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Football program eliminated

By ASIM IFTEKHAR
SPORTS EDITOR

After 26 years, 3 head coaches, nine N4C titles and eleven state titles, the College of DuPage's celebrated football program faces imminent elimination.

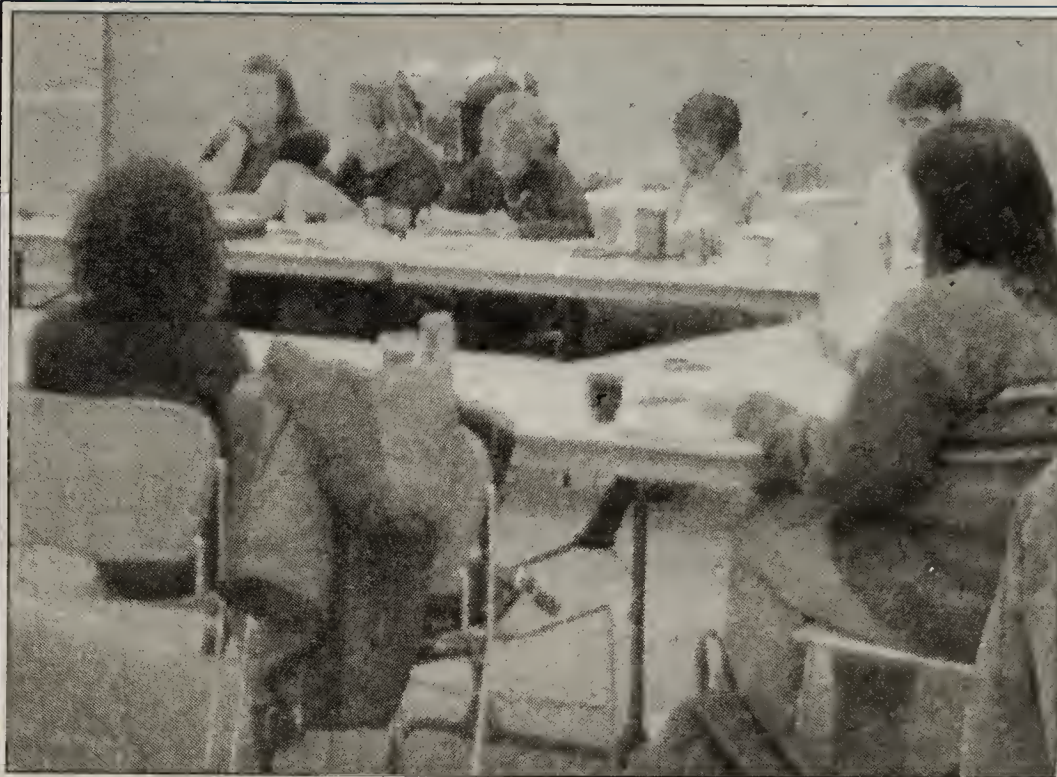
In a meeting of the presidents of the North Central Community College Conference football schools held here last Friday, a consensus was reached by the executives to phase out football as a conference sport.

The final, official vote by the presidents will be tallied in a follow-up meeting to be held in Rock Valley, which will include Triton and two other schools absent from the first meeting. The N4C football conference consists of the College of DuPage, Harper, Joliet, Grand Rapids, Mich., Illinois Valley and Rock Valley Community Colleges. Grand Rapids was not invited to the meeting.

"I can't tell you why Grand Rapids was not at the meeting. It is Joliet's turn to host these meetings and they invite the schools involved," said COD President Michael Murphy.

According to COD Athletic Director Ralph Miller, who, like the other athletic directors was present at the meeting but would not make the final decisions as to the future of the program, said a discussion about the individual situations at the colleges took place. Miller said

see 'Football' pg. 24



-photo by Bill Griffin

Organizations present their budgets and justifications for the sub-committee.

Committee hears activities' budgets

By JENNIFER WINDEMUTH
STAFF WRITER

The Student Activities Funds Advisory Committee (SAFAC) sub-committee met on February 7 in SRC 2800 to discuss the budget for the next fiscal year. A 15 minute presentation was granted to the 12 associations that attended.

The presentation consisted of reasons why the associations should get the money they are asking for, and how they would help benefit the community with the money given to them.

The *Courier* started off the meeting with the first budget presentation.

With a decrease in what they requested last year the newspaper is looking to support itself, *COD Today*, and *Chaparral*, which is all included in the budget for

the *Courier*.

Office space is shared for the three publications, and the advertising brought in for revenue is their main source of support.

According to Coordinator of Student and Alumni Activities Cynthia Johnson, the College Bowl is competing with universities now, and giving a good reputation to the college.

The money being requested is to help fund the group's trips and advertise its events.

It is asking for more this fiscal year to have assistance beyond the coach.

Some of the programs provided by the Off-Campus Programs are the Suburban Law Enforcement Academy, the Tooling and Manufacturing Contract, WDCB radio, and GED commencement.

With football being cut, the cheerleading squad will have to reevaluate their

budget requests.

Currently, the squad is planning to expand in its functions to help the community.

By helping dance squads at high schools and participating in different pep squads throughout the community, the organization is hoping to receive more money to expand the spirit it can provide for the community, according to Libby Topps-Williams.

Topps-Williams also said, "Naperville Dance Studio used our halftime show, which brings in more revenue with their help."

With their competition reaching university level, more money is needed.

The Alumni Association is requesting money to support their organization.

They provide a newsletter

see 'SAFAC' pg. 5

NEWS BRIEFS

The college will be closed Feb. 17. None of the campus facilities will be open according to Public Information Specialist David Hamilton.

He said this would include both the Learning Resources Center and the Seaton Computing Center.

Tenth day enrollment report has been issued and shows a comparison between this Winter Quarter and last year's.

This quarter has shown the credit headcount to be down 1.6% from 26,290 to 25880 students.

Other statistics showed that the number of students ingeneral was down a smaller .3%. This shows that more students are taking non-credit classes.

Also, the students taking credit courses are taking larger credit loads according to the data.

Richard Simmons and Irene O'Connor will discuss the topic of the newly recognized dialect of Ebonics.

"Ebonics: What's the Rap?!" will present the topic for teachers and students who want to learn the details of the dialect and its burgeoning use in the United States.

For more information call O'Connor at 942-3403.

The Student Parent Cop will be raising funds by selling candy today until Feb. 28.

The organization also benefits from the Market Day which is Feb. 27.

Funds are raised to aid the survival of the child care program for college students.

Call 942-2422 or go to OCC-160a for more information.

What student organizations do you feel are the most useful to you?



"Whatever I face, the International Student Organization helps me."
Natasha Pamme, 22



"The Chinese Student Association would help me if I needed it."
Angela Hung, 20



"The college doesn't help students to be aware of organizations."
Donald Maanning, 23

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ROB BEALES

CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

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*** RELIGIOUS ***

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BASIC: Brothers and Sisters in Christ provides opportunities for students to grow in their Christian walk. Bible studies noon to 1 p.m. Tuesdays and 7:30-9 p.m. Wednesdays. For info contact Dean Peterson at 942-3036.

Campus Advance: This club is a non-denominational Christian group committed to making the Bible relatable to today. Meets at noon every Thursday in SRC 1580 and at 9:30 p.m. in the cafeteria.

InterVarsity Campus Christian Fellowship: Meets for large groups from 7-9 p.m. Thursdays in SRC 2800. Student led Bible studies also meet throughout the week. For information on this club, just call Kent Richter at 942-3404 or Bill Pehrson at 942-2479.

Newman Club: Invites Catholic students to shared lunch discussions from 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. every Monday in the cafeteria. Newman sponsors retreats, volunteer projects and Sunday evening mass. For information and applications, call Fred Rudolph at 942-2543.

*** HONOR SOCIETIES ***

Sigma Delta Mu: The Spanish Honor Society is sponsoring a Spanish language table in the cafeteria on Fridays. Venga a conversar. Look for the red tablecloth. For information, call 942-2791.

Phi Theta Kappa: Phi Theta Kappa will have an open orientation meeting Feb. 26 in SRC 1024. Come find out about PTK.

*** POLITICAL AND SOCIAL ***

Cornerstones: Bisexual, gay, lesbian and straight individuals join for group discussion, awareness of issues and group sponsorship of related educational programs. For information, call Mary Ann Krieglstein at 790-6600, ext. 240.

A Model United Nations: Seeks to promote the learning and understanding of international affairs through participation in organization simulations. For information, call Chris Goergen at 942-2012.

*** RECREATIONAL ***

Sci-Fi/Fantasy Club: Provides a forum in which members can share and engage in a variety of activities and interests related to science fiction and fantasy. For information, call James Allen at 942-3421.

*** ETHNIC ***

Black Student Union: Promotes and maintains ethnic pride, unity, academic support and interest on behalf of African-American culture. For information, call Rollie Steele at 942-2033 or Richard Simmons at 942-3383.

Latino Ethnic Awareness Association: Encourages awareness of the past, present and future of Hispanic culture and offers speakers, field trips and other programs. For information, call Leo Torres at 942-3315 or Janet Pagan at 942-2725.

Japanese Culture Club: Delves into the world of Japanese pop culture by exploring such aspects as Anime and films, music and literature; shares and expands knowledge of Japanese pop culture. For more information, just call 942-2019.

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POLICE BLOTTER

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BY CHRIS LAFORTUNE
EDITOR IN CHIEF

Jan. 29

At 8:42 a.m., a car was found parked illegally in a handicap parking stall. The car had no front license plate. A check was run on the registration of the car and the placard, and it was found that the car's owner did not match the owner of the placard. The handicap placard had been reported stolen to the Illinois Secretary of State.

At 9:22 a.m., the owner of the car drove out of the handicap parking lot. The car was pulled over and the owner was asked where the handicap placard was. The suspect said he did not have one. The officer told him that he had seen the placard in the car while it was parked, and the suspect was asked why he needed one. The suspect said that he had hurt his back. The officer informed the suspect that the placard did not belong to him, and he was taken to Public Safety.

It was there that the suspect admitted to having the handicap placard illegally. He had picked it up from his father's business earlier that morning and had parked in the handicap lot because he was late for class. The placard had come from a car that had been at his father's

business for repair. The suspect was charged with theft and possession of stolen property. He was also charged for parking in a handicap stall illegally.

The owner said that the placard had been stolen from her rental car in September. The doors had been left unlocked.

Jan. 30

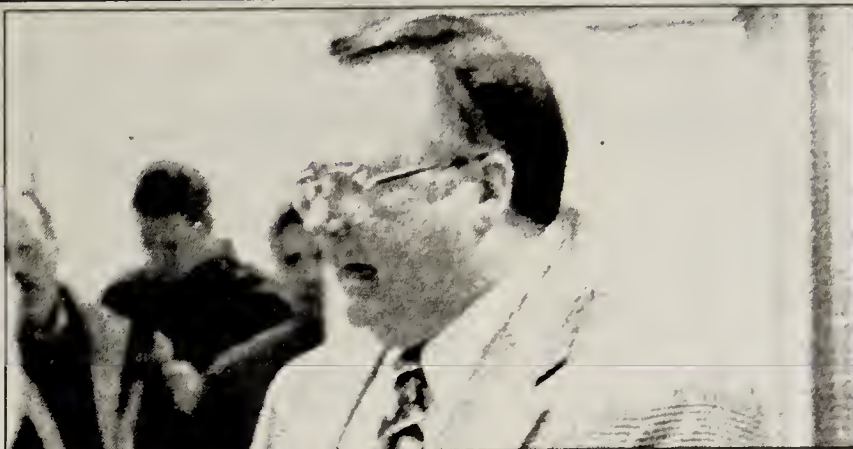
A car parked in Lot 3 faculty parking was reported damaged. The complainant said that he had parked his car at 9:30 a.m. in the lot and returned to it at 12:30 p.m. He found that the driver's side window had been smashed in. The estimated value of repair was \$300.

Feb. 4

At 8:33 a.m., a woman's wallet was reported stolen. The victim said that the wallet had been stolen the day before. She had gone out of her office at 10 a.m., leaving her purse on top of her desk with the wallet in it. She returned at noon, got the purse, and went to the cafeteria for lunch. When she went to pay for her food, she found the wallet missing. Her office had been left unlocked while she was gone. The value of the stolen items has been set at \$330.

Feb. 5

At 4:02 p.m., a purse was reported stolen. The victim said that the purse had been taken some time between 9 a.m. and noon. It had been removed from one of the victim's desk drawers. The victim said that she had been in and out of her office throughout the day, and that the door had sometimes been left open and sometimes had been shut and locked. The total value of the stolen items has been set at \$330.



—photo by Mindy Evans

Bob MacDougall addresses the Board of Trustees Wednesday.

Board hears pleas for football

BY CHRIS LAFORTUNE
EDITOR IN CHIEF

Several emotional pleas to save the football program were made at Wednesday's Board of Trustees meeting.

Among those who spoke in front of the Board were Head Coach Bob MacDougall, who attempted to give the group a clear understanding of what the football program is about.

"We want to give (the players) the opportunity they are deserving of. That's what the program is designed for," he said.

MacDougall also pointed out for the kids who come to play in the program, about three-quarters of them would have never attended COD without the success of the football program.

MacDougall also pointed out that this decision should not be made by a single person, and that every participant involved should be allowed input on the issue.

"It should be a decision based upon facts from many people," MacDougall said after speaking at the meeting night. "This is not a

one man decision."

The decision on whether the program should be cut is not a Board decision, but is up to college President Michael Murphy.

According to Murphy, the Board has not made decisions on the cutting of sports programs in the past, and he felt it would not be practical for the group to do so.

Three other people, former players and relatives of former players, also spoke in favor of the program.

In addition to the football issue, the one dollar raise in tuition was approved Wednesday, five votes to one. The one dissenting vote came from Trustee Mary Kranz.

According to Kranz, tuition has gone up 32 percent within the last four years. Trustee Bob McCray said the reason behind the raises there is a need for the money, and state legislatures are unwilling to give more.

McCray went on to say that it's either raise tuition or cut programs, and if the reaction against cutting the football program is any indication, that is simply unacceptable.

"When you attempt to take a program out, it's hard to do so without stepping on someone's toes," he said.

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Student Parent Co-op tries to recover from debts

By DEVAYANI PANDAV
STAFF WRITER

Participating parents will meet this year to discuss raising child care fees.

The Student Parent Co-op does not anticipate receiving enough funds from the Student Activities Funds Advising Committee (SAFAC) sub-committee, according to the advisor, Valerie Burke.

"We'll have to find our own way to cover our expenses. I don't think we'll get what we asked for," Burke said.

The organization requested \$31,156 for the 1998 fiscal year, which starts on July 1. At the Feb. 7 SAFAC subcommittee meeting, they asked \$5,641 more than it received for the 1997 fiscal year.

"Most of our expenses are our two employees. We ran into debt basically because the school increased their salaries," Burke said.

Burke will be requesting that the \$7,315 Student Parent Co-op debt be erased at the subcommittee's March 7 meeting.

"I know that the Recreation Center had a \$66,000 debt, but it doesn't seem to be on [the FY 1998 initial budget request chart]. So, I'm going to ask if they can do the same for



-photo by Bill Griffin

Student Parent Co-op presents their SAFAC budget proposal Feb. 7.

us," Burke said.

The Student Parent Co-op, founded 25 years ago, provides care for three, four, and five-year-old children of COD students for an average amount of \$115 per quarter.

"I will be graduating this year. I know I wouldn't be able to if I had to pay \$125 a week instead a quarter," said Student Parent Co-op Board student representative and parent, Tracy Paulsen, at the meeting.

Burke said that she does not agree with budget allocations for some organizations, such as College Bowl and alumni associations.

"The Co-op has benefited greatly from student activities fees. We get our share. But, not as much as the College Bowl. I'm not sure if each student deserves \$1,000," Burke said.

Co-op students need money more than others because they cannot attend school without it, according to Burke.

"That's a real justification for it," she said.

Representatives from each organization will vote on how to distribute the \$418,610, allocated to student activities, among themselves for the 1998 fiscal year at the second sub-

committee meeting.

Student Parent Co-op wants the voters to allocate as much money as possible, of what is requested, to the organization.

"It's going to be a real challenge. I'm not sure if I'm looking forward to it," Burke said.

Student Activities has been allocated \$24,393 less than last year. However, the organizations together, have requested \$42,060 more than last year.

"We'll have to figure out how we can cut about \$50,000 from the requests," Burke said.

To keep the cost of child

care down, parents volunteer one hour a week for child care and for any other work needed.

The organization also participates in fund-raisers such as candy sales, market day and jewelry sales.

"We do what we can to avoid debt," Paulsen said.

Most participants in the program are single parents and full-time students with jobs, so they have limited time to offer for fundraising, according to Burke.

The two employees in the program, Jan Novak and Mary Wombold provide a quality environment and educational activities in which children can learn and explore, according to Paulsen. The program also provides a support system for the parents by allowing them to talk to each other.

"I benefited from the co-op. I was teaching and had just got custody of my son. He came out pretty well adjusted," said English Professor and Prairie Light Advisor, Allan Carter, at the meeting. "I found it was one of the most useful organizations on-campus. This is an absolute treasure that we have."

In any case, they will work with the amount that SAFAC will allocate to them, Burke said.

"I feel very positive that we will be around next year to provide child care," Burke said.

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**SAFAC
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to the alumni, scholarships, and have been recognized by their work in the Harris Directory.

The association is requesting money to help bring the community and the alumni together.

The Student Parent Co-op is requesting money to decrease their debt (see pg. 8).

The program has helped many students to take classes while their children are learning and experiencing new ways of living.

Even after candy sales, jewelry sales, and other efforts to raise money, the group is still lacking in funds that are needed to support the association.

Prairie Light Review is asking for a small increase in their expenditures.

With high school students and community members trying to get stories and poetry published, their money is to support the amount of publications submitted to the public, according to Allan Carter.

The group is not able to get as much out to the public, and with only two issues per year they are hoping for more copies to be made.

Alumni Affairs is asking for more money this fiscal year also. The association is in charge of keeping a current list of the alumni.

Programs supported by the request in more funds

are the Commencement Dinner and the Distinguished Alumnus Award.

Phi Theta Kappa is requesting no difference in service fee request from what they asked last fiscal year. Their requests will be adding to scholarships for honor students.

Their community work, currently with AIDS, has proved to be valuable in futures for the honor society members.

The Student Activities Board included programs such as the Family Series, a technical equipment committee, Thursday's alive, a committee set up for special events to entertain the students, a graphics/advertising committee, and educational programs.

The Student Activities Department is currently in debt, according to Marvin Rasch, coordinator of student activities, and the money is needed to support the board and the office of student activities.

Entertainment is provided by this committee, and it helps with jobs in the technical field for students, according to Rasch.

The Student Activities Office programs include the Club Resources/Leadership committee, the recreation area, and the Box Office.

"The movie tickets are the major budgetary component in the recreation area," Rash commented. "The money is made on the

tickets."

They are asking for an increase to cover their debt.

Also, by adding more pencil/pen vending machines, they are hoping to increase revenue.

"The Club Resources and Leadership Committee is an important priority for the department, said Director of Student Activities Meri Phillips. "It grows leaders and great citizens."

Expenses for the department are growing with more charges in such things as linens, food, and labor for the commencement dinner, meaning more money is needed to cover the debt.

Dan Eastman, president of the student body, spoke for the Student Government Association, saying that their requests are partially needed to pay the officials more.

They are asking for less money this fiscal year than the last, but are using their money towards the tutor referral program and a book exchange.

Final decisions have not been made as to what will be done for the distribution of money among the Student Activities.

Sub-committee member availability will put off the next meeting until the beginning of March.

The sub-committee will then continue on with its deliberations over how the funds allocated to Student Activities will be distributed to the organizations.

New employment assistant hired

By **ROB BEALES**
NEWS EDITOR

Nancy Carroll has replaced Rob Rivera as the Employment Assistant of the Human Resources Department.

The position of Employment Assistant is the member of Human Resources who works to get jobs for students interested in a student aide position at one of the college departments.

"I had been helping out before I took the position," Carroll said in reference to the time she had spent being the Human Resources receptionist, but was aiding Rivera with the efforts beforehand.

Rivera and wife left Feb. 7 to pursue the creation of his own business in Florida.

Carroll took the position Feb. 13. Upon her acceptance of the position, the job was altered from part-time to a full-time position.

Carroll wants students to get jobs in fields that they have an interest in. She will not guarantee that everyone will get a job they prefer though.

Some students will apply

for the jobs with only the intent to earn money and not intend to have any interest in their position, according to Carroll.

There have been students who stayed with the initial job and followed it from aide to part-time to full-time positions, Carroll said, but it depends on the student's goals.

Carroll said that both the students and the departments share a symbiosis where each is able to gain benefits from the other.

She added that it is a main priority that both the students and departments utilize each other.

"Right now we have several positions across the street in the OCC and the K buildings, but few students seem willing to consider a position away from the SRC and IC buildings," Carroll said, "But they are great buildings to work in."

Carroll added that Fall is the worst time for the department because many students have left positions and new students may not yet be aware of the employment opportunities available through the college.

"This department is a great one for helping students and getting jobs for community members," Carroll said.

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EDITORIAL

Student trustee election in need of repairs

Perhaps the greatest obstacle in this year's student trustee election does not involve finding a suitable candidate. The greatest problem may be finding a candidate period.

The goal of this election should be to make sure that it occurs on time. For the last two years, the election has been pushed back because no candidates have filed candidacy packets by deadline.

There are solutions to this problem. One would be to go to political science classrooms and pitch the election directly to students.

These courses study the political process itself. There must be students interested in running for student trustee in one of them.

Another option is to further the ad campaign which calls out for candidates. While the current campaign is useful, it may not be aggressive enough. Advertisements could go further by describing what the student trustee does, and the benefits of the position.

Perhaps students do not run for student trustee simply because they are unaware of what the job entails. By further informing students, a candidate may be found.

A final option is to have a Student Government Association (SGA) officer run for the position. The SGA is supposed to be the



voice of the students. They are a group of the most informed students on campus. These reasons make them worthy candidates.

If an SGA officer were student trustee, there could be a path of communication established. The Board would be better informed of the feelings of the students, and the SGA could have a further understanding of Board activities.

In addition, by having a SGA member run, a candidate is guaranteed, and elections would no longer have to be delayed.

Still, the question remains as to what makes the ideal student trustee. First of all, the ideal trustee would have to be dedicated enough

to show up to all Board meetings, regardless of outside commitments.

In addition, the ideal student trustee would show up regularly to SGA senate meetings. While not required, showing up to these meetings could be a useful tool available when in search of student opinions.

Also, the ideal student trustee would go out and ask all students what affects their lives. In particular, the student trustee would seek the opinions the members of college clubs and organizations. Their involvement goes beyond just attending classes.

However, these "active student" groups should not assume the student trustee come to them. Club

and organization members, if they have an opinion on issues, should make an effort to seek out the student trustee themselves.

This is not to say that the opinions and ideas of students who do not take part in college activities should be ignored or taken for granted. Their opinions are still of value.

The trend that began in student trustee elections two years ago cannot and must not continue. If participation in the student trustee election is to increase, the college administration has to be the first to try something. It's become increasingly obvious that the student body is not going to.

STUDENT Q&A

Q What issues do you feel the student trustee should address?

BY MINDY EVANS, STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER



Tracy Stallings, 27
Westmont

A "Tuition and the disbursement of funds. Where are tuition dollars spent?"



Hanh Vu, 21
Glen Ellyn

A "The price of pop. The cost is too high."



Hai Son, 30
Glen Ellyn

A "The food in the cafeteria is too costly. They should address the cost."



Vince Pelletier, 50
Naperville

A "An increase in student involvement and participation."

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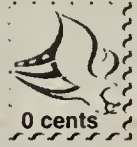
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Letters to the Editor

Clarifying the Bible's message

Last week, Mr. Jim Senyszyn of Charlotte, NC felt it somehow necessary to write a letter to the editor of the *Courier* excusing the moral inadequacy of President Clinton by pointing out the moral inadequacies of historical Jewish leaders.

First, the idea of calling Jesus Christ "mean-spirited" is ludicrous. Jesus demonstrated only love through his life. In fact, he talked a crowd out of stoning a known prostitute and then demonstrated redemption and forgiveness.

What Mr. Senyszyn fails to recognize is that Jesus was not suggesting that one actually remove one's eye to prevent lust. Jesus was warning us about how serious sin is and was defining sin for us.

Now to Biblical examples of adulterers.

King David did commit adultery, but what is not made clear in last week's letter is that almost immediately, God sent the prophet Nathan to accuse David of his sin and punish him. As far as the "homosexual

affair" between Jonathan and David, all I can say is that I pity Mr. Senyszyn if he's never had a friend that he loved so much he would die for him.

The Bible is very clear on the issue of Solomon's wives. It states that Solomon went against God's will and that he was punished. However, you may notice that the "Song of Solomon" is erotic poetry written about one man and one woman.

Mr. Senyszyn suggests that the book of the law had been lost and "added . . . as an afterthought." It's true that the book of law was lost and rediscovered during Josiah's reign. However, the Book wasn't lost until the temple fell into disrepair, after Solomon's reign. David and Solomon were fully aware of their sin, and therefore understood why they were subsequently punished.

Finally, the only man that the Bible suggests we should imitate is Christ. Not David. Not Solomon. Not any hero from either the Old or New Testament. They, like all of us, were imperfect people and the writers of the Bible would have done us all a disservice by portraying them otherwise.

Marc Ludena Lombard

Calling for a few more microwaves

In a school of several thousand students, one would think that consideration would be given to accommodations for a population this size.

This is why I cannot understand why there is only one microwave oven for the several hundred students who eat lunch everyday in the COD cafeteria.

I am not in the financial position to buy a hot lunch

everyday, and even if I bought something from the vending machines, many of those foods need to be heated before they are eaten.

If that wasn't bad enough, the sole microwave that is available has such mediocre heating powers that I oft spend more time heating than eating.

Can't one more microwave oven be put in the cafeteria? Can it be one of industrial quality?

There is too much time being wasted waiting in line behind three people for use of the microwave.

Guadalupe Torres Bensenville

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Potholes repaired by no one

BY MELANIE ROMANOWSKI
STAFF WRITER

Students and faculty are discovering that driving to campus involves avoiding the potholes that have emerged on streets and parking lots.

Potholes form when cracks are formed in the blacktop.

When any precipitation occurs, it is then given a route to the bottom layer of the asphalt, seeping over from the top.

As it expands, it breaks through the surface and causes the blacktop to expand even more.

When cars drive over that surface, they disturb the broken blacktop and create a deeper pothole.

According to Grounds Supervisor Joe Grenko, when the snowplows drive over the potholes as they are clearing the snow in the parking lots, they tear apart the blacktop, creating worse potholes.

Grenko also said that the up and down temperatures this season have given all the more reason for potholes forming.

The top layer of the blacktop allows the snow and ice to fall in when it melts. The resulting water then freezes below when



—photo by Bill Griffin

Potholes have become a problem on area streets.

the weather shifts back to sub-zero temperatures.

One of the more common remedies for these potholes is a 'cold patch.'

"A cold patch is a layer of blacktop that does not set as hard. This is put into the potholes to fix them, but only temporarily," Grenko said.

As cars continue to drive over that broken surface, the cold patch will eventually get torn right out.

One street that is in bad

condition is 22nd Street.

According to Grenko, this street is torn apart because there are many little cracks in the blacktop, leading to more potholes.

This street, however, belongs to the city of Glen Ellyn and it is not yet in the budget to repair it.

Until the potholes are fixed, drivers on campus should be cautious when avoiding them so as not to damage their cars or cause larger accidents.

Student photo ID's planned for spring

BY LEE DI VITA
STAFF WRITER

As of Spring Quarter, in response to student body feedback the Student Government Association will be offering picture ID cards for students.

The idea for the cards has been around for some time. However, they were never issued because the college thought they would be too expensive and too difficult to maintain. Costs would also arise to hire staff to operate the equipment that would make the IDs, according to Student Government President Daniel Eastman.

Last year SGA pushed the idea for the cards, hoping the college would issue them to all students for free, as many surrounding community colleges do, according to Eastman.

The college vetoed this idea because of the cost, which would have been about \$2.65 per student.

SGA then sought a corporate sponsor to pay for the cards. In return, the company's name would be displayed on the back. The college decided against this idea because they did not want to commercialize the college, according to Eastman.

The college eventually came up with the idea of issuing the ID's through the PE facility's equipment.

That equipment is currently used to make ID cards for students who want to utilize the PE building and its equipment.

According to Eastman, the proposed new cards will have a cost of \$5 each. This fee will pay for extra staff who will be making the cards.

"We are not very pleased about [the cost], but that is the best we could get," said Eastman.

Although students may be apprehensive about paying the cost for an ID, Eastman said he expects approximately 5,000 to 10,000 students will use the cards.

Despite the price, there are advantages to the cards. Surrounding theaters and museums offer admission discounts to students who have photo ID's.

Also, the SGA is currently working with over 40 area businesses to offer discounts on merchandise and food to students who have the ID's.

They can also be helpful if a student loses another ID, such as a driver's license. The photo ID could serve as a backup form of identification when picking up schedules and other school services that require photo ID's.

The SGA is still working out the format of the ID's. Eastman said the student's date of birth and/or social security number might be good information to include on the card for convenience.

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Center for Independent Learning, Assessment and Testing open

BY DEVAYANI PANDAV
STAFF WRITER

The grand opening of the Center for Independent Learning (CIL) and Assessment and Testing included the unveiling of art in honor of deceased professor Mike Sosulski.

A ribbon cutting ceremony followed speeches by college officials who expressed excitement for the possibilities the new center, located at the center of the IC, and its new technologies have to offer.

"I've seen several different centers at other schools, and I don't think anyone comes close to what we have at the College of DuPage," said Irene Kovala, associate dean of Assessment and Testing.

Guests toured the new CIL and Assessment and Testing areas throughout the day and helped themselves to refreshments in the south atrium. The centers held a drawing for four donated prizes, including a CD boombox, at the end of the day.

The CIL staff and faculty dedicated a plaque with art in Sosulski's honor.

"In keeping with his spirit of caring, commitment, and collegiality we remember Mike Sosulski, professor of psychology, administrator, College of DuPage

1970-1994," psychology professor Pat Slocum read from the plaque.

"We didn't want it to sound like a memorial," Slocum later said. "He's still with us."

Gina and Michael, Sosulski's widow and son, chose the two commemorative art pieces because they "showed different aspects of his personality and background," Gina Sosulski said. The Michael Sosulski Memorial Fund purchased the painting and sculpture.

"It is most fitting that he be remembered in the Center for Independent Learning because it played such a big part in both our lives," Sosulski continued.

Academic and technological advancements include a fiber optic communications network, electronically linking the five CILs, improving instructional delivery to distance learners.

About 5,000 students take independent learning classes at the Westmont, Naperville, Glendale Heights, Lombard, and Glen Ellyn CILs.

Associate Dean for Alternative Learning Programs Ron Schiesz said the center will provide efficient communication and interaction between students and teachers for the future through voice mail, e-mail and fax machines.

"Changes in higher education very much lean toward this type of educa-



-photo by Bill Griffin

Ribbon is cut ceremoniously, opening remodeled learning and testing labs.

tion and teacher involvement," Vice President of Academic and Student Affairs Walt Packard said.

The centers can deliver courses in various formats such as audio, video, computer mediated and printed materials -- TV and radio broadcasting -- and soon to be, CD ROM and internet course delivery, according to Schiesz.

"Centers like these will be the hub or core of such education," said COD President Mike Murphy.

The center is geared to serve contemporary adults, typically workers and parents, who want and seek out convenience and flexibility in learning options, according to Schiesz.

Classes are open, however, to anyone who meets the requirements.

Located under the CIL is the Assessment and Testing Center, formerly SRC's Testing Lab, which now has plenty of room with futuristic state-of-the-art facilities, including twice the com-

puters, according to Kovala.

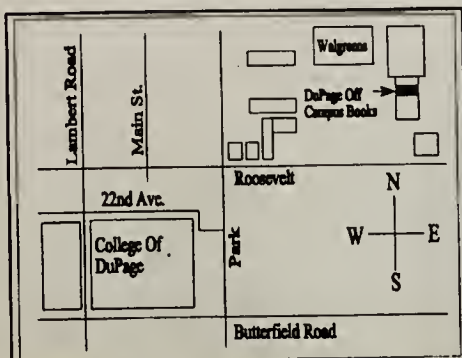
The transformation took place because a team of faculty, staff and administrators derived a detailed plan. It was then presented to the architect at Wight and Company, the general contractor for the center, according to Associate Vice President of Organizational and Instructional Development Pat Keir.

The entire project took eight months to complete, Schiesz said.

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Name: Katy Kovack

Major/Occupation: computer science

I was born: "In Downers Grove."

My favorite movie is: *Top Gun.*

A Book You Would Recommend is: "Gone with the wind."

In Your Spare Time You: "Play softball."

Your Most Memorable Experience at COD: "Meeting Jack White."

A Fascinating Person You Would Like to Meet: "Tom Cruise."

The Worst Advice You Were Ever Given: "Follow your heart."

Nobody knows: "I sleep with a teddy bear."

Activities You're Involved in at COD: "Working at the Student Recreation Center."

If I learned one thing in life its: "You won't make it without going to school."



Sleep deprivation: How to avoid it...

BY KATIE UNDERWOOD
STAFF WRITER

Many students have the pressures of midterms coming up, and usually a student's sleep patterns end up suffering.

Late nights caused by studying, partying, and other collegiate activities are common. All take their toll on the amount and quality of a student's sleep.

According to Valiere Burke, coordinator of Health and Special Services, if you need an alarm clock to wake up, you haven't had enough sleep.

"The alarm is a good indicator of the amount of sleep a person has had. Ideally you should be able to wake up every morning before the alarm goes off," Burke said.

Other clues that students are not getting enough sleep include falling asleep while reading, watching TV, while in a theater, riding in the car, or listening as someone else is talking.

"Concentrate on regular sleep patterns, and sometimes the body needs even twelve hours of sleep in a night in order to make up for sleep lost due to vacationing or studying," Burke said.

"New mothers and people who work nights have an especially difficult time getting enough sleep, especially when they need to be back at school the next day. For them, the



best thing is probably to take time out, and if possible to sleep even more when they have a night off, to make up for the sleep they missed," Burke suggested.

Sometimes, it is not possible to spend that much time sleeping.

"If you cannot find time for a full night of sleep, then 10 to 15 minutes of quiet, relaxed nap time can do wonders for reviving the body before a class or other activity," Burke said.

"Everyone needs different amounts of sleep each night, but seven to eight hours is an average amount, and will at least refresh the body for the next day," Burke added.

Many diseases and conditions can be directly associated with sleep deprivation.

"Many people who have suffered from heart attacks blame them on their college years when they did not get enough sleep, so this is the best time to be taking care of yourself and monitoring your sleep patterns," Burke said.

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Restrooms in the IC get a facelift

By BRIAN BRADLEY
FEATURES EDITOR

A few years ago, the Campus Services department of the college began an experiment to find out how to improve the restrooms in the IC building.

"We conducted a survey and discovered that people think that the restrooms here are dirty and dark," Joe Buri, director of Campus Services, said.

Buri explained that members of Campus Services wanted to blot out the dungeon look, which many restrooms in the IC building possess.

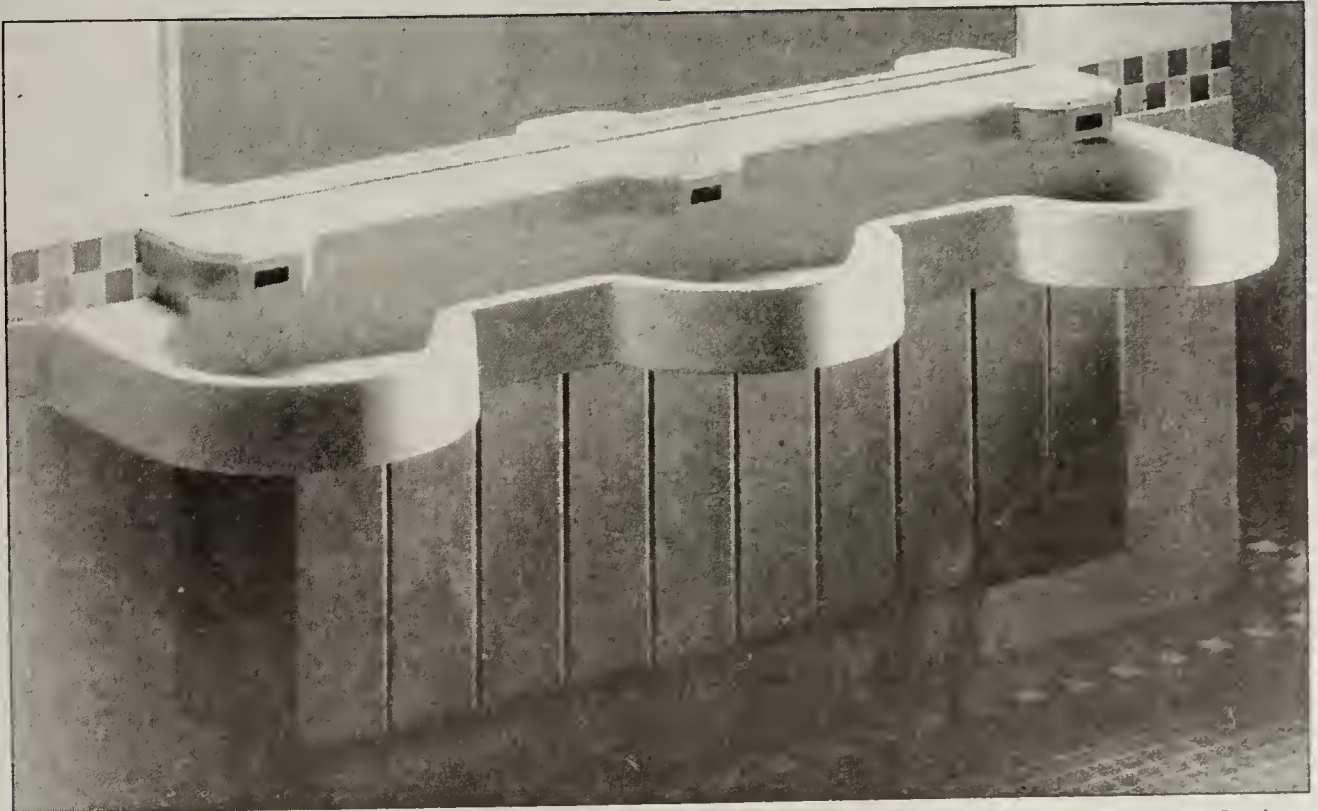
Campus Services sat down and came up with a plan that would possibly delete both the accessibility issue and the sanitary issue.

"Quite frankly people refused to flush the toilets in the current restrooms," Buri said. "Looking at the situation on a sanitary basis, we need to make improvements on the toilets themselves," Buri added.

One of the improvements that was made was an automatic flushing system, which is used commonly in airports.

"We have placed infrared flushing devices in some of the toilets already," Buri said. "When we remodel the rest of the restrooms, we will be adding infrared to all of them," Buri continued.

The infrared flushing system is already used in restrooms in the SRC, LRC, Arts Center, and there are two experimental devices in the IC.



—photo courtesy of Campus Services

The new sinks in the IC restrooms host a variety of new features including infrared access.

Another refined fixture that will be added are infrared sinks which have two or three faucets.

"The new sinks that we are putting in require less plumbing and are graffiti proof," Buri said.

In addition to the sinks, the doors that are inside the restrooms will also be graffiti proof.

There will be soap dispensers attached to the walls above the drain of the sink.

"We are moving the soap dispenser to the wall to prevent

waste," Buri said.

The down side to replacing the existing soap dispensers with larger dispensers is that it will take longer to refill them.

"The soap dispensers that we are using now have replacement soap that just fits into the dispenser. The new dispensers require that the soap is actually placed in by hand," Buri said.

According to Buri, another reason for the renovations is to be able to keep the restrooms clean for a

longer period of time.

"The restrooms are thoroughly cleaned in the evenings, but during the day they are only spot checked," Buri said.

The renovations will begin in March and will take from nine months to a year to complete.

"The restrooms are placed in a fashion where we can only do a hallway at a time," Buri said.

"Also, some restrooms need to stay open for students and faculty," Buri added.

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Students speak: what makes a good mate?

BY BRIAN BRADLEY
FEATURES EDITOR

Today is Valentine's Day. Like every preceding year, millions of people are hoping that Cupid will aim his arrow and make a direct hit.

However, for so many, Cupid's arrow missed the heart of a hopeful love. When this happens, people must begin to depend on what makes them compatible with a mate.

Unfortunately, so many do not know what people look for in a mate. For most men and women, members of the opposite sex are a mystery.

Students here at the college are no exception to this rule. The question then arises: what do men and women look for when trying to find a mate?

For the most part, women are looking for men that are on a more emotional level than physical.

"My mate would have to be honest, understanding and have a good sense of humor," Barb Grzywa said.

Most women consider love to be one of the most important factors when looking for a mate.

"I think that my mate needs to be mature, respectful, honest and most of all has to love me," Monica Hernandez said.

Women also look for some physical attractiveness when trying to pick a mate.

"I think that my mate would need to be truthful, sweet, under-



standing, cute, have a nice body, have brown eyes, dark hair and needs to be taller than me," Mandy Navarre said.

Men, on the other hand, place more of an emphasis on physical attractiveness.

"I think that beauty is an important factor," Jack Dusik said.

"She must also have a sense of humor and be someone that I can hold an intelligent conversation with," Dusik added.

"I would want a woman who looks good, has a good sense of humor and is athletic," Jason Darnstadt said.

For both men and women, personality plays a key role that could

either make or break a potential mate.

"I think that my mate would have to have a good personality and must also love the Beatles," Jill Leahy said.

"I think that someone who matches your interests is the perfect mate," David Riley said.

"She would have to be someone I could live without, but don't want to," Radley added.

Most students here wish that their mate would be able to have a strong belief in a relationship and in the people involved.

"I would need to believe that she would stand up for me," John Guill said.

Most unusual traits...

"I want someone who will go see Star Wars with me," Chris Biede.

"Intelligent, pretty, German, short brown hair and bluish eyes," Dan Eastman.

"Likes to hurt herself and others," Thomas Hart.

"Someone who will listen to my political ramblings," Paul Abella.

"Likes to drink beer," Sean O'Malley.

Off-Campus Nightly

By Brian Bradley and Bill Griffin

Q What are your Valentine's Day plans?



A I will be going to Florida to see my boyfriend, who is in the Navy.

Kari Kartheiser
19, Aurora
Part-time student
Major: Computer graphics



A I will be trying to find a Valentine.

Chris Frankiewicz
19, LaGrange
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A Having fun being single.

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Erickson reflects on his last thirty years

BY KATIE UNDERWOOD
STAFF WRITER

On March 28, for the first time in COD history, Chuck Erickson will not be associated with the school.

On that date Erickson will retire, after over 28 years of student service.

Erickson began his career in August of 1967 as an admissions counselor. He remembers the campus as "spread out", with no permanent buildings, only rented facilities.

"The college's mascot is the road runner because the students were running all over the area to attend classes," Erickson recalled.

"It was difficult to please every student then. Registration was a problem because of the lack of buildings, but we did our best. COD has always been very concerned with students' needs," he continued.

During his career, Erickson has served on many committees, and has held many important positions.

Twelve years ago, Erickson began as Director of Admissions and Records. Later he worked as president of the Illinois Council of Community College Administrators, acted as chair-

man on the Faculty Senate, and was named president of the Illinois Community College Admissions and Records Officers Organization.

Erickson didn't take much time deciding what he will do with his unfilled time after retirement. He has been anticipating this event for years.

"I plan to take a vacation, and then come back and do all of the things I've always wanted to do, but have never had the time for. I'll do things like read a certain book or visit the Art Institute in Chicago," he said.

Erickson will always remember that he and his co-workers did their best to accommodate the students of COD, from the classes that were offered, to their sizes.

"I believe that we dealt fairly and honestly with students, at least the best that we could. The school is very student service oriented," Erickson remembered.

Erickson's retirement has inspired a lot of memories, and also has caused many people to realize what an asset his influence has been to this school. He is one of the few remaining who remember its opening.

"Getting close to retirement, I can reflect on what has occurred, and realize that COD is a tremendous school. It is a great place to have worked. I have many fond memories," he said.

HEARTFELT ADS

Liesje,
A year?! Time flies
when you're having
fun!
Pookins

Binny,

Miss you much.
Even after
thirteen months.

Love,
Conehead

Milan,

How did I get so
lucky??

Love,
Amber

I

Miss you. Do
you feel the
same?

Love,
Paul

Dear Mom,

Happy Valentine's
Day. I love you.

Pequeno,
Gracias, gracias por
todos los cheveros
momentos.
T.O.M.
Ana

Jesseca,

Relationships are like
seeds, they need time
to grow.

Kerwin,

"Love you for
life."

From,
Your future
Mexican wife

J. Reichart,

Been looking. Call
305-0733.
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Cassie

Mi Luna,

The sun is bright but
the moon is forever.

J.
Where do we go from
here?

R.

Uncle and Auntie,
Thanks for taking care
of me.

Richard

Hummy,

Always remember
that some Bunny
loves you.

Love,
B.B.

For Opicee,

You are my passion
lover and friend.

Daniel

Love,
Thank you for always
being mine.
I'm yours,
Rob

Carolyn,

Good for one
weekend location
of your choice.

Love,
Don W.

Milar,

I will love you
eternally.

Forever
Yours,
Amber

Mike,

I love it when you call
me Maria.

Michael Mulik,
I want to lick your
body.

Secret Admirer

George
Straight,

I think you need a
shower!

Emmy Lou

E-MCS, E-MC3,
E-MC3, E-MC3,
E-MC3, E-MC3,
E-MC3, E-MC3,
I Kurumbal!

I, Hi, yay hey wanna
be your cool dude!!!

I'm a space alien
looking for a close
encounter.

Call me.

CSJ
Happy Valentines. We
love you.

SLJ

To Marja,
For your friendship
Happy Valentine's
Day.
Love,
Daniel

Have a very
psychedelic day.
Light. Love. Peace.
Groovy. Farout.

Me,

Behind me
Satan! No
really. I love
you.

Himself

Tony Hydzik,

I love your blue eyes.

Love,
?

Michelle,

Who 's the
greatest friend.
Please be my
valentine.

AM

Brian,

You make my life
complete. Ich Liebe
Dich!

Jen

Mean
Bear,

Enjoy the cook-
ies. See you
tonight.

Me
WahPuh

In the year 2000
people will be sharing
chocolate chippets!

To my sweetheart
Jenni,
You've changed my
world.
Love,
Benson

Frank,

You're very special
and loved very much!!!

Love, JD/JL

H.B.,

Treat me like your
favorite candy?

Love
Always,
H.P.

Captain
Baby,

Somebody call
heaven, there's an
angel missing.
Smelly

RJB,
i can't wait until you
come home.
Love,
VMV

Didi,

I'm ice cream, you're
cake...Mmm,
squishy!

Love,
Kisses

JPL,

Looking forward to
sailing away with you!

Love, JL

BHL,
Be my forever loving
valentine.
Love,
Pookie Béar

College hosts fourth annual



During the Grand Entry, Pow-wow participants and audience members must show respect for the spirits by being quiet, taking off hats and abstaining from picture taking.



During the Grand Entry, Bill Lawson dances like a proud Native American warrior.

Learning goes beyond cultural boundaries

BY KATIE UNDERWOOD
STAFF WRITER

PHOTOS BY BILL GRIFFIN
PHOTO EDITOR

People of many different ages and nationalities met last Saturday to learn about Native American culture at the Fourth Annual Native American Pow-wow.

Craft vendors honored past Native American culture through their artwork, depicting traditional activities and lifestyles.

Steven Kourtis, from the Potawatomi tribe, attended his fourth Pow-wow at the college. Kourtis came to display his personal creations at the vending tents. He explained the importance of the Grand Entry.

"There is no talking or moving during the Grand Entry. It is a time for respect," Kourtis said.

Food vendors created customary meals for sampling and for the patrons critiquing, explaining the origins of the ingredients and their availability to the original tribes.

Groups circled around drums, singing formal Native American songs, remembering their ancestors and sharing the sounds with those who had never heard them.

Men and women of all abilities and backgrounds joined together to dance in a Native American style Saturday. Dressed in traditional clothing, with modern alterations in materials and colors, children moved to the beat of the drums along with their relatives and friends.

Witnessing the event, Eugene G. Hallongren, associate vice president

of Community Education and Economic Development, felt that the value of the Pow-wow goes beyond ceremony.

"This is an event that helps our college expand our culture," he said.

"This event at COD is a really good representation of traditional Native American rituals," said Little Bear, a vendor from the Pima tribe. The tribe is originally located in the southwest near New Mexico and Arizona.

This year's Friendship Pow-wow was Little Bear's second at COD. Like many of the Native Americans that came here, he makes his living demonstrating his trade. He will not return to his home on the reservation until late November.

Samuel, 10, from the Navajo tribe came from Bridgeville, Ill. to participate in the event. His parents made his costume and taught him the ways of his ancestors through dancing and tradition.

Samuel's brother Michael and cousin Tashina kept together comparing costumes. They proved that the Pow-wow is a time for families who don't usually see each other to reunite and to share their experiences with others.

Their experience is very similar to those shared by all participants of Saturday's Pow-wow. It is generally recognized as a gathering among tribes, a time to reflect on on experiences, and to enjoy each other.

"The wonderful thing about this culture is that it is so open and available to outside influence. It has thrived and prospered in spite of so many of the hardships that it has endured," said Mary Ann Krieglstein said.

Krieglstein was one of the coordinators of Saturday's event

Native American Pow-wow



During the Pow-wow, Native American children joined into the festivities with their rendition of the Native American warriors.



Vendors played a big part at the Native American Pow-wow.

Raeanne Hidalgo was one of the many dancers to perform. Hidalgo is performing in one of the many social dances.



The Red Sand Singers were one of the five drum circles that performed at Saturday's Pow-wow. The drum itself is thought to be an individual with its own powers, and are treated with respect.

Prairie Light Review delayed two weeks

By VICKI VANDENBOS
A&E EDITOR

The empty bins in the hall that are supposed to soon be filled with the newest issue of Prairie Light Review, Fall/Winter, will be empty for a few more weeks yet.

Prairie Light Review (PLR) comes out with two issues a year, one in the Spring and one in the Winter.

The winter issue is supposed to reach the bins around Feb. 20, but will be around two weeks late.

"Right now the specs and bids are at the printers and we are supposed to get them back this week," said Lee DiVita, editor of PLR.

"We are waiting for a price from three different printers based on what we gave them. Basically, the magazine is ready to go, but it just needs to be printed out once we choose which one we want to go with," she added.

The delay in the printing of the literary magazine is a result of the small staff that now makes up PLR. A full staff includes four editorial positions: the editor, co-editor, layout editor and graphic arts editor.

Currently, there are two of those positions filled, the editor and graphic arts editor.



"Laura Sosnowski, the graphic arts editor, and I have to do the work of four editors, so that is why it is going to be a little late," DiVita said.

"We have received between 200 to 250 submissions that we have to divide up and judge because we can only use 20 to 30 stories, poems and artwork in the magazine."

PLR is a class that meets on Thursday nights. Currently, only two people are attending.

In the fall, DiVita and Sosnowski walked into the empty positions, along with another editor that suddenly stopped showing up to the class.

"You don't have to be in the class to have a paid editorial position. Right now, Alan Carter, PLR's advisor, is going around to the English classes to recruit people to check out the class one of these nights," DiVita said.

The next issue will come out on the last day of the Spring quarter, but the deadline has been pushed back from March 23 to April 11.

"If we are still under-staffed, we'll just have to do whatever we have to in order to get it done on time. We don't have any choice," DiVita said.

PERFORMANCES

EDITED BY VICKI VANDENBOS, A&E EDITOR

ART

■ A multi-media exhibit, featuring works by some of the college's full-time faculty members, will be on display through March 1 in the William E. Gahlberg Gallery.

MUSIC

■ The DuPage Opera Theatre will perform two one-act operas, "Lazarus" by Harold Bauer and "Gianni Schicchi" by Giacomo Puccini, in English, at 8 p.m. on Feb. 15, and 3 p.m. on Feb. 16 in the Arts Center, Mainstage. Tickets cost \$18/15.

■ Chicago jazz pianist Larry Novak will perform with the Arts Center Jazz Ensemble at 8 p.m. on Feb. 21 in the Arts Center, Mainstage. Tickets cost \$15/13/10.

■ The New Classic Singers will perform four pieces of the song of Mary's prayer from the New Testament, "Magnificat," with musical settings by four composers, each with their own interpretation of the piece, at 8 p.m. on March 1 in the Arts Center, Mainstage. Tickets cost \$12, \$11 for senior citizens and \$9 for students. (See story on p.17).

SPECIAL EVENTS

■ The European Heritage Committee will be sponsoring a free British Animation Festival featuring the hilarious antics of Wallace and Gromit. The schedule of films is:
• "A Close Shave," 12 p.m. on Feb. 20 in AC 153.

■ The Student Activities Program Board's Family Series will present Bobby Hunt-Circus Boy at 2 p.m. on Feb. 23 in SRC 2800. The cost is \$3.50. (See story on p.18).

THEATER

■ The Buffalo Theatre Ensemble will perform Anthony Clarvoe's beautifully written, powerful tale, "The Living," of London's Black Plague of 1665, which provides "searing perspective" on present calamities, such as AIDS, at 8 p.m. Thurs. through Sat., 2 p.m. on Sun., from Feb. 21 - March 16 in the Arts Center, Theatre 2. Tickets cost \$16/15. There will be a preview performance at 8 p.m. on Feb. 20 with a ticket price of \$12. (See story on p.18).

FOR INFORMATION OR TO ORDER TICKETS, CALL THE ARTS CENTER BOX OFFICE, AT (630) 942-4000.

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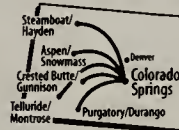
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SHOWCASE

By VICKI VANDENBOS, A & E EDITOR

TRAVIS PAUL, 19
FRESHMAN
MUSIC & THEATER MAJOR

Q What is the connection between your two majors?

A I have always enjoyed theater, and in high school a teacher inspired me to take up music. I would like to combine my two majors with a minor in English.

Q What classes are you currently taking that work toward your majors?

A I am taking music theory, concert choir, private piano and voice lessons, English and education.

Q Are you presently doing any work in the field of your majors?

A Yes. Right now I am working on the "Musical Comedy Murders of 1940" with the Tempo Players of Lisle.



-photo by Bill Griffin
 Student Travis Paul

Q Where do you plan on transferring to after COD?

A I will probably transfer to North Central College in Naperville. They have a good music and theater program.

Q In what career are you interested?

A I would like to teach either choir, theater or English, in that order, at the high school level or eventually college.

New Classic Singers feature four versions of 'Magnificat'

By VICKI VANDENBOS
 A&E EDITOR

- ❖ **TIME:** 8 p.m.
- ❖ **DATE:** March 1
- ❖ **PLACE:** AC, Mainstage
- ❖ **COST:** \$12/11/9



-photo courtesy of COD News Bureau
 Soloist Emily Lodine.

Four musical settings of "The Magnificat," all by different composers, make up the program for the New Classic Singer's upcoming concert.

The singers will be accompanied by the Chicago orchestra Ars Viva, who have their own concert series in various places.

Joining the singers for one piece is the mezzo-soprano soloist Emily Lodine, a Chicago vocalist who is highly respected for her mastery of all singing styles.

"She is a wonderful singer who is very much in demand," said Lee Kesselman, music director.

"The Magnificat" is also referred to as "Canticle of the Blessed Virgin Mary." It is one of three evangelical canticles found in the early chapters of the Gospel of St. Luke.

The musical settings, three in Latin and one in English, are by J.S. Bach, Arvo Part, Imant Raminsh and Gerald Finzi.

"It's an interesting program

because I have picked four works that all use the same text, but are written by much different composers. It's an interesting example of how different composers approach the same task," Kesselman said.

The oldest piece, by Bach, was written in 1725 in the Baroque style with baroque orchestra, chorus, and a number of soloists.

There is a piece by Finzi, written in the 1950s, which has a lush and romantic approach to it and a much bigger orchestra.

Part wrote his version around 1990 with no orchestra. It is a quite modern piece with an Eastern European flavor to it.

The fourth piece is by Raminsh, which was written in 1989 with a spiritual, fully orchestrated eastern chant sound.

The New Classic Singers is a professional chorus in residence at the college and is in the middle of its 15th concert season.

There will be a pre-concert lecture at 7 p.m. in the Mainstage.

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Student holds second record release party

BY VICKI VANDENBOS
A&E EDITOR

Jazz songstress and college student, Jacqueline Whithers, will feature songs from her 1997 CD "Better Than Ever" and her newest song and dance mix "Pump It Up," at her Valentine's Day Record Release Party.

The Las/Poet will be Whither's special guest, performing a short set of rap music.

"I like to give other artists a chance to be on stage, to see what it is like," Whithers said.

Her newest song, "Pump It Up," is a motivational song to make people get in the mood to dance, but exercise at the same time.

"I created 'Pump It Up' for people to get motivated to look better and feel better about themselves. The beat just makes you want to dance and I wanted to come up with something positive," Whithers said. "My goal is to have it played in dance and exercise clubs."

Whithers recently went through a change herself, losing 30 lbs. because she realized she didn't like herself anymore. "After my sister died of cancer, I knew that I needed to feel

❖ TIME: 8 p.m.
❖ DATE: Feb. 14
❖ PLACE: Burlington Espresso Cafe, 16 East Hinsdale Ave., Hinsdale

better about myself, and I do. Now I want to help other people do the same thing," Whithers said.

For the past six years, Whithers has been singing jazz actively in clubs and coffee houses around Chicagoland. She is also her own manager and agent.

She presently has two produced and written songs that have been played on the radio station WGCI, Chicago, "Black Sparrow" and "Hear My Cry."

She plans to go back in the studio to do two more songs and combine all of her songs on one CD.

This past year Whithers decided to attend college and take some music and backstage theater classes.

"I wanted to reach my goal higher as a performer by learning every aspect of being onstage. I wanted to know how things worked backstage, such as makeup and set-up," Whithers said.

Aside from her singing career, she is also in the middle of making an exercise video called



—photo courtesy of Jacqueline Whithers

Jazz Songstress Jacqueline Whithers.

"Pump It Up" and writing a book, "Struggles of a Jazz Songstress."

She has also been featured as an extra in a few movies, such as "The

Package" and "The Howard Beach Story."

Also, she had a part in the soap opera "Grays of Naperville" and did some modeling in the past.



Public Radio From
College of DuPage

BY VICKI VANDENBOS
A&E EDITOR

■ WDCB presents live jazz two nights a week at the Chicago Blue Note, 1550 N. Rand Rd., Palatine. (847) 776-9859

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Stuntman puts on show for family series event

EDITED BY VICKI VANDENBOS
A&E EDITOR

❖ TIME: 2 p.m.
❖ DATE: Feb. 23
❖ PLACE: SRC 2800
❖ COST: \$3.50

The thrill of a circus condensed into a one-man show is just a hint of what the next Family Series event will include with Bobby Hunt, also known as "The Prop Comic/Stuntman" and "Circus Boy."

His titles are well-deserved with the list of stunts and tricks he attempts, including ladder balancing, trick BMX bicycling, upside down juggling and fire eating.

Hunt currently tours in festivals throughout the world and performs at over 300 colleges annually. He has performed for former presidents Jimmy Carter and Richard Nixon, with James Brown, as an opening act for Harry Anderson, Jackie Mason and Billy Ray Cyrus.

This event starts off the Student Activities Program Board's events for the Winter Quarter. Tickets are available in advance at the Student Activities Box Office.



—photo courtesy of COD News Bureau

Cameron Feagin, left, and Doug MacKechnie rehearse a scene.

Ensemble presents 'The Living'

EDITED BY VICKI VANDENBOS
A&E EDITOR

The powerful tale of London during the Black Plague of 1665, Anthony Clarvoe's "The Living," will be brought to the Arts Center in the Buffalo Theatre Ensemble's next set of performances.

"The Living" is a historical drama that draws insight into the AIDS crisis of today. Even though it portrays the suffering, misery and cowardice of many people during the crises that killed a fourth of London's population, the play also displays the heroism of others who tried to fight back.

Clarvoe based this work on actual diaries and official documents in order to make a more accurate reenactment of events.

❖ TIMES: 8 p.m. on Thurs.-Sat.; 2 p.m. on Sun.
❖ DATES: Feb. 21-March 16
❖ PLACE: AC, Theatre 2
❖ COST: \$16/15

The issues in this play include euthanasia, government indifference, and the isolation of the sick and dying.

Buffalo Theatre Ensemble's production of "The Living" will be fully staged and costumed, with costume design by Joanne Witzkowski Kalec and set design by Michael Moon.

This production is directed by Ann Shanahan and the stage manager is Rob Wilson.

There will be a special preview performance at 8 p.m. on Feb. 20 in AC Theatre 2. The ticket price for this preview is discounted to \$12.

STUDENT-RUN ART GALLERY

BODY ART

The Student-Run Art Gallery is pleased to announce its first exhibition about the human figure in art, called "BODY ART." The exhibition will run from March 11 - 21. An opening reception for the artists is scheduled from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. on March 11. Music and refreshments will be provided and all are welcome to attend.

"BODY ART" is open to all currently registered students of COD. The theme for this exhibition is to feature artwork that uses the human figure as its subject matter. All media are eligible for entry. Students are encouraged to look for entry forms in the Arts Center Office 208, and in AC 159-160.

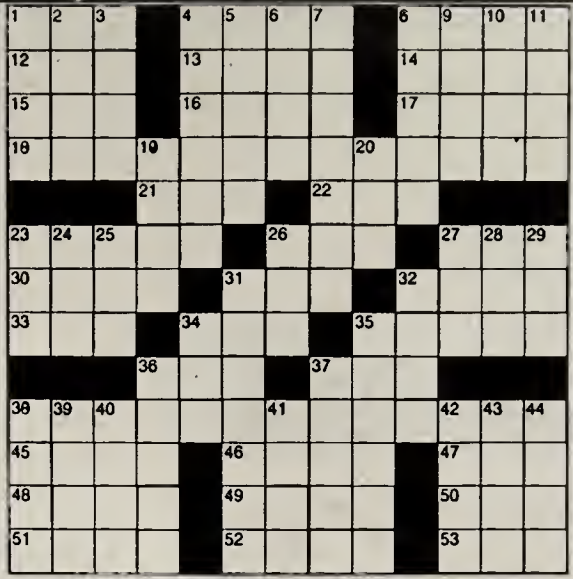
The premise for the Student-Run Art Gallery is to provide an alternative exhibition space for the student artwork at the college. The gallery's exhibitions are organized and run by the students, (with supervision provided by the school's art faculty).

For information, call Charles Boone at (630) 942-2477 or Teresa J. Parker at (630) 942-2800 x5312.

King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 4.0, optimal-ly; abbr.
- 4 Physical rebuff
- 8 Air pollution
- 12 Moon vessel
- 13 Picket
- 14 Bleacherites' choreography
- 15 Mined-over matter?
- 16 Make-up artist
- 17 Stopover en route to Casablanca
- 18 Racetrack area
- 21 U.K. ref. bk.
- 22 Not only that, but
- 23 Strips in the kitchen
- 26 Moose's cousin
- 27 Comic actor Carrey
- 30 Frenzied
- 31 Catcher's place?
- 32 Faithful pooch
- 33 Card-table call
- 34 Lawyer's due
- 35 Navaho dwelling
- 36 Cannon
- 37 Baste
- 38 Fair
- 45 Family member
- 46 Unrestrained
- 47 Prevent



- 48 Box-office tally
 - 49 High point
 - 50 Equi-
 - 51 Commotions
 - 52 Graphite, some way
 - 53 Margery of rhyme
- ### DOWN
- 1 Firefly's tip-off
 - 2 Gilpin of "Frasier"
 - 3 So be it
 - 4 Peevish temper
 - 5 Scottish estate owner
 - 6 "Sad to tell..."

- 7 Bedsheet fabric
- 8 Victim to the pen
- 9 Playwright Connelly
- 10 Ellipse
- 11 Barry or Kelly
- 19 Recess
- 20 Squid squirt
- 23 Satchel
- 24 Chartres chum
- 25 Oppositionist
- 26 CBS emblem
- 27 Leprechauns' dance
- 28 Actress Lupino
- 29 Calendar abbr.
- 31 Subscription
- 32 Chicks and ducks and geese
- 34 Cat coat

- 35 Ran
- 36 Microsoft founder
- 37 Alabama city
- 38 It's a long story
- 39 Campus area
- 40 Golden Rule word
- 41 "Galloping dominoes"
- 42 Footnote abbr.
- 43 Houston acronym
- 44 Wax

Doll Face by Erik Stokke



Rabid



Floating Head by Cuitla Huezo



Natasha's Stars

Aries (March 21 to April 19)

Get out and visit those friends you haven't seen in a while. You're at your best presenting new ideas. However, some find themselves dealing with evasive types who are less than open. Toward the end of the week, you're ready for some much needed rest and relaxation.

Taurus (April 20 to May 20)

It's a great week for meetings with bankers and with real estate professionals if you're looking for a change in residence. Career interests go well generally. This weekend, avoid spending too much money on frivolous pursuits.

Gemini (May 21 to June 20)

Couples should try to spend some quality time together this week, even if you need to take a day off to do so. Some soul-searching is in order. You've been a bit inflexible with some people and overly critical of others.

Cancer (June 21 to July 22)

You make an early start this week to get a jump on the competition which has been breathing down your neck of late. Keep your eye open for new opportunities. Use discretion if discussing financial matters with an overly talkative friend.

Leo (July 23 to August 22)

You need some time alone this week to mull over personal concerns. Later in the week, it's a good time for shopping and gadding about.

Virgo (August 23 to September 22)

Parents should seek out teachers and set up meetings this week. Partners are in synch, but you're bogged down with niggling details at work. Don't get caught up with

inconsequential matters this weekend.

Libra (September 23 to October 22)

Early in the week, career developments are positive. Later in the week, you're running into a few obstacles to your progress. Special attention should be paid to details, especially when tending to domestic chores this weekend.

Scorpio (October 23 to November 21)

You're intrigued by a fascinating cultural interest this week. Higher-ups are feeling slighted, so be sure to show proper respect. This weekend, a compromise is in order on the social scene.

Sagittarius (November 22 to December 21)

Leisure interests are highlighted this week. Some take up a new hobby, while others meet with an exciting romantic possibility. Over the weekend, while out and about, avoid spending too much money.

Capricorn (December 22 to January 19)

You make acceptable progress at work. However, a family member feels you're not being attentive enough and makes more demands for your time. Make an effort to reach to this person over the weekend.

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The research you do on an investment concern leads you to correct conclusions. Behind-the-scenes moves are best in business as you execute a low profile. Guard your tongue over the weekend.

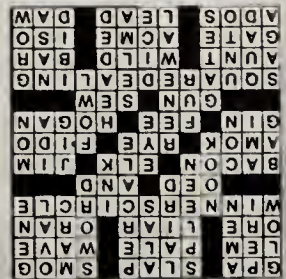
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Lady Chaps keep win streak alive, demolish Joliet



Center Melissa Ferris shoots from under the basket in Tuesday night's blowout of the Joliet Wolves. -photo by Alex Engelke

By JIM FROHNAPFEL
STAFF WRITER

The Lady Chaps are drawing attention as the team stretched its unbeaten streak to nine games with victories Feb. 8 at Illinois Valley 55-54 and a 76-37 blowout of Joliet on Feb. 11.

A 20-4 overall record (7-2 in conference, first place) resulted in a number three ranking in the NJCAA Feb. 11 poll. Additionally, COD is recognized as third best nationally in defense, yielding only 47 points per game.

The team's success has been predicated upon its stringent defense, which head coach Earl Reed and assistant coach Beth Mitchell preach in practice sessions.

The instruction provided by the coaching staff was deflected by Reed, however; he chooses to laud his players: "The success of the team is due to the hard work from the kids. This team isn't all that different than any other team. Things just worked out well, as in the opponent's strengths against ours, and how much the kids want to do well."

The Feb. 8 contest was a tense battle with the score teetering back and forth in a showdown for first place. Illinois Valley has been called the toughest opponent this year by Mitchell, and the game itself proved she was correct.

In the first half both teams answered their opponents baskets by draining their own shots. Illinois Valley was able to push ahead by four points with 1:25 remaining before halftime; then, seven unan-

swered points left COD down at a critical time in the contest.

The lady cagers emerged "really pumped up and played with a lot of emotion" as the second half began, according to Mitchell. With three minutes elapsed, the team's effort resulted in the affair being even. Play then followed the pattern of the majority of first half action, and with 30 seconds left in regulation COD had possession and an opportunity to grasp victory.

The lady cagers committed seven turnovers, but due to a strong defensive stand, Illinois Valley missed its shot, then fouled Catherine Hull, and Hull faced the front end of a one on one, meaning she had to make her first attempt in order to shoot again. Hull's shot was good; on the subsequent miss COD was able to snatch a rebound and victory was therefore assured.

The second game Feb. 11 was altogether different. COD dominated throughout the game and everyone had a hand in the victory.

Mitchell pointed out that the only player who didn't score, Kellee Robertson, "was drained from her superb job of guarding one of the top Region IV scorers in Illinois Valley's Keisha Barefield.

The Lady Chaps more than doubled the score against Joliet, leading 35-21 at halftime, then went on to burn the Wolves 74-37.

Tammy Smith was the leading scorer with 17 points and Melissa Ferris followed with 14.

The team has four games remaining before the March 8 Region IV tournament. In the week ahead, South Suburban and Triton will try to trip up the nationally ranked lady cagers.

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- Bowling (See Sevan Sarkisian)
- Swimming (See Steve Murray)

Swimmers qualify for Nationals

By **JIM FROHNAPFEL**
STAFF WRITER

Fourteen swimmers among the 23 on the coed roster have qualified for the NJCAA swim meet March 5-8. They will compete despite an as yet undetermined showing in the Region IV swim meet next weekend.

Those who did not qualify however, must either win an event or equal the twelfth best time from last year's NJCAA meet in order to qualify this year.

As impressive as 14 of 23 swimmers qualifying is, up to 18 men and women can qualify (divers count as half) according to Al Zamsky, the retired former swimming coach of COD who now assists first year head coach Steve Murray.

With the regular season winding down, Chaparral

swimmers experienced success in three swim meets. A fourth meet, the triangular at IIT on Jan. 29 was cancelled due to the pool's unavailability.

The Feb. 1 Triton Invitational provided tough competition for DuPage. North Central, IIT, Lincoln and Triton participated in the competition. COD's men finished third and the women finished fourth.

Individually, All American David Kinsella won in the 200 and 500 freestyle; Holly Illa won in the 50 freestyle; and other swimmers who placed within the top three included Mark Jastrzab, Scott Woodbury and Amber Titus.

Triton joined COD and Lincoln at the Lincoln swim meet on Feb. 7. The DuPage men emerged victorious and the women finished second.

Eureka College hosted eleven schools at a Feb. 8 meeting where both the men and women placed third.

"At this swim meet North Central was representative of upper level schools, whose number two and three swimmers are stronger than ours in some events," Murray said.

Murray went on to explain that while the team's winning is important, the overriding concern is for each swimmer to do as well as possible.

Murray's analogy is as follows: "Swim meets are not like a basketball game. The swimmers are not only swimming against the same opponents (in some of the meets) but they are also trying to qualify for the Nationals (NJCAA)

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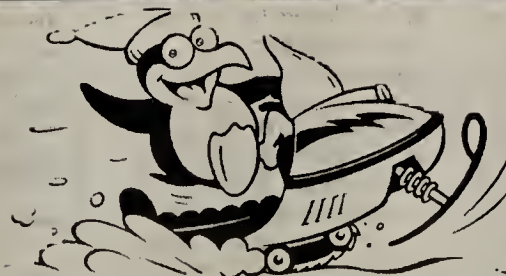
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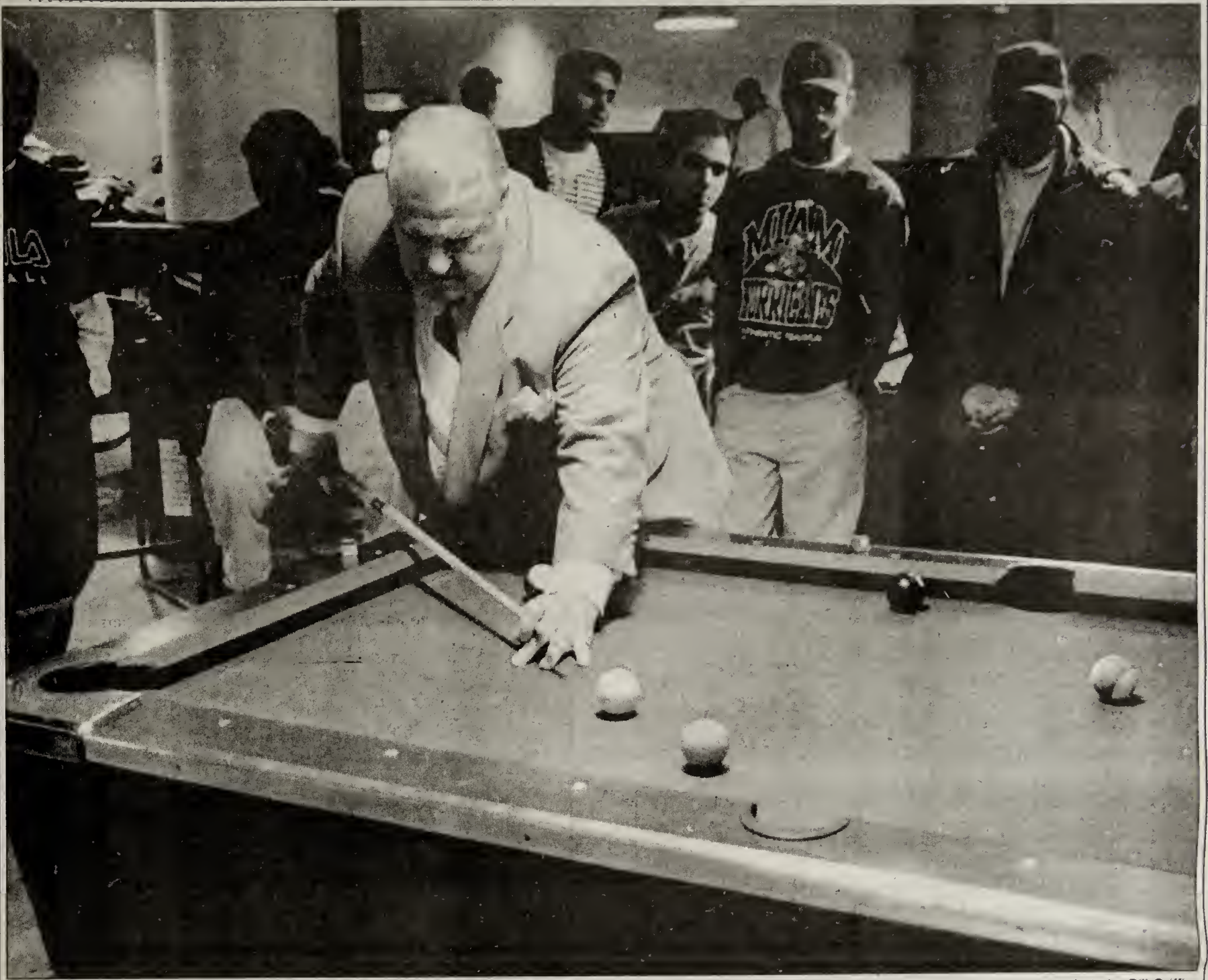
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Renowned pool player Jack White lines up a shot as he exhibits his skills in Tuesday's demonstration to students.

Pool tournament popular with students

BY ASIM IFTEKHAR
SPORTS EDITOR

Pool and billiards player extraordinaire Jack White returned to COD this past week to entertain and host the sixth annual Jack White 8-ball Tournament, dubbed Poolology 101.

The popular, world renowned pool expert is visiting the college as part of his annual 220-day tour of colleges, universities, youth organizations and other venues the world over.

White can lay claim to impressive credentials, including being the only pool player to be invited to play at the White House, Air Force One, appearances on countless TV shows and in magazines and his consistent appearances at institutions for over 30 years.

The 65-year-old White comes from a family of pool and billiards players and has been playing since the age of eight, when he was first introduced to billiards.

According to White, he continues to accept invitations to play at colleges because he enjoys the company.

"I like playing with the kids, I've been doing it for over 30 years," White said.

"I'll probably die playing pool someplace."

White has played in over 120 countries, including in war zones and in certain locations that have fascinated him more than others.

White said playing in Columbia was the most entertaining because the people were friendly and it was a fun experience for him.

Participants and spectators thronged to the Student Activities recreation area in SRC 1750 starting Feb. 10 to play for supremacy in pre-arranged brackets. The game was 8-ball pool, with a specific set of 19 rules which players were informed of before hand.

Interested students were allowed to impulsively walk in and sign up until Tuesday, when they were assigned to a bracket on the spot. Players had to win best of five games to advance to successive rounds where they assumed colorful nicknames including Clark Kent, Skywalker and Big Foo.

After the first round of play which ended Tuesday, 14 men and three women were left to contend in round robin format. The players played every other person in the tournament, and the resultant winner

was the participant with the best overall record. The top three finishers won prizes, including a cue and a case.

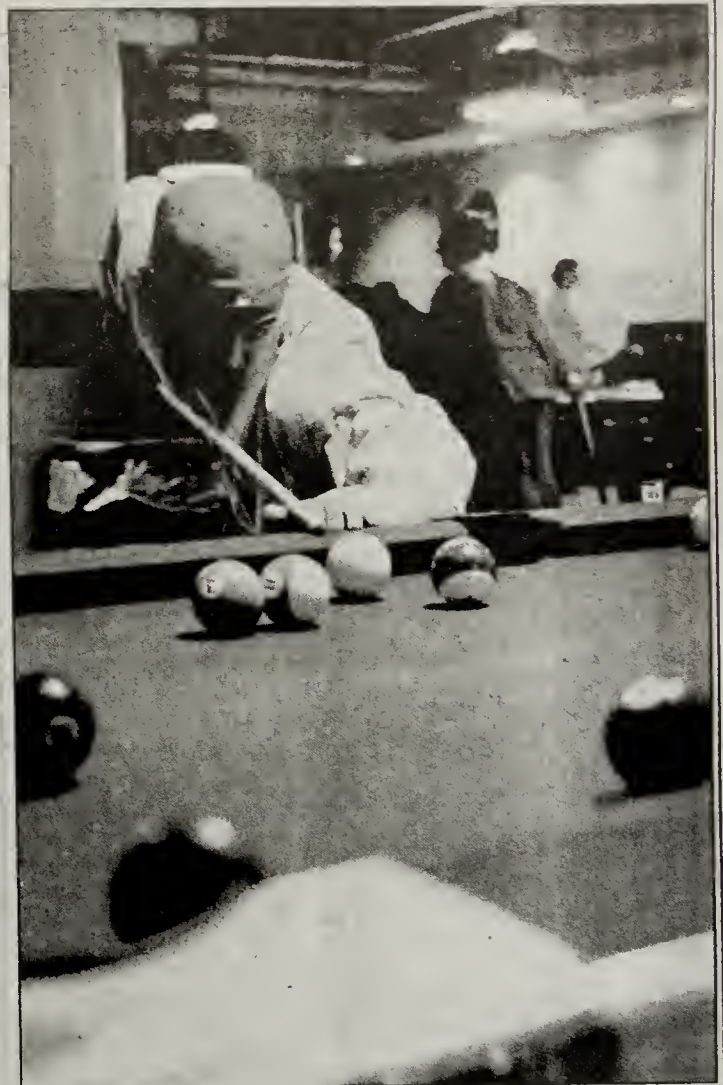
Signing up for the tournament in advance yielded the advantage of a free game of pool every week until the tournament, allowing campus pool sharks to further hone their skills before the actual competition.

"If you see Jack bragging or talk about his skills while playing, I tell you he can back it all up," said Fred Ollada of student activities.

Ollada and his staff has spent the past few weeks publicizing the event around the recreation area and all over campus using large yellow posters advertising Poolology 101 with Jack White's "university credentials."

The publicity paid off for the frequently quiet, unused facilities of student activities. The din from the event could be heard out in the halls of the SRC, as the game room was filled to capacity. Many participants had to wait their turn to play, when normally most of the tables are open with no waiting.

Jack White will play the men's and women's champions today in the fishbowl, then demonstrate trick shots for the crowd.



-photo by Bill Griffin

Defending men's champion Alain Juridico concentrates intently before taking the shot.

Chaps snap losing streak, beat Joliet

BY ASIM IFTEKHAR
SPORTS EDITOR

The COD men's hoops team convincingly snapped a five game conference losing streak Feb. 11 after a 85-72 blowout of a powerful Joliet team.

The Chaps looked refreshed and the atmosphere was charged with enthusiasm from the crowd as the men's squad followed up the women's blowout game with a crushing defeat of Joliet. With the victory, the Chaps ended a slide that began with a loss to the very same Joliet team on Jan. 21.

In victory, the team has achieved both retribution and proven that it is back to playing in the intimidating form it was in when it began conference play in first place at 3-0. The team is now 4-5 in the N4C and 11-4 overall.

"There was a lot of energy on the floor and the defensive intensity really helped," said Head Coach Don Klaas.

"There was nice movement on both ends of the court, but we did a number of things right that enabled us to win," he continued.

The Chaps manhandled the Wolves right from the tipoff, maintaining a slim lead that the team yielded only once in the first half, going down 24-23. The Chaps came out of halftime to continue the duel and capitalized on Joliet's mistakes, and the team's consistent effort and support from the bench resulted in the Chaps pulling away with big plays made at the end. It was an unusual finish for a team that has grown accustomed to close games.

Scott Pold led the team with 16 points and Erasmus Baffour was second with 12. Guard Will Gaston elicited enthusiastic reactions from the crowd as he provided the spark

for many of the scoring drives.

"We were in it all the way down the stretch. The kids showed tremendous effort and that's why we won the game," Klaas said.

According to Klaas, Gaston came off the bench to make key plays and helped with many of the scoring drives of the second half.

"Our bench players and Will especially scored key points and contributed to this victory," Klaas said. "A number of people had outstanding games. Our bench came through for us and you can see why we won."

The game was an exciting one by all accounts, but the crowd pleasing win was saved for posterity as Jones Spacelink taped the game for a future showing on cable television.

"It's nice to have any of our games shown on TV, but it's always better for it to be a win that gets shown," Klaas said.

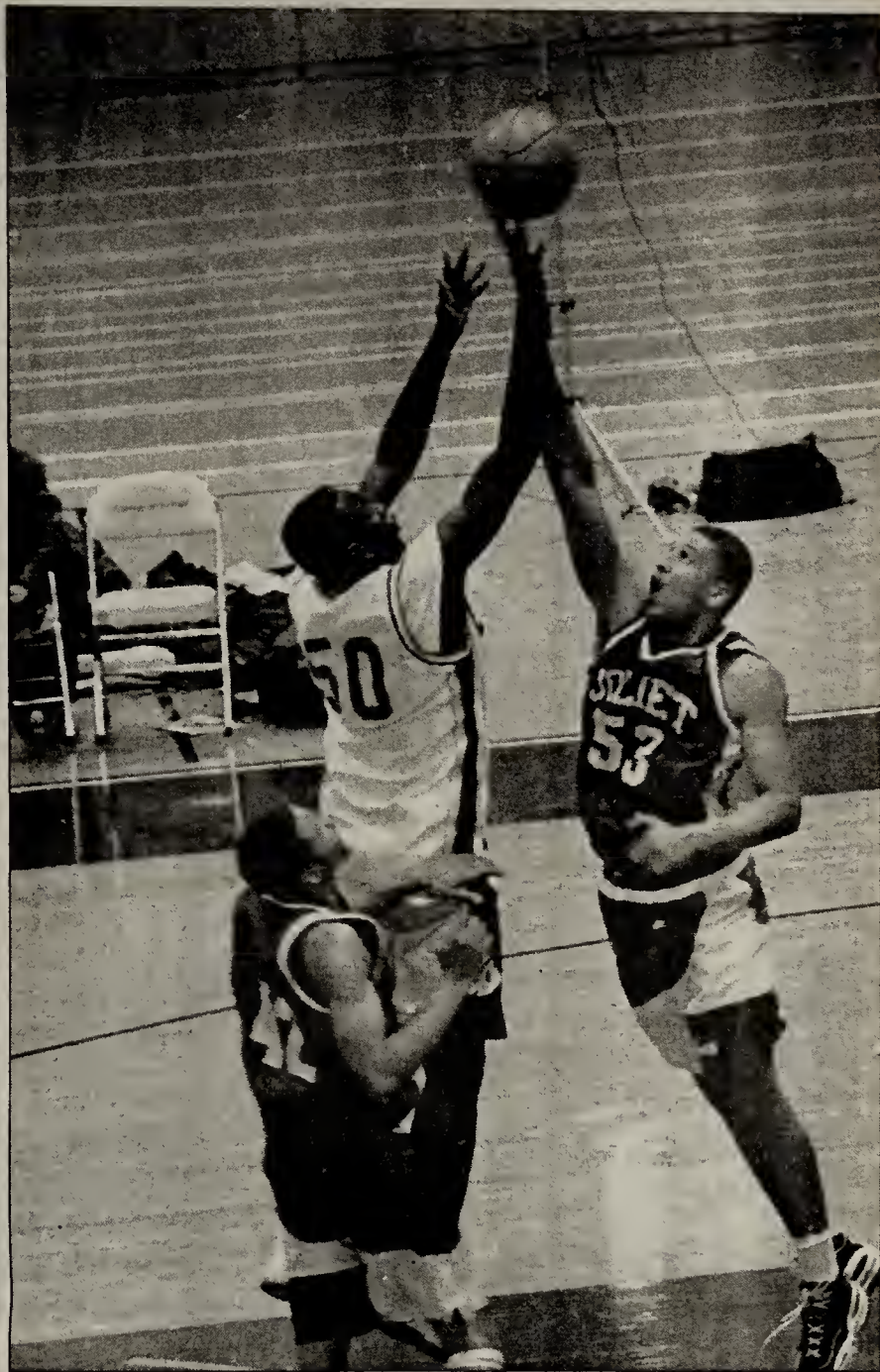
Klaas made an appearance on camera immediately following the game to discuss the highlights and answer questions. Several players including Gaston were also interviewed for the TV audience.

"It's been a frustrating year for me. I've had lots of disappointments early on in the season, but I'm really glad I stuck with it and didn't give up," Gaston said.

Gaston was often frustrated early on in the season, as he got off to a slow start, and it reflected in the amount of playing time he was getting.

"Will has been a big factor coming off the bench for us lately. He doesn't always score a lot of points, but he is a great defensive player," Klaas said.

COD's last loss came on Feb. 8 in a rematch against the Illinois Valley Apaches. The Apaches evened the score, defeating the Chaps 68-65 in a close game that went their way in the final minutes. DuPage will next play South Suburban tomorrow.



—photo by Alex Engelke

Erasmus Baffour leaps for the ball at the tipoff of the Joliet game.

Football from page 1

issues related to the funding of athletic programs were addressed, but it is normal procedure for the actual decisions to be made by the presidents.

At one point during the two hour meeting, the athletic directors were excused from the hall for half an hour then let back in just prior to the adjournment.

Triton College will also be represented and will vote at the Feb. 21 meeting, but that college dropped its own football program in the early '90's so any decision will be inconsequential to it.

According to Harper College President Paul Thompson, it was not an official meeting because it wasn't called two weeks in advance by the presidents. Thompson said that the presidents had reached a consensus that football as a conference sport probably should end, and Murphy confirmed that was the consensus reached by most of the presidents.

"It's a very emotional issue. It's hard because we have a lot of dedicated coaches doing an outstanding job to keep these programs going and it's an unsettling time for many," Miller said.

"Fiscal responsibility" and questions of the cost factor of football are cited as reasons for the decision, but when statistics about the cost effectiveness of football were requested from Meri Phillips, Director of Student Activities, she referred to Miller as the source of such information. Miller explained that exact figures and details could not be supplied, but that Football was costing \$7000 a year.

If football is eliminated as a conference sport, which is the impending decision of the upcoming meeting, it will be up to the individual colleges to actually cut their respective programs. Of the N4C schools, only Joliet and Grand Rapids have expressed definite intentions to retain their programs, despite the hardship of finding opponents to play when not part of a local conference.

Murphy said each of the schools could have unilaterally decided to withdraw, but it was felt a unified decision would be better.

"Football is among a vast array of student activities and these activities come and go all the time. In this era of tax caps and other limits of funding, we're faced with the reality of making difficult choices," Murphy said.

"In the scheme of things

for operating a community college, we have to do this all the time, add and delete," Murphy added.

According to Murphy, after well respected, long-time COD head football Coach Bob MacDougall declared his intentions to retire and requested re-assignment, he contacted the other presidents to discuss the question of continuing football.

"I thought it was a good time, because I did not want to recruit a new coach only to have us lose our program two years from now," Murphy maintained.

"We discussed the individual concerns of the colleges, the implications and issues involved. For COD, I think the factors include the cost question, because it is a costly program to maintain. The question of the large number of out of district players and how that relates to our mission, and the long term viability of the conference are issues."

According to Murphy, he has no desire to further reduce athletic programs as long as they meet the needs of local students.

"I want to assert that full-time personnel connected with our athletic programs need not fear for their positions," Murphy said.

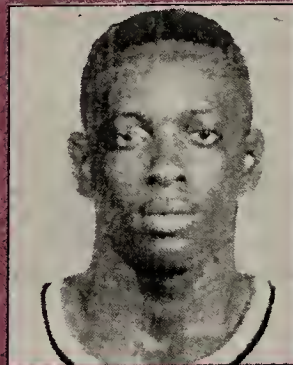
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BY ASIM IFTEKHAR, SPORTS EDITOR



Erasmus Baffour

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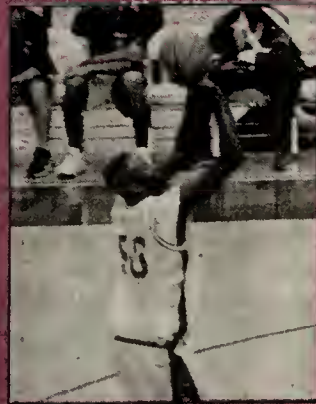
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Athlete I Most Admire: "Patrick Ewing because he is a good, aggressive big man."

My Advice to Other Student Athletes: "Work hard every day to the best of your ability and never give up."



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