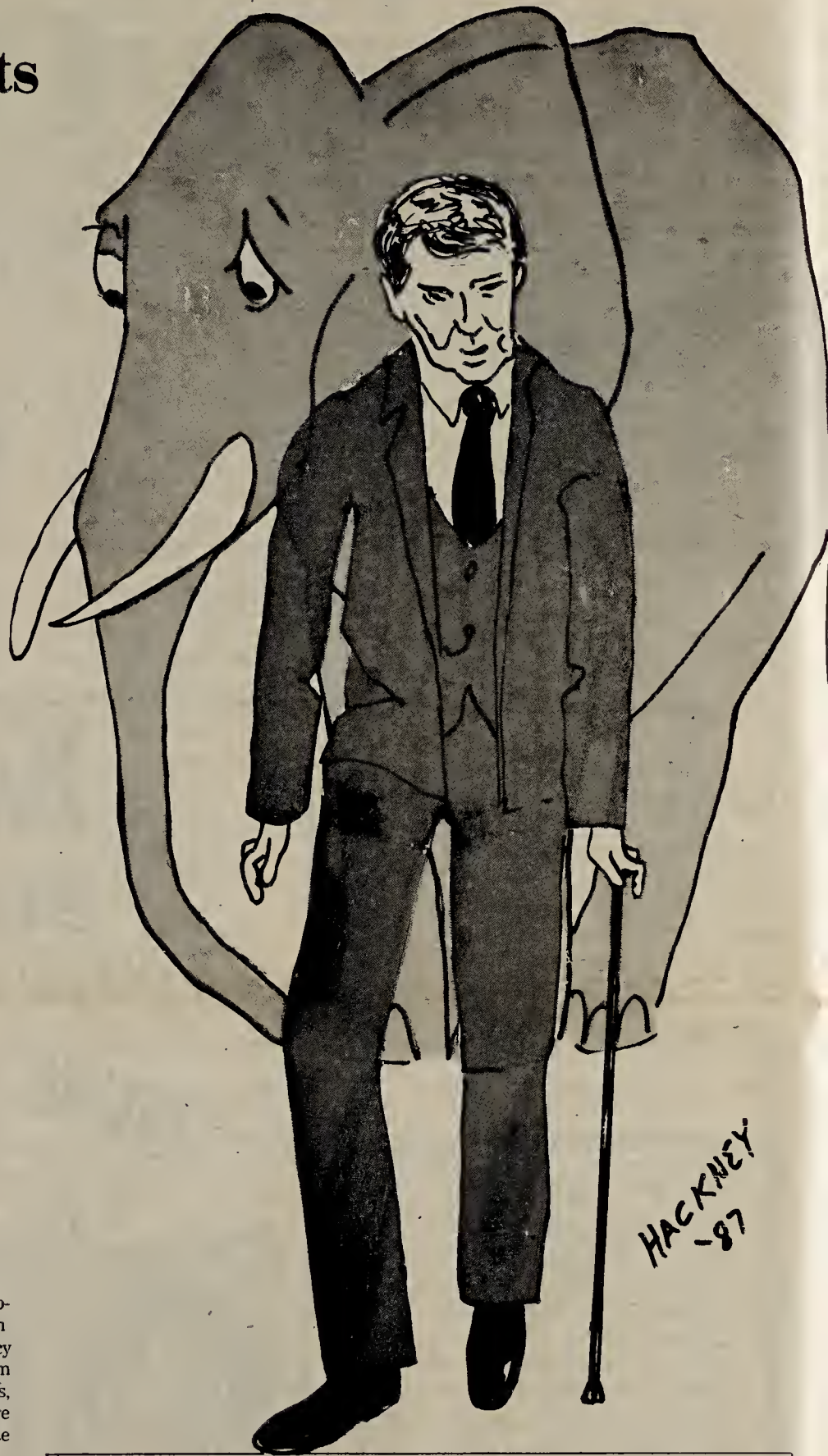
From my work experience in the health care field, I have come to several conclusions. One is that the INA lacks insight into the pressing issues that face the nursing profession, such as unity among the nursing ranks. The recognition that the INA is seeking for the nursing profession lies within the nursing ranks, not at the state capital.

Nursing issues regarding unity, patient acuity, specialization and non-union organizational tactics do need to be addressed. Any positive responses should be directed toward your district congressman or representative.

Vote no to the INA legislation.

Stephen L. Egert  
LPN/RN student

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LEAVE THAT ANIMAL.



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## Forum

## Non-smoking policy goals outlined

by Alan Bergeson

During spring quarter, COD will implement a new smoking policy which will designate smoking areas for students and staff at the college. Needless to say, this policy has stirred a great deal of controversy in the halls of the institution and in issues of both the Courier and Chicago Tribune. Like the smoking controversy nationwide, this debate has centered on health issues, individual rights, and courtesy to all those who work and study on our campus.

This smoking policy was developed by a committee established by President McAninch during my tenure as chair of the faculty association and faculty senate (spring quarter, 1985 to winter quarter, 1986) and included students, classified personnel, administrators, and faculty. The creation of such a committee was one of a number of proposals developed by the faculty services committee, a sub-committee of the faculty senate, to improve air quality in our complex of buildings; other suggestions included an air quality study and a new ventilation system for science labs. These recommendations of the services committee were endorsed unanimously by the faculty senate and forwarded to the president.

The discussions we held in the senate centered on a genuine concern for the health of

smokers and non-smokers alike at our institution. The date on the relationship between smoking and health are too numerous to print here; but smoking in any closed environment like our complex of buildings constitutes a clear health hazard. As teachers, we felt we had an obligation to take a stand on smoking and educate students and staff about the health issues and national trends on the regulation of smoking in public places. I was proud of the faculty senate for its sensible debate and courageous stand on the issue.

Health issues notwithstanding, another key element of the senate debate focused on individual rights versus the welfare of society as a whole. In my discussions with McAninch and Bob Peters, chair of the smoking policy committee, I emphasized the senate's concern to establish a smoking policy which recognized the right of adults to smoke in designated areas.

I still have vivid memories of my days as a high school teacher on "potty-patrol," taking cigarettes away from nicotine-crazed adolescents in smoke-filled restrooms in a building where smoking was prohibited. However, like the controversy regarding seat belts, drug testing, or quarantine and tests for AIDS, the truth often depends upon how you will be affected.

It is possible to suffer the tyranny of either

the majority or the individual if policy is meted out in an arbitrary, capricious, or uneven manner. The fact is that two decades ago, the majority of adults smoked; today only one in three does. It is a growing national trend to restrict smoking in public places and COD is only one of many places where smoking reasonably can be expected to be regulated in the future.

Like the Illinois seat belt law which was upheld recently by the United States Supreme Court, I believe that reasonable regulations and laws restricting smoking will be upheld by local, state, and federal courts. The rights of the majority to breathe clean air in public places supercedes the individual's right to smoke whenever and wherever he or she pleases.

Our new policy recognizes that adults do smoke, however, and provides designated areas for smokers. While some of these areas may seem inconvenient to those used to smoking at will, at least the right of the individual to smoke somewhere on our campus is maintained.

On a more personal level, the right to smoke involves simple courtesy and respect for others. Some writers to the Courier have suggested that smokers will simply ignore the policy, smoke in hallways, and lacking an ashtray, put out cigarettes on the floor. Sadly,

some smokers may do just that. I see the same mentality in the LRC where I work. We ask patrons to refrain from bringing food, drink, and tobacco into our facility and post such a request at the front door. Yet some sneak in drinks which are often spilled onto the tables, trash the floor and group meeting rooms with wrappers of all sorts, and even spit tobacco juice on the carpet.

These people are "social anarchists" for whom no reasonable rule, regulation, or request ever applies. I hope that these boors among the smokers will be few in number — but I expect to see their selfish and anti-social behavior. Unfortunately they give polite and considerate smokers a black eye.

The establishment of a smoking policy was not the misguided mission by a fascist administration bent on attacking individual rights nor a subversive plot to alienate, intimidate, or punish any group within the college. The goals were to educate about smoking and to improve the quality of air — and health — in our buildings while respecting the rights of both smokers and non-smokers.

It is my hope that we all abide by the spirit and the letter of this policy, and in doing so, make COD a better place in which to breathe, study, live and work.

## Letter

## Student benefits from tragedy

To the editor:

In past issues of the Courier, I have noticed a few articles chastising the student body for excessive consumption of alcohol and narcotic substances. Personally, I find these views irritating, pretentious and downright offending. How dare the author insist that others must abide by his puritanical virtues? What I am specifically referring to is a Jan. 30 article written by Jeff Sculley titled "Students treat college like recess."

Mr. Sculley, you are only one man, therefore, you have only one opinion. Is it fair to insinuate or convey the idea that all conscientious, studious and upright students feel as you do? I think not. I propose to share a different view.

In the article, you are visibly upset, mystified, (perhaps disenchanted with your kind?), and shocked that someone would actually drop a class to procure money for

alcohol. Mr. Sculley, where have you been? Didn't they talk like that in your high school? For years, students have preferred senseless inebriation to senseless algebra. Neither has a point, so what difference does it make which one we choose? Well, I think you already know; if not, keep reading, I'm going to tell you.

Contrary to what most students might think, the real world is far from the smoke-filled halls of COD. How do I know? (Remember, this just my opinion.) I was there for awhile. More important than my experience in the "real world" was the knowledge, (let's call it wisdom), I learned out there. It's nothing spectacular; in fact, the whole idea is rather simple. To succeed (by social standards) one must have a well-rounded education, be hard-working and ambitious, and retain a certain amount of self-discipline.

Amazing isn't it? You've probably heard your parents say this before. Nonetheless, Mr. Sculley, I sense you have already learned this and wish to impart your wisdom to our fellow students. But, I ask you, why? Don't you know that competition for jobs in the corporate/real world is very intense? Don't you realize that, after four years of disciplined academic studies, we will be better able to compete in that market than our party-loving classmates? Actually, I don't mind their behavior. It motivates me and lessens the competition.

So, Mr. Sculley, please get off your soapbox and, if it won't leave you stigmatized, let's get together and drink a toast to those individuals with whom we must tragically share a classroom.

James Farruggio

## Letters Policy

The Courier welcomes letters on all topics. Letters are to be typed, double-spaced and should not exceed 200 words. Letters are subject to editing for grammar, style, libel and length. All letters must be signed, although the author's name may be withheld upon request.

Letters are to be delivered to SRC 1022 during normal business hours or mailed to the Courier.

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## Columns

## Media coverage cures ignorance

by Ernest Blakey

The Courier's Feb. 12 edition carried a column written by Dale Walker, who stated that he was bored with the news coverage of the Chicago mayoral race between Jane Byrne and Harold Washington.

Well, I would like to know what universe Mr. Walker lives in. This is the United States of America, and in this country we like to know what the candidates have to say about the issues and each other. Maybe Dale is not really bored but afflicted with a common disease known as apathy. Or maybe he is just ill-informed.

Let me quote from the late Thomas Jefferson, who said, "I know no safe depository of the ultimate powers of the society but the people themselves; and if we think them not enlightened enough to exercise their control with a wholesome discretion, the remedy is not to take it from them, but to inform their

discretion."

Maybe Mr. Walker would prefer an electorate that is totally uninformed—one that just "flips a coin" to choose a government official. Living in DuPage County is no excuse for not being concerned about Chicago politics since we are tied both economically and politically to the city. A good ole-fashioned knock down, no-holds-barred political campaign lets us not only get a good look at who's running but also tells if the candidates can take the rigors of the fight—a good indication of whether they can take the strain of office.

Mr. Walker said he might seem a little 'cynical.' Maybe uninterested and apathetic is closer to the truth. Tell me, Dale, did you vote in the last student government election here at COD?

## Thompson wishy-washy on mph issue

by Dale Walker

Gov. Thompson said recently that he is all for a 65 mph speed limit on interstate highways and he predicts that the state legislature will vote to raise the limit.

In a debate during his '86 re-election campaign, Thompson said, "Studies have shown that increasing the speed limit will increase deaths of innocent people on the highways of Illinois."

Last week the governor studied reports by the State Police and Transportation departments stating that the state's rural freeways "could handle" the higher limit.

Why? Did the people of Illinois suddenly begin driving better? Why has the governor changed his mind? Is it because he feared his opinion would be challenged and attacked during his campaign? No, we all know "Big

Jim" wouldn't avoid an issue.

I'm not looking a gift horse in the mouth; I definitely want the 65 mph law in Illinois. But sometimes I just can't understand why Thompson does some of the things he does.

And even though we now have the governor on the right track, it does not guarantee that the law will be passed. The federal government may withhold funds if a state passes the law. Illinois senators Allan Dixon and Paul Simon voted against the measure last month but it made it through the senate, although not the house.

The governor has promised to keep after the 65 mph limit the next time it runs through congress, but the limit will remain 55 until state governments are allowed to choose for themselves. Unless, of course, the governor reads a study saying that 55 is too fast.



## From assembly line to junk pile -- a tale of one man's car

BY MICHAEL RAI

"It's great Dad! No rust, nice interior. Look, it even has a radio. This is just the kind of car I need for driving to school every day. I'll bet it's great on gas too! Let's take it..."

The day my little white Chevette rolled off the assembly line back in '79, a worker nearby was heard to utter, "There's a sucker born every minute, and I bet he buys that car." Well, I wasn't the first to buy it. No, there was a sucker before me. I just picked up where he left off.

Do I hate my car? Yes, yes I do. But there is something deep inside of me that just won't let me bury my woeful bucket of bolts. Maybe I'm a masochist. Maybe I'm afraid to break any of the current euthanasia laws. Maybe it's just become a part of me, like a wart or a liver spot. Whatever the reason, I just can't get rid of the old lug.

I have experienced more drama, intrigue and futility with one compact car than most people experience fighting wars, watching Madonna videos or going to see Sylvester Stallone movies.

I recall one Saturday evening about a month ago. I was driving to a friend's house and feeling rather well about life in general. I was just about to turn right off York Street onto the Abner Gannett Memorial Underpass when my car, in its infinite wisdom, decided it was better off with no one steering and proceeded to break off all communication between the steering wheel and the front axle. The result was an apparent attempt on my part to park in the trunk of the Buick Regal in front of me. I ended up shelling out \$250 and a lot of futile shoulder shrugs.

Next, the case of "Where, Oh Where,

Has My Little Car Gone?"

I walked out into the College of DuPage parking lot with a cheery smile. I had just taken an exam in psychology and I was confident that I had put even Freud to shame. My book bag swung playfully at my side as I trotted along to where I'd parked. I remembered I had left my car on a slight incline, and, with a quick flashback to my driver's education class, I had wisely thrown on my parking brake. I smiled wider, recalling my genius.

The smile slowly flipped over as I stood frozen in front of the empty space my car once occupied. All that remained of my forlorn vehicle were a few stray rainbow patches of the various fluids it leaked.

The wind howled dramatically.

As expletives slowly leaked out of my mouth, I began looking around painfully. After a minute of rigid turns and darting eyes, I saw it. Apparently my parking brake was a bit liberal in its stopping policy. My car had rolled down the aforementioned incline and had come to a stop in a covey of small pine trees adorning the school's parking lot.

I came away with a \$50 fine for parking on the grass and a few interesting new scratches on my car's rear-end. I have since purchased a large iron battleship anchor, which I lob out the window to prevent future incidents.

Another of my car's many dubious features is a wide knowledge of magic tricks. Its favorite trick is "pulling a piston out of a cylinder." Other favorites include "feigning death in heavy traffic," "the surprise hatch-back flip up" and "the incredible smoking radiator." I usually get treated to a show every



Michael Raia ruefully prepares to drive off into the sunset (barring any major catastrophe) in the "Marshmallow" aka the "Mouse."

week, but sometimes my car plays a double bill.

I've come up with several nicknames for my automobile. The first one was "The Marshmallow." This refers to its short stocky shape, white color and approximate horsepower.

The next name to come along was "The Ice Cube." This little tag came to me as I was driving home from Northern Illinois University and realized the heater was out. I watched my breath the entire way home. Funny thing was that it overheated just as I was pulled into my driveway.

My most recent offering into the "Name The Car" contest is "Mouse." This refers to its stocky shape, white color and tendency to smell like rancid cheese.

So, there you have it. Not a pretty story, but a story just the same. If you learn anything from this pathetic prose, learn this: If your car ever dies on an exit ramp, has four simultaneous flat tires, or starts making noises reminiscent of a choking albatross for no apparent reason, take heart. There's a car out there that'll make yours look like a solid-gold Rolls Royce.

## Column 1987 -- year of the condom

BY TIM SLAVEN

Network television, in an average year, programs more than 9,000 scenes of suggested sexual intercourse. This figure does not include cable television. To me, it seems that this would encourage promiscuity, especially among the young. In fact, it would probably seem that way to anyone. Ironically, this is precisely the reason many people oppose the promotion of contraceptives on those same T.V. stations that promote promiscuity.

This is similar to teaching sex education without birth control. There is no mention of condoms on "Dynasty," only condominiums. There is, of course, plenty of extra-marital sex going on. The closest Alexis get to "the pill" is an aspirin. Contraception is a prime time taboo. And all of America is watching.

Recently, the surgeon general recommended the condom as an effective deterrent to AIDS. Doctors, pharmacists, scientists, and public health officials have all recommended that very same product for disease prevention. This product is not a new "miracle drug;" condoms have been around for quite some time. Still, the

ads are not suitable for prime-time viewers.

The "ugly duckling" of the contraceptive world is now the swan. A reputable Noah's Ark is available and the networks are drowning. Yet their message that "recreational sex is alive and well in T.V. wonderland" still persists.

Condom ads once had a reputation for emphasizing increased stimulation. The focus was one of pleasure; I agree that this would be inappropriate between segments of "Hotel" or the Cosby Kids. Now a modern disease has allowed prophylactic makers to shed this misconception and blossom into a regular panacea.

"Maybe it would offend the ladies," whimpers a top exec. About half of all condoms sold in the U.S. are bought by women.

Condoms are also safeguards against new strains of gonorrhea which resist antibiotics. Or chlamydia, which, when it goes unnoticed, causes infertility and birth defects. And don't forget about herpes—still no cure.

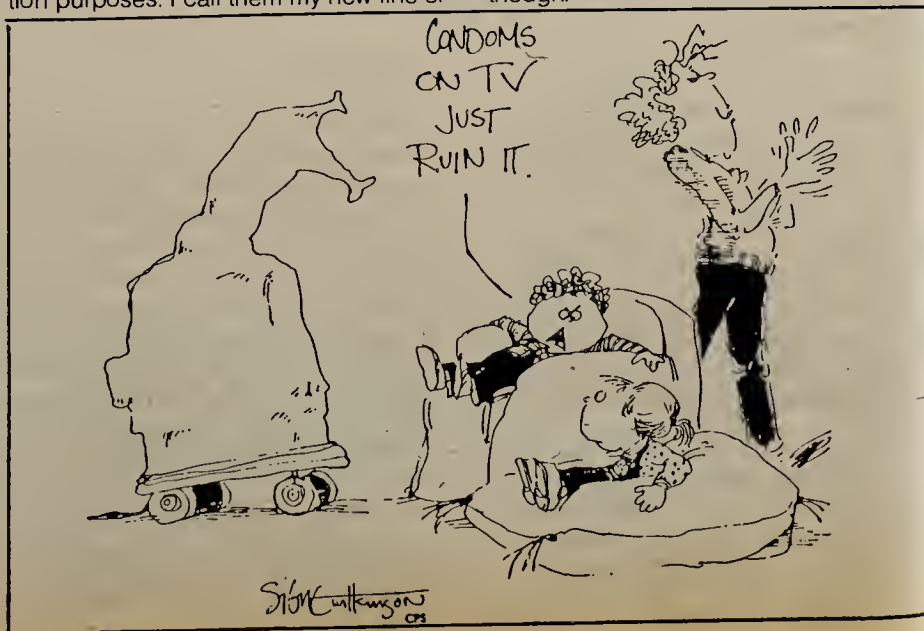
Let's face it, sexual intercourse has become an activity that can kill you. The networks didn't waste time jumping on the

"say no to drugs" bandwagon. Disease prevention is far more important and far more serious to mankind than a couple of funky cigarettes. Don't say no to condoms.

In case my plea is heard, I have taken the time to list a few names for documentation purposes. I call them my new line of

Designer Skins ... "Sergio Prevente," "Seamans Choice," "Less Genes," "Bonn Joy," "Jour Safe," "Member's Pony," "Philo Proh's."

These are most certainly copyright infringements. I still had a lot of fun with it, though.





# Student doubles for star in 'Light'

BY ROB CALL

Have you ever had someone tell you that you looked like someone famous?

While filling in as a person in a bar scene during the filming of the movie "Light of Day," Mary Jackson was told she resembled Joan Jett. In fact, one might say Jett and Jackson came from the same mold.

The two are the same height, weight, and build. One of the producers of "Light of Day" saw Jackson and Jett talking one day during filming and stopped and asked Jackson who she was.

"I thought I was in trouble, because we were told to stay away from the stars. I was sure I lost my job," Jackson recalled. "The next thing I know, the producer is telling Joan and me to follow him. We followed him to a make-up room, where he asked the make-up artist if there would be any problem with me being Joan's double. I was stunned."

After that moment in Feb. 1986, Jackson was Jett's double. She worked on the film for three months until May.

Jackson isn't interested in an acting career, she would rather be a television broadcaster.

"I thought any professional experience I could get would help me get a foot in the door," explained Jackson. "I was surprised at the long hours an actor is expected to work. We started shooting around 6 a.m. and continued until 9 p.m. If we had to shoot a night scene, the shoot would start around 5 p.m. and end around five in the morning."

As Jett's double, Jackson had to be present whenever Joan was in a scene and since Jett was the star of the movie, Jackson was on the set the majority of the time. Jackson also had to watch every move Jett made.

"If Joan was supposed to move her arm a certain way, I had to remember that. If they needed me to fill in for her, I had to have every action she made in that particular scene memorized," the Glendale Heights resident recalled.

Jackson also befriended "Family Ties" star Michael J. Fox, who also starred in "Light of Day."

"He's just as you'd expect him to be and the exact opposite. He's funny, polite, courteous, everything his "Family Ties" character, Alex, is," Jackson said. "On the



Joan Jett and Mary Jackson (above) show off their similarities in a picture taken during filming of "Light of Day." (Below) Michael J. Fox and Joan Jett portray a brother and sister who play in a band to forget about family problems.

other hand, he is a chain smoker. His hands are yellow, because of the number of cigarettes he smokes. His being a smoker was the most shocking thing about him. He's really just a normal guy."

The twenty-year-old Jackson wasn't a Joan Jett fan before she met the rock star, but that changed after the filming of "Light of Day." Jackson bought every album she could find that Jett had released.

"She's an extremely honest person," believes Jackson. "If she doesn't like what you're saying, she'll tell you. And she won't care what you think. I respect her for that. She's a true rebel."

Jackson not only got to see how Fox acts when working, but also how he has fun. One day Fox invited Jackson to accompany him and a few other friends on their trip to a Van Halen concert. Jackson found the atmosphere backstage surprising.

"When we went backstage, I couldn't believe it. It was like a family picnic. All the band members had their relatives there."

What exactly was the greatest reward Jackson received from the situation? Money? Possible doors it opened?

"The most important thing I learned from the experience was that everyone is the same," Jackson revealed. "Michael and Joan are my friends now, but that doesn't change who I am."



## Movie

# 'Weapon'--lethally funny, suspenseful

BY DALE WALKER

If you're looking for a little comedy mixed in with your action-drama, and maybe a bit of emotional acting thrown in for flavor, then "Lethal Weapon" is for you.

Mel Gibson and Danny Glover combine to make an exciting team as two Vietnam-scarred L.A. cops who take on Asian underworld drug dealers who also happen to be Vietnam veterans.

Gibson portrays a suicidal cop who is paired with a reluctant, self-preserving cop, played by Glover, who becomes certain that Gibson will get them both killed. Their interplay turns out one hilarious scene after another.

One example is when Gibson wishes Glover a happy 50th birthday after risking both their lives in a shootout. For some unknown reason, Glover doesn't think Gibson's well-wishing is sincere and an argument ensues.

Both actors give good performances and work well in their first movie together. Gibson, in a departure from the calm, cool Mad Max character, is very emotional throughout the movie. It seems to work well for him, however, especially in one scene where he contemplates suicide but can't pull the trigger.

In the movie's climax, Gibson proves himself when Glover's family is on the line. Gibson duels the Asian underworld's most dangerous henchman (Gary Busey) in a climactic struggle between good and evil.

Glover also proves that he is good in a clutch, but not as well as Gibson, who studied martial arts to prepare for his role.

I left the movie pleased, although a lot of women were undoubtedly more pleased than I on account of Gibson's nudity. "Lethal Weapon" is worth the money.

## Movie

# 'Light of Day' more than music

BY ERNEST BLAKEY

"Light of Day," starring Michael J. Fox and Joan Jett, has been promoted as a rock movie. Granted, there is a good sound track and some musical performances, but "Light of Day" is going to surprise a lot of fans.

Director Paul Schrader, who also penned the screenplay, has produced an intense, provocative film about a working-class family struggling with their feelings and their place in life.

If you don't recognize Schrader's name, you'll recognize some of his other outstanding work. He wrote the screenplay for Robert DeNiro's "Taxi Driver" and directed Richard Gere in "American Gigolo."

"Light of Day" moves very slowly and I found it difficult to figure out exactly what the film was about. Fox plays Joe Jr., who works in a factory by day and plays in a rock 'n' roll band called the Barbusters at night. His sister, Patti, played surprisingly

well by Joan Jett, is the band's lead singer. She is the stronger of the two and is in conflict with her mother, a strong-willed matriarch. The father is a quiet man who has long since given up the role as head of the house to his wife, but he has a strong love and commitment to his family. (Watch for a short but touching scene between Fox and the father.)

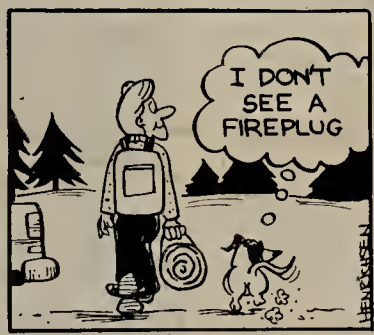
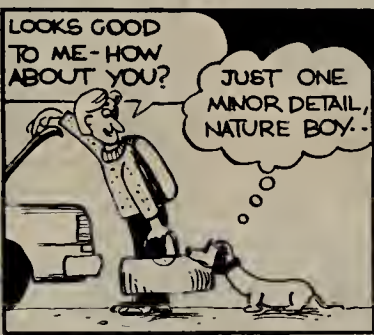
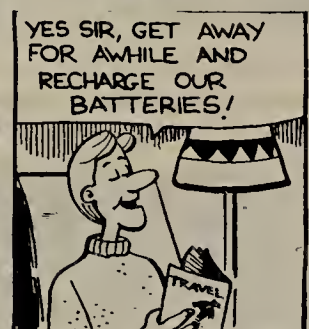
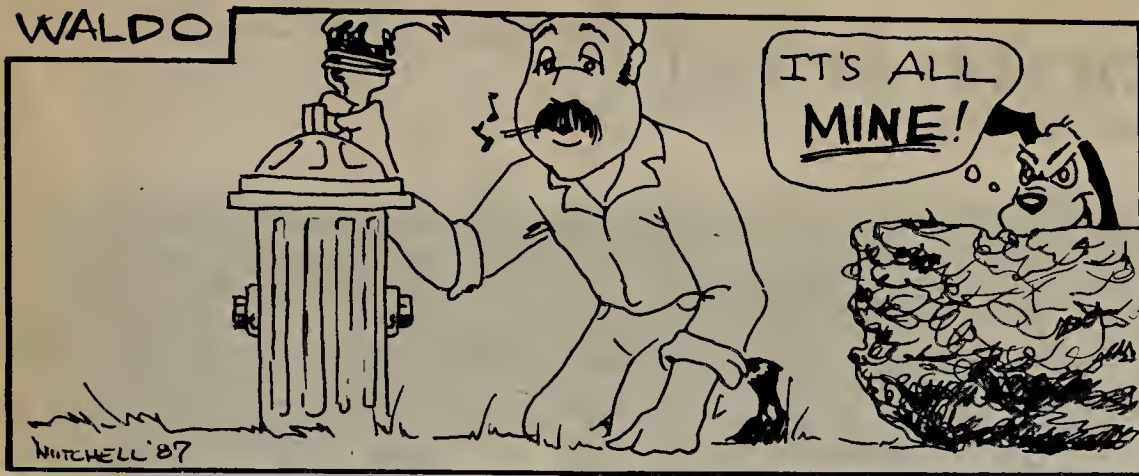
If you're trying to figure out exactly what this movie is about, you're right where the director wants you. Gratification comes only at the end of the film in the form of a overwhelmingly intense bedside scene between mother and daughter.

The mother, played by veteran actress Gena Rowlands, gives a superb performance along with Joan Jett. For you Michael J. Fox fans, you've never seen him like this.

"Light of Day" is an excellent film, admirably directed with well-developed characters and strong performances by all.

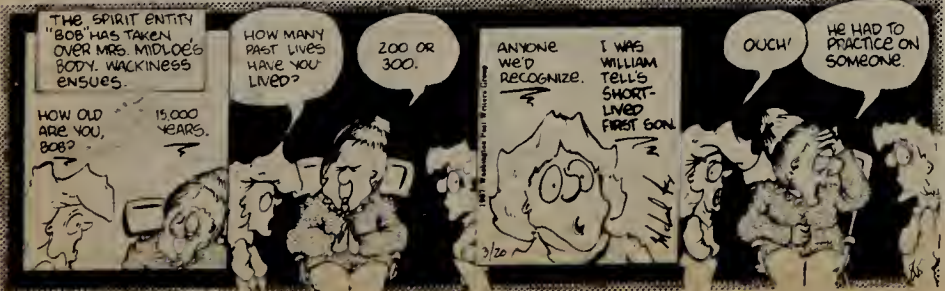
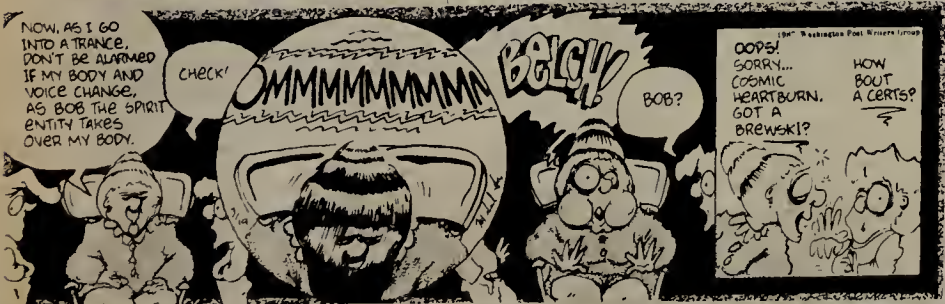


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
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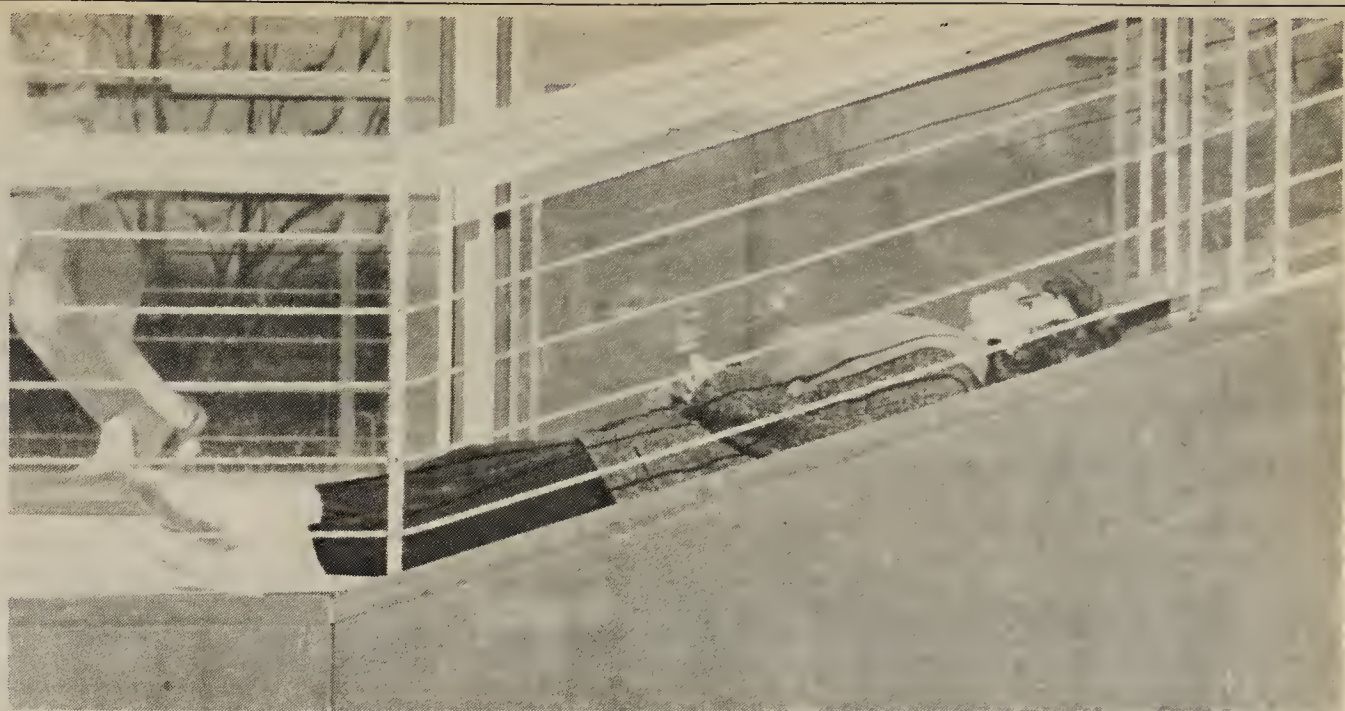
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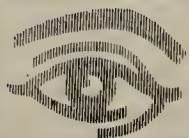
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## Column

## Where have the real athletes gone?

by ROBERT CALL

Drugs. Drugs. Drugs. That's all you ever hear about nowadays. Not only have drugs infested the typical Joe on the street, but the demons of drugs have also found a harbor in athletes.

Not all athletes, though. When I heard of a pro golfer being admitted to a drug rehabilitation center, then I'll know the end is near. Pro golfers seem to be different, almost above doing any wrong.

Last year the Professional Golfers Association (PGA) survived and conquered a

tantrum-throwing, loud-mouthed Mac O'Grady, who had the gall to question the dictatorship of tour commissioner Deane Beman. And Seve Ballesteros ruffled Beman further by not abiding by his outdated rules.

For hundreds of years golf has been nurtured into the pristine sport it is today. Golfers, at the competitive level, share a certain respect and camaraderie that seldom shows its face in other sports.

When was the last time you saw a basketball player call a foul on himself?

A few years ago Hale Irwin called a two stroke penalty on himself in the British Open. Nobody saw Irwin commit the foul, but he nonetheless called the foul. He lost the tournament by a single shot.

How many times a game do you see Larry Bird admit guilt if the referee missed the call?

As in other sports, golf officials can't catch every offense. Such was the case when Craig Stadler violated the rules of golf in "building a stance" during a recent tournament. More than 24 hours after Stadler carried out the offense he was disqualified. An armchair official had seen an NBC replay of Stadler's

actions and realized he was in error.

One might expect that the \$37,333.33 Stadler lost as a result of his attempt to keep his duds clean would cause him to go into hysterics.

Wrong, in fact. Stadler was upset because he didn't know the rule. What a difference wearing obnoxious pants can have on a person's humility.

The gladiators of the green embody what every athlete is supposed to be.

Why is this?

When you don't know where your next paycheck is coming from, or for that matter, when, you seem to be gracious about what you do have. Golf has had a funny affect on Americans. It has a tendency to bring the competitive nature in all who partake.

If you're tired of seeing bloodied, battered buffoons go for each other's throats, yet you have the urge to watch true athletes in competition, golf is the perfect spectator sport for you.

Just don't try and play golf. You may start displaying Irwin-like characteristics, and you wouldn't want that. Would you?

## Wrestlers hit mats at nationals

For the third consecutive year, the North Idaho College wrestling team captured the NJCAA title.

COD hosted the 28th annual championships Feb. 26 through 28 in the PE Building.

The North Idaho Cardinals were led by Outstanding Wrestler Award winner Pat Whitcomb, who successfully defended his 190 lb. crown. The Cardinals outdistanced runner-up Clackamas (Ore.) College by 68.25 points.

COD tied for 40th place with three points.

The best performance by a Chaparral wrestler was put in by Ken Whipple, who lost in the third round to the eventual second place finisher in the 126-pound class.

COD wrestling coach Al Kaltofen was disappointed that none of his wrestlers placed high enough to be All-America.

"I thought we would easily have two wrestlers in the top five," stated Kaltofen.

The COD coach was pleased, however, that all four competitors from DuPage wrestled with the excellence necessary to compete in such a prestigious tournament.

The list of Illinois colleges placing at the tourney included Lincoln (13th), Harper (16th), Triton (25th), and Granite City (42nd).

Whitcomb was one of four national champions for the Cardinals. Teammates Sam Parker (134 lbs.), Marty Baday (158 lbs.), and Drew Jackson (167 lbs.), also came out victorious in their individual weight classes.

Chaparral Scott Frego (126 lbs.) lost 13-3 in the second round to Butch McFee of Garden City, Kans. Mike Mastrodonato also lost in the second. He fell 11-4 to Kannon Kares of Grand Rapids, Mich. In the second round, heavy-weight George Hawthorne was defeated 5-4 by Anthony Jefferson of Garden City.

## COD to host nationals

For the fourth consecutive year, COD will host the National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) Ice Hockey Championships Friday through Sunday, March 6 through 8, at the Franklin Park Ice Arena, Rose Street and Waveland Avenue, in Franklin Park.

The NJCAA tournament will feature four of the nation's premier two-year college hockey teams: Canton A.T.C. of New York (21-6-1), Itasca (Minn.) College (19-7-2), Erie (N.Y.) College (22-7-3), the COD Chaparrals (23-5), in a three-day, round-robin format.

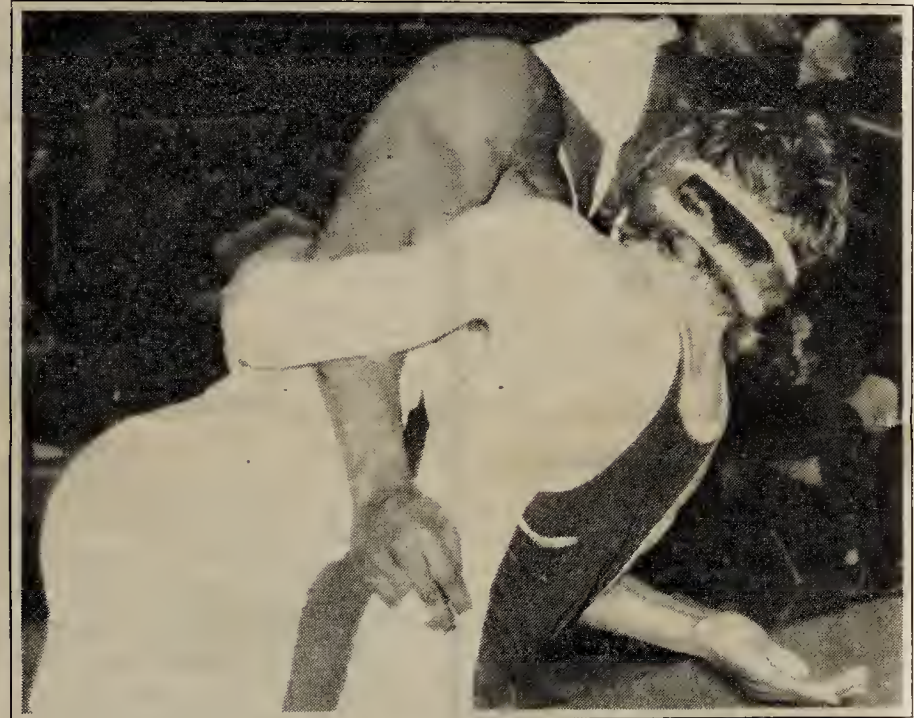
The action will begin at 2:30 p.m. March 6, when Canton, winners of nine NJCAA championships, checks in against Itasca, an upset winner over defending national titlist North Dakota State at Bottineau in the 1987 regionals. At 5 p.m., the Chaparrals, the 1980

NJCAA champs, face the 1982 national runnerup.

On March 7, the second-round matches will feature Itasca versus Erie at 4 p.m., and the Chaps against Canton at 6:30. Sunday's pairings will be Canton-Erie at noon, and DuPage-Itasca at 3 p.m.

The NJCAA championship will be determined by the best record compiled in the round-robin competition. In case of teams tying for best record, the title will be based on head-to-head results with goal differential the second tie-breaker.

Tickets are available at the door and are \$5 per day with each ticket good for both contests that day. For more information on the NJCAA Ice Hockey Championships, call the College of DuPage Athletic Office, 858-2800, ext. 2365.



A COD grappler gives an opponent a lift. Photo by Carl Kerstann



Chap goalie John Healy brushes aside a shot. Photo by Carl Kerstann

## Chaps end season

by ROBERT CALL

The 1986-87 Chaparral men's basketball team went down fighting in their 75-73 double overtime loss to Wright Community College Feb. 27.

In a game filled with peaks and valleys, the Chaps were out-muscled, according to Coach Don Klaas.

"This was our most physical game all season," said Klaas. "We didn't have enough power players down low."

By power players, Klaas is referring to players who have bulk and can clear the lane.

The Chaps did, however, neutralize Wright's two leading scorers, but Aaron Hudson came out of the woodwork to score 38 points for WCC, leading the home team to victory.

That COD even made it past regulation is phenomenal. Down by 13 points with a little over eight minutes left in the contest, the Chaps methodically whittled away at the deficit. When the lone scoreboard in the gym had the Chaps down by eight points with 1:10 left in the game, the Wright players appealed to be making plans for their next game.

Big mistake.

Along comes Keith Carter with a three point goal, which cut the difference to five.

Klaas then instructed his team to foul the opposition as soon as they touched the ball. The strategy paid off when a Wright player missed the first bonus shot. The Chaps raced

down the floor and Charles Hale trimmed the Wright lead down to three points with a field goal.

Another foul and missed free throw gave the Chaparrals the ball and an opportunity to pull within one point. Instead, Carter took a chance and selected a three-point attempt. Carter's trey brought the two combatants to a deadlock.

Wright still had a chance to close the door on COD, but failed. After a steal, Hale dribbled toward the basket. Hale didn't reach the basket before the buzzer.

"There's only one clock in the gym, so Charles had no idea how much time was left. He could have easily pulled up short of the basket and attempted a shot."

The Chaps had several opportunities to score points before Hale's last second effort. They made a paltry 44.8 percent of their spots from the free-throw line.

"Our greatest nemesis in the loss was the performance by our players from the line," Klaas said.

In the season finale the 21-10 Chaparrals had three players score in double figures. Carter led with 16, Randy McFarland contributed 13, and Hale added 12. Cleo Miller tacked on another eight points to the total.

Klaas hopes to have all 11 freshmen return next year, but added that the returning players will have to undergo a weight training program that will beef them up so they can compete better against teams similar to Wright.