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Stubler added to committee

by Jeff Teal

Marlene Stubler, director of public information, has been placed on the Courier adviser selection committee as of March 30.

Stubler's appointment was largely due to an editorial in the April 24 issue of the Courier, according to Dan Lindsey, dean of humanities. The editorial criticized the committee because it did not contain a journalist nor representation from the Courier staff.

Stubler served as a reporter and editor on the Joliet Herald-News and was the director of public relations at the College of St. Francis.

"I believe the adviser should advise," said Stubler when asked her opinion of the adviser's role in the Courier. "If he or she sees a mistake by one of the editors, it should be corrected before it's printed."

Stubler also said the adviser should "carefully" consider the ethics that are

Workers' claims jump

by Lee Sterling

Workers' compensation claims paid out at CD for fiscal year 1987 have risen to \$46,300 from \$8,438 the year previous.

Ken Kolbet, vice president of administrative affairs, and Tom Usry, chief of public safety and chairman of the safety committee, both pointed to an increase in the severity of accidents rather than a rise in the number.

According to Lori Hanson, manager of compensation and benefits, CD is planning training and incentive programs in conjunction with EBI/Orion Group, the college's insurance carrier, in order to make employees more safety conscious.

According to a study submitted by EBI, CD employees' most common accidents include manual lifting and slippery surface mishaps.

However, the type of accidents that caused workers to miss the most days were those involving the pushing/pulling of material.

According to Usry, the safety committee has commissioned Hanson to do a study on the most commonly injured body parts from the period between 1984 and 1987. The data will then be submitted to Kolbet who will decide whether or not safety shoes are warranted for such employees as grounds, warehouse, receiving dock and general maintenance workers.

"The increase in claims is not related to any particular department," said Hanson.

Safety committee members include Usry, Val Burke, Dave Malek, Randy Ledbetter, Gene Wagner, Al Zamsky, and Debbie Secara.



Ken Kolbet

Computer complex on schedule

by Frank Partipilo

The construction of the new microprocessing center, using \$593,000 that was recently financed to CD through capital development bonds in the Illinois Board of Higher Education, is still on schedule.

According to Ron Lemme, vice president of planning and information, CD's bid date for the center is not until December. Consequently, the earliest that the building could be completed would be "sometime in the spring or summer of 1989."

The microprocessing center is being constructed to move all the necessary hardware such as computers, cables and electrical gear into one area.

"With the new center, all computers can be installed and serviced much easier," Lemme explained.

Another advantage for CD will be the amount of money saved on faculty, Lemme said. Currently, with computer labs spread throughout the campus, a

separate instructor is needed for each lab.

However, the new center will provide one central control area where only one supervisor will be needed, he explained.

Dick Wood, executive dean of instruction, said he is also concerned with CD's future.

"The college is constantly expanding," he stated. "Five years from now, we'll be busting out at the seams."

CD is planning to build the center as an extension of the IC Building, located on the southwest side of the campus. The entire structure will be partially underground.

"It won't even be very noticeable from the outside," Lemme said.

The new center will house six computer labs, a PLATO lab and computer assisted design (CAD) labs, in addition to faculty research areas, student workrooms and various faculty offices, Lemme stated.

Equipment for the center will mostly consist of microprocessing and personal computers, he continued.

According to Wood, rooms in the center will be constructed on a relatively small scale.

"Classrooms in the center are being designed with the traditional 30-student class size in mind," he said. "Either that, or the rest of the center will be open labs."

The cost of the new facility is now estimated at about \$1.6 million, according to the program planning statement. But "the statement will have to be cut somehow, or more funds will be needed," said Lemme.

The soonest that classes at the center will begin is the summer of 1989, according to Wood.

"If all goes well, there is a strong possibility that the center will be open 24 hours a day," he stated.

However, he said, "this isn't definite yet and would largely depend on security problems that might arise, and how well scheduling for computer usage works out."



Marlene Stubler

being taught and instruct the editors to "look at both sides of the story."

The purpose of the Courier is to keep the college community informed, she added.

On the present paper, Stubler said she thought the Courier "concentrates on the negative."

"It appears the Courier is only interested in negative publicity for the college, not anything positive," she said.

Stubler also claimed that she has been "misquoted by Courier reporters several times to gain the stories they've wanted to gain."

Stubler said she didn't believe her present position, which involves publicizing the college, would interfere with her objectively selecting a candidate.

Ted Tilton, main campus provost, agreed, calling Stubler a "professional."

Stubler was graduated from the College of St. Francis with a bachelor's degree in political science and received her master's in media communications from Governor's State University.

Nader speaks on 'corporate power'

by Julie M. Gibson

In these times of hostile takeovers and insider trading scandals, consumer advocate Ralph Nader tried to put corporate power back into perspective for the average person April 22 in a speech at CD titled "Corporate Power in America."

Nader was in the Chicago area to launch a campaign aimed at defeating an Illinois House bill, sponsored by insurance companies and the Illinois Medical Society, which could limit the amount of damages awarded in medical malpractice lawsuits.

Nader called the bill "cruel" and claimed that it does not address the root causes of the malpractice insurance crisis: widespread

malpractice and a "lax" state medical disciplinary board.

In his speech, Nader suggested that "insurance industry reform, rather than restrictions on victims' rights," would be a preferable solution to financial problems the insurance industry incurred after a round of price wars in the early 1980s. He also advocated insurance rates based on a merit system which would reward safe doctors while penalizing those deemed incompetent.

The campaign for insurance industry reform is part of a larger drive by consumer activists "to reshape the economy in the buyers' image, which is the way it should be," Nader said, adding that over the last 20 years "a dramatic increase in the ability of con-

sumers to spot abuse" in the marketplace has occurred. Such awareness is vital, he said, "in an economy dominated increasingly by fewer and fewer large corporations."

"We're in the middle of a corporate crime wave," Nader contended, "Just read the Wall Street Journal...there's looting...(and) shareholders violating all kinds of laws. These are the big guys (engaged in) bribery and payoffs. These are not just fly-by-nights."

Nader also criticized the influence of corporate ethics and "taboos" that he says require workers "to leave their consciences at home" with regard to hazardous or unfair practices and conditions.

See Nader page 10

Tour guides needed

People are needed to conduct campus tours to prospective CD students. Morning and afternoon times are available.

For more information, contact the admissions office, 858-2800, ext. 2396.

Spiritual adept

THE LAUGHING MAN INSTITUTE will present an introductory videotape about Da Free John, a Western Spiritual Adept, and his Way of Radical Understanding or True Spiritual Life, on Thursday, May 14 from 8 to 10 p.m., in Western Springs. The Donation is \$3. Call 246-6464 for further information.

Now essay

The NOW Foundation, to mark the 200th anniversary of the signing of the U.S. Constitution, is sponsoring a national essay contest open to all high school, college and continuing education students. Scholarship prizes started at \$1,000 will be awarded in each category for the best response to the question "Do we need an equal rights for women amendment to the U.S. Constitution?"

Essays will be judged for their originality, clarity, creativity and furtherance of understanding of the need for women's equality. The deadline for entries is September 30, 1987. More information and official entry forms can be obtained by writing to the NOW Foundation Essay Contest, 1401 New York Ave., NW #800, Washington D.C., 20005.

Salutes mothers

Many songs about mothers will be played on the "Pickleberry Pie" children's radio show at 3:30 p.m. Saturday, May 9, on WDCB radio, 90.9 FM, the College of DuPage radio station.

Guys and Dolls

"Guys and Dolls" will be presented May 15 and 16 and 21 through 23 at 8 p.m. in the Mainstage theatre of the Arts Center.

Tickets cost \$7 and \$6 for students and senior citizens. Call the Arts Center Ticket office at 858-2817, ext. 2036, for more information.

Test prep

A new mini course on Strategies of Multiple Choice Examinations will be offered this summer.

Students will meet for a one-hour group lesson the first five weeks of the summer quarter. The second half of the quarter, students will work independently in individual test preparation manuals.

Tuition is \$18. One credit is offered for the course.

The course will meet at the Naperville Learning Center, 75th Street and Naper Boulevard on Tuesday evenings and at the Glendale Heights Learning Center, Fullerton and President streets, Thursday evenings.

For further information, call 260-1860.

Literacy volunteers

A dinner and program to honor literacy volunteers at CD has been scheduled for 6:30 p.m. Friday, May 15, in SRC1024.

The 99 "People Educating People" volunteers gave a total of 15,383 hours in service to the Adult Education and ESL programs since July 1, 1986.

Blood pressure screening

CD health service will be conducting a free blood pressure screening on Tuesday, May 12, 1987. The screening is open to the public. There will be nurses stationed in the SRC Building, 1st floor lobby and 2nd floor level from 9 A.M. to 2 P.M., in health service 1C-3H from 7:00 A.M. to 8:30 P.M., P.E. Building main lobby from 9 A.M. to 2 P.M., and the Arts Center (concession area) from 12 A.M. to 2 P.M.

May is National High Blood Pressure Month. Any further questions can be answered by contacting Val Burke at 858-2800, ext. 2154 or 2155.

College Trustee election

Candidacies for two openings on CD's board of trustees may be filed with the caucus of College of DuPage, P.O. Box 1488, Oak Brook, 60522-1488.

Candidates must be 18 years old and registered voters residing in district 502. The board adopts and enforces policies and rules for the financing, governance, operation and administration of the college. The election is

scheduled for Tuesday, Nov. 3.

Further information on the caucus is available from **Barbara Moon**, caucus secretary at 985-8585.

AIDS information

AIDS information is designed to tell people the facts about AIDS, its transmission and its prevention.

CD's health services and DuPage County Health Department will present these facts Monday, May 18th.

The information table will be located in the SRC Building, 2nd floor entrance. A film, "Beyond Fear," will be shown followed with a discussion period in the SRC Building, Room 1024A, 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. and again at 12:00 Noon to 1:00 p.m.

We must be serious about fighting the most dangerous epidemic of our time. Please attend.

Microcomputer classes

The Business and Professional Institute at CD is sponsoring several four-hour seminars during the summer quarter titled "Introduction to Microcomputers-MS/DOS."

The seminar is designed for the student who wishes to learn the basics of the disk operating system. Students will be given the opportunity to gain hands-on experience on the IBM-PC.

All seminars will be held in Building K, Room 104A or 104B, at CD's central campus. The cost is \$55.

To receive a list of the dates and times that this seminar will be held, call 858-2800, ext. 2761.



Wendy Wyatt, SG's new vice president, and Brett Powell, new executive director.

New SG officers named

by Bob Rummel

Student government has appointed a new vice president and executive director. **Wendy Wyatt** and **Brett Powell** replace **Debbie Wiser** and **Dave Mark**, respectively, both of whom resigned.

Wyatt, chairperson of public relations for SG, was appointed April 22 and will remain in her new position until June 15.

"There had been no vice president for a couple of months and someone needed to take care of the mounting paperwork," said Wyatt.

As vice president, Wyatt must now oversee the budget and submit financial reports to the school board. She will also work with the president of SG, **Steve Fanelli**, and do general paperwork.

Wyatt said that she would like to see a lot more student involvement with SG.

She proposed that the SG office be kept open during the evening in order to better attract night students.

"Another way for students to become more involved would be for them to participate in community events such as food drives," commented Wyatt.

Moreover, Wyatt said that she would like to see the board more educated on state and national issues concerning finan-

cial aid.

Wyatt's other goals include the presentation of an orientation packet for all incoming SG directors as well as making information on SG activities more available to students.

Powell, a former director, was appointed in early April. He said that he would like to see improvement in present SG activities.

For example, Powell said he feels the tutor program needs more faculty involvement.

Additionally, Powell said he would like to have an ad hoc financial aid committee formed of both faculty and students in order to gain views from two different perspectives.

Powell's duties as executive director will include chairing board meetings, maintaining government files, and organizing and promoting elections as well as handling election complaints.

In order to better promote this year's election being held May 19 and 20, Powell said SG will be distributing leaflets and hanging posters.

In addition, Powell continued, more competition for seats in SG should make the election more interesting and draw a larger turnout.

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* Applications may be picked up in Student Activities (SRC 1019). Return application to Recreation Area Manager in SRC 1020 before Friday, May 15th.

Police beat

April 23

A purse containing a wallet, drivers license, bank card and IDs was reported stolen or lost from the Arts Center at 3 p.m. The purse belonged to a Woodridge student, 20.

The wallet belonging to a Bloomingdale woman, 45, was recovered by a campus safety officer from IC3Q.

April 24

While attending the Rocky Horror Picture Show, a Glen Ellyn woman, 44, was sprayed in the eye with an unknown liquid, possibly rubbing alcohol. The woman suffered a bloodshot, tearing eye and throat irritation. She was assisted by a campus emergency medical technician who told her to rinse her eye with water. The woman's daughter, 20, was sprayed in the shoulder with the same liquid.

April 25

A Glen Ellyn man, 20, was overcome by stomach pains while in the SRC. He was advised to visit an emergency room.

April 27

A "suspicious" man in his 50s disturbed a Downers Grove man, 23, by wandering twice into a class in the IC that he was not enrolled in and writing formulas on the board. The incident occurred at 10:50 a.m., but the man was reported by a Lisle woman, 33, at 6 p.m. after he stopped at a stop light for an extended period.

Keys left inside a 1970 Buick LeSabre parked in the Park Farm House lot were secured by a campus safety officer. Numerous attempts were made to locate the owner, but without success. However, the vehicle disappeared the following day.

April 28

A Lombard man, 20, reported that \$17 was stolen from him in Room 257, Arts Center, possibly by a male student wearing pink pants.

A blue billfold with a Drake University insignia belonging to an Addison man, 19, was stolen from the SRC cafeteria washroom.

A lost purse with contents intact was turned in to the Public Safety office. It was claimed by the owner.

The father of a Wheaton woman filed a missing person report at 9:50 p.m. after his daughter failed to return from the LRC. His daughter had called him at 6:30 p.m. to say she would be home in 15 minutes. The woman arrived home shortly before midnight.

April 29

A Bensenville student, 18, reported that she had lost her father's jean jacket in the IC.

April 30

The smell of cannabis was detected by a safety officer at the entrance to the SRC cafeteria at 10:50 a.m. A Wheaton man, 30, was observed stuffing a green leafy substance into a pack of cigarettes. When asked for the cigarettes by the safety officer, the man placed the whole pack into his mouth, ripped the cellophane and ate the contents, spitting out the cigarettes as

he struggled with the officer. The man was not arrested because no significant residue remained.

A Louis Vutton purse belonging to a LaGrange woman, 20, was reported lost or stolen.

A taupe colored purse belonging to a woman, 36, was reported stolen. The purse was last seen in the ceramics lab of the Arts Center.

May 1

A blue purse found in the IC was turned in to the Public Safety office with contents intact.

Some \$250 was stolen from the wallet of a Darien man, 19. The wallet is believed to have fallen out of the victim's pocket while he was in IC2055.

Some \$198.42 was returned to a Glen Ellyn woman, 30, after Coach Ronald Ottoson found it in the SRC.



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Views

Editorial

Appointment Rapped

In the April 24 issue of the Courier, the editorial board pleaded its case for representation on the committee selecting a replacement for outgoing Courier adviser James Nyka.

The administration responded on April 30 to the editorial by appointing Marlene Stubler, director of public information, to the committee.

We believe Stubler is an excellent addition because of her journalism background, however we cannot endorse her appointment because of an obvious conflict of interests. While Stubler's department publicizes only the positive occurrences at the college, the Courier must report on both the positive and negative.

"It appears the Courier is only interested in negative publicity for the college, not anything positive," Stubler stated.

We aren't interested in any type of publicity, only the news.

A better selection for a new committee member would have been a Courier staff member with the needed background.

However, we agree with the administration that both Friedli and Stubler will not allow past criticism by the Courier to interfere with their professional judgment.

Last year the Courier presented Helmut Jahn Awards to Stubler, Friedli, and other members of the community who upheld Jahn's spirit (Jahn has designed many visually aesthetic buildings that are functionally inappropriate).

The seven member committee represents student government, faculty, student activities, and now the publicity department at the college. Why has the Courier been refused?

The Courier encourages each member of the committee to answer one question: Who is best qualified to advise the production of an unbiased, truthful, complete, and uncensored newspaper?



Letters

More speakers noted

To the editor:

I appreciated your front-page article in the April 24 Courier about the speech team's first place at Phi Rho Pi nationals. In it you listed all of the gold award winners, but did not list the names of all 14 members of the team or mention any of the silver and bronze award

winners. I would like to acknowledge those participants not mentioned (Nicolo Delgado, Joanne Addison, Dan Mazanek, Dean Gallagher, and Kim Szpiech) since this was a team victory to which all contributed.

Jodie Briggs
director of forensics

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Views expressed in editorials represent the

opinion of a majority of the editorial board. The board consists of all Courier editors.

The Courier is a member of the Community College Journalism Association, the Associated Collegiate Press and the Illinois Community College Journalism Association.

The Courier has been named for five consecutive years by the ICJAA as the best weekly community college newspaper in the state.

Courier offices are located on the main campus in SRC 1022, 22nd Street and Lambert Road, Glen Ellyn, Ill. 60137-5699. Telephone 858-2800, ext. 2379.

Employee discounts OK

To the editor:

In response to your editorial of May 1, "LRC Discriminates," pointing out the inequity of College of DuPage employees having the benefit of checking out videotapes at a reduced price while students have to pay the going rate of \$2.50:

Yes, it's true that without the students "the LRC or the institution itself would not exist." But don't forget that many of the employees of the college are local taxpayers—and many of the employees are students. So please don't go to extremes to separate the students from

the employees. The employees make this place possible, too.

Also, please remember that College of DuPage is a business like any other, whose merchandise is education. Do you think that Marshall Field's would give its customers (without whom it would not exist) the same discount it gives its employees? Thank goodness for the occasional sale!

Bonnie E. Farnon
audio, radio &
TV services

Book policy irks student

To the editor:

I recently had a nightmare involving the College of DuPage bookstore, only this nightmare was real. The situation was one of returning two books I would not be able to use this quarter. After the whole process was finished, I had burning tears in my eyes and was ready to scream.

The whole incident began last spring break. I bought my books early and then I realized I had to drop one of my classes. When I returned to the bookstore I discovered one complication: I had written my name in the two books I was returning. To my horror, I was offered only 75 percent of my money back. But after inquiring whether the books would be sold at the new price or be jacked up to the original price, the lady who was "helping" me became offended and started talking about trust. Because I did not trust her, I ended up receiving only 50 percent for the two books I had owned for only three days.

I have always been led to believe that the bookstore is here for the good of the students.

Obviously I was wrong. Since this incident, I have vowed never to return to the bookstore. However, since this is my last quarter here, my boycotting is not likely to do much good.

Why should I be concerned with the bookstore when I will be leaving in June? Simply because I do not like to see people being taken advantage of or getting the wrong end of the deal.

What can we, the students, do to combat this rip off? Complain to student government, that's what. In recent years, SG has tried to change the bookstore's policies, but without much success. However, with everyone behind them, maybe things could change for the better. I know I am not the only one who has been abused by the bookstore, and other victims should voice their concerns to the Courier or to SG. Do it today before another innocent casualty is sacrificed by these ridiculous policies.

Nancy Yurgil
Glen Ellyn

Forum 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.

Letters Policy

Students and community members who are interested in writing an in-depth essay on a school or community event may contact the Courier on writing a Forum. Forums must be typed, double-spaced and have a one-inch margin. Forums are subject to editing for grammar, style, libel and length.

The Courier office is located in SRC 1022. Hours are 9 to 5 Monday through Friday. Telephone 858-2800, ext. 2379.

Student Views

What should be done to stop Americans from spying on the United States?



Dorothy Prentice, Villa Park
"Make them realize how good the U.S. is so they won't be traitors."



Tim Adams, Downers Grove
"Give the servicemen abroad a more homely atmosphere."



Mico Rousseau, Downers Grove
"I don't think anything can be done to stop people from doing what they want."



Scott Christianson, Wood Dale
"Promote more patriotism and make it worth while for Americans to have faith in their country, like it used to be."

Joseph Iacovelli, Oak Brook
"The death sentence or life in prison ought to be given to spies."

Tom Carste, Bensenville
"Impose the death penalty."

Traci Kroll, Wheaton
"Let embassy workers interact on a small basis with people on the outside and they won't be so vulnerable to spy tactics. Brief them on what goes on, probable situations that could occur."

Paul Segroves, Downers Grove
"A harsh punishment to set an example."

Corrine Adkins, Westmont
"Cut 'em. Rock and roll is the answer—oh yeah!"

Gino Stockero, Glen Ellyn
"No incentive or penalty can substitute for personal integrity. Better screening for integrity is the answer."

Shirley Suconik, Elmhurst
"Counter-spy."

Danette Huiner, West Chicago
"Make sure the government gets trustworthy and reliable men and women and always be checking on them."

George Christopoulos, Lombard
"Pay the Marines and other potential spies more money. Since most spying is for money, rather than ideological reasons, that would decrease the incentive to spy."

B.J. Gorsuch, Chicago
"Deal more harshly with those found guilty of spying and make classified material less accessible to the average person."

Cheri Scripter, West Chicago
"Expel them from the United States if they're guilty."

Ellen Scarmardo, Villa Park
"Stiffer punishment is needed—complete deportation to the country they're spying for."

Anna Millan, Roselle
"I don't think anything can be done about spying."

Joan Wallner, West Chicago
"The government should beef up its classification system."

THE STUDENT ACTIVITIES PROGRAM BOARD PRESENTS:

"Mother Care / Other Care"



Dr. Sandra Scarr

Dr. Scarr, developmental psychologist at the University of Virginia, will present "Mother Care/Other Care," a lecture which will probe the issue of heredity versus environment in child care outside the home. May 19, at 7:30 p.m. in the Arts Center. Tickets are \$6 (students, staff, and seniors) and \$8 (general public). Tickets are at the student Activities Box Office (SRC lower level), or the Arts Center Ticket Office. For more info. call 858-2800 ext. 2712.

WATCH FOR... VOCALIST RICK KELLY — one man band on May 28th in the SRC Student Lounge at 11:30 a.m.—FREE! HOT AIR BALLOON RIDES—\$1 in the Arts Center Courtyard on June 4th at 11:30 a.m.

Tribute to Mom--and thanks

BY KATHLEEN FLINN

"My mother is the greatest. She cooks our supper. She works every night and day doing stuff for us. Another reason she is the greatest, she gave me my brothers and sisters.

She puts us to bed and gets us up in the morning. We are really lucky to have a mother like this. I think my mother is the greatest now and always."

—Douglas Flinn
 age 11

My brother wrote this sentiment for a "Dear Mom" letter writing contest 20 years ago. Incidentally that was also the same year I was born. My mother told me that it was a big deal at the time since he won first place and got \$15 and his picture in the paper.

When I was around the same age my brother was when he wrote this letter, my father died of cancer. Raised in Michigan, I found myself uprooted from all my friends and relatives when we moved to Florida on the suggestion of my father's doctor. So upon my father's death a short time later, I was left quite alone with my mother—my brothers and sisters had already moved away from home and were wrapped up in their own lives.

Until recently, it never really occurred to me that my mother was a single parent for all those years. And I never realized how difficult it must have been for her until a few months ago when I met two people who changed the way I looked at not only my mother, but all parents. You see, at 19, it's hard to think of anybody's parents, especially your own, as people.

There are few places other than the College of DuPage that I could have met these two people at the same time. Margaret was a middle-aged woman with a 16-year-old daughter who had lost her husband in a car accident about five months earlier. Jackie was in her thirties, also had a teenage daughter, and had been divorced, as she put it, "forever." Normally, I don't hang out with this group, as you can imagine.

Late last summer, I came to school a couple hours early to finish a journalism paper for class. I can't ever think in the library, what with all that silence and people studying in there, so I decided to find a somewhat smokeless lounge to work in.

I settled into one of those less-than-comfortable college issue couches for some nice doodling and multiple re-readings of my assignment (phase one of my studying process).

Two women walked in and I knew right away that they were in the mood for one of those wife-to-wife conversations. If you've ever taken night classes, you know what I'm talking about. If you haven't, the range of subjects is fairly limited: domestic help, husbands, children, recipes, shopping, furniture, in-laws and family pets.

"...I just don't know what to do. She wants to go out with this guy who has an earring, sings in a band and he must be around 20. She's only 16. I don't know what to do," said the older woman. "If I tell her not to, she'll be mad at me and she'll probably sneak around to see him and if I tell her she can...I just don't know which is worse. I wish Jack were here, he always knew what to do and she always would listen to him. I can't seem to control her."

Children. The subject was children. I had to get out of there. I didn't want to make it look obvious, so I decided to linger for a moment and then leave.

"Margaret, you've got to be both her mother and father now. Be firm. If you really don't want her to go out with him, don't let her," said the thirty-ish looking woman. "She's only 16. She'll find a boy she likes better next week. My daughter is always changing boyfriends, all teenage girls do."

I thought, "they think we're so simple, us daughters."

"I just want to be her friend, but it seems like she hates me," said Margaret. "I do everything I can for her, but she just takes it for granted. Can't she see how hard it is to be a parent? I never had these kinds of problems with Jim, my son in college, but then Jack was around. It was a lot easier then."

Her statement made me envision a spoiled 16-year-old greedily snatching things from her mother without so much as a "thank you" in return. That seemed really familiar...

Still pretending to write, I listened as they discussed things that must have affected my mother too—the loss of their husbands, the financial burdens of being a single parent, dating new men, loneliness, getting older—but mostly about their daughters.

I began to think about my own mother. Had she talked about problems she had with me when I went through my rebellious stage? (Stage? I was always rebellious.) Had she the same second thoughts about her role as a parent? She always seemed so sure of herself to me.

Then the younger woman, Jackie, said something that really surprised me. She mentioned that she still thought of herself as someone's daughter and not somebody's mother. I thought of my grandmother. My mother had named me, her last child, after her. I remember her grief when her own mother died (when I was 11). Yes, my mother must have felt that way for a long time too.

They went back to the topic of Margaret's daughter dating the 20-year-old band leader. Suddenly Margaret turned to me and asked me what I would think if I were 16 and my mother forbade me to date a boy like that.

I thought about what I wish my own mother would have done when I was in the same position. She had often told me that she didn't want me to date certain people, but she never forbade me to.

I asked her if she had met the young man in question and she replied that she hadn't—her daughter had supplied the information. I told her to meet him first, then make her decision.

"If you agree to meet him, you'll show your daughter that you have an open mind and that you are taking her seriously," I told her. "If he cares about your daughter, then he'll try to make a good impression. If you meet him and don't like him or if he refuses to meet you, then at least you have legitimate reasons for your daughter not to date him."

That must have been a satisfactory answer since both of them quizzed me on other topics, obviously eager to gain insight into what a 16-year-old girl today might think from someone who had just recently been there. They asked me about how girls felt about sex, school, boys, AIDS, drugs, drinking, punk rock music and their mothers.



Mothers are people too.

The last subject was the most difficult of all. The rest had all been complex issues, but they had been easier to answer. As a teenager, you tend to look at things as black and white. The problem with that question is that not too many teenage girls really think about their mothers. Even I thought that I was seriously wondering about my relationship to my mother for the first time.

"My mother is funny, warm and really nice," I started. "Not just nice to me and my brothers and sister, but nice to everyone. There were times when I was in high school that I forgot that. When I was 16, I was sort of blinded by my age so I couldn't really see her as a person—she was just somebody's mother, my mother."

"I'm not that much older now, but I see her a lot differently. That might be in part because at 18, I packed up and moved 1200 miles away from her," I continued. "She's not always there now, so I think about her more often. I think of the times that she would ask me 'Did I get the right thing?' or 'Didn't I do good?' She was always eager to please me and I wasn't always that eager to please her or even live by her rules."

I thought for a moment about how she would always say "mothers need a lot of praise" and she was right. Maybe I should have praised her more. Margaret and Jackie didn't say anything so I decided to add something to my comment.

"Someday, when I have a daughter, I'm going to name her after my mother, the same way my mother named me. When I was sixteen, I wouldn't have said that and your daughters probably can't say something like that either right now. But they'll get older, like me and when you're not around anymore, they'll think about you. And they will remember what a good mother you were."

Again, they didn't say anything for a minute. Then Margaret asked me if I ever had any fights with my mother. I started laughing, thinking about all the stupid fights I had with my mother.

"I don't know how many times I have silently thanked my mother for making me take typing in high school," I said.

"We really screamed at each other on that one. I remember cursing her each day as I walked into that dreaded classroom. Now I have to type everyday and I think about that argument and laugh about it."

Margaret told me about the recent fight she had with her daughter about going to college. Her daughter didn't feel it was necessary to go to college and this distressed her mother, who was herself going back to school to get a degree in nursing.

I confided in her that I wasn't all that revved up about college in high school either. But my mother went to college for awhile when I was about 16 and 17 and I thought that was a good example.

"I knew it must have been hard for her to work all day and then go to school all night," I said. "She made me realize how important it was to her. Telling me was one thing, but watching her sweat out over algebra was another. That was when I decided to go to college."

It was almost 6:30 and I had to finish writing and type my journalism paper. So I regretfully said good-bye to these two women who I would never see again, but would think about often.

As I walked over to the typing rooms, I thought about that letter my brother had written. I hadn't really thought about all those simple little things my mother did until I moved away from home when I had to cook my own supper and put myself to bed and wake up alone in the morning. I realized I really was lucky to have a good mother.

I thought about what Margaret had said, "I just want to be her friend..." I thought of all the times I had called my mother 1200 miles away in despair. Yes, she's a good friend, I already knew that.

I sat down at a typewriter and started to type my journalism paper. Again, I thought of that terrible argument my mother and I had over that typing class and smiled.

"Thanks mom," I thought. "Thanks for everything."

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Movies

'Prejudice' a gritty modern-day western

BY JOHN CARUSO

What does a Texas ranger, a drug dealer, a secret government army, a beautiful girl, and a town full of angry Mexicans equal? A pretty good movie.

Director Walter Hill ("48 Hrs.") presents "Extreme Prejudice," a violent, stylish, action-drama set within the modern-day Texas ranger border patrol. The movie stars Nick Nolte ("48 Hrs.," "Down and Out in Beverly Hills,") as Jack Benteen, a tough Texas ranger who is reminiscent of the cowboys of the old West. The movie also stars Maria Conchita Alonso ("Moscow on the Hudson,") as Nolte's girlfriend, and Powers Boothe as the not-so-stable drug dealer.

The movie involves a drug trafficking ring that trades across the Mexico-Texas border. The kingpin of this operation is a man named Cash Bailey (Powers Boothe). He is an extremely cruel man whose mind, to say the least, is a bit warped.

The problem here is that Cash is dealing within the jurisdiction of the Texas ranger border patrol. But we also learn that Jack Benteen (Nolte) and Cash

Bailey were childhood best friends. If that doesn't set up a classic conflict, I don't know what does. Adding to this conflict is Jack's girlfriend (Alonso), who was also Cash's previous girlfriend. This scenario is only half of the movie.

The other half of the movie involves a secret military task force whose six members are all presumed dead in the line of duty. Not only are they alive, but they are also on a mission to catch—you guessed who—Cash Bailey. At first these soldiers come off as unlikeable, but by the end of the movie you realize that they are professionals, and they work together brilliantly.

This movie has one tightly-packed script and the conclusion presents us yet with a few more twists in the plot. Nolte's performance as the intense Texas ranger is great. He even looks great having lost weight for the role.

It is important to note that this movie contains a lot of subplots (and a few surprises), so I don't want to reveal too much. The task force and Jack eventually cross paths and are forced to work together. Or are they?



As Boothe and Nolte come face-to-face, the conflict begins.

Powers Boothe gives an extremely strong, and sometimes humorous, performance as the drug kingpin. Maria Conchita Alonso also chips in with a solid yet standard performance as the typical

worried girlfriend. The movie has good direction and some great cinematography. The conclusion is violent (and bloody), but overall, "Extreme Prejudice" prevails as a gritty modern-day western. Rating ***½

Albums

Osbourne dedicates record to guitarist Rhoads

BY KENNETH YATES

After being locked up in Canadian vaults for over five years to prevent bootlegging, rare concert footage of Randy Rhoads has finally been released by Ozzy Osbourne as a tribute to the guitarist in album form, appropriately titled "Ozzy Osbourne/Randy Rhoads Tribute."

Osbourne couldn't have shown his own appreciation any better for his former close friend and fellow band member than he has on this album.

"Tribute" features Rhoads' extraordinary guitar work on 13 previously unheard live songs while still a member of Osbourne's band.

The recordings on the album were made in late 1981 and are the only live recordings of Osbourne and Rhoads together in existence.

Randy Rhoads was at his best while in concert, and his work on "Tribute" certainly is no exception. Rhoads possessed the special quality required to make a song sound incredible instead of just average.

Any single song on "Tribute" will demonstrate his artistry, but Rhoads' true black magic on the guitar comes to life on the songs "Crazy Train," "Paranoid," "I Don't Know" and "Children of the Grave." These songs display his expertise and keen commit-

ment as a guitar player and musician.

The song "Suicide Solution," however, is the best pick of the crop among Rhoads' harvest of talent. The solo on "Suicide" is so intense that the famed guitarist had it patented so that no one else could copy it. This solo is thought of by many to be the best in heavy metal history.

Rhoads accomplished so much in his short life that it is hard to say what else he would have given his field of music.

Aside from inspiring many of today's great guitarists to follow in his footsteps, Rhoads led a life of achievements and hopes few knew about.

In the last two and a half years of his life, he became interested in classical guitar. His goal was to earn a master's degree in classical guitar and then combine the classical with rock guitar.

Rhoads also helped other aspiring guitarists by teaching eager students for five years. During this time, he formed the original Quiet Riot, which is still around today.

If it were not for his untimely death at the age of 24, it is likely that Rhoads

would have fulfilled his life's dreams and more.

Inside the album jacket, part of Osbourne's inscription to the late guitar great reads, "Randy was a very special person. He inspired, cheered and made everyone in contact with him feel good."

Dedication, diligence and intense devotion to his instrument—this is the portrait of Randy Rhoads. Chances are if you play or have any interest in guitar at all, "Tribute" would be worth listening to, whether you are a heavy metal fan or not. "Tribute" brings Rhoads' magic back to life.

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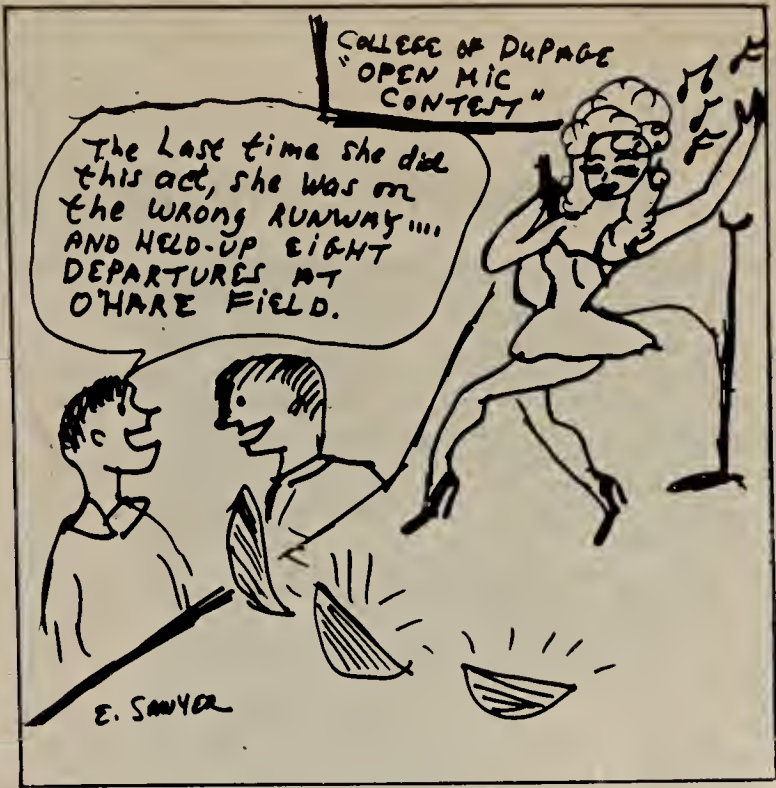
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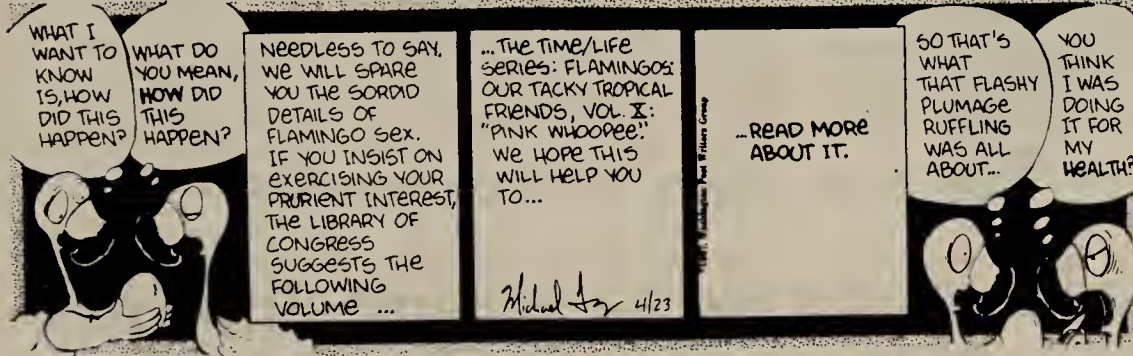
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'Tragic' tape argued over

College Press Service

A Hampshire College student is fighting for custody of a videotape of a prospective Hampshire freshman dying of cyanide poisoning.

Officials at the Amherst, Mass., college and the dead boy's mother want to destroy the tape if they get it. The student who taped the episode says he owns the tape because of a Hampshire policy giving students ownership of their work.

Last week, Amherst District Attorney Edward Etheredge, who has the tape, asked the Hampshire County Superior Court to determine the rightful owner.

The fight about the tape arose from an April, 1986 incident in which Hampshire student Phillip Jackson shot a tape of Andrew L. Hermann, then 17, taking a drink from a cup, and then lying down.

Unbeknownst to Jackson and Hermann's brother Stephen, who were watching the tape as it was being made on closed-circuit TV from Hampshire's studio, Hermann had actually imbibed a Kool-Aid mixture laced with cyanide, and was dying.

In court documents, Jackson maintains he thought Hermann was joking when he collapsed.

Moments before drinking from the cup, Hermann had delivered a speech about growing conservatism at the school.

Hermann had dropped out of high school, despite being known as an exceptional student in science and math, but was scheduled to enter Hampshire College in the fall.

Since then Jackson, Hampshire and Carol Clark—Hermann's mother—have been claim-

ing ownership of the tape.

Until Etheridge's appeal last week, out-of-court efforts to resolve the dispute have been stalled.

Hampshire Attorney David Kaplan says "nothing is happening" on the legal front.

"As far as I'm concerned, it's tragic for the boy that drank the stuff, and the whole thing should be dealt with expeditiously. This whole thing is slanderous to the child's memory."

"The longer people fight over (the tape) the stupider it gets," Kaplan adds.

The college wants to destroy the tape if granted custody, says spokesman Russell Powell.

Powell says he's not absolutely sure, but thinks Hampshire claims custody because the school paid for the equipment.

"Students use the studio primarily for academic work, but they can use it for independent projects like this one, too," he says.

Joan Van Tol, attorney at the National Association of College and University Attorneys, says she knows of no statutes dealing with ownership of students' work.

Andrew Hermann's mother could not be reached for comment. Her attorney could not be reached, and has declined to talk to other reporters about the case.

Producer Jackson and his attorney could not be reached for comment, but Jackson is said to claim the tape because of a school policy granting ownership of academic work to students.

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Nader

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Once referred to as a "one-man conglomerate of outrage," Nader, 53, has visibly mellowed during his 25 years as a consumer activist. During that time he "single handedly invented the issue of auto safety," according to *New Republic* magazine, and played a vital

role in the passage of landmark legislation such as mandatory no-smoking sections on airplanes, "anti-bumping" regulations for airlines and the Freedom of Information Act.

While Nader's tone may be less strident now, the content of his message has changed very little. He still roundly condemns the attitude of legislators and civil servants toward consumer concerns, particularly under the Reagan Administration. Nader referred to Reagan as "the most anti-consumer president in modern history," and alleged that "behind his smile is a record of utmost cruelty" to the consumer.

Nader further charged that Reagan's policy of business deregulation is "demoralizing" federal agencies responsible for enforcing health and safety laws.

After advising the audience to learn how to be informed and demanding taxpayers who can influence their representatives to vote in a conscientious manner, Nader asked, "If we don't watch Congress, who's going to watch Congress—themselves? They just voted themselves a big pay increase. Would they

have dared to do that if they knew we were watching? What kind of leadership by bad example is that?"

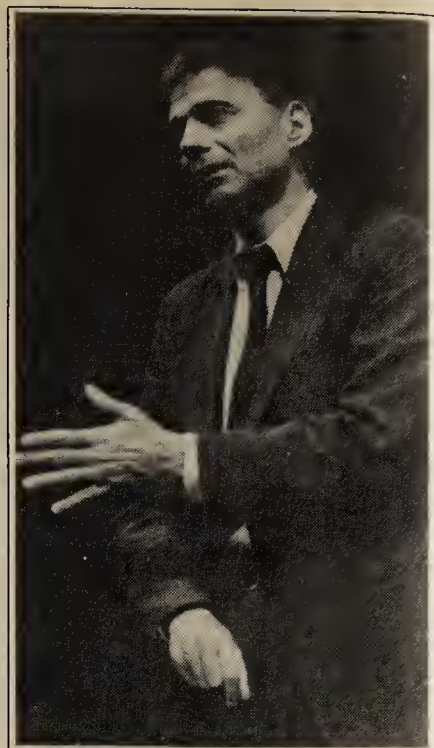
Stressing the importance of incorporating individual value systems into academic, professional and civic life, Nader recalled that most of the major reforms American society has undergone, including women's suffrage and civil rights, were prompted by "a few people saying 'I've had enough. And I'm going to start changing things'."

"Everybody should have a crusade," Nader said. "There's plenty to go around and there will never be a shortage... There isn't anybody who doesn't have a sense of injustice about something."

Nader urged students in the audience to take advantage of opportunities to ponder "the big questions in life" and take on challenges to themselves and their value systems.

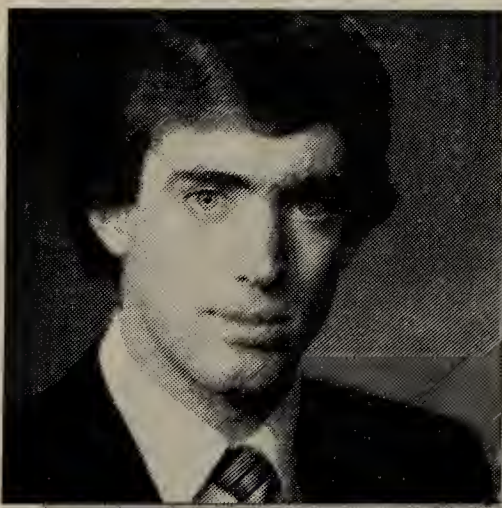
"It is good, I think, to look at your education beyond the instrumentality often posed to you (in terms of) getting a better job," Nader said.

Through his work, Nader said he has found that "people tend to be more neurotic, nervous and more without self-confidence when they don't find a way to express themselves and make a difference, and take on city hall and challenge Exxon. (And) if we all grow up to believe and not to think, that is what's going to happen."



That attitude can be reversed, Nader suggested, "by looking at citizen engagement as a form of human happiness in its own right, as well as something that's necessary for the preservation of present and future generations."

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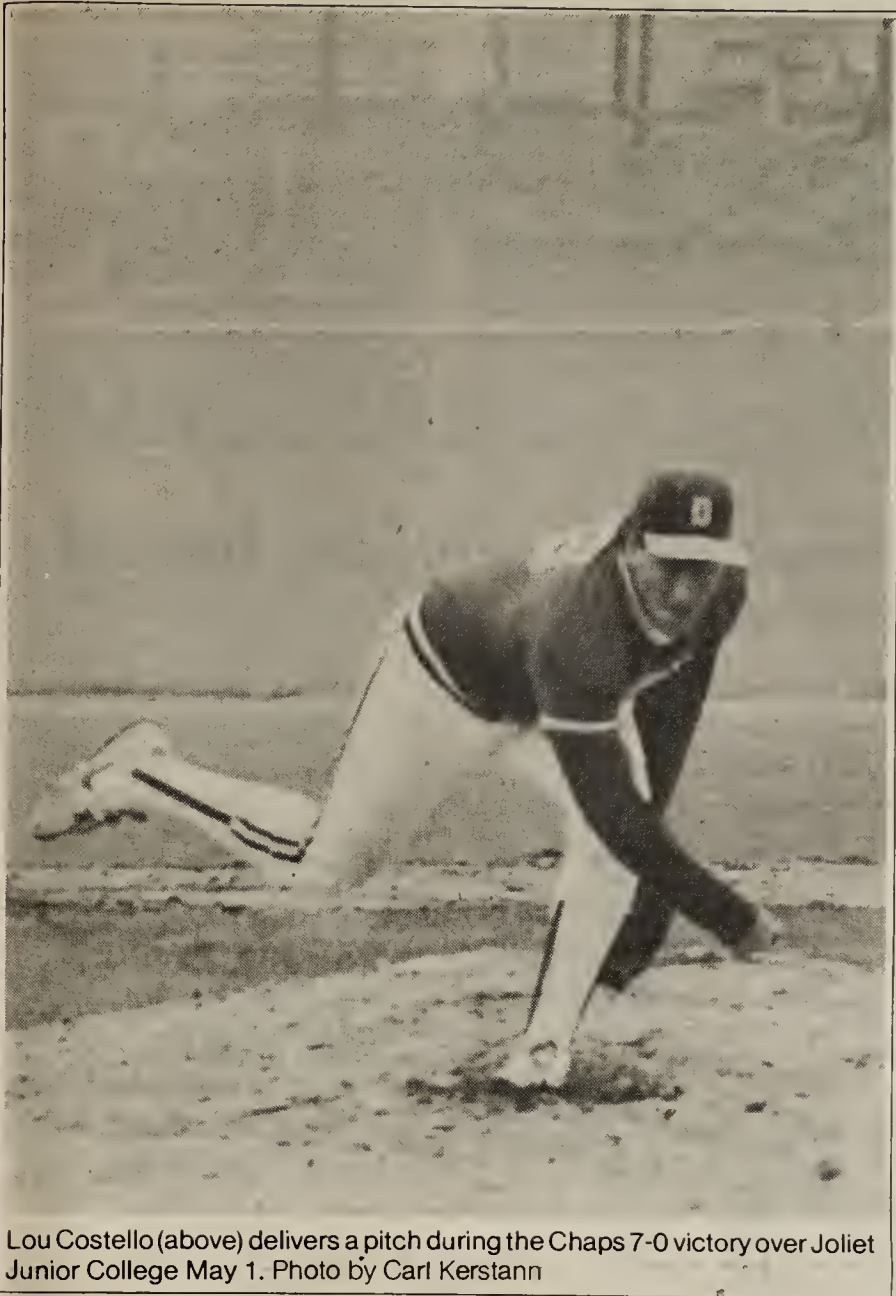
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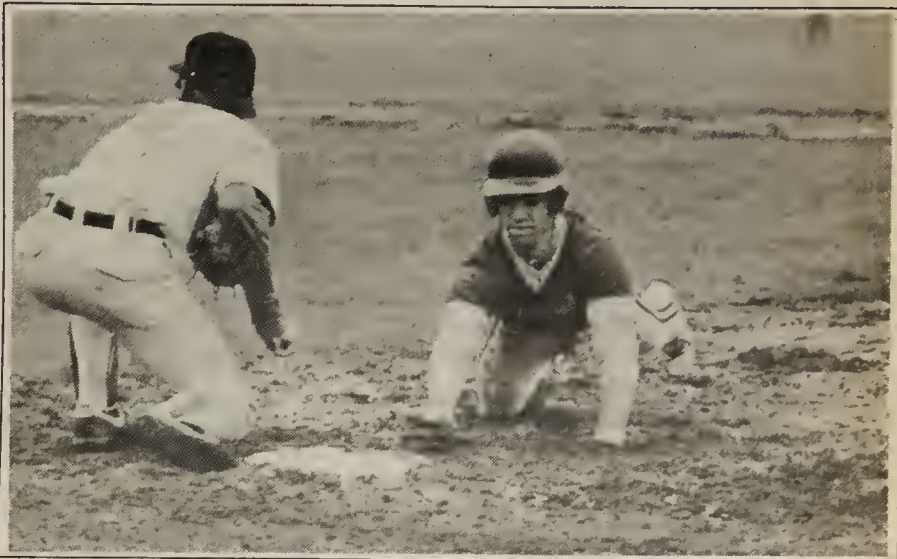
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CD track team cruises to 8th straight state crown

by Robert Call

CD track and file coach **Ron Ottoson** led the Chaparrals to a record setting eighth consecutive outdoor state championship, during the Region IV meet held May 1-2 at Parkland College.

The Chaps set a record for team points, tallying 275. CD was followed by Parkland (152), Wright (29), Triton (27), Spoon River (27), Lincoln Land (26), Oakton (24), Black

Hawk (21), Harper (19), and Illinois Valley (17).

William Wilkins and **Tom Pukstys** were named most outstanding athletes at the competition. Wilkins qualified for the national meet by placing first in the 100 meter dash. Wilkins will also compete in the 200 meter run, and 4 x 100 meter relay. Pukstys placed second in the discus, but won the javelin with an effort of 193 feet 9 inches.

Don Reed and **Mike McAninch** each

qualified for nationals in the 400 meter intermediate hurdles competition. Reed had a time of 54.30 seconds in the state championships to capture first place. McAninch qualified for the May 14-16 national championships in Odessa, Texas, earlier in the season.

Mike Bellamy came in third place in the 100 meter dash, qualifying him for nationals. Other Chaps to qualify were: **Leroy Williams** (800 meter run), **Mark Wojciechowski** (3,000 meter steeplechase), and **Rick Young** (hammer throw).

CD will also send two relay squads to Texas. The four man 400 meter relay team of Reed, Wilkins, Carleton Dobbins, and

Bellamy turned in a winning time of 41.53 seconds at the Regional IV competition.

Ottoson believes that no matter what happens in Texas the team will have had a successful season.

"We need someone to do well early in the meet to ignite the entire team," Ottoson said. "Hopefully we'll have someone do that. Regardless of what happens at nationals we've had an outstanding year."

Two standout performers all year have been **Steve Pergoy** and **Ted Storer**, Ottoson stated. Pergoy is one of the top junior college decathletes in the country, according to Ottoson. And Storer has done well in the pole vault as well, he added.

Lady Chaps finish at 25-10

The women's softball team nearly made the state tournament when Lisa Swiontek's line drive with the bases loaded was snatched by Triton's third baseman in the seventh inning of the Section I Championship game.

The opening contest of the tournament saw DuPage jump to a 4-0 lead in the first inning, but Truman came back with eight runs in the second inning when CD starter **Tammie Behrens** gave up three hits and six walks. **Michelle Scheckel** came in relief and hurled six scoreless innings as CD erupted in the 5th and 6th innings for six runs en route to a 14 to 8 win.

DuPage had their biggest offensive out-break of the season as they blasted 21 hits with Scheckel having four and teammates **Angela Harbin**, **Alice Ohlinger**, **Sherry Welch**, and **Michelle Gavin** each adding three hits.

The Lady Chaps then dropped an 8-4 loss to Triton. They came back to defeat Oakton 7-0.

In the first game against Triton DuPage scored six runs in the first inning and in the process knocked out three Triton pitchers as Scheckel raised her record to 4-0 on the year. The championship game was perhaps one of the finest ever played at the college, said coach **Sevan Sarkisian**, with both teams battling to a 3-3 tie going into the 6th inning. Triton almost broke the tie in the 5th inning, but a strong throw from leftfielder Ohlinger to catcher **Cheri Scriptor** got the leading run at the plate.

However, Scheckel lost her control, after a collision attempting to field a topped ball down the first base line, and walked in two runs. CD battled back with a run in the 7th inning and had the bases loaded with only one

out when Gavin fanned a pitch out of the strike zone. Swiontek's line drive to the third baseman ended DuPage's dream of going to the state tournament.

DuPage completed their most successful season in their history finishing the year with a doubleheader against Lake County College. The double victory gave DuPage a final season mark of 25-10, pushing Sarkisian's four year record at DuPage to 79-32.

The opening game was a pitchers battle with the score tied at two going into extra innings with Behrens having only given up one hit when Swiontek singled to center with the bases loaded and one out in the bottom of the 8th inning to give Behrens her tenth victory of the year against only 3 defeats. Lake County tallied 12 runs in the second inning of the final game for a 12-4 lead. County led 16-14 going into the bottom of the seventh when DuPage tied the game with a pair of runs.

CD scored the winning run in the bottom of the eighth as Gavin slammed a triple to right-centerfield with one out and an **Alex Baldwin** single up the middle to score Gavin. Scheckel recorded her fifth win against only a single loss for the season. Hitting stars of the game were Baldwin who had 6 runs batted in including the game winner and a three run triple with the bases loaded in the first inning and Scheckel who knocked in 3 runs and Scriptor who had two RBIs.

Swiontek, Scriptor and Gavin were selected to play in the state all-star game at Rockford on May 2nd. Sarkisian was chosen to manage one of the two squads representing the four sections of the state.

Netter's claim region title

The CD men's tennis team clicked into high gear and cruised to an unprecedented fifth straight state championship at the Region IV meet held April 30-May 2, in Rockford.

The Chaparrals, who were trailing in third jumped to first place by the end of the first day.

"Bridel really carried the day with his relentless mental and physical toughness," said Coach **Dave Webster**, in referring to **Brett Bridel's** perseverance in winning, with team captain **Eric Rice**, the 1st Flight Doubles match (7-5, 6-1). Bridel had rebounded from an earlier loss during a singles match on the first day.

"But I'm really proud of the team as a whole, especially their excellent leadership," Webster continued.

Webster's Chaparrals were sparked by Bridel (Bolingbrook), Rice (Glen Ellyn), **Vee-Jay Zala** (Villa Park), **Jeff Schroeder** (Lombard), **Marty Radman** (Downers Grove), **Dave Gary** (West Chicago), **Scott Hoyt** (Downers Grove), **Chad Murphy** (Naperville) and **Brian Raasch** (Wheaton).

The final team standings were CD, 30; Lake County, 22; Harper, 18; Sauk Valley, 15; Rock Valley, 10; Oakton, 8; a tie between Kankakee and Moraine Valley, 7; Waubensee, 6; Thornton, 4; Illinois Valley, 3; and Wright, 2.

By virtue of their state crown, DuPage earned a coveted berth in the National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) meet to be held May 24 to 30 in Tyler, TX.

Individual winners of the meet were Rice, (6-2, 3-6, 7-5), 2nd Flight Singles; Zala, (6-3, 6-1), 3rd Flight Singles; Radman, (6-3, 6-2), 5th Flight Singles; Gary, (6-0, 6-0), 6th Flight Singles; and Rice and Bridel, (7-5, 6-1), 1st Flight Doubles.

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Beamsley nationals bound

by Robert Call

CD's women's track team competed in the state championships May 1 and 2. The Lady Chaparrals claimed 75 team points during the meet, placing them third.

As of press time one Lady Chap had qualified for the national meet in Odessa, TX, to be held May 14-16. The lone qualifier was **Signe Beamsley**, who won the 3,000 meter run with a time of 10:37.21.

Doraine Flip effort of 33 feet 3/4 inches in the triple jump gave her a third place finish. Flip has an excellent chance of qualifying for nationals at the "Last Chance" meet hosted by North Central Community College on May 8, Coach **Jane Benson** said.

In other action at the state championships **Terri Caldwell** placed second in the shot put

with a distance of 31 feet. The 400 meter run featured **Denine Moscato** and **Susan Banning** finishing third and fourth respectively.

Additionally, Banning claimed the 100 meter high hurdles title. The 16.39 seconds time was nearly two full seconds ahead of her closest opponent.

Janice Byrd's time of 28.96 was good for fourth place in the 200 meter run, which was won by **Cheryl Westendorf** of Parkland.

The CD 400 meter relay team (Byrd, Lisa Hinz, Banning, and Filip) edged the Harper quartet by .14 second.

The results from the team competition had Harper capturing top honors with 120 points. Harper was trailed by Parkland, (110); CD, (75); Black Hawk, (65); Triton, (30); Spoon River, (18); Illinois Valley, (18); Oakton, (12); and Wright, (10).



**Rob
Call**

Boston has all it takes for 17th

If **Len Bias** were alive today there would be no need to discuss the N.B.A. playoffs this year. Commissioner **David Stern** would have sent the Boston Celtics the **Larry O'Brien Trophy** months ago and the fans wouldn't have to suffer through the elaborate playoff system.

But, as we all know the Celtics first round draft choice died last June, leaving the Celtics without the youth and excellence Bias would have carried with him. The result has been a beleaguered team in Boston. Celtics' coach **K.C. Jones** should be congratulated for leading his team to the best record in the Eastern Conference.

The Celtics and Milwaukee Bucks are pitted in one conference semi-final.

The Bucks' hopes for a title rest with center **Jack Sikma**, and forward **Terry Cummings**.

Boston brings an injury-prone squad into the second season, yet that same squad is the most experienced among the teams still playing. Jones will have the best player in the league guiding the defending champs. **Larry Bird** is that player. Bird has averaged 29.5 points, 10.3 rebounds, and 8.5 assists in the playoffs.

All-Star forward **Kevin McHale's** ankle prevented him from playing in the opener against Milwaukee Wednesday. With or without McHale the Celts will prevail. **Boston in six.**

In the other Eastern Conference battle Atlanta and Detroit have split the first two games of the best-of-seven series. Detroit and the Hawks split the six games with the Hawks during the regular season, so it's no surprise that the two are in a deadlock.

Atlanta came back to win the second game largely because of **Randy Wittman's** 34 points. **Dominique Wilkins' 29** point average will become more and more important as the series progresses.

Detroit counters with **Isiah Thomas**, (24.8 p.p.g. and 8.6 assists per game), who

gives them a bona fide leader. **Adrian Dantley** (18.2 p.p.g.) adds a scoring threat to the picture for the fast break crazy team from the motor city. **Hawks in seven.**

Between Boston and Atlanta there is a choice of the old and the new. I'll take a proven winner before a "hopeful" any day. **Boston in six.**

The Western Conference isn't going to be quite as thrilling to watch. The Lakers will walk all over the valiant, yet inexperienced Golden State Warriors. **Majic Johnson**, **James Worthy**, and **Kareem Abdul-Jabbar** lead the show biz representatives. **Lakers in five.**

In the surprise of the playoffs the Seattle Sonics trounced Dallas three games to one. And the Sonics are in the process of doing the same thing to the Houston Rockets.

Dale Ellis has guided the Sonics the last few weeks when such action was needed. And despite **Akeem Olajuwon's** efforts Houston can begin to make plans for its summer. **Seattle in six.**

After Houston the Cinderella team of the N.B.A., Seattle, faces an awesome display of raw talent. Lakers coach **Pat Riley** garners a nearly flawless group of individuals. **LA in seven.**

It is inevitable that the Lakers and Celtics confront each other in the championship series. They are, after all, the two best teams in the league.

Boston's greatest asset is its ability to play as one cohesive unit. They have been through Bias' death and more injuries than the Union suffered in the Civil War. And they have still managed to maintain that level of excellence which only the Lakers can match. It will come down to Bird. He is the Celtics.

The Boston tradition will triumph for the 17 time, when they defeat the Lakers. **Boston in 7.**