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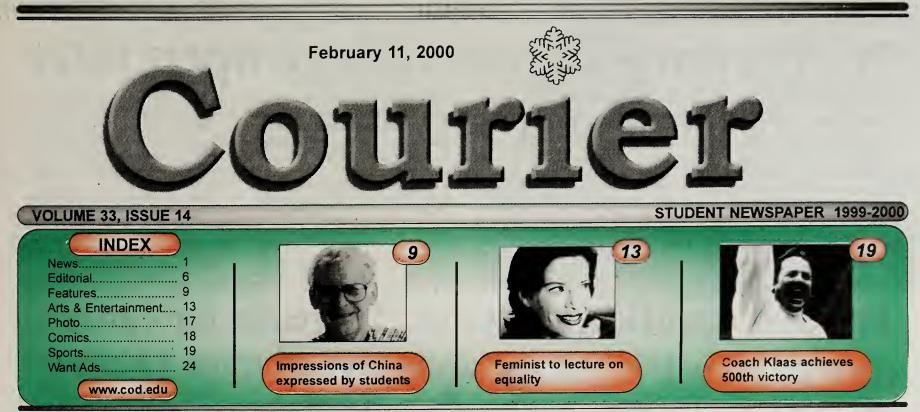
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First president dies at 87 No action

By John McCallum News Editor

The man who presided over the first 12 years of the college's existence, Dr. Rodney Berg, died in Houston Monday after a prolonged battle with heart disease. He was 87.

"He had been in failing health for about six years," said his wife, Marie Berg. She said he had openheart surgery in 1993 and never fully recovered.

Berg became president of a college without permanent buildings or a full faculty in 1966, and played a large role in creating the college over the next decade.

But many of the people who were here from the beginning will remember him as much for his treatment of the faculty and students as the tangible constructions he had a hand in.

"He gave us a lot of space. He set the policy here, which is that faculty are free in the classroom," said Mario Reda, a professor of sociology. "It wasn't an automatic thing. He laid the groundwork and was willing to take risks."

Berg was "very supportive of the whole teaching enterprise," said Barbara Lemme, a professor of psychology. "He was very tolerant of different styles of teaching."

"He really left the faculty alone. He had confidence and respect in the faculty," said Robert Bollendorf, professor of human services. "That part really lasted through all three of the presidents."

"He was a person with a good vision," said Berg's ex son-in-law, Dr. Craig Berger, artistic director for



Flags flew at half staff Wednesday in honor of Dr. Rodney Berg, the college's first president. Berg died of heart disease Monday.

No action taken on wrestling

By John McCallum News Editor

Numbers of students went before the board Wednesday to argue both for and against the reinstatement of wrestling, but trustees did not address the issue.

Trustee Micheal McKinnon, who had previously indicated that he would reintroduce a motion to restore the program, said after the meeting that board procedure prevented him from doing so. Another trustee would have to raise the issue, he explained.

Student Trustee Alice Liang expressed surprise at McKinnon's statement, saying that the board never officially adopted Robert's Rules of Order, and that McKinnon would have been free to make the motion.

McKinnon said he will not bring the matter to the board again, but would back a motion by another trustee.

Student Government president Siddhartha Khanvilkar and Brianna Abate, the representative of a student advisory committee which considers the allocation of the activities fund, both spoke against the reinstatement of wrestling.

They argued that the board would be out of line in restoring the program over the heads of the administration and the students involved in the process.

"The students I represent have nothing against wrestling, and feel it would be great to see it reinstated,"

graphic by Adomas Tautkus





"No, because its too easy to land a job at the public safety office, anyone could carry a gun."

Jon Maxwell, 24 Criminal Justice Downers Grove



"I wouldn't feel safer, if officers would carry guns or not. They should be aware of the atmosphere on campus. Any dispute could be settled without a gun."

> Dave Tirio, 20 Undecided Lombard.



"No. I hope that there is no reason for them [public safety officers] to carry guns."

Shawn Hageman, 19 Photography Elmhurst



"Yes, because as soon as someone comes here with a gun, we would've wished that Public Safety officers would have guns"

Jacqueline Kozisek, 19 Geology & Biology Glen Ellyn

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SGA senators want college open la

By John McCallum News Editor

Student senators are working for longer hours in a part of the college which may house the planned internet cafe later in the year.

The SGA Senate on Tuesday asked sen. Saliha Afridi to prepare a resolution to keep the Aquarium, a recreation area located outside the bookstore, open until midnight on most evenings.

A survey conducted by Afridi earlier in the year showed that numbers of students are unhappy with the library hours. The extended hours for the Aquarium would give these people a place to study on campus at night, Afridi said.

Student Activities Director Meri Phillips warned the Senate to consider safety issues before taking any action, saying that she wouldn't feel safe in that part of the school so late at night. Afridi's proposal mentioned the possibility of a security camera and an extra phone to public safety in the area. Phillips said she wasn't certain these would be sufficient.

Library Dean Bernard Fradkin told the SGA that extended hours in the library itself had been tried before, with little success.

The college currently closes at 11 p.m.

A gate already in place would keep

students from entering the rest of the college through the Aquarium.

The SRC North Cafe, located inside the Aquarium, might be kept open longer to accommodate students studying late, Afridi's proposal suggested.

If the SGA Senate decides to back a resolution brought by Afridi, it would have to go to Associate Vice President for Student Affairs Kay Neilson, and then to the cabinet, before taking affect, Phillips said.

Trustee candidates want more than PE, SGA vote

By John McCallum News Editor

This year's candidates for the college's student trustee come from opposite ends of the campus — one is active in athletics, the other in SGA — but both say they will run to represent all students.

Siddhartha Khanvilkar, 20, the president of SGA, and Jennifer Killham, 20, a student active in several sports teams and an aide in the P.E. building, will vie for the single student position on the board in March.

Despite their close ties to student activities and the athletics department, respectively, neither candidate expects the election to turn into a contest between the P.E. building and other student organizations.

"I try to keep in touch with a very diverse group," Killham said. Khanvilkar also said he doesn't foresee an unusually political election, pointing out that he knows Killham and will likely appoint her to an advisory committee which considers the allocation of student activities funds.

In addition to his SGA duties, Khanvilkar is active on the United Way Student, Task Force and the Service Learning Committee, and is a student ambassador.

Killham is a member of the swim team, the soccer team and the track team, and works part time in the P.E. building. Last year she served as the women's soccer team's manager, a duty she intends to repeat next season. She also volunteers at the Indian Boundary YMCA, where she belays climbers on the indoor rock climbing wall.

Khanvilkar and Killham are the only students to announce their plans to run for trustee, but election packets will still be available in the Student Activities Office until Feb. 18.

Upgrade for campus fire alarms planned

By John McCallum News Editor

The college will spend approximately \$1.2 million upgrading the East Campus fire alarm system to include audio and visual devices in every classroom and restroom.

The board of trustee approved a Downers Grove firm, Wight and Company, to help provide the upgrade.

About half of the cost is expected to come from college funds. The rest of the \$1.2 million will come from a \$237,000 capital renewal grant and a \$372,000 Americans with Disabilities Act grant from the state.

The board decided to combine

the ADA grant, which is provided by the state on the basis of the college's size, and the capital development grant in January.

The upgrade will also replace a 20 year old control panel with a microprocessor controlled system and will link each building into a common system.

Changes in the West Campus system will be delayed until decisions are reached on the college's long-term plans for those buildings.

The ADA Access-for-All grant is given in order to help pay for upgrades made necessary by state regulations.

The project will be bid through the Illinois Capital Development Board.



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Khanvilkar said. "However, to reinstate any program, it must go through the right processes and be subject to the same evaluation of all programs at College of DuPage."

He added that the board would be obligated to increase the funding to the Student Activities budget, which would likely pay for wrestling, as it does other athletics programs.

Full-time students now pay about \$70 a year toward the Student Activities Fund, which supports student organizations, athletics, and some arts center programs. The total fund amounts to some \$1.4 million.

On the other side of the issue were students Richard King and Jennifer Killham, who asked the board to restore the program, which was cancelled in 1993 due to a lack of student interest. There were two students on the team at the time.

Joyce Daley, a Villa Park trustee, also spoke in favor of the program.

"The sport of wrestling is unique," Daley said. "It offers a team setting but depends on individual efforts.

"I spent many hours talking to students, parents, teachers and administrators about wrestling, and the great majority support it," King said.

Killham, herself a member of several college sports teams and a candidate for student trustee, said she was pleased that the board heard both sides.

"At this point I'm just glad they seemed attentive," Killham said.

She had argued that money should not be the critical issue, and that wrestling could help numbers of students grow more involved in the college, which she said has a problem with student apathy.

"I think we should allow these stu-

dents to benefit from the things l have benefited from as a soccer player," Killham said.

"This issue should not be about money," she said. "Our enrollment is up, but our student life is down."

Killham also said that the faculty senate recently voted in favor of wrestling.

Faculty Senate President Sherwood Edwards, an associate professor of sociology, said that one-third of the faculty would like to see wrestling restored, according to an informal email vote.

Another third were against restoring the program; the rest favored another athletics program, Edwards said.

The results may not reflect the entire faculty's sentiment, however, as fewer than half took part in the vote. "They usually tend not to jump on straw poll votes," Edwards said.

Statements issued by the SGA and the Student Activities Fund Advisory Committee also spoke to a suggestion by McKinnon that the SGA be put in control of the Activities Fund. Both groups criticized the notion, saying that SAFAC was not created by the board and should not be altered by the board.

Though trustees did not address this issue during the meeting, McKinnon said afterwards that he considers it a dead issue.

He said he changed his mind after the current process was explained at last week's Finance Committee meeting. McKinnon had said repeatedly that students should be given control over the allocation of the fund, which is supported by student fees and the revenues of student programs.

He said he was satisfied by the level of student involvement in SAFAC,



Student Government Association president Siddhartha Khanvilkar (pictured left) addresses the board regarding wrestling and the allocation

and does not believe the board needs to interfere in the process.

He added that he would drop his push for student control over the revenues generated by the college's exclusive contract with Pepsi Cola, a contract which he had criticized for subsidizing Eurest Dining Services.

During the December meeting McKinnon said that student put the money into the machines, and should therefore control the funds.

Now he says he won't raise the matter again.

"I'm not going to fight this battle for them," McKinnon said.

The suggestion of SGA control caused a stir in both the student senate and the SAFAC sub-committee, a group which is responsible for advising the administration on the allocation of a part of the activities fund. Both groups concluded that they



of the Student Actvities budget Jennifer Killham (right) argues for wrestling.

photo by Acomas Tautkus

should look into the current allocation process, but strongly criticized the idea of complete SGA control.

President Michael Murphy also said the move would be less than prudent, citing the high turnover rate in SGA as a reason the organization would not be able to handle long-term financial decisions affecting so many areas of the college.

Richard King said he would raise the issue of bringing back wrestling at a future meeting, and will try to find another trustee to introduce the motion in McKinnon's stead.

Last month the board rejected a proposal to restore the program in a 4-3 vote after a heated argument which challenged McKinnon's procedure in introducing the motion and gender inequity, which could be increased to even higher levels by the introduction of another largely male sport.

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the Buffalo Theatre Ensemble. "He believed faculty were at the center of the community college."

That faculty was assembled by Berg in a nation wide search that helped create the diverse campus he envisioned, some faculty said.

Virtually everyone commenting on Berg agreed that behind these efforts lay a genuine dedication to students and the importance of higher education.

"From his doctoral thesis to the end of his life, students were the most important thing," Marie Berg said. "When they were going to name the Instructional Center after him, 1 think that was the highlight of his life. Just before he went to the hospice he talked to (current college president) Dr. Murphy. I think he was able to go in peace because of that."

This attitude toward learning was clear to the faculty, who recall a president who kept an open-door policy and was always willing to talk with people.

"He had an open office," Reda said. "You could just walk in. He had an aura about him, but he stayed accessible."

"He ate lunch off-campus every day, and would always invite people to go with him," Lemme said. "He would always be reaching out to other people."

Lemme came to the college in 1970 and worked with Berg as president of the faculty association and as his apprentice under the Administrative internships program, which helped some faculty study to become administrators. "I always called him 'Dr. Berg,' and he always told me to call him Rod," Lemme said. "Of course, it was a more formal era than now."

"He was, I think, the perfect person for the college at the time," Lemme said. "His leadership style allowed a lot of creative ideas to fly."

Berg became the first real national symbol of the community college as a distinct entity from the junior college, Berger said. The traditional junior college didn't reach out to the community in the way Berg did, he said.

Another legacy left by Berg is the active role the Library plays in courses offered by the college, Berger said. Librarians took an active role in teaching classes how to do research in specific areas, largely at the insistence of Berg.

Not all of Berg's ideas have come down the decades in such good shape, however.

His revolutionary "cluster college" system, praised as a remarkable innovation by some faculty and remembered as an interesting failure by others, was ended in a reorganization that followed soon after his dismissal.

The cluster college system had COD divided into a handful of smaller colleges, each with faculty from a wide range of fields.

The system allowed for an "intellectual ferment," as one professor put it, but made it difficult for people from the same discipline to work with one another.

"It never really worked," Lemme said. The separation of the faculty in different disciplines hurt the curriculum, she said. "It did mix people (from different disciplines) up.'

"I think it is unfortunate that we got rid of the cluster colleges," Berger said. "We have an extremely big college, and the faculty don't know each other." He added that he couldn't speak to the faculty perspective on this issue, as he was an administrator.

The entire college has grown less

personal since the end of the cluster colleges and the development of the modern institution, but faculty don't agree on why.

Some point to the end of the cluster colleges, and most agree that that the college feels more like a business today than it did during Berg's administration.

But that could be because of the college's age more than anything else, Lemme said.

"I think the faculty as a whole was ready for a more traditional way," she explained. "It's so big now, the per

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Dr. Barbara Hansen Lemme essor of Psychology

sonal quality is different."

Older faculty with families at home are less inclined to look for social relationships at work, she said.

"I don't think you can lay that at the door of the president," Lemme said.

As those changes began to reach the college near the end of Berg's administration he may have stopped being the best person for the job.

"As an institution evolves, it needs a different type of leadership," Lemme said. She said Berg was good at getting things started, but not at keeping things under control.

"He didn't leave under the most

positive circumstances." Lemme said. "I think we really needed someone like McAninch to come in. 1 think some of that was a product of the changes that were going on.'

Berg was fired by the board of trustees in a split vote in 1977 and left the college the following year, contemporary newspaper articles show.

His ouster came in the midst of allegations that the administration was mishandling funds and investigations by the State's Attorney's office.

The validity of the investigations and the depth of Berg's involvement in any wrongdoings are still unclear more than twenty years after the board's decision to remove him.

"There were implications of the misuse of funds, but nothing was ever proven that I know of," Berger said.

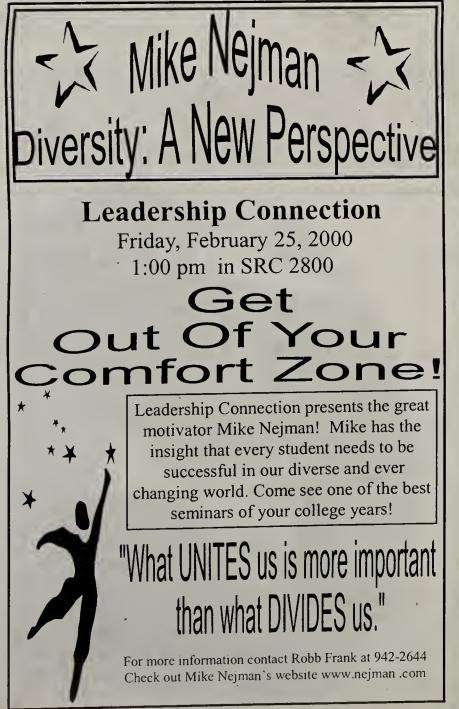
"lt's one of those huge mysteries to me," he said. "Whether he misused funds or not I don't know, and I don't think anyone knows."

A crucial moment in Berg's downfall came in a meeting between administrators and faculty following a series of reports in local paper saying that the college was misusing funds, Berger said.

In that meeting Berg was accused by a dean of not acting in the college's best interests. In an uncharacteristic show of anger, Berg asked for the dean's resignation on the spot, and received it, Berger said.

From that point on, Berg had lost the trust of the institution and couldn't carry on successfully as president, Berger said.

"Berg was always good at getting ideas going," Lemme said. "He wasn't as good at keeping on top of things. He was the perfect founding president. That takes a real special quality."





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The board of trustees holds regular business meetings on the second Wednesday of every month at 7 p.m. in the Jack H. Turner Conference center, SRC 2800 (above the bookstore). For additional information contact the board at 942-2203. All meetings listed are open to the public.

Library award

The Association of College and Research Libraries has named the library the first recipient of the Excellence in Academic Libraries Award. COD won the national award in a community college category. Also honored were North Carolina State University and Wellesley College.

Student Government

The Student Government Association (SGA) senate holds meetings on alternate Tuesdays at 7 p.m. in SRC

2085. The next meeting is scheduled for Feb. 8. SGA can be contacted at 942-2095 or in the SGA office, SRC 1550.

Study abroad

Feb. 20 is the deadline to apply for Study Abroad Scholarships for Summer 2000 programs. Applications can be picked up in the International Education Office IC 2084. Contact Nancy R. Thomas at 942-2383 for more information.

Trustee election

Student trustee election packets will be available in the Student Activities office, SRC 1800 (near the bookstore) until Feb. 18. The election will take place in March. To be eligible for the position one must be enrolled in eight or more credit hours, must reside within District 502, must be in good academic standing and must be willing to serve until April, 2001.

Police Report

Monday, Jan. 31,

Accident

The 18 year old female driver of a 1993 Chevrolet Suburban hit a 1992 Chevrolet Blazer in parking lot 8 Public safety officers estimated damage to exceed \$500.

Tuesday, Feb. 1

Lost articles

An employee in the office of Health and Special Services stated that after she picked up her new ld card on Friday, Jan. 28, she must have lost it because she could not find it anywhere.

The employee stated that the card could possibly be at her home but she wasn't sure if it was.

There were no witnesses, suspects or evidence to be reported.

Wednesday, Feb. 2,

Disorderly conduct

Lombard Police contacted public safety officers after a 22 year old female student was followed home by a 23 year old male student.

After Lombard officers talked with the suspect's father they found that the suspect

was suffering from Bi-polar disorder and hadn't taken his medication in a few days.

The victim stated that she didn't know the suspect and didn't want to sign a complaint against him at this time.

The case was recommended to be referred to Dr. Kay Nielsen, Vice President for Student Affairs, for violation of board poli-

cy.

Accident

The 20 year old male driver of a 1994 Pontiac Grand Am hit a 1992 Oldsmobile Delta 88 in parking lot 7b. Public safety officers estimated damage to exceed \$500.

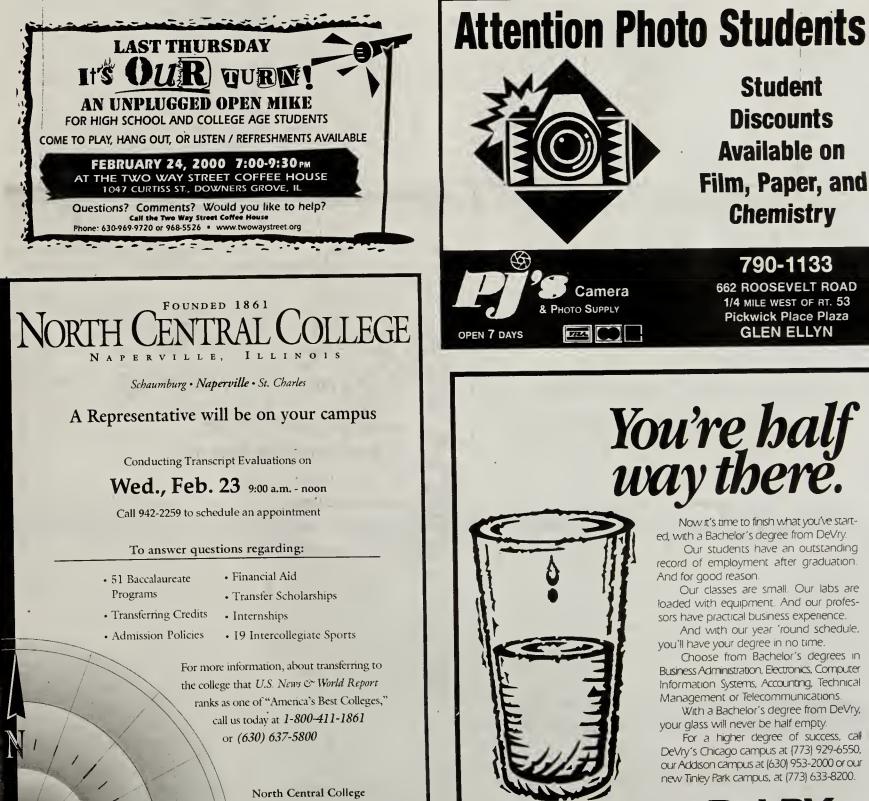
Thursday, Feb. 3,

Injured person

A 19 year old female student reported to public safety that she suffered a laceration to her right index finger and a bruise to the same finger after she got caught in a door while exiting a studio in the Arts Center.

Officers checked the area where the injury occurred but found nothing wrong with the door itself.

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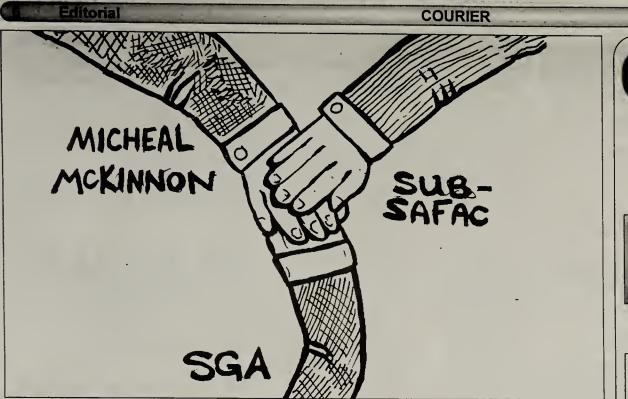
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Editorial

Student leaders voice concerns to board over possible wrestling reinstatement

No action is good action

Students! The recent barrage by certain board members to act using your tuition dollars on issues such as the implementation of a wrestling program and a SGA controlled Student Activities fund is over for now.

After last Wednesday's board meeting, *Courier* representatives talked with Trustee Micheal McKinnon, the trustee openly pushing the reinstatement of wrestling and a SGA controlled Student Activities fund, who said that he will stop pushing both issues and will only act if a motion is brought up by another board member.

Surprise, surprise, who would have thought that the board would finally listen to the students and act for the common good of all tuition paying college community members."

While it may not be clear why Trustee McKinnon changed his mind so quickly, we in the *Courier* would like to state that we feel it was due to the hard work and collaborating efforts of the Sub-SAFAC committee and all of it's including members: SGA, Forensics Team, Student Parent Co-op, Phi Theta Kappa, Student Activities Program Board and the *Courier*.

We would like to take the time to send out congratulations towards all of the students and board of trustee members who finally have seen the light and realized that any change regarding Student Activities needs to be made by the students.

During the board meeting there were several public comments made by people who were for and against the reinstatement of wrestling. The real issue was not just about wrestling, or the issues presented by Trustee Micheal McKinnon. No. The real issue is that the board realized they had over stepped their boundaries in the past by not just making policy but "micro-managing" the policy they make.

The board did the "right thing" on Wednesday night by not reinstating wrestling. This recent meeting showed that the trustees do care about the current student organizations who do need more money for their programs.

We in the *Courier* see the lack of trustee interest in wrestling at this latest board meeting as a victory for all tuition paying students out there.

As we have said in the past, we do not hate wrestling, but if the board decided to reinstate wrestling, the Student Activities Fee Advisory Committee (SAFAC) would have had to figure out a way to pay for a new program while the current financial needs of already emplaced student programs would have to be pushed back and dealt with at an even later time.

We want to give kudos out to all of those members of SGA and the Sub-SAFAC committee who stood in front of the board and told them the real truth about student funding. Thank you. Thanks for all the work and time it took for you to realize and fight for what is the truth and the "right thing" in this situation.

What is the truth you may ask? The truth is that students, along side with their advisers, can and have made the right budget decisions in the past.

Photopoll

What are your feelings on the board not discussing wrestling?



Renee Fish 20 Carol Stream Education

"Happy, they have given us more time to figure out how wrestling will effect us."

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Richard King 18 Villa Park Biology

"I was hoping they would give a decision today."



Brianna Abate 19 Downers Grove Speeck communication

"I was surprised, but I guess this means things are going well."



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Jennifer Killham 30 Glendal Heights Outdoor education

"Yes, I'm glad they heard us out. I believe expressing our opinion will help the board come to a decision."

Together as a collective group, the Sub-SAFAC committee, while not perfect, is able to represent all campus organizations who do receive funding from the students tuition dollars and allow students the opportunity to participate in deciding financial matters.

While this matter may seem over for now, we as a collective student union, must realize that we need to continue our efforts of letting the board know that we can get things done ourselves.

In fact, I believe this has been the first time this year the *Courier* has seen so many different groups of students come together and work to stop the fleecing of our tuition dollars.

Keep up the good work everyone and remember what Mr. McKinnon said. While he may personally be finished with pursuing this issue, he would back up another trustee if they brought about a motion to reinstate wrestling.

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Too much apathy?

By Candace Raphael **Features Editor**

Although I feel fortunate tlend a school with so many opportanities, I must admit that there some things that have bothered me.

The number of organizations offered by Student Activities and the library's hours are two things that have come to mind. Although anrelated, both point out the issue of an apathetic student body.

Back in September, I strolle." by Student Activities to find a clubs or organizations that 1 uld join. Although there is a lore list of organizations. I felt that the / ere few that applied to my own sterests.

Most of my friends are at fouryear institutions that have b than half the amount of students than we have here. Yet those colleges have lable over 100 different activities to students. Some importan. d relevant activates include Ama ty International and Habitat fo Humanity chapters.

It would be difficult for Student Activities to implement new ganizations into the college. After all, for organizations to succeed, students are needed. There is a great great sibility that in the first few years of a club or organization's existe re; there might be little interest.

Unfortunately, the lack of inderest from the majority tends to run it for those who wish to be involved in an activity that the college does not offer.

Before I exhaust that topic Eff move on to the next. The $n \rightarrow for$ longer library hours became apparent to me when I arrived at the library at 9 p.m. the day before a paper was due, only to learn that I only had an hour to find the aluable information for my paper.

I'm aware of the fact that it was my own fault for procrasting ting, but I've also noticed that other colleges in the area, such as Benedictine University, hav libraries that are open until 12 a.m. Is it wrong for me to compare a community college to a university? I find little difference when comparing the research needs of students.

It have been told that the library did change it's hours for a short time, but few students took advantage of the extra time. It's impossible that I am the only procrastinator in a school of over 30,000 students. This again points to the fact that many students simply lack the interest to cause changes at the college. Why are so many students in a general state of apathy? It wasn't always this way. In 1978, 1,386 students voted for the Student Government Senate elections. Only 401 voted during the 1999 elections. This is only a community college and students will soon transfer to a four-year institution, but like most colleges, this is a community which prepares students for future experiences. Being involved and having a voice not only gives you something great to put on your transcript, but also prepares you for any community you may be part of in the future.

Letters to the Editor

The grade grievence procedure works

Dear Editor,

1 would like to take this opportunity to promote the grade grievance procedure to all COD students who feel they were given an arbitrary or capricious grade by an instructor.

The grade grievance procedure is an excellent tool to make the teacher accountable to you for what you can demonstrate is an unjust or subjective evaluation.

The student files a written request for a grade grievance procedure in the dean's office of the respective department.

You are contacted by the assistant dean to appear at a fact finding meeting with a committee of department instructors.

You are asked questions, given time to orally present you case, and allowed to present them with written facts that substantiate your grievance. The committee speaks to the teacher privately and then as a committee make recommendations to the teacher.

The recommendation is usually followed by the instructor because his/her peers have reviewed the facts. The student is notified of the results and the assistant dean sees that the recommendation is carried out.

The grade grievance procedure is outlined in the COD catalog under student appeal procedures.

It is an especially important resource for students in the health vocational programs who have regular subjective evaluations, and can make the difference of having to wait one year to complete one course.

It can be intimidating to initiate this process, but if one feels wronged by a teacher's action it is the only way to have the teacher take responsibility and be accountable for his/her actions!

The success of this procedure will be based on your factual documentation to the committee. Be informed and be assertive.

Jeanne M. Wickey

Praise for SGA

Dear Editor,

I was greatly impressed by the SGA response to the recent Board Member Initiative to give complete control of the student budget to SGA. While an extremely seductive idea, a number of student leaders understood the political motivations behind the proposal, realized the potential for disaster inherent in it, and refused to be taken in

Over my thirty years at COD, Student Government has always held great promise, but that promise has remained largely unrealized. Over the past few years, I have noticed a growing maturity, a willingness to understand the limitations inherent in community college governance, and a realization of the absolute necessity for close collaboration with other entities at the College in order to make a difference for students.

I have been greatly impressed with what small contacts I have had with recent student leaders such as Ken Panfilio, Sidd Khanvilkar, Kevin O Kelley, Amanda Saenz, and others.

It must also be said that a significant contribution to this change has undoubtedly been made by the work that Meri Phillips, Rob Frank Mike Murphy and many others have done in the area of developing leadership. A greatly increased level of mutual respect and trust seems to have devel-

oped. My kudos to all who have contributed to this extremely positive development.

> Tom Lindblade Counselor

Holocaust Studies reply

Dear Editor,

Your last issue included an editorial advertisement (p.5) on Holocaust Studies which is a totally biased anti-Semitic opinion that questions known facts about the Holocaust and somewhat questions that it occurred.

The author, Bradley R. Smith's argument is an exercise in faulty reasoning. He either does not understand what he is writing about, or else deliberately misleads and distorts the facts and the concept of hate in order to make his points.

For example, he claims without proof that Holocaust Studies are "soaked through with fraud and falsehood" which is clearly false, according to known authorities. He suggests that the National Socialists crimes in World War II are comparable to the Democrats and Republicans which is an absurd and outrageous claim.

This is an insult to Americans as well as all the Jews who suffered in that war. He also suggests (without evidence) that Holocaust Studies continue for the profit it brings. Hardly. One could also say the same about slavery and other crimes and abuses against people.

If these kinds of claims were made about African American or Women's studies in a college newspaper, people would be outraged.

It's a shame people are not upset about these kinds of lies. It the Courier wishes to publish this type of ad, then I strongly believe that the paper should also publish an official reply from an established Jewish organization.

> Dr. Mark Maller Philosophy

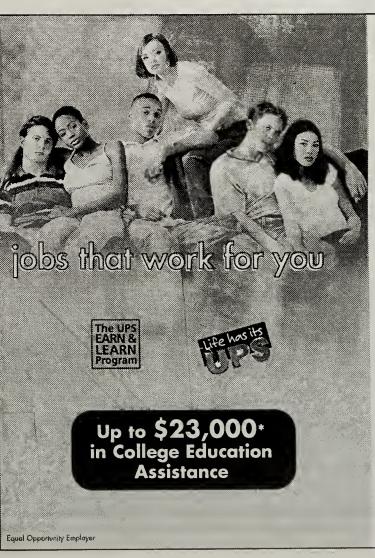
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Clubs and Organizations

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Offers practice in Aikido and social contact with other Aikido clubs. Advisor: Nancy Conradt, Ext. 3045

ALPHA MU GAMMA

COD's newest honor society which recognizes students who have achieved an outstanding record in the study of foreign language. Co-advisers: Flora Breidenbach, Ext. 2934 and Shingo Satsutani, Ext. 2019

ASSOCIATION OF EATING DIS-**ORDER PROFESSIONALS &** PREPARING PROFESSIONALS

An organization for anyone interested in the subject of Eating Disorders, body image, and nutrition. The club hopes to sponsor meetings and speakers on these subjects as well as participating in the various awareness days here on campus, such as no diet day, and the Wellness fairs.

A part of the club is also the Eating Disorders Resource Center which collect research on the subject as well as a referral source for people needing help.

Adviser: Rob Bollendorf Ext. 2071

BLACK STUDENT UNION

Promotes ethnic unity and pride. Offers Academic support and guidance. Support yourself and the African American culture by joining and collaborating thoughts with you COD peers as well as the new president Treveon Ross.

Adviser: Rollie Steele, Ext. 2033

CAMPUS ADVANCE

Devoted to fellowship, Bible study and building relationships with those who believe in living by the Bible; affiliated with the Chicago Church of Christ. Adviser: John Sullivan, Ext. 2736-

CAMPUS CRUSADE FOR CHRIST

To represent the Christian community in a culturally diverse environment, to enhance interrelation in the community and provide a safe environment for spiritual investigation. Adviser: Chuck Ellenbaum, Ext. 2433

CHI ALPHA CHRISTIAN **FELLOWSHIP**

A sprit-filled community of students joining together to experience the presence of God. We meet in SRC 1580 on Wednesdays from 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. All are welcome! Adviser: Johnnie Burrell, Ext. 2694

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Our mission is to help current and future generations develop and maintain sound mental and physical health, protect the environment and promote peaceful worldwide relations.

Adviser: Richard Voss, Ext. 2016

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One of the most successful and recognized co-curricular programs on campus, the forensics (speech) team is open to anyone interested in improving speaking skills and performing literature.

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Provides opportunities for students learning desktop pre-press through print production: club members arrange meetings, speakers, field trips and tours of printing companies.

Adviser: Shaun Dudek, Ext. 2040

GREAT COMMISSION STUDENTS

A christian club committed to loving God and helping fulfill the Great Commission by winning, building, training and sending disciples of Iesus Christ. Advisers: Linda Fisher, Ext. 54094 and Steve Havens, Ext. 53242

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A community of COD students learning to love God and each other. We meet at 7p.m. Thursdays in 1046 SRC for praise and worship, teaching and social time. E-mail us at CODI-VCF@hotmail.com. Adviser: Kent Richter, Ext. 3404

INTERIOR DESIGN STUDENT SOCIETY

Supports the interior design program with technical seminars, professional networks and student events.

Adviser: Ann Cotton, Ext. 3081

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS ORGANIZATION The International Student

Organization is a student run, duesfree group whose primary purpose is to provide a support network for international students.

We encourage participation by U.S. students as well as faculty, staff and the community.

We do are social gatherings, weekly meetings, trips to museums and restaurants, mentoring and free academic assistance and book scholarships. Adviser: Kim Still, Ext. 3328

JAPANESE CULTURE CLUB

The Japanese culture club is an educational club which examines Japanese popular culture through books, movies and other media. We examine how the Japanese and American cultures influence each other. We also serve as a support group for the Japanese language classes by running study sessions. Adviser: Shingo Satsutani, Ext. 2019

LATINO ETHNIC AWARENESS ASSOCIATION

Encourages awareness of the past, present and future of Hispanic culture and offers speakers, field trips and other programs.

Adviser: Michelle Roman, Ext. 3039

LESBIAN, GAY, BI-SEXUAL, TRANSGENDER STRAIGHT ALLIANCE

We meet every first and third thursday of the month from 7-9p.m. and can be reached at LGBTSA@hotmail.com for details on room numbers and topics for discussion that evening.

Adviser: Greg Wilson Ext. 55866

RENCONTRES: FRENCH CLUB

Meets the first Friday of every Month at 12:30 p.m. in a local restaurant to speak French and only French.

Adviser: Jeffrey Fox

MODEL UNITED NATIONS

The Model United Nations Club helps students to learn in a fun way about international problems and the UN. The main activity of the club is to prepare for conferences that simulate the United Nations and in which the club represents a country. Students will travel to conferences (e.g. New York and Chicago) and usually only pay for meals. Adviser: Chris Goergen, Ext. 2012

MUSLIM STUDENT ASSOCIATION

Encourages Muslim fellowship, scholarly discussions of Islam and outreach to the college community; hosts guest speakers, town square meetings and panel discussions; provides daily prayer on campus. Adviser: Misty Sheehan, Ext. 3408

THE NEWMAN CLUB

Is a Catholic organization that enables students to ponder their spirituality through programs such as Newman Video Series, retreats and volunteering. Advisers: Tom Tipton, Ext. 2570 and Nancy Wajler, Ext. 2230

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PSI BETA

Psi Beta is devoted to scnolarship, education, and community service in the field of Psychology. We sponsor career presentations, attendance at psychology conferences, and various community service and educational projects.

Psi Beta also offers the opportunity to interact with faculty and other students interested in psychology outside of the classroom. Adviser: Ken Gray, Ext. 2223

PSI SIGMA CHI

A club for students and non-students with disabilities who get to share and discuss their feelings with others.

Possible discussion or presentation topics for the fall quarter are self esteem, personal relationships, test taking strategies or other ideas. Advisers: Jocelyn Harney, Ext. 3325

SCI-FI / FANTASY CLUB

Provides a forum for members to share and engage in activities including books, movies, television, comics, role-playing games related to the worlds of science fiction and fantasy. During Winter Quarter the club will be meeting in IC 2107. Adviser: James Allen, Ext. 3421

STUDENT ACTIVITIES PROGRAM BOARD

Students create and organize events COD students, including international programs, special events and family programs. Adviser: Shannon Hernandez, Ext. 3054

STUDENT EDUCATION ASSOCIATION

The Student Education Association is open to students who want to become teachers. Meetings take place the first Tuesday of every month. The association is also connected with the National Education Association. Adviser: Holly Bartunek, Ext. 2503

STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION (SGA)

The SGA was formed to preserve and protect student rights, interests and opinions; represents the student view to the administration, publishes Student Survival Guide Adviser: Robb Frank, Ext. 2644

STUDENT NURSES **ASSOCIATION CLASS OF 00** Enhance communication among

nursing students; sponsors fund raisers for Freshman Recognition and Sophomore Pinning Ceremonies: Provides input to faculty. Adviser: Rita Bobowski, Ext. 2204

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Student can contact us at codlug@yahoo.com or visit http://clubs.yahoo.com/clubs/codlug. Adviser: John Partacz, Ext. 2799

arship; an intellectual climate for the exchange of ideas; full membership requires students to meet specific academic standards. Letters of invitation are sent quarterly. Adviser: Shannon Hernandez, Ext. 3054

STUDENT / PARENT CO-OP (CHILD CARE) Provides childcare for students with children between the ages of three and five while the student is in class. In addition to a nominal fee,

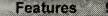
parents contribute by working with

Adviser: Val Burke, Ext. 2154

the professional staff.

Club information submission forms must be turned in to the Courier office in SRC 156O, no later than Friday noon prior to publication. Contact the Courier office at Ext. 2683 or stop by the office in SRC 1560 to pick up forms.

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The entrance to the Forbidden City in Beijing was just one of the historical landmarks visited.



Ray Berndtson poses in front of a scenic landscape in China.

Different impressions of China

By Candace Raphael **Features Editor**

Freedy Nang and Ray Berndtson both went on a trip to China last August with a group of students and Professor Jane Wu, but both brought back different perspectives of the country and it's people.

The trip was a comparative approach to study the history and development of China. Last year, 24 students and two leaders traveled through China for a trip that lasted for 20 days and included stops at some of China's famous land-

marks.

Cities included on the trip was the ancient capital of Xian, the modern-day capital of Beijing, and Shanghai.

Another interesting trip within the trip included a cruise down the Yangtze, the third-largest river in the world, and through the three gorges of China.

The travelers also took a cruise along the Li river in Guilin and were able to view the lime-

stone peaks that have inspired Chinese painters for many years.

"We also visited the Great Wall of China, which is the only man-made structure that can be seen from the moon," Wu said.

The travelers were all very different people, ranging in age from 24 to 72 years old. The different backgrounds of Nang and Berndtson, in part, accounts for the different impressions they brought back with them.

Ray Berndtson

Ray Berndtson is a 71-year-old retired businessman, who has taken many classes at the college, including most of the Asian-related classes offered. His interest in China started many years ago and has increased over the past 10 years.

"The history of China is very interesting to me," Berndtson said.

Berndtson is especially interested in the political aspects of China's history and is eager to discuss the fall of China in 1911 until World War II and the birth of the communist party.

This is especially relevant to Berndtson, who enlisted in the service during World War II. He had also visited two years ago and has noticed many changes. He is impressed with everything China has become since World War II.

This is only one of the impressions that Berndtson brought back with him. He believes that the age mix of the group allowed for many interesting experiences because everyone had something to share with the group.

Berndtson feels that Jane Wu was an integral part of the trip because of the many things she could show and tell the group. Berndtson claims that the group was able to have a different kindof experience because of Wu.

Jane Wu was born and raised in Shanghai, so we were able to see things that tourists don't see. She also encouraged us to talk to the people," Berndtson said

Watching and speaking to the people was actually the most impressive to Berndtson. He also points out that most of the people he met spoke English.

"We were able to explore and talk to various people. The young people grabbed my attention most. I think that they are really the representatives of modern China," Berndtson said.

Berndtson found that the young people were very proud of their country. He also realized that the quality of life for them has greatly improved.

"The women now have the ability to do whatever they want. That wasn't an option before World War II," Berndtson said.

It was also interesting that Berndison never heard a Chinese person say a bad thing about the United States.

We went on the trip right after the US blew up the Chinese embassy in Belgrade. I was surprised by this and it taught me that we should engage

Freedy Nang

Freedy Nang decided to go on the trip because he has never been to China and was interested in seeing the country of his ancestors.

Nang is a physisit who works for University of Arizona and is stationed at Ferme lab. This is his second year of taking Chinese language classes with Professor Jane Wu.

"I decided to take Chinese because both of my parents are Chinese and it's always been a bit embarassing not being able to speak it," Nang said. He heard of the China trip in class and decided to take the oppurtunity.

Nang was born in Costa Rica and came to the US in 1984. He had never thought to search for his roots until he came to this country.

Reflecting on his trip to China, Nang can set aside the two things that stayed with him after he returned home.

"One thing that impacted me was the way Chinese people view our country. When Americans refer to communism, we refer to it as one entity, when in reality there are many different factions," said Nang.

Nang spoke to many Chinese people shortly after the US bombed the Chinese embassy in Belgrade.

"When they spoke of the US, they blamed the incident on the entire country when a large portion of the country and it's officials are not always aware of these things," Nang said.

Another incident that Nang remembers is whenhe and two other students went out at night in the city of Xian. They went to a local bar where the beer was very inexpensive compared to the prices he had encountered in restauraunts. After the bar, the three went to a crowded disco in downtown Xian. All the customers were Chinese, but the price of the beer was 10 times more

It was obvious to Nang, that because of the economic policies, many people were becoming increasingly wealthier.

"Yet we saw other people in the country that were extremely poor. There was a large discrepancy between the rich and the post" Nang said.

As part of the trip, the group met in a classroom setting three times to recieve literature and listen to lectures about the things that they were to

visit. Receiving poetry about the places they visites and then seeing them in person was very important to Nang, "It gave me an incruible feeling to see some of the things we had read

people around the world rather than beat them because they're different. I think that the trip really fortified this," Berndtson said. What shays vive i in Berndt and mind are the faces of the children he met

and spoke with in China.

"they were just like an children of the world. They set to a 20 be very kived and happy." Bornet series d benefision hopes that infrees series advantage of the travel opportunities at the college. File claims that he would like to take the trip many more times if he take the chance.

about," Nang said.

When asked what his favorite stop of the tour was, Mang said that it was Guilin with it's natural beauty that impressed him the most. "Before we left for the trip, we had seen a study about it and I was very eager to see it. It ended up exceeding my expectations. Whenever I tell people about my trip. I tell that if they visit one thing in Chana, it should be Guttin.

The Great Wall of China.

All photographs by Ray Berndtson

Global Flicks

Global Flicks will be showing a film entitled, "The Official Story," from Argentina. It will be shown in the Arts Center Room 153 at noon and 7:30 p.m. on Feb. 16. For more information, call the International Education office at (630) 942-3078 or Rudolf Strahl at (630) 942-2009.

Annual Student Essay Contest

Currently enrolled students may submit a 500-word essay addressing the topic, "How My Community College Has Changed My Life," by March 1. The college's winning writer receives \$100, and can win as much as \$500 if selected as the statewide winner. For information, call Student Affairs (942-2485); pick up an application in the Library or at the SRC Information Desk.

Disney Recruiting on campus

Recruiters from the Disney College Program will be on campus Feb. 22 for an information session and interviews. Interested students must fill out an application prior to Feb. 15. For more information, stop by SRC2044.

Outstanding Faculty Award

Nominate a teacher that you consider to be outstanding. Forms can be found in the library, the Student Activities office, the M building, the information desk in the SRC and on-line at http://www.cod.edu/ofa.htm

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Discount for African American History Month

Wallace's Bookstore is offering a 25% discount on all African American books and merchandise to students and faculty.

Strengthen your study skills

There will be a 1-day Study Skills Seminar on Feb. 12, from 9a.m. to 3:45p.m.. in IC 3001. The course code is 23445 and cost is \$42. (\$32.00 for one non-transferable credit and \$10 for a box lunch and materials). Call Pat Cookis at 2709 or the Center for Independent Learning at 2186 for more information.

2nd Annual Poetry Reading

Come listen to poetry read by students on Feb. 11, from 6p.m. to 7p.m. The event is sponsored by LEAA. A dance will follow the poetry reading.

A Celebration of Women 2000 March is women's history month. To celebrate, attend a session addressing "Life is Too Short for Self-Hatred and Celery Sticks" on March 11, 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. For more information about this session and others that celebrate women, contact Maren McKellin at (630) 942-3762.

February is Black History Month.



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Mike O'Neil

Birthdate: June 9, 1967

Birthplace: Chicago, IL

Started COD in: Fall 1999

Most Influential Person at COD: I've had a lot of good teachers, but I don't remember their names.

What are your plans after COD: Go into Business and get my own place. It's a work in progress. People who say they have it all figured out and they know exactly

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what they're going to do are full of it.

Intended Major: Automotive

Face in the Crowd

Dream Job: To own my own business That's how you make money.

Most Probable Occupation: To own my own business.

Current Job: Nothing. I just go to school right now.

Hobbies: Playing pool. I usually play 8-ball.

Short Term Goal: To become an auto technician.

Long Term Goal: To own my own business. I'm not sure what it will be yet.

Favorite Movie: I don't really have one.

Personal Theme Song: AC/DC "Back in Black"

With what celebrity do you identify most ? No one. Actually, maybe Alan Alda.

Questions by Candace Raphael Features Editor

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Students learn lessons in safe sex

Health Services and the Dupage County Health Department discuss safe sex with students.

By Candace Raphael Features Editor

Students crowded around a table that was advertising free condoms and advocating safe sex in hopes of preventing sexually transmitted diseases (STDs), such as AIDS.

The table was staffed by the Coordinator of Health Services, Val Burke. She was accompanied by John Moeckel, an intern from the DuPage County Health Department.

The table is present one day each quarter. This attempt to get students to think about safe sex was created mostly because of the AIDS epidemic. "We started doing this in the early 90's mostly

"We started doing this in the early 90's mostly because of the increasing spread of AIDS. It seemed important to discuss sex and STDs. STDs are always a problem and college-age students are a great concern," Burke said. The Health Department donated the condoms,

The Health Department donated the condoms, lubricants and information that was being offered at the table. Some of the information included safe sex, AIDS and STD brochures.

The relatively new female condom was also available, along with information and instructions. Moeckel was also there to help tell the students how to use condoms and how to protect themselves from STDs. Students were able to practice putting a condom on a model of a penis.

"This is meant to be educational and to get the attention of the students," Burke said.

While they were there promoting safe sex, they also promoted the play, "Angels in America," that deals with the issues of AIDS. Burke hopes that students will go see the play and get a broader perspective on how impacting the AIDS virus is.

"Even though people are living longer. AIDS is still a great concern. The only way that we can truly get rid of the virus is to prevent it. This is why safe sex is of such great importance," Burke said.

Over the years Burke has seen changes in the popularity of the presentation based upon a few different factors.

"We used to be in a room and we didn't get as many people. Now that we're right outside of the cafeteria and there is a much better response. It works great when there are a lot of people passing by," Burke said.

Burke and Moeckel were busy last Wednesday, as it appeared that the table was quite popular. Although it mostly women frequented the tables at the time, Burke pointed out that it's usually men who stop by the table.

"More and more, however, it's becoming an equal number of both men and women," said Burke.

Burke was told by some students that they had been sent by their sociology teacher to come to the presentation.

The large groups of students gathered around various safe sex devices seemed to attract even more students. Most of the students were very interested in the presentation.

"I'm so glad I came," Jessica Gross, a student who also helped out by demonstrating how to put a condom on the fake penis, said.

While the students appeared to be having fun, there was still a serious issue at hand.

"I'm trying to remind everyone that AIDS testing is available at the college," Burke said. The AIDS test is confidential. Burke advises peo-

ple to get tested. "I especially advise people who are worried about it. It's so much better to get the test done

and know the answer," Burke said. People are also advised to get tested if they are entering into new relationships. Burke said that new partners often come in and get tested togeth"It's a lot less intimidating now because they don't draw blood. It's less invasive because they take a sample of saliva," Burke said.

Health officials from the DuPage County Health Department do the testing at the college for free.

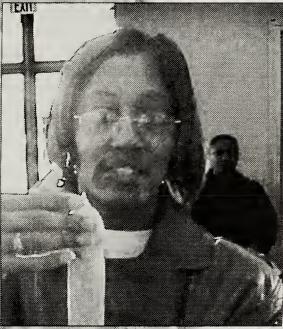


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Student Jessica Gross demonstrates how to properly use a condom at the Safe Sex discussion.

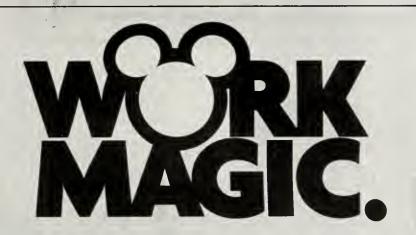
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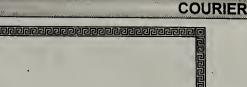
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James McGrew engages the audience while performing his poetry.

Poet visits in honor of Black History Month

By Candace Raphael Features Editor

James McGrew, a poet, visited and gave a presentation last Tuesday in honor of Black History Month.

McGrew, who has been writing poetry since the age of 10, enjoys writing about social issues. He sees his poetry as a way to express his opinions and emotions.

"All my poetry is true and all the people are real," McGrew said.

McGrew, a native of Chicago, grew up in the Robert Taylor Homes. He uses his experiences growing up and his 17-year battle with drugs as inspiration

"I have been clean for 19 years and I can tell you that as much as you may enjoy them, they're just not worth it," McGrew said.

One of the poems he read was entitled, "By Knowing," and was about his Grandfather's experience with trying to learn when he wasn't allowed to be caught with pencils or paper. Using the experience of his Grandfather, he was able to touch on the issues that were relevant during that time.

Another memorable poem was one titled, "With or without me," and was written in the perspective of a television. This poem was written to address the recent issues of violence and how they are being blamed upon the media. He argues in the poem that violence existed long before the television was invented and that the it has brought many other wonderful things, such as the speech of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

McGrew was very expressive with his voice, body and facial expressions.

"I don't just read my poetry. I perform it. It makes it more interesting and understandable," McGrew said. McGrew also weaved in inspiring stories of how his two brothers grew up in the same environment but one died of a drug overdose and the other became a judge.

"It's not your environment that determines your future. It's your belief in yourself," McGrew said.

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WHO IS Mike Folker? By Miranda Lesser

Arts and Entertainment Editor

Magician or musician? Depending on what day you ask him, Mike Folker could tell you he's either, although he doesn't deal in fluffy bunny rabbits.

Mike Folker is the college's Applied Music Coordinator. That position entitles him to teach percussion, council students, give private music lessons, put on concerts and buy extremely expensive musical equipment. But if you had a bachelors and a masters' degree in music performance, maybe you could too.

Folker started the percussion ensemble at the college four years ago. As it continued to grow he had to bring in some of his own. personal equipment, (of which he has a houseful), until he could justify to the powers that be that the group needed equipment, and fast.

"I started here in 1982," Folker said. "Straight out of one college to another."

Folker's interests in music, however, have been long and deep rooted. His first musical performance was when he was aged three. "My mother was a piano teacher," Folker said. "She used to put me in her recitals; my first recital was on a miniature grand piano beside her grand piano. We did a duet."

From age three, Folker graduated to the drums, then to the guitar and just about anything else he could gets his hands on that would make a sound. He still drums professionally in his spare time, and has toured the world with the likes of the Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra, the Lyric Opera and Andre Bocceli (the blind tenor).

If that's not enough, Folker married a musician; his wife Daniella, who teaches violin at the school.

"There's a childlike spirit in me which still renders me star struck from time to time," Folker said. "That's why I like my job so much. Music is such a rush for me." I love music, it's something I have loved ever since I was a child.

"As a job, it has a huge variety. In a day I could look after the applied music teaching staff, advise students about the best courses and career for them, schedule recitals, carry equipment to the percussion ensemble room and do maintenance on my Marimba [a five octave, \$10 000 piece of musical equipment]."

Music, however, is not Folker's only love. During and after college while he was trying to get his music career established, he tried his hand at being a magician; something he has loved ever since.

"Being a magician was how I supported myself when I first got out of college," Folker said. "From cards to coins to small stage shows, a magician is still what I want to be when I grow up."

With the relatively little free time Folker as left, he's an avid fencer (the pointed sword kind), and tinkers with his antique cars. "I continue to teach and perform, but at some point I want to implement everything I love into the music; especially the magic," Folker said. Time travel would also feature in Folker's 'list of things to do' if he had more time (not forgetting that he would need a timetravel machine). He wants to meet Neil Armstrong. "I want to know what feelings he had when he went to space. "Just like Armstrong I have many sides. One side of my life is performing and the other is my life here [at the college]," Folker said. "I love what I do but I have a lot of other hobbies, beliefs and influences that make up who I really am."

cultural stereotypes now a male problem

Managing Editor of the school newspaper, Faludi attacked equality issues in a school

another side of equality:

student will never get to meet them. But on Feb. 29 FaIudi will be



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In the fifth grade Susan Faludi ran the school newspaper and produced a survey of students asking them if they were in favor of the Equal Rights Amendment and what they thought of abortion. For her efforts she was publicly called a "terrible radical feminist student. . . polluting the children's minds with these terrible notions."

At high school Faludi struggled with the fact that women's sports didn't get the same attention as the male sports, and at Harvard College, while where all the men in power, both in corporate America and the Whitehouse, are trained. In 1991 she published her first book: "Backlash: The Undeclared War Against American Women," and for doing so won the National Book Critics Circle Award.

A good year for Faludi, who earlier, had won a Pulitzer Prize for "The Reckoning," an article appearing on the front page of The Wall Street Journal.

Many people grace the covers of *TIME* and *Newsweek* in their lifetime, but the average college on campus to discuss her new book: "Stiffed: The Betrayal of the American Male.

Originally a twin to her first book, "Stiffed" as she likes to call it, her latest book (published in October Iast year) deals with men's feelings of isolation and alienation.

"I wanted to learn about the so called 'masculinity crisis' and try to understand why so many men seem to be so angry about female independence," Faludi said. "Ultimately, my research took me down a completely difsee 'stiffed' page 14

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ferent path. It became clear early on that while women were a convenient target for male anger, the roots of disappointment and anguish lay elsewhere.

"I guess the key point in 'Stiffed' is that what's really troubling men is a profound cultural change that's unfolded in our lifetime. We've moved from utilitarian society where personable and social characteristics are valued, to a celebrity saturated consumer driven culture in which what is valued is how much you can acquire, consume and display," Faludi said.

"The women's movement was a revolt against consumer culture that taught women to define themselves in appearance and display to a culture which is now overwhelming men. The crisis surrounding masculinity is about how much money they make and about how big their biceps are – a painful new calculus for men with which few guys get to be the 'real men.'"

Faludi's current book to date has not received the harsh feedback in literary circles as did her first work, but there are reports of posters about her upcoming visit being torn down around campus as well as with other highly political advertising material.

"We could be Pollyanna about the issue," Faludi said. "Maybe they're selecting them [the posters] for their wall of fame.

"Feminists have always been scapegoats for all kinds of frustrations and angers that have nothing to do them with the feminist in question."

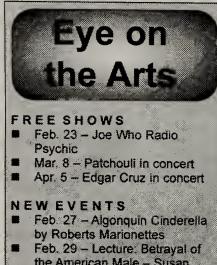
with the feminist in question." The name for Faludi's book came after doing a radio interview late last year. While Faludi was researching the chapter on football, she was in the studio of a sports talk radio show listening in on calls from loyal fans feeling betrayed because their sports team was moving to another state. The DJ told the caller he had someone in the studio who knew just how he felt and put Faludi on the air. When asked what her not-yet published book was called she said she didn't know yet, the caller said "you should call it stiffed because that's how we feel."

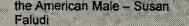
'Stiffed' took seven years to create, and since its publication, Faludi has decided to take a break, if only momentarily.

"I think it's unhealthy for a writer to jump from one book to the next without time to brood in between," Faludi said. "I'm still brooding and writing shorter, much shorter pieces for *Newsweek* in the meantime.

"I'm still pondering the theme for my next book and if it will be on some type of sexism – maybe it's time I aimed for vegetables in minerals instead!"

- Miranda Lesser





Play promotes AIDS awareness

By Bob Nichols Correspondent

Speech instructor Lauren Morgan had an idea recently which she decided to give to her Honors Speech 100 winter class. The idea was for a service learning project that would promote a play and act as a vehicle for HIV/AIDS awareness and education.

In short, the Honors Speech class will be trying to help the McAninch Arts Center sell 3,000 seats to the Buffalo Theatre Ensembles production of the play, "Angels in America," while at the same time educating the college's student body as to the current state of the HIV/AIDS epidemic.

In addition to these objectives, class members will be promoting HIV testing and talking about the joys of safe sex and the techniques involved in having it.

The play, "Angels in America" prompted this idea due to its vast themes. The play not only deals with AIDS, but investigates questions of national identity, explores the subjects of Mormonism, Judaism, McCarthyism and neoconservatism; discusses African-Americans, WASPs, drag queens and gays, and deals with love, death and the disappearance of God.

"Angels" was the winner of the

1993 and 1994 Pulitzer Prizes for Drama, as well as the 1993 Tony Award Winner for Best Play. Not for the faint or young at heart, the drama contains adult themes, and explicit situations.

The play is sure to make one rethink some of the nonons he or she may hold about HIV/AIDS and the nature of the disease.

"Angels" has gotten glowing reviews from the likes of *Newsweek*, *The New York Times*, UPI, *The Philadelphia Inquirer*, *The Boston Globe* and *Variety*, to name a few. Prepare to be moved emotionally before you take a seat in the Arts Center's mainstage.

"I've been at the college since 1970 and in theatre at least 10 years before that and seen, directed and been in hundreds of plays, but this is the most spectacular and best play written in the last 50 years," said Buffalo Theatre Ensemble Director, Craig Berger. "Without a doubt it has the most immense storyline and deals with the most daring, epic and provocative ideas of any play I've ever seen."

When Morgan proposed the service learning project to her Speech class they were inspired. They liked the notion of helping to promote the play, and also saw an advantage in using the play and the attention it will garner as a vehicle for educa-

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'Talented' is an understatement

Since there were over 300 people in line to see *Scream* 3 this weekend, *The Talented Mr. Ripley* gets the movie review limelight this week – even if it wasn't a first choice.

A story of chance and bad luck, Tom Ripley (Matt Damon) finds himself meeting Dickie Greenleaf's father. Greenleaf, a wealthy ship owner, asks Tom to bring his errant playboy son (Jude Law) back home to America – for pay-

ment he will receive \$1,000. It took me a while to realize it was the late 1950's when Tom Ripley set off to the waters and idyllic landscapes of sundrenched Italy. It didn't, however, take me long to see that Dickie and his beautiful expatriate girlfriend, Marge Sherwood, never suspected the dangerous extremes to which Ripley would go to make their lifestyle his own.

An excellent cast. Matt Damon (Dogma, Good Will Hunting) achieves the role of the quiet killer as if he murdered people every day. The ever-so-white Gwyneth Paltrow, with her cute little English accent, also wonderful; the typical English role suits her well (Shakespeare in Love, Sliding Doors).

Then there's Jude Law, (Gattaca, Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil) who spends only a little



Gwyneth Paltrow and Jude Law under the spell of Tom Ripley (Matt Damon); the Talented Mr. Ripley.

while on screen due to his death in the middle of the film, but by far almost steals the show from Damon – playing his part as the Princeton graduate rebelling against his father like he lived that life every day.

Add a smattering of other notary cast members, Cate Blanchett, Phillip Seymour Hoffman, Peter Smith-Kingsley, some violence, a little bit of action and suspense and you have the general basis for a dramatic thriller, yet with all its star quality, one that left a little to be desired.

It wasn't so bad until almost the end. End? Maybe that's too final a word. *The Talented Mr. Ripley* just stops at the end of one scene and is immediately followed by a black screen and white credits. I think the people behind us in the theater summed it up best when they said "That was the worst ending I've ever seen." Despite this little cutoff, l give the film a thumbs up for the male full frontal nudity, nonetheless not its saving grace.

For those who like bloody violence, there's a few instances of some inhumane beatings of peoples skulls with inanimate objects – a stone statue and an oar – (hint: close your eyes in those parts if you have a weak stomach, you can tell they're coming up by the signature spooky music

and the evil eye glinting).

Unfortunately for director Anthony Minghella (*The English Patient*) and producer Sydney Pollack (*Eyes Wide Shut*), a rather disappointing job. It seems that when Minghella co-wrote the screen version with Patricia Highsmith he forgot to use his brain and wrote the script down word for word from the novel it was adapted from.

Gwyneth's fashion designer must also have been falling asleep (which is happening a lot in movies lately) because her outfits were terribly unattractive to her slight figure. She ended up looking like a gypsy and a tavern wench rather than a rich, sophisticated young woman. Orange is definitely not a becoming color. . . on anyone!

- Miranda Lesser



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Meei Joanne Brouwer. The 18-year-old Elmhurst resident who has a passion for art and music.

What do you like best about art?

Creating something and seeing each step getting closer to the finished project. A few little lines can look so awesome on a page.

What do you like best about music?

I think what I like the most is the fact that I can convey a story. It's a lot of fun trying to interpret musical pieces that people have written over the ages.

Why did you come to COD? I was home schooled, but my brother came here. He said he loved it.

Where are you going after COD?

I'd like to go to the American Academy of Art, but we'll see. I'd like to study art, but I love music just as much.



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tion.

Watching from the wings, Morgan now gets to see her Honors students grapple with the tasks they've chosen and gets to guide their initiative, energy and imagination: necessary strengths the class hopes they have enough of to accomplish their tasks.

Correspondent Bob Nichols is a student in the Honors Speech 100 class and will be working on the service learning project along with his classmates.

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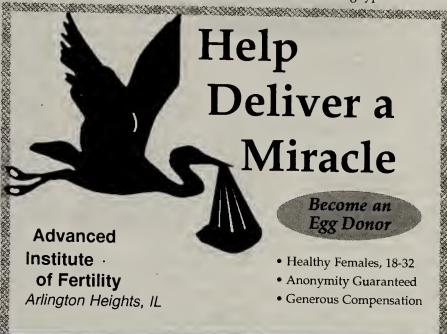
"I Know What You Did Last Summer"

Starring Jennifer Love Hewitt, Sarah Michelle Gellar, Freddie Prinze Jr.

I Know What You Did Last Summer was this week's pick. A rated 'R' horror movie, this film is currently available on video. Starring Jennifer

Love Hewitt, Sarah Michelle Gellar, Freddie Prinze Jr. and Ryan Phillippe, this movie at least has a good looking cast. More to the point, however, do they deliver a quality performance?

First of all, we'll do a quick synopsis. The story begins with these four friends ending their senior year in high school. As their last summer together before they go try to "make it" in college or a career, the friends are being typical teens:



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The trouble begins when they accidentally hit a man on a winding road late at night and kill him. The plot thickens when they try to cover up the accident by throwing the man into the nearby Pacific Ocean. One year later, all four of the participants in the accidental death cover-up are miserable, which is perfect timing for a stalker to hop in the picture and truly terrorize the four.

Through mind games, deaths of people close to the four conspirators and suspense, we eventually learn that the stalker isn't a dead body after all.

Notes to the four teens which say, "I know what you did last summer" start the real terror, and eventually we see the real killer.

The end of the film occurs when everything seems to be over and we see Jennifer Love Hewitt (who, along with Freddie Prinze Jr. is one of the two survivors) getting ready to shower when she sees "I still know" written on the shower door. This of course, left room for its sequel. But should there be a sequel?

I'm not an avid horror film connoisseur, but I have my doubt9 about the quality of this film. 1 was always under the impression that scary films were supposed to get into your head a bit and make you turn on a lot of lights when you were done watching them. Their fun. l thought, lay in the ability to scare you for a little while.

This wasn't a film that got into your head,' so to speak. But if you're after a straight 'slasher film,' this one fills the bill. With lots of screaming, a little Karo syrup blood and a pretty decent plot, this movie has the components of a decent picture. What is more, it also has an underlying message that I found interesting.

The film seems to drive home the point that if any one of the two couples had just spoken up in the beginning, the terror would end and they could be done with the mess.

Additionally, there's the underlying message that "truth will set you free." Everyone was living miserably, existing with the horrid secret they had killed someone and then covered it up. If they had just dealt with it honestly and taken responsibility for their actions they would have been relieved.

But that doesn't make for two suspense - filled hours, does it? Nor does it leave room for a sequel.

And if one sequel isn't enough there's always the third sequel to look forward to; of course starring one of the scant remaining original cast: Jennifer Love Hewitt.



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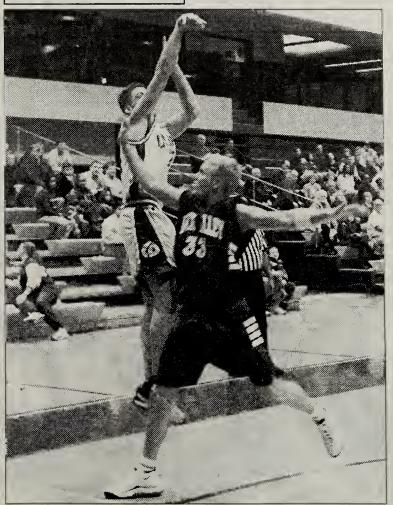


Mens basketball coach Don Klaas instructs the team during a timeout on his 500th career victory game.

On the way to 500th victory

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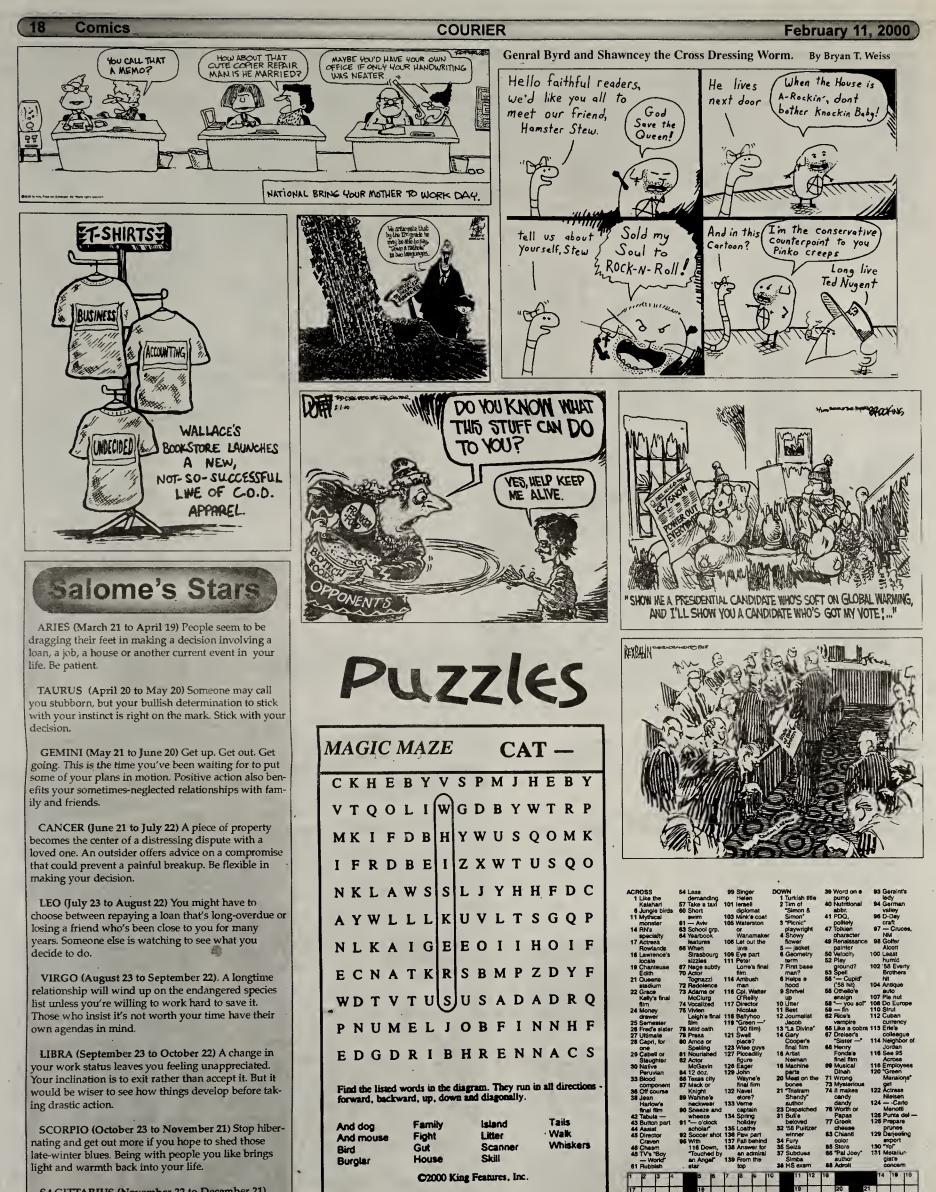
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Eric Dodson shoots a three pointer against Fox Valley.

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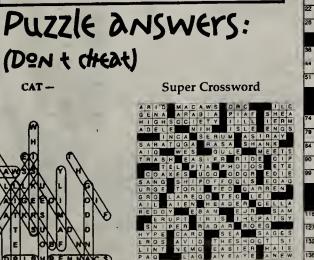
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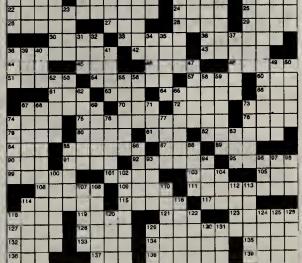
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Klaas achieves 500th career victory

By Ryan Coughlin Sports Editor

With only minutes remaining, Coach Don Klaas was relaxed with his hands behind his head. However, as the buzzer went off Klaas jumped out of his seat and raised his arms up.

There was a big smile which never left Klaas' face as everyone congratulated the coach on his 500th win.

Men's basketball Head Coach, Don Klaas, gained his 500th win Saturday against Rock Valley College.

"It was a great accomplishment for him," Peggy Klaas, Don Klaas' wife said.

Klaas began coaching at the College of DuPage twenty-two years ago. Scott Wager has been Klaas' assistant coach all twenty-two years.

"Don is a great personal friend and it has been a pleasure to be a part of this program," Assistant Coach Scott Wager said.

Wager also said that it has been a great deal of fun and that it has been a fun job.

"It wasn't until last week when he had actually thought of it, it kind of just came up in conversation," Wager said.

"I didn't think about this being my 500th win," Klaas said. "I was just thinking that it was another game."

Klaas wanted his athletes to be focused on what was on hand at that time.

"When you plan too much ahead, you forget what's at hand, you have to stay focused," Klaas said.

"All successful athletes do that, when you stay focused everything takes care of itself."

The players did just that, they went into the game focused and came out the victors.

By the end of the first half the Chaparrals were up 34-18.

"When I started subbing, that's when I knew we had this win," Klaas said.

But Klaas wasn't thinking of the big 500, he was concentrating more as this just being another game and another win.

"I was happy the way it ended, there was a lot of energy and enthusiasm from the crowd as well as the players," Klaas said.

The crowd was one of the biggest crowds that have attended a Chaparral game.

"If it wasn't the biggest, it was the second biggest," Klaas said.

"The crowd came out to see two things: one,



Men's basketball coach Don Klaas enjoys his 500th career win here at the College of DuPage.

photo by Alex Gorfinkel

what the team was doing and two, to see Don win 500," Wager said.

When the final buzzer went off, the Chaparral score board lit up and congratulated Klaas on his 500th win. The crowd also stood up and waved orange and yellow sheets of paper which said, "Congratulations Don Klaas: 500 wins."

"I've been in this gym so many times, and I knew that it would happen," Peggy Klaas said.

Klaas' three children were also there to witness their father achieve 500 victories.

Klaas was congratulated by his players and assistant coaches and by his family as well.

"You just had to wait until it was a done deal," Klaas said. "When it was over, we had a nice party."

"We sat up a long time that night and looked back on the many great years," Wager said.

Wager also said that it was a great milestone for Klaas and that he was proud to be a part of it. "I've been in this gym so many times, it's been fun and exciting," Peggy Klaas said.

"The best thing about it was having my wife and kids there with me to share it," Klaas said.

During the game, Klaas said that the defense was the strongest area for the team.

"We denied things that they were going to do," Klaas said. "It was a good night and we displayed our fundamentals."

According to Klaas, when you concentrate on the little things first the win will take care of itself.

"It's been a real competitive squad, and that in itself is awesome," Klaas said.

"We played well in the first half defensively, and we continued to do that during the second half," Wager said.

Wager also said once they were able to take control they knew what the outcome was going to be.

Every player on the team had time on the court and were able to participate in this milestone.

"Our confidence was real high and positive things were happening to us," Klaas said.

The Chaparrals didn't give Rock Valley any good shots and they were able to have the command after the first half.

"Maybe our shots could have been better, but overall we were spectacular," Klaas said. . Klaas also said that the team had energy and

enthusiasm during the whole game. "That's special to have after playing 24 games,"

Klaas said. "I can't force the players to play, they have to do it and they must learn."

"We had to calm the players down, that's how excited they were," said Wager.

Every time a Chaparral made a great play there were cheers from the players and from the bleachers. Everyone knew this was going to be a special game and everyone knew that Klaas had his 500th career win.

There was a moment of silence during the last couple of minutes of play and Klaas was relaxed. He had his arms behind his head, he knew this was a special moment in his life and he also knew he had his victory.



Klaas and the Chaparrals take it easy after they have gained a big lead against Rock Valley last Tuesday. Klaas knows he has his 500th win. With only seconds remaining, everyone stood up to show their support for Klaas.

"The only thing that had to be decided was the final score," Wager said.

Klaas hugged everyone that was around him, Scott Wager, Ralph Miller and his family.

"That night we were thinking back to Klaas' very first team (30-4), and one of the players stopped by to congratulate Don," Wager said. Wager also said how great it is when players return.

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Sports

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Lady Chaps crush Rock Valley

Remains undefeated in the conference

By Ryan Coughlin **Sports Editor**

The women's basketball team continues to be a dangerous threat to other teams.

The Lady Chaps defeated Rock Valley, 82-60, as they remain undefeated in the conference.

"This has been a big improvement for us," Assistant Coach Beth Mitchell said.

The Lady Chaps took the lead early in the game, and after the first half they had a lead of 38-30.

"Within the first ten minutes we had developed a good lead," Mitchell said.

Rock Valley was still coming back strong, pressuring the Chaps.

"We switched our defense, and that helped a great deal," Mitchell said.

After the first half the Chaparrals were able to shut down Rock Valley.

Beth Rooks and Ali Klaas were both unstoppable from the three point range. Rooks was 5 of 9 from the three point range. Klaas was also 5 of 9 from the three point range.

"We went to the zone and that created a problem for Rock Valley," Mitchell said.

Mitchell also said that the team should be shooting better, but it was still an improvement for the team.

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"It's the most fun thing about our jobs," Wager said.

Wager said that one of Klaas' philosophy is teaching the students how to deal with life skills and how to cope with them.

"It's not all about basketball," Wager said. "It's outstanding to watch the success of our athletes beyond the basketball court."

The Chaparrals defeated Rock Valley 72-51 and are currently in first place with a record of 22-2. Curtis Lousiville led the

Chaparrals in scoring with 15 points. "Curtis came of the bench and hit five threes, that was awesome,"

Klaas said. Lincoln James followed close behind Lousiville with a total of 12 points.

Demond Brown led the team in

rebounding with a total of 15. Chris Loeffler came off the bench and had 9 rebounds in only 13 minutes of play. Loeffler also had 4 points during the game too.

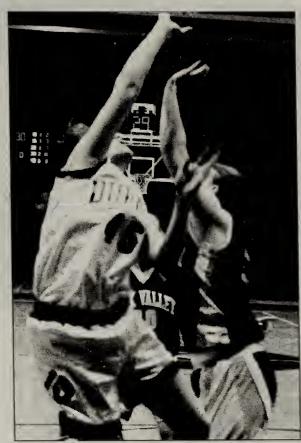
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Tamara Reif fights off a Rock Valley defender during last Tuesday's victory. Reif had a total of 17 points during the game.

Men's basketball wins conference

By Ryan Coughlin **Sports Editor**

Along with winning his 500th game, men's basketball Head Coach Don Klaas has won his tenth conference championship as well.

The men's basketball team defeated Harper College, 90-60. "It was an 8 point game for a while but we did a full court press which caused a problem for them," Klaas said.

Defense was the strongest area for the Chaparrals during Tuesday's victory.

"We played real well," Klaas said. "Our defense was especially good." The only problem the Chaparrals had was the amount of turnovers they had. The Chaparrals had a total of 23 turnovers during the game.

"When you have too many turnovers, it could cost you later on in the game," Klaas said.

The teams rebounding was a major factor that helped them achieve the victory.

"It feels great to win the conference championship again," Klaas said.

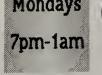
This is his tenth conference championship. Almost half of Klaas' career at COD had ended with conference championships.

"Almost half is pretty cool," Klaas said.

The Chaparrals have four more games of the regular season before they start the playoffs.

"These are real important games, and we have to keep that momentum," Klaas said.

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By Ryan Coughlin **Sports Editor**

This season has proved to be a season of improvement for the swimming and diving team.

The team swam at the Eureka Invite last Saturday and had what Coach Steve Murray called a, "Balanced attack."

"We had a lot of people finishing in second and third place, which was very pleasing," Murray said.

The women's team placed fourth out of ten teams. While the men placed third out of seven teams.

"We're lacking in the women's diving team," Murray said.

The diving team currently consists of just one man, Alex Sutter.

The team went up against four year schools and still found a way to swim harder and faster.

"It's what we expected, these were four year schools we were going against," Murray said.

Murray said that the team had an overall good performance.

"We swam well in a lot of different events," Murray said.

The women were real close to the top and there was not a lot of spread, according to Murray.

"We needed fine experience to beat the other team, which we did," Murray said.

The swim team hosts the Region IV next weekend which will be here at the Chaparral pool.

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Men's 200 butterfly: Marcin Swierzowski	3rd	
Women's 500 freestyl Liz Wenger	e: 1st	
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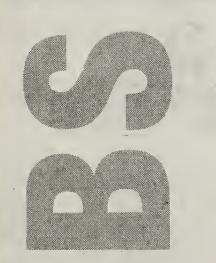
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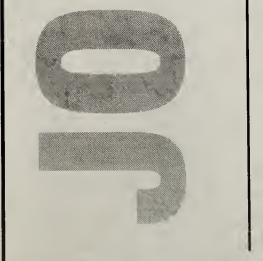
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Alex Sutter

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Male

Name: Alex Sutter

Sport:Swimming

High School:

Age:21

Female

Athletes of the Week

Liz Wenger



Name: Liz Wenger

Age: 19

Sport: Swimming

High School: Hinsdale Central

Major: Undecided

Awards/Records:Conference champion

How Long Have You Been Swimming?: "I've been swimming since I was nine years old, ever since I moved here. My mom told us to pick a sport, so I chose swimming."

Who/What Influenced You To Swim?:

"I like the water, and I think that it is nice."

Goals:

"I want to graduate early. I also want to do real well in the Nationals."

School Transferring To: Undecided. "I want to go to a school in the city.





Major:

"I want to get my associates in Science.

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Awards/Records: "In senior year of high school I was in the top 3 of the conference, I also qualified for State, and I was the MVP of that year too."

How Long Have You Been Swimming?:

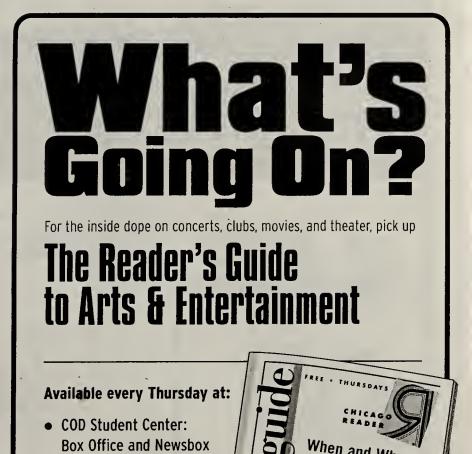
"I've been swimming since I was nine years old. My friends used to swim and I traveled with them and I started liking it."

Who/What Influenced You To Swim?:

"My friends probably influenced me. I guess the whole "Monkey see, monkey do" got to me. Also just the love of the sport. I guess it's just a hobby, I enjoy doing it."

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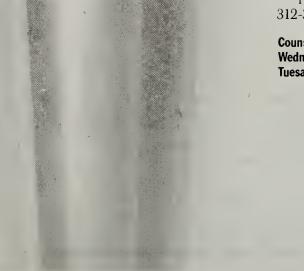
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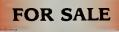
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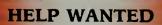
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