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Former state Sen. Beverly Fawell to run for board



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ARTS

Karen Thielman's art on display in Wings Student Gallery

'Black ice' trips up two

By Laura Taylor News editor

Black ice in the parking lot caused two women to slip and fall last Tuesday.

One woman's injuries required surgery and hospitalization at Central DuPage Hospital.

Grounds crews have stepped up their efforts to inspect the parking lots for black ice, said Joe Buri, director of campus services.

Black ice is caused when snow melts in sunshine and then refreezes

later in the day as temperatures drop

"Right now the inspection process is as important as snow removal," Buri said.

Referring tosalt spreading, Buri said, "We're probably overdo-

ing it a bit."
"Salt has other long term effects. Over salt runs off into ponds and affects wildlife in ponds," Buri said. "People are walking on salt and tracking into buildings which increases cleanup costs."

"There are people here

who argue we should never salt," Buri said.

"It is very, very subjective. It is like being a referee at a sporting event," Buri said.

The college is not currently suffering from the same salt shortage as many municipalities.

This is the second winter the college has had its own salt storage building. The salt stays dry and doesn't clump making it good and usable said Buri. The college purchases salt before the season starts.

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Grounds crew clearing ice and snow from the steps outside main entrance of the SRC

Bookstore grand opening



Kay Nielsen, vice president of student affairs, (far left), and Vince Pelletier, vice president of academic bookstore grand opening ceremony. See story page 2.

Timeline for semester switch targeted for March

By Laura Taylor **News Editor**

The colleges top_administrators said this week they expect a timeline for a swtich to a 16-week calendar by March.

But while President Mike Murphy and others said they plan on prestenting the timline to the board in March it is still unclear who is researching and drafting the document.

The executive committee met last Tuesday and agreed to form two different committees," said Vince Pelletier, vice president of academic affairs. "Names have not been put onto any of the positions on the committees.

An advisory committee will seat 20 members. A second committee with 55 members will meet one or two times now and then again in a year. Members of the second committee will represent all of the constituencies including faculty, staff and students.

"We want input from a lot of different areas of the institution," Pelletier said.

While the committees have been created, their charges have not been released at this time.

Referring to the possible change from quarters to semesters, Board Chairman Mary Kranz said, "We've been talking about it at board meetings and will continue at future board meetings."

"We're waiting to hear from Dr. Murphy and recommendations from the administration," Kranz said.

She said possibly the board will hear something in March.

'It's been examined several times and faculty has always been divided," said History Professor Nancy Conradt, president of the faculty senate. She added that a timeline might be presented at board.

"There are conversations scheduled with the faculty to talk about some issues of interest to them," said President Mike Murphy. "In the meantime we have collected a number of studies of colleges and systems that have converted form the quarter to the semester system to see what we can learn from that and then in the very near term we'll have a plan design. March, I think, is our hope."

But they are already on their way to the best of my knowledge," Murphy said.

"The board has the perogative of setting the calendar. But, there are contractual issues with the faculty that have to be addressed as we move from one to the other," Murphy said.

Additionally, Murphy pointed out that some institutions which have made the switch reported going through the process too quickly and

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Photopoll

How has the snow affected your parking and/or visibility in the parking lot?



Hanselman, 18 Downers Grove Environmental science

It was hard to push my friend with a broken leg around high piles of



Kendrick Morris, Lisle Computer programming

The snow made the parkng horrible for all drivers. There was so much snow that this made some of my friends who have cars late for school. The snow also made it complicated to see because the snow was shoveled so high.



Aaron Elmore, 21 Downers Grove Education

Some girl almost hit me because she couldn't see around the corner.

Bookstore grand opening

By Laura Taylor News editor

The newly remodeled Follett COD Bookstore held a grand opening Monday after-

Follett replaced Wallace's as the college's supplier of textbooks in July.

"Wallace's inability to get the right books in a timely manner was a basic problem." said Vince Pelletier, vice president of academic affairs.

Pelletier said the reason for the switch was to obtain a higher quality of service.

"I think Folletts did a good job within a short period of time," said Pelletier.

According to Pelletier, Wallaces left little or no textbook stock when they left and Folletts had to order enough textbooks intime for the start of the Fall Quarter.

Folletts then remodeled in time for the Winter Quarter.

Pelletier said the level of service has been better and the percent of books that were in was higher. He hasn't had any student complaints so far.

"When students have problems they come to my office,"

said Kay Nielsen, vice president of student affairs. "I have students who sometimes can't get the books they need.

Nielsen said that students don't want to feel behind, like they are catching up. It lowers their confidence.

"It is an inevitable part of sales to be out of a book or two," said Jim Sexton, store manager.

Sexton said that what is important is how a shortage is handled once it is identified. His goal is to have all book shortages handled with-

'Sales have met our expectations," Sexton said. 'Complaints have been mini-

One of the biggest changes in the store was to move the buy back window from the back of the store to the front as well as to reconfigure student service areas to accommodate the crowds during busy times said Janeen Ludwig, store designer. Carpet replaced tile in some areas and Ludwig said she added more color and more interest into the space.

"Students are spending a lot of money here and it should be a good experience," said Jim Baumann, President and CEO of Follett.

James Darras, project manager expanded the merchandise to include a greater selection of printed materials and school related merchandise such as clothing as well as software for the technology classes.

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without enough thought.

The result in these cases left students in the lurch making the trasition hard he said.

"I don't know how it's going to turn out, so it is hard to predict. Obviously the most important thing is not to create the difficult situations for our students," Murphy said.

"We'll have a design...I think we're committed to doing it by March," Murphy said.

According to Pelletier, 96 to 97 percent of all schools are on the semester system at this time.

When the college openened in 1967, quarters were the trend," Pelletier said.

Pelletier said the board has asked some legitimate questions, including why if so many institutions have made the switch why haven't

"If we do go to semesters, students need some time to plan," Pelletier said. "As an institution, we need to meet with four year schools to articulate."

Pelletier said first there needs to be a decision to switch. Second, faculty will need to convert the quarter system to whatever system we adopt. And third, the curriculum will have to be sent to the Illinois Community College Board for final approval.

'Ice' from page 1

As of Jan. 5, campus services has spent over \$33,000 on snow removal, inspection and salt spreading. Salt accounts for \$2,000, the rest is labor.

They have spent \$2,500 in custodial overtime keeping entrance ways clear.

Custodians do snowblowing at the entrances where grounds crews can't get in with big equipment.

Campus services budgets for eight snowfalls per year.

"As of Jan. 5, we're counting two. That one storm in early December was a biggy," Buri said. "We had a lot of snow in a little time."

Buri said he had people working 12 hours on, 12 hours off.

"They're out when conditions are

bad," he said. "It is usually at nighttime when there are no cars and visibiltiy is at its worst."

According to Buri, potholes have not been too bad this year. Campus crews continue to repair these with cold patching until asphalt plants reopen in the spring. "Some last, some don't," Buri said.

A bigger problem is manholes that pop out of the ground leaving one side sticking up unevenly Buri said.

Manholes set in asphalt are more susceptible than those set in concrete. Most of the manholes on campus are set in asphalt.

They move either because of temperature fluctuations which loosen the material around them or plows hit them.

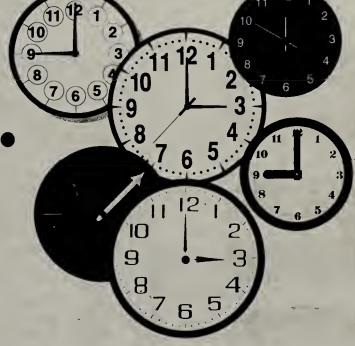
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Former student body president appointed as student senator

By Amy Wooten Correspondent

Kevin O'Kelly, former student body president, was appointed to the student senate on Tuesday after a new senate appointment procedure was adopted.

SGA developed a new policy to fill the empty spaces created after the resignations of three senate members and the removal of Brianna Abate as senate chairman.

Abate, who was removed due to dropping enrollment, was present at Tuesday's meeting to show her support for new senate Chairman, Michael Stankos.

"There is no communication," Abate said. "That is the downfall of the entire organization."

President Kevin Murray made a proposal to the SGA regarding senator appointments. Students interested in serving on the senate would first have to ask the student body president to be appointed. The student would then undergo a questionnaire and a series of meet-

Finally, a two-thirds senate majority would approve the candidate followed by swearing in as a

O'Kelly is very active in student government. He will still have to take the questionnaire and attend the meetings now required to join the senate.

"I don't think anyone would disagree that O'Kelly is ready to be a senator," said Robb Frank, coordinator of student activities.

O'Kelly said he can contribute much to the SGA and was pleased that he was appointed.

"I believe in team building. No one has ill intentions with today's meetings," O'Kelly said. "I think they want change and I'll do the best to help."

In addition to O'Kelly's appointment, Anthony Cvek, student sen., was appointed to the finance board.

The next SGA meeting is scheduled for 4 p.m., Feb. 6 in SRC 2085.

NewsBriefs

Registration

- Feb. 8 last day for students to register for a class
- Feb. 16 last day for students to withdraw from a class without the instructor's permission
- Mar. 17 last day for students to withdraw from a class with the instructor's permission

IAI

Associate in Engineering Science David Olson, professor of engineering, said degree requirement changes for an Associate in Engineering Science degree have been completed

and will be voted on by the faculty Tuesday and Wednesday. Differences in the AES degree

include a change in the English requirement from two quarters of English to a full year or three quarters. Elective computer programming

courses have been cut to only two options. These two classes must include numerical analysis and now have a calculas pre-requisite.

"The reason for all of the changes in the degree is to make it in line with the state model," Olson said.

New IAI degree requirements for an AES degree will take effect Fall Quarter 2001.

Vice president search

According to Kay Nielsen, vice president of student affairs, the search committee is screening candidates and has conducted five interviews.

The next step will be to hold an open forum where the public can interview candidates.

The 10th day enrollment report put out by the office of research and planning indicated a slight increase in enrollment for the same time last year.

"This is a relatively small change. I can't point out any single thng which is accounting for the change," said Harlan Schweer, director of research and planning.

"About 30 percent of students are full time," Schweer said. "Students average right around seven credit hours.'

AQIP

February 2001

AQIP Council will be formed to oversee COD's continuous improvement activities, according to Lesli Barger, associate vice president of academic services and community education

AQIP Goals Task Force will meet to recommend continuous improvement goals based on prior planning efforts.

May 2001

A team from COD will participate in the NCA/AQIP Strategy Forum. At the forum, our goals, as well as those from five other AQIP partner institutions, will be reviewed.

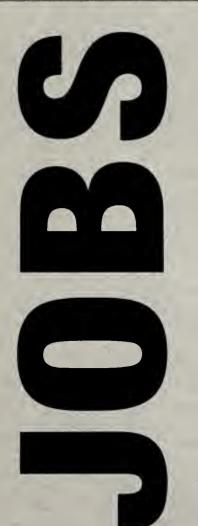
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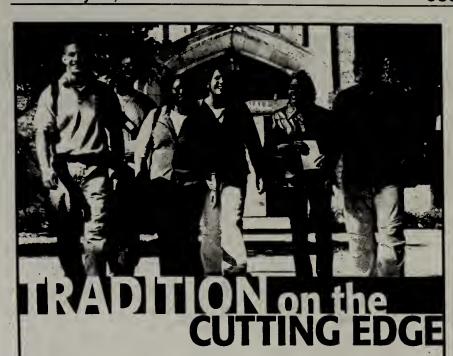
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PoliceReport

Monday, Jan. 15

■ Accident

A 24-year-old woman driving a 1999 saturn hit a 2000 ford Escort driven by a 30-year-old woman at the intersection of Lot 5 and 22nd Street at 10:16 a.m. No injuries reported. Damages over \$500.

Tuesday, Jan. 16

Injured person

A 47-year-old female employee of the college slipped on "black ice" in faculty parking lot 8 at 8:45 a.m. She told Public Safety officers she thought her ankle was broken. Another college employee took her to Danada Urgent Care for treatment.

■ Injured person

Less than half an hour after a college employee was taken to urgent care, a 48-year-old women became the second person injured on ice in the parking lots. The Downers Grove woman reported wrist pain after falling in parking lot 7.

Health Services refused to take the call when it was made at 9:18 a.m., according to police reports. An ambulance was called, arriving on the scene at 9:28 a.m. Health Service did come to the parking lot, arriving three minutes after the ambulance.

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Wednesday, Jan. 17

■ Accident

A 19-year-old woman driving a 1994 Ford Mustang hit a 1989 Buick Electra driven by a 20-year-old man at the intersection of College Road and Lot 6 at 8:18 a.m. No injuries reported. Damages over \$500.

■ Accident

A 47-year-old pedestrian was hit by a car in the SRC Circle Drive at 6:48

The 47-year-old female victim's foot was run over by a 1997 Toyota Corolla driven by a 19-year-old

The victim was taken to Good Samaritan Hospital, and later reported only swelling and bruising. The driver of the Corolla gave a statement saying she heard a scream while pulling away from the curb, immediately stopped, and found she hit the other woman.

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ELECTION 2001: THE TIMELINE

Wednesday, Oct. 25, 2000 Candidates began circulating nominating petitions to get on the ballot. Fifty signatures are required.

Tuesday, Jan. 16, 2001 First day to file nominating petitions with the Board of Trustees secretary. Office hours for filing: 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Jan. 19 and Jan. 22 and 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m. Jan. 23 in SRC 2071.

Tuesday, Jan. 23 Last day to file nominating petitions. Candidates must file statement of economic interests with DuPage County clerk. Board secretary notifies candidates of acceptance of papers.

Tuesday, Jan. 30 Objections to papers filed by any candidate must be made to the board secretary by this point.

Thursday, Feb. 1 Final day for ballot position lottery to be held; candidates not running must withdraw papers by this date or they will be placed on ballot. Secretary certifies candidates to election board.

Thursday, Feb. 22

Registered voters may apply for absentee ballots after this date.

Tuesday, March 6 Last day to register to vote or transfer registration.

Tuesday, March 27 Deadline to file a notarized declaration of intent to be a write-in candidate. Before 5 p.m. in SRC 2071.

Thursday, March 29 Mail-in absentee ballot applications must be recieved by DuPage County Election authority by this date.

Monday, April 2 Deadline to vote absentee in person.

Tuesday, April·3 ELECTION DAY
Polling 6 a.m.-7 p.m.

Thursday, April 5 Election authority must transmit election results to local election official.

Tuesday, April 10

Final day for canvassing results; proclamation of official winners.

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to election authority.
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awarded each declared
winner.

November

Inauguration of new trustees

Read the Courier every Friday for the most complete COD election coverage available, including profiles of candidates, discussions of the issues, information on polling places and how to register to vote.

State senate veteran seeks board post

■ Retired GOP Sen. Beverly Fawell joins former COD trustee on April ballot; Morrissey won't run again

By John McCallum Editor-in-Chief

Half an hour before the deadline to petition for a place on the ballot, retired state Sen. Beverly Fawell (R-Glen Ellyn) walked into the board secretary's office to declare her candidacy.

Fawell, who served in the state government for 19 years, is a noted supporter of community colleges. Her entry into the campaign for one of two seats on t brought praise from college officials. But while her political views are part of a lengthy public record, it's impossible to say how her presence on the board would affect the split between two voting blocs now on the board.

"I'm raising two 16- and 17-yearold grandchildren, who are going to Glenbard South right now and will probably wind up at COD," Fawell told the Courier. "I'd like to make sure it's still there and in good shape."

Fawell distanced herself from the deep division between a bloc that is highly critical of President Mike Murphy and another which tends to support him.

"I don't have any particular ax to grind," she said. "I'm not even really sure who is on the board now." Her retirement from the Tollway Authority in the near future will give her time to pursue a spot on the board, she said.

Fawell said her connections with state legislators would help the college with funding. "I know who to call. Having served for 19 years, I have a lot of close friends."

She also mentioned receiving a phone call from Illinois Senate President James "Pate" Philip (R-Wood Dale) wishing her luck

Wood Dale) wishing her luck.
Joining Fawell on the ballot is
another familiar face for the college, former Trustee Diane K.
Landry. Landry, a Western Springs
attorney, served on the board
between 1980 and 1991.

Landry said she wants to return to the college now that it has stabilized, following the explosive growth that marked her last term on the board. She also said she has carefully followed the board's actions since stepping down.

"I haven't really seen it in operation," Landry said. "They seem to be not as unanimous as past boards. I don't know if that's a healthy thing or not."

Landry, who held the record for longest term on the board until Trustee William Bungee passed her in November 1999, remembers COD fondly.

"The eleven years flew by," she said. "I could tell war stories of allnight workshops in the K building."

College spokesman Bill Troller speaks highly of both women.

"She (Fawell) was always there for the College of DuPage," Troller said. "Diane is unique in that she's been on the board before," he said, adding that it "was a very different







Retired state Sen.
Fawell, now running
for the board, has a
long history with the
college. Upper left:
Fawell with Hal
McAninch, former
president. Left: giving a \$2.8 million
check to current
President Mike
Murphy (far left) in
1994. Man at center
Liet. Gov.

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- Elizabeth W. Morrison, 4613
 Sherwood Avenue, Downers
 Grove
- Debra Mazzella, 1470 Whitespire Court, Naperville
- Patrice M. Schmitt, 1159
 Banbury Circle, Naperville
- Beverly Fawell, 25630
 Arboretum Drive, Glen Ellyn
- Diane K. Landry, 304 45th
 Street, Western Springs

board then. Much less divided."

The five other candidates who filed are all newcomers to the college. Incumbents Mary Wuttke Kranz, currently the board president, and Trustee Joe Morrissey both will retire with the expiration of their terms in November.

Morrissey and Kranz will enjoy an eight-month lame-duck period between the election of two new trustees in April and their departures. A change in election laws made in the late 1990s moved the election of school board trustees to April. The board members elected under the old laws—Morrissey and Kranz—were entitled to serve their entire terms, ending six years from the start. In other words, November of 2001.

With the departure of Kranz, the titular head of a four-member voting bloc which has been highly critical of the administration, the bal-

A FAMOUS NAME

Fawell may put a brighter spotlight on college election

The Public Information office has old pictures of retired state Sen. Beverly Fawell (R-Glen Ellyn) with the last two presidents of the college. Her name was instantly recognized by SGA officials. And her decision to run was a headline in the Daily Herald.

It's clear she is no ordinary board candidate. And some people are already suggesting she might bring more public interest to the election than is normal for the non-partisan campaigns.

"She has a real name around here," said college spokesman Bill Troller, coordinator for the news bureau. "The fact that she has been an elected official on that level might mean more coverage than board of trustees elections usually get."

Media and voter attention to the elections varies considerably from year to year.

ance of power on the board is left largely up for grabs.

None of the seven candidates have made any comments suggesting a tilt toward either bloc.

Professor of Anthropology Chuck Ellenbaum, chairman of the Faculty Association political action committee, said the faculty union will conduct interviews and make endorsements. The Courier is published every Friday when classes are in session during the Fall, Winter, and Spring Quarters, except for the first Friday of Quarter and finals

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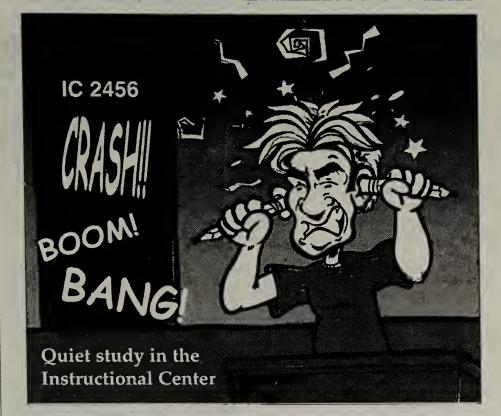
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A study in discontent

are lies, damn lies, and statistics. This is probably too harsh for the flurry of statistical surveys released by the Office of

Staff **Editorial**

Research and Planning at the end of every year. Nonetheless, it would be all too easy for the administration and faculty to read complacen-

cy into the annual "Customer Satisfaction Survey."

Virtually none of the college's services received substantial negative ratings in the survey, a multiple-choice form mailed to 3,000 students in the Spring Quarter.

Only 1 percent of respondents reported serious problems with noise in classrooms, for example. This gives the impression of a few random cranks, upset by modest disturbances. Yet the distractions caused by food service carts and loudmouthed students in the poorly soundproofed Instructional Center are well doc-

umented. Some 50 full-time faculty said their classes were disrupted by the noise in a Fall 1999 Courier survey.

The only reason classroom noise does not register as a problem in the customer report is that the problem is localized: extreme near the warehouse in the IC, nonexistant in the computing center and building M.

Similarly, the 11 percent unhappy with dining services are not an extraordinarily picky minority; rather, they probably represent the students looking for a meal outside of the 'K' building's sharply abbreviated hours or in the SRC Cafeteria during a night class.

Research and Planning does a great service in seeking student feedback. But a mailed-in, check-in-the-box survey must not become an excuse to ignore issues that are minimized by blanket studies.

As with any statistics, the real usefulness of the "Customer Satisfaction Survey" lies in how it is read.

Fisher's report revisited

At the College of DuPage, when people talk about "the basics," they don't mean reading, writing and arithmetic. More like-

ly than not, they mean the Fisher Report, a Staff sweeping released last spring with **Editorial** recommendations on

ly everything on campus. Board Chairman Mary Wuttke Kranz said recently she will be pushing for more

how to improve virtual-

discussion of the report in February. That means our trustees may be asking President Mike Murphy for action on issues ranging from arming Public Safety officers to switching to a semester calen-

In general, these issues do need more public discussion. The administration and trustees have seemed to be winking at each other for months, assuming a calendar change while publically proclaiming that no decision has been made.

On the issue of firearms, trustees say they are waiting for Murphy, who says he wants to consult the new chief, who refers people to his boss, Vice President Tom Ryan, who says flat-out that the situation is too political to discuss on the record.

Both of these matters need to be decided in the fresh air of public discourse. Chairman Kranz' proposed discussion could be a positive step.

But the trustees must beware several looming pitfalls. First, they must not take the Fisher Report itself too seriously. The consulting firm which prepared it spent a single week on campus, and several recommendations verge on the nonsensical. The board should discard all the reports' final conclusions as anything but a vague outline for debates and discussions.

As important, the trustees must be firm in establishing the process for making these weighty decisions without taking cheap shots at Murphy, whom they publically humiliated this month by approving only a 3 percent pay raise in a split, 5-2 vote. This behavior undermines Murphy, hurting his already less-than-perfect authority on campus.

SGA's troubling shadow

Student Body President Kevin Murray was right to call for a halt to senator appointments until the SGA develops a fair process for naming officials.

But the student senate was also right to name former President Kevin O'Kelly the newest senator last week.

O'Kelly already had a tremendous role in the SGA's operation. He and several others formed what could almost be considered a shadow government of sorts, wielding considerable influence over the senators with the express approval of

This is unacceptable in an ostensibly democratic government. We believe SGA should drop the "government" in favor of some other structure—but until that happens, they should be held to the same standards as any government.

PhotoPoll:

Are your classrooms too cold this time of year?

Nancy Brown, 19 special education



"No, actually, some of them are kind of hot."

Kacy Earwood, 20 Glen Ellyn **Business**



"No, not cold at all."

John Castaldo Oak Brook **Business**



"Yes."

Justin B. Nash, 19 Oak Brook Engineering



"No."



Lori VanDrasek, 19 Glen Ellyn **Criminal Justice**



"No."

Jim Andows, 19 Westmont **Business**



"No."

MyOpinion

By John McCallum



Lost in cyberspace, **COD** style

ow much did it cost to see the alternative rock band Local-H play in the Turner Conference Center last December? Do you care? I certainly don't. But for some reason, that's the lead item on the college's events calendar, which hasn't been updated in weeks. After giving the official Web page (www.cod.edu) a slick new look, no one has bothered to replace December 2000 plays, concerts and lectures with the January ones.

You'd think that the largest single-campus community college in the world could update its activities listing on a monthly basis. Publications can be tricky, though, so when I found the slip Saturday afternoon I just shrugged it off and went to look for the information somewhere

The Student Activities office has been nothing short of giddy over its new Mascot Networks-student-Web-portalonline-Internet-thing, so I decided to give that a try.

Naturally, a service like Mascot gets space on the college's home page (the Courier is buried under about a half-dozen links, but that's another battle), so I just hit the little green-and-blue icon in the corner.

After about a minute and half, this ridiculous looking screen with an off-center sign-on window pops up. It's a terribly optimistic little window, reading "Everyone at your school is pre-registered. Join your classmates inside!" I raise an eyebrow at the claim that 17 students are signed on at 3 p.m. on a Saturday, but who knows?

I enter my first and last name, and my student ID num-

And I wait. And wait. And wait.

Then it tells me that there's no record for my name. Now I'm getting annoyed. I've been a part-time student since I was 16, I have over 90 credit hours, I work for the student newspaper and I could be pulled out of a police line-up by everyone on the Board of Trustees and most of the administrators at the college. They had damn well better have a record of my existence.

Suddenly, I remember some distant discussion of email addresses and Mascot. That's it, I think: they need my e-mail address. But, well. . . I gave them my e-mail address, months ago, after my first failed attempt to get

We have to confirm things in this business, though. Can't just go around "remembering" things in Journalism. So I go back to the college's home page and try to make sure they do, in fact, have my address.

The registration page is the best thing COD has to offer online: you can check grades, register, drop classes, pay tuition and change your ID information from the comfort of home. I head in that direction, only to be informed that the page is not available at the moment. The Web page is closed after 3:30 p.m. on Saturdays. I look at the clockit's 3:24 p.m. The computers must have a more interesting social life than me, they've punched out early.

Now, call me crazy, but if students had the time or organizational skills to hit the Web page during business hours, couldn't we just do everything in person? I'm almost never online before midnight, and I'm probably

My next move, I suppose, is to call the college, navigate the phone-tree and hope to find someone in Student Activities on a Saturday afternoon. On second thought, maybe I'll just tie my request to a homing pigeon and hope things work out for the best. It's hard to say which option would work better.

So I gave up, exasperated. The events calendar doesn't work, Mascot is ignoring me and registration is sleeping.

I know there is some way to get a calendar of events. I'm no slouch when it comes to researching education issues: I've made Freedom of Information requests, looked up court decisions and interviewed the president of the college at one in the morning. But when it comes to finding events on a Saturday afternoon, no one is going to spend more than five or ten minutes poking around the Web site.

If the college can't make student events and services any easier than this, they shouldn't be surprised if electronic student activities wind up as unknown as on-campus events themselves.

Letters to the Editor

Ousted senator condemns the SGA

I address this to all COD students who pay student fees. Perhaps you read the last edition of the Courier and were intrigued about what is going on in your student government.

Perhaps you didn't read it, or you just don't care, however you should know that you pay the salaries of the members of SGA, you pay for the desks at which they do not work and you paid for the walls that surround their crumbling internal structure.

It is vital that you know what a mockery they are making of you, the students of COD.

First let me say that I appreciate all the support I have received from those of you who have stopped me in the hallway because you recognized my picture from the last issue of the Courier.

I do, however, feel it pertinent to set right a few wrongs. One cannot be removed from a position which they have surrendered. Upon accepting a job offer, I informed both my advisers and my fellow SGA members of my decision not to enroll in Winter Quarter. No magical record surfaced

showing my non-enrollment status.

In this addition of the Courier you will no doubt find a letter to the editor from the "members of the student government association." It is not from them at all. Senate secretary Renee Fish penned the letter herself without SGA consent, and hid behind the guise of the

Last night, at the senate meeting, sen. Fish was severely reprimanded for her inappropriate actions by Adviser Robb Frank and other members present at the meeting.

In her letter, Miss Fish states that the "main catalyst" for the problems in SGA is gone.

Were that the case, it would have been her face and not mine that graced the front page of the Courier.

It is unfortunate that Miss Fish received the votes necessary to be seated as a senator in April. If she runs again next April, which is inevitable, I urge each of you to vote against her.

During the eight months in which I served the student body, I faithfully executed my duties as senate chair and fulfilled each of my duties as senator, as per the SGA constitution, bylaws and office policies and procedures. Unfortunately, I was in the minority.

During their still ongoing terms, President Kevin Murray, sen. Anthony Cvek, and secretary Renee Fish have done little more than boost their egos on the dime of the students.

I encourage all students interested in where their money is going to drop in the SGA office, SRC 1550, and start asking questions.

Also available to you is the opportunity to watch the SGA in action. Meetings are held at 4 p.m. every other Tuesday in SRC 2085.

This will give you a chance to watch your "leaders" stumble over themselves and their inane policies and misrepresent you on important issues like tuition increases, parking and what students want.

Were you to visit SGA, you would find empty desks and a random collection of students in a situation that resembles a daycare facility more than a professional office environment.

> Brianna L. Abate Former SGA chairman

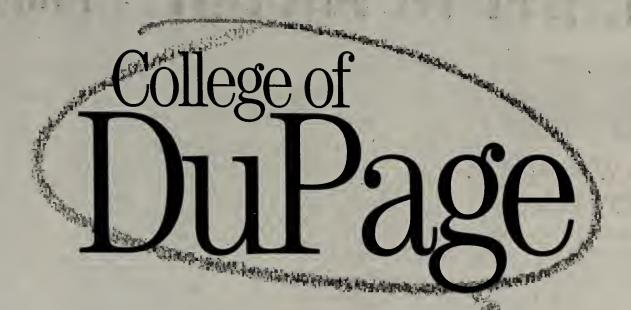
Editor's note: the letter referenced was drafted by sen. Fish and appeared in the SGA agenda packet Tuesday, but was not acted on.

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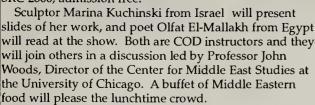
Film, art to reveal Near East women

By Eileen O'Malley **Features Editor**

Capturing Iranian women on film is Mansooreh Saboori's mission.

"It's a lot of work and extremely tense," said Saboori who has gone to 1 Iran to make four documentaries.

Saboori will show a segment from her third film, "Voices Behind the Veils" at "Mosaics of Artistic Expression" 11a.m. Sculptor Marina Kuchinski to 1:30 p.m. Tuesday in SRC 2800, admission free.



will show her work in slides.

Before the Islamic revolution of 1979, Iran had 100 women judges, but fundamentalists stripped women of their judgeships, Saboori said. Women have been fighting back ever since, not only for women but for all of Iran, Saboori said, and two women now are judges.

Saboori was born in Iran but has lived 28 years in the U.S. "Those that are interviewed are basically inside



Marina Kuchinski, Untitled.

their houses," she said. "Live shots fromstreets and outside residences was risky, but I got it!" Saboori said. Art and ceramics professor

Marina Kuchinski was born in Riga, Latvia but raised in Tel-Aviv. "I don't like to label myself in any way. I don't much think of myself as a woman artist. I'm just an artist. I'm from the Middle East, but not a typical Middle Eastern - I don't know what a typical Middle Eastern is."

Kuchinski said her art lately Found objects, clay, leaves. involves relationships between spoken and written

language. Her work can be ironic, and sometimes she uses animals to reflect the human condition, Kuchinski

El-Mallakh teaches Comparative Religion. She originated the NCTV Naperville cable station show, "Training Your Parents" which her daughter now produces. She was Poet in Residence on the late Sondra Gehr's WBEZ radio program. El-Mallakh was a teemager when she came to the U.S. with her parents.

"I grew up in their values but I had to change, to get into this culture somehow," she said. In one poem EI-Mallakh begins, "The lady in black mystifies me, she simply horrifies me..." ending with, "I'm scared, I confess, she's none but me in trance wearing the black dress."

PhotoPoll:

Of women in history, whom do you most admire?

Qiana Marina Ingram, 18 Hanover Park Human services domestic violence



"Jane Addams because she had compassion without condescension. She had pity without retreating into vulgarity. She had sympathy for common things without forgetfulness of those that are uncommon."

Sharukh Syed, 19 Bensenville Computer Science



"Other than my mother, I admire no woman."

Kathryn Henvaldt, 20 **Elementary Education**



"I admire Susan B. Anthony because she stood up for her beliefs, and she never gave up."

New lab series aids females in Physics

By Eileen O'Malley **Features Editor**

What type of force would you have to put on a cart to keep it moving at a constant velocity?

So deeply ingrained in people's minds are simplistic observations of reality, that even students aware of fundamental laws of the universe may fail to answer this and similar questions correctly. (Answer pg. 10)

Physics professor Tom Carter said that students often divorce classroom science from experience. A new physics laboratory program helps students personally experience physics concepts in the lab, forcing the mind to confront its own flawed opinions.

The new lab series, called Tools for Scientific Thinking, was implemented last Fall in Physics 151. Dean of Natural Sciences David Malek, Associate Dean Adenuga Atewologun, Physics Professor Herbert Schulz and Carter instituted the \$40,000 program which was developed by Tufts University.

Carter said research by Tufts indicated that the lab series would improve female performance in physics.

"Since we were introducing a new lab, I said, 'Let's check that out," Carter said.

On standardized science tests females do not perform as well as males, Carter said. "Female students come into physics less well prepared

than their male counterparts," he

"Early on, women students do extremely well, but somewhere around middle school or somewhere around high school, that changes. And why is that?" Carter wondered.

"My concern is what we can do here at COD to help those students." When asked why he would be concerned about women succeeding in science, Carter said,

"As an educator, if by making a small change to the way you teach



Physics professor Tom Carter uses blackboard, computers and a new lab series to demonstrate concepts.

your class you can reach 30 percent more of the students than you could reach before, I think any educator

Carter said, "Some students like math. Some students, for instance, want or have to "feel" the equation, feel and live it. That's not to say one student is wrong and one is right. We have to teach both students. Here we have a whole class of intelligent students who would make wonderful scientists," Carter said.

Computers in the labs record and graph data, relieving some tedium, distraction, and making experiments more fun. To LanLuo, physics is fun.

see "new lab series" page 10

Mark K., 22 **Downers Grove** Criminal Justice



"Rosa Parks - she stood up for what she believed.

Women to tap family friendships, money

By Eileen O'Malley Features Editor

Spaces will not last for the 2nd Annual Celebration of Women 2001, March 3 in SRC 2800, if last year's sold- out gathering is any indicator.

MarenMcKellin, Coordinator of Field and Experiential Learning and one of the organizers of the daylong program, said she expects a maximum registration of 175 people.

The conference kicks off Women's History Month and will feature six breakout sessions addressing a variety of issues from women's perspectives. Some options include how to collect and relate family stories, how to balance family and work, how to

navigate transitions, a sit-down massage, lunch, clarifying and exploring financial options, and suggestions on how to join other women in a variety of online communites.

An online nomination form is available on the Celebration's website for those wishing to propose for the Adade Wheeler Award a woman who has contributed to the personal or professional advancement of other women. Deadline for nominations is Friday, Feb. 16.

Registration (630) 942-3940 is \$15; \$25 including lunch.

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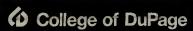
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Black Student Union to host open mic, show

By Eileen O'Malley **Features Editor**

No registration is required for performers at the open mic hosted by the Black Student Union to be held 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday, Feb. 5 in SRC 1450 in back of the cafeteria.

"You can just show up and go on," said Camillia Phillips, 19, BSU Events Coordinator after the BSU meeting Wednesday in IC 2021.

To celebrate Black History Month in February, BSU will host dancers, poet James McGrew, and magician Walter King, Jr. in a show 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Monday, Feb. 26 in SRC 2800.

A gospel concert will follow from 6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. featuring the Sons of Jacob and Euclid Gray, as well as gospel choirs from Benedictine University, Curie High School, the DuPage African Methodist Episcopal Church, and Wheaton College.

Phillips ran the BSU meeting singlehandedly, as President Dorothea Butler was recuperating from a car crash and other officers were not present. Four members and the club's two advisers attended.

Phillips said class schedules could not account for poor attendance at the

"Right now the cafeteria is full of us, and even now they're not here. It's not that they can't come," she said, "they won't come."

In the idea stage for future events are an elegant night dance at a hotel banquet hall, a trip to Great America, a dramatic performance, battle of the bands, a soul food night, and a threeon-three basketball tournament.

Like many clubs and including the Student Government Association, poor meeting attendance results in



Events Coordinator Camillia Phillips announces that dancers, a poet and a magician will appear at a show to be hosted by BSU.

heavier burdens on the shoulders of a few who try to make ideas happen.

"Everybody seems to be interested in the field trips, but they're not interested in the meetings," Phillips said.
"We want everybody to feel a part.

Please feel a part. Do something," Phillips said.

Wes Sanders, 19, a computer science major said he joined BSU because he wanted to make a difference.

"I'd like to see it go on for years and years," Sanders said of the club.

Sanders said he hoped students would get together and start a domino effect, making things happen.

"The best thing would be to come back in about 20 years and see this still happening," Sanders said.

Phillips reported that over \$200 was raised at the last BSU bake sale.

The next BSU meeting is noon to 1 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 31 in IC 2021.

'New lab series' from page 9

Computer science major Luo likes physics "'Cause I'm good at it."

The computers make the labs more fun, Luo said while performing a heat transfer experiment Tuesday.

"The computer is graphing the data. The entire lab is on computers. It's all connected to the computer."

Instead of having to dip and read thermometers, the probes connected to the computer fed precise heat measurements for direct interpretation.

"This class helps a lot relating theories to real life," Luo said.

Carter demonstrated the r ship between time, distance and speed via a motion detector connected to a computer. The computer monitor displayed a stairlike slope, and the task was to match body movement to the shape of the slope. A student would have to gauge how quickly to walk forward, and when to hesitate in order to replicate the image on the

Such visceral experience of nature's laws makes immediate impact on the mind. "In the Distance vs. Time lab, you can see how you can use your own body to make a graph," Carter

Math is not a problem for Luo or ffor Ruchita Patel, 19, who both like math.



Ruchita Patel (left) and Lan Luo perform a heat transfer experiment.

Patel credits her aunt, a biology teacher, with encouraging her interest in science. Biology major Patel likes exploring life.

Especially little things, creatures. We can't even see them, and still they exist." Patel said.

Computer science and engineering major Roshan Hindia, 19, has been programming since age 12, and has an e-business. He doesn't need this credit. He said, "I'm here not because I have to, but because I like it." (Answer to cart question: No force.)

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Face in the Crowd



Jessica Beans

Birthday: January 1, 1981

Birthplace: Illinois

High School: Clay High School, Green Cove Springs, Florida

Most Influential Person at COD: Connie Canaday-Howard. She's a theatre teacher. She's a great actress, a great teacher, and you can never learn too much from her.

What has been your favorite class? Any theatre class, and fencing.

What are your plans after COD? I want to go to Northern, and I actually want to teach English and theatre, and I want to stay in fencing, if I can.

I wanted to take it in Florida, but no one knows anything about it

there. Then I saw the class fencing outside in the Spring. I said, "Oh, my gosh, I better sign up! So this is my second quarter in fencing.

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Dream Job:: Ok, this is my dream day at my dream job. Makeup, I go to school and teach English and they actually get it. Hopefully, I'm sponsoring the Drama Club, and I go to rehearsal and get to act. Then I go home and eat some chocolate and go

Current Job: I'm a waitress on the weekends at Chili's.

Favorite movie: The Rocky Horror Picture Show, and Labyrinth.

Hobbies: I like to read a lot. Favorite book: Daisy Fay and the Miracle Man by Fannie Flagg.

Long Term Goal: Right now it's to grow my hair to my butt, and to

What do you like about theatre? I like being someone else. I'm big into costumes. I have a wardrobe that has lots of things from different eras. I have '60s clothes, '70's clothes, '80s. I have dresses from the '20s.

I'm big into playing the part. If I can do that in my normal day, I'll do that, too. I'm in a play-directing class right now on Monday nights. We're having auditions... I'm trying my hand at directing.

If you could go anywhere in the world, where would you go? I'd like to see Europe or Australia.

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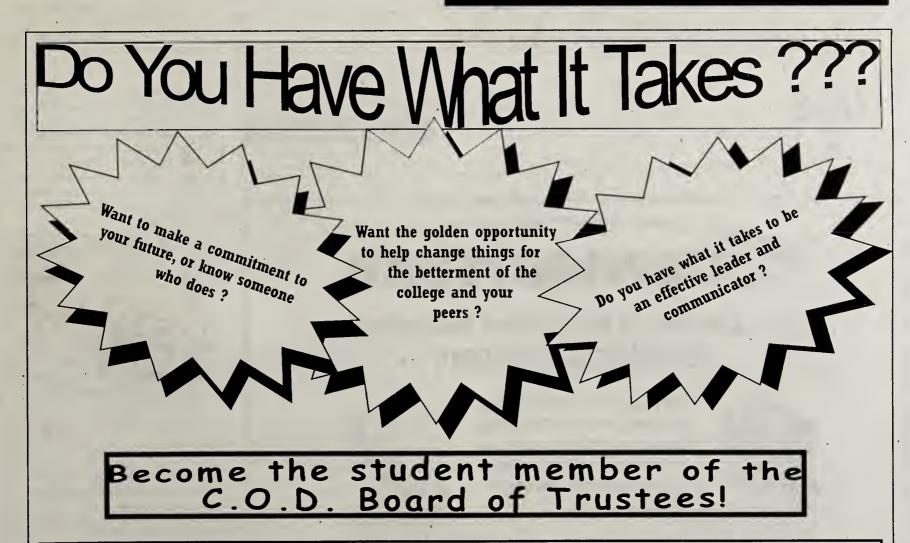
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Still time to register for Voice Recognition Software class. Meets noon to 2:40 p.m. four Thursdays, Feb. 1 - 22. Create, edit, and format documents in a windows environment by speaking directly into the computer. OFTI 191 (#26116) 1 credit hour.

Instructor: Peggy Maas, 942-3335 Registration Deadline Jan. 29.

Touch Keyboarding course teaches alpha-numeric computer keyboarding, discusses symbol keys. 9 a.m. to 11:40 a.m. four Fridays Feb. 2 to 23. OFTI 191 (#26777) Call Nancy Stanko 942-2122. Registration Deadline Jan. 29.

Prarie Light Review seeks poetry, prose, photographs and artwork from students, staff and residents of District 502 for the Spring/Summer issue. Deadline is Feb. 16. Poems

written in foreign languages wanted, accompanied by English translations. New submission guidelines are outside the office door, SRC 1558.

Poetry reading for the Fall/Winter Prarie Light Review will be 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 3 at Borders, Rice Lake. Square.

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Doing Research from Home starts 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 6; also 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 17; and 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 21.

Go to www.cod.edu/library/ Then Enter Library. Then click the light blue S.O.S. on the far right of the screen. Then click S.O.S. midscreen. Walk-ins welcome if space permits.

Russian sociologist Ada Baskina will speak about women and families in Russia Today, noon to 1 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 7, at SRC 2800.

Midterm may be time to brush up on test-taking strategies, notetaking techniques, textbook reading, and time management at a Study Skills Seminar 9 a.m. to 3:45 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 17 in IC 3001. \$45 includes box lunch. Course code is 23287. CallCall Pat Cookis at 942- 2709.

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Terracotta Landmarks by Gretchen Lee Coles through February: Clay sprouts colorful legs, ears, broken horns and pieces of pie in this exhibit in cubes on the upper floor of the Library. Also featured are photos and poetry by NIU students who participated in Art, Adult Education, and Meaning, a continuing education course offered at COD.

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Art, a Family affair at COD



Artist, Karen Victoria Thielman



The reception drew a healthy crowd. The food put out by Chef Thielman lured in a good number of students passing by.



Fallen Leaf Lake, a spot found near Lake Tahoe

By Bob Nichols Arts & Entertainment Editor

Currently on display in Wings, the student art gallery is the work of Karen Thielman. Thielman's work isn't new age, it's not modern art nor is it a concept or theme thing. It is simply acrylic paintings of real life scenes or situations.

The beauty in Thielman's work is evident at a glance. I don't need to be "taught how" to like it, I already

Thielman took a drawing class here four years ago, in fall 97 she followed that drawing class with one on painting. The work in the Wings gallery clearly shows she has a natural talent in addition to her academic skill.

The works on display represent about two years of work in her in home studio which is located "upstairs near the laundry room" in her home.

This display is Thielman's first

chance to show her work in public. The artist beamed with pride when she said that her grammar school principal was one of the people in attendance.

Thielman likes to paint her landscapes from photographs taken while on vacation. One such piece sold at the opening. Titled, Fallen Leaf Lake, this piece is taken from a photo of a lake near Lake Tahoe. ThieIman said that the drive to that lake took hours of white knuckle driving over a one Iane gravel road. The lake was apparently a serendipitous bonus found at the end of the drive.

No article on this show would be complete without a tip of the hat to Karen Thielman's husband Chef Chris Thielman. Chris put out quite an impressive spread of hors deuvres for the affair, prepared only a few feet away in our own culinary arts kitchens. More than one student taking in the show was drawn into the gallery by the culinary treats therein.



Karen, the star of the show with husband, Chef Chris Thielman who's food co-starred the show.



From an Italian vacation photo, Karen re-created a scene in acrylic.



As seen from outside, the art gallery 'Wings' was quite busy for Thielman's art



A potential customer perusing some of Karen's work.



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Could I be capable of torturing someone?

By Bob Nichols
Arts & Entertainment Editor

John Conroy, a Chicago author of considerable renown is slated to speak here as part of the College Lecture Series at the MAC. What he's got to say will likely shock a good many of his listeners.

Conroy is currently a staff writer for the Chicago Reader, a weekly publication with a circulation of nearly 140,000 readers.

It is the stir caused by his books: Unspeakable Acts, Ordinary People: The Dynamics of Torture, and Belfast Diary: War as a Way of Life, that has brought him into the spotlight.

Statements like "There is more than ample evidence that most torturers are normal people." make Conroy's perspective on the topic at least a little disturbing.

In the investigation following the slaying of policemen, suspect Andrew Wilson was taken to Area 2 headquarters on Chicago's south side for questioning. While at the station Police Commander Jon Burge and his detectives tortured Wilson for 13 hours.

Wilson was beaten, burned with cigarettes, smothered with a plastic bag and had electric shock administered to his head, hands and thighs.

Eventually this was proven to have occurred in the courts and cost the city over \$1 million in damages by order of a federal judge.

During the course of the investigation, Conroy visited Commander Burge in the Area 2 offices for an interview. Conroy described Burge as an likeable sort who "didn't take himself too seriously." From what Conroy said about Burge, this torturer could be the nice guy who lives next door to just about anyone.

The case mentioned above is one of three in North America that Conroy writes of in *Unspeakable Acts Ordinary People*. Yes, Amnesty International has cause for concern over human rights violations in the good ole US in addition to many other countries worldwide.

In a conversation with Conroy, he stated that many Americans have developed a certain tolerance of torture in our culture. We often abide it by not calling it torture, one of the most common expressions we like to use for torture is "police brutality." To many this term is sinister enough in its own right, yet does it really carry the weight that the term torture does?

As a result of Conroy's investigative work in Area 2, he informed me that two cases concerning "police brutality" (torture) were re-opened. One, the Wilson case aforementioned in this article and two a case looking at the picture on a more statewide basis.

Conroy said during an interview that part of the real tragedy in the case of Wilson's torture is that although Burge was dismissed from his job as commander, no action was taken against him beyond that. I was also informed that the other officers involved still have their jobs.

In his research Conroy found that over a three year period ending in1999, over 900 people were bitten by the police dogs used by the Los Angeles police department.

In itself this statistic is unsettling, now compare it to the fact that in New York only 32 people were bitten by police dogs over the same time period. Keep in mind also that these dogs are used to apprehend *suspects*, people not necessarily guilty of anything other than being in the wrong place at the right time. As a result of this pattern of K-9 attack coming to light, the Los Angeles police now train their dogs to bark at instead of bite their quarry when they catch it.

One may feel that there are times when torture is justified, i.e. when a life could be saved. I questioned Conroy on this and he asked me who

"There is more than ample evidence that most torturers are normal people."

JOHN CONROY, AUTHOR

is the one to determine when and if torture is acceptable and at what point do we stop once we've begun.

Israel is a country that routinely tortures prisoners in order to get valuable information. Conroy informs us that those who's job it is to do that torturing take weekends off, return to work on Monday and pick up where they left off. He questions that if the information is so vital, "Why do they have the luxury of waiting until after the weekend to extract it?"

Conroy speaks of the "tortureable class," those beyond the pale of decent society. Depending on where or when one lives, this class of people has always existed. To the Romans it was the Christians, to the Russians it was the Jews, as it was to the Nazis. The early North American Pioneers had the Native Americans (Indians) to abuse. Later on, African Americans in America became the class that got the abuse. In many respects they still are.

When asked, "What can the average Joe do to confront this problem?" Conroy said that if we are called on to serve on a jury, use the same skepticism when hearing a cop tell his side of things that we use when we hear the African American, Hispanic, Asian or Caucasian accused drug dealer telling his. Because you see, if one of these suspected criminals claims to have ben tortured to obtain a confession, he or she just may be telling the truth.

A good deal of Conroy's message as I understand it is not just that torture exists more commonly than we'd like to believe but also that those guilty of causing it are not the monsters we'd like to think they are. According to Conroy, people who do this sort of thing are basically normal people who have been given the opportunity.

Conroy will be on the mainstage at the MAC on Tuesday, Feb. 13, at 7:30PM. I guarantee what he has to tell us will be at the very least informative if not downright disturbing.

ArtsCalendar

Student Activities

- Jan. 22-26, Scott Lee's Traveling College of Billiard Knowledge Mon.-Fri, 9:00 - 5:00, in the Student Activities Rec Area, Open to public
- Feb. 7, Peter Mayer, Folk Singer 11:30 AM in the McAninch Arts Center Lobby, Open to public
- Feb. 14, Frederick Winters, Master Hypnotist. 11:30 AM Turner Conference Center (SRC 2800) Call 942-2712 for info
- Feb. 21, Midway Ramblers Cajun Band 11:30 AM in the McAninch Arts Center Courtyard, Open to public
- Feb. 23, Patrick Comb's, Major in Success (career development seminar) 1:00 PM in SRC 1450 Open to public
- Feb. 28, Open Mic Showcase, 11:30 AM Student Activities Rec Area (SRC 1750) Open to public
- Mar. 9, Lucky Boys Confusion
 With COD Alumni Ryan Fergus on drums 9:00PM in the Turner
 Conference Center (SRC 2800) Call 942-2712 for info
- Apr. 4, Laura Fuentes Y Calicanto Latin Musicians 11:30 AM in the McAninch Arts Center Courtyard Free to public
- Apr. 11, Chris Carter, Mentalist-Mind Reader 11:30 AM in the Turner Conference Center Call 942-2712 for info

At The MAC

- Jan. 19, 20, New Philharmonic Fred and Maria Hammond Two unusual concertos for piano fourhands by Leopold Kozeluh and Alfred Schnitte. Program includes Brahms: Haydn Variations, and Haydn Symphony No. 88. Fri. & Sat. 8:00 PM (\$18/16)
- Jan. 26, Arts Center Jazz
 Ensemble, Bob Havens, Trombone
 Swing trombone performed by one of Lawrence Welk's orcehestral mainstays. Fri. 8:00PM (\$18/15)
- Jan, 27, (Matinee), Sundiata, Lion King of Mali Especially for kids, this legendary tale of Africa tells of Sudiata and his efforts to challenge the evil Sumanguru who would rule all of Africa. Sat. 11:00AM & 1:00PM (\$7)
- Jan. 27, (Evening), Arlo Guthrie
 The voice behind that great
 Thanksgiving tale sings and tells
 stories about his life. He'll be
 accompanied by his son and
 daughter. Sat 8:00PM (SOLD OUT)
- Feb. 2,3, Hubbard Street Dance Chicago Under the direction of new artistic director James Vincent,

Hubbard Street's dancers will humor and amaze you. The music is diverse, ranging from Dean Martin to Mambo to Traditional Israeli tunes. Fri & Sat. 8:00PM(\$26/25)

- Feb. 4, Kathy Buckley She talks of life's journey from a perspective that shows just how funny we humans really are, Sun. 4 & 7:00PM(\$20/19)
- Feb. 9, Jim Brickman Just in time for Va letine's Day, bring that spe cial someone in your life for an evening of romance from the piano. Fri. 8:00PM(\$29/28)
- Feb. 15, (Preview) Feb. 16 to Mar.

 17 Someone to Watch Over Me
 Powerful drama as an Amercian an
 Englishman and an Irishman learn
 how to use humor and imagination
 to care for each other during the
 ordeal of being held captive in a
 cell in Beirut. Thu. 8:00PM, Fri. &
 Sat. 8:00PM, Sun. 2:00PM (\$20/18)
- Feb. 16, The Spencers Magic A magic show for the whole family by a family. The Spencers use illu sion, music and comedy to enhance the magic they work on their audi ence. Fri. 7:30PM (\$18/17)
- Feb. 23, 24, DuPage Opera Theatre, Fidelio Come and see first-hand how incomprehensible words sung in a foriegn language can stir emotion. Fri. & Sat. 8:00PM (\$25/23)
- Feb. 25, Unforgettable Monroe Kent III, tells the storie on Nat King Cole. Sun. 7:00PM (\$22/21)
- Mar. 3, New Classic Singers
 Leonard Bernstein's Candide
 Pre Concert Lecture 7 pm. MAC
 139 Arguably Bernstein at his
 finest, this is among the best shows
 to hit broadway. Performed with
 the Ars Viva Orchestra. Sat 8:00PM
 (\$25/23)
- Mar. 8,7 (Preview) Buffalo Theatre Ensemble, Four Men on a Bench Show runs Mar. 9, to Apr. 7 Can two old men on a bench discussing ducks really give us a life lesson? Thu. preview 8:00PM, Fri. & Sat. 8:00PM, Sun. 2:00PM (\$18/20)
- Mar. 10, Daniel Heifetz with The Classical Band Come and see this internationally acclaimed violinist put his interpretation into Vivaldi's Four Seasosns. Sat. 8:00PM (\$24/23)
- Mar. 14, The Origina Three Irish Tenors Start with three angelic sets of pipes on these guys add soprano and harpist Jaqueline Whelan and comedian/storyteller Jimmy Kennedy now mix in a host of Irish dancers, result, a night of entertainment sure to keep your hands warm from all the clapping. Wed. 8:00PM (SOLD OUT)

Program Board Student Activities Student Activities

Friday, Jan. 26th Scott E. Lee's Traveling College of Billiard Knowledge



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Traffic

Starring: Michael Douglas, Catherine Zeta Jones, Erika Christianson and Dennis Quaid

By Correspondent Miranda Osborn

The US has a drug problem that gets progressively worse as the years roll by, the stuff gets cheaper, and more people are selling it. That's what Traffic is all about.

Based on the 1980's British television miniseries TRAFFICK, director Steven Soderbergh's contemporary thriller, "Traffic", presents an ensemble of highly personal stories, filled with intrigue, death and danger.

A Mexican policeman finds himself caught in a web of corruption; A pair of undercover DEA agents work in the sordid and dangerous world of San Diego dealers; a wealthy drug baron living in upscale, suburban America is arrested and learns how quickly his unknowing and pampered wife takes over his business;

and the U.S. President's new antidrug czar, an Ohio State Supreme Court Justice, must deal with his increasingly drug-addicted teenage

daughter.
The ensemble

The ensemble cast, headed up by Michael Douglas, Don Cheadle, Benicio Del Toro, Luís Guzman, Dennis Quaid, and Catherine Zeta-Jones, is without a doubt, phenomenal. From Douglas's "Robert Wakefield," a

bright and savvy conservative
Supreme Court Judge, who whilst
working his way up the political
chain finds out his teenage
daughter Caroline (Erika Christensen)
has developed a drug problem, to
Catherine Zeta-Jones's six-month
pregnant wife of a
drug smuggler who will do almost

drug smuggler who will do almost anything for money, it's a slap-in-theface honest hard look at life in the fast lane

Harsh camera treatment without the use of tripods gives the film a more in-depth feel than your average drug-movie, and as critics say, it's had Oscar written all over it since it's release last week.

Audience members can focus on whatever aspects they want, and regard and disregard characters as they see fit, piecing together their own story for themselves. You never know what's going to happen next.

Rating 4 ne-eyed Bobs









BOOK REVIEW

By Bob Nichols
Arts & Entertainment Editor

Merrick By Ann Rice

Merrick is a book that continues the story the started with the book Interview With a Vampire. Many of the characters from her earlier books play a role in this one. We get re-acquainted with Louis, Lestat, and even the child vampire Claudia comes to us in spirit form.

Merrick is a product of New Orleans and the culture it nourishes. Merrick is a witch, not just your average one though, she's the real deal. In previous tales, Rice acquaints her readers with a New Orleans clan known as the Mayfair Witches.

This clan has a family bloodline that traces itself all the way back to a Mayan Priestess, another branch hails back to Haiti and the powerful Voodoo masters who dwell there, and there's some white blood mixed in as well.

Another main character in this book is David Talbot, (the guy who did the "Interview With a Vampire") formerly of the Talamasca.

A bit about the Talamasca before we go on. In Rice's world, Vampires are real. This organization that calls itself the Talamasca is sort of a self-appointed watchdog group. What they watch is the various occult groups, witches, warlocks and just the kind of thing we all would consider to be myth or fantasy. The Talamasca especially likes to keep tabs on, and whenever possible, study vampires. Their mission has always been to watch and learn only

In this book, Merrick who was raised by the Talamasca has blossomed into a stunning young woman, who's beauty may only be rivaled by her power and intellect. David Talbot is no longer the kindly old intellectual who serves as the Superior General of the Talamasca. You see David is now a very powerful vampire, having received the "Dark Gift" of vampirism from the vampire Lestat in the previous book The Body Thief.

The book concludes with a gauntlet thrown down by the Talamasca. The question is, will the recently re-awakened Vampire Lestat and his coven of vampire companions take the challenge and do battle with the Talamasca?



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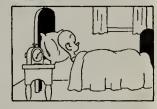
















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TAURUS (April 20 to May 20)
Your workplace finally sends you the good news you've been hoping to hear contract which all Your personal life also takes a decided turn for the better.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20)

New information might emerge that could cause you to rathink a decision you made a white ago. Dig deeper for more facts, and then act on what you've learned.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22)

This might not be a good time to make major changes or commitments, unless you're absolutely sure you have all the information you need to act.

LEO (July 23 to August 22)

Love looms large in the Big Cat's aspect these days.

Paired denmates grow closer, while single Lions could find a Libra just right for romancing.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22)

This could be a good time to reconsider that major purchase you've put off. But check everything – including financing options – before you buy.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22)
Your strength and love help a family member come through a crisis. Meanwhile, the adjustments you made in your business venture begin to pay off.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21)
Patience is needed to help you cope with an apparently stalled relationship. Don't force it to move. Instead, give it time to grow into its own potential.

Remantic aspects are strong for the single Archer looking to turn a firtetious situation (with a Pisces, perhaps) into something more permanent.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19)

An unexpected admission could help clear up a painful misunderstanding. Keep an open mind about what you hear, and avoid being judgmental.

KLARIUS (January 20 to February 18)

This is a good time for one of the zodiac's great romantics untilly, you!) to consider making that love commitment you've been

PISCES (February 19 to March 20)
Although you enjoy fantasizing about romance, you enjoy the reality of it most of all. A Sagittarian would love to share that reality

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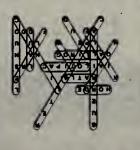
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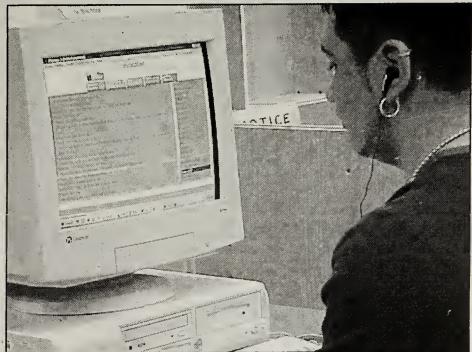
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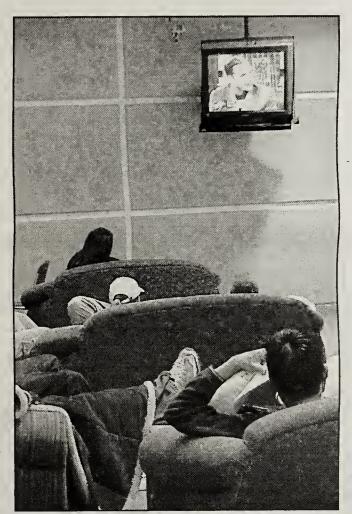
Jonathan Palisoc takes advantage of the library computers to chat online to his friends in between classes.

Killing Time

Breaks in between class are from 10 minutes or to a couple of hours. These pictures show what most students do on campus during class break.



Tori Turner takes a break from class to have a quick smoke out side the IC building.



The SRC t.v. lounge is a popular spot to hang out at in between classes. Here are some students watching Sally.



By Huy Doan Photography Editor

Marin W Car

The cafeteria is a good place to grab a bite and to study while at school.

Chaps roll over Bulldogs in rematch with South Suburban

By Mike Olsen Correspondent

It was time to play the team that gave the women's basketball team its only loss: the South Suburban Bulldogs.

From the opening tip-off, it seemed as if the Chaps were on a terror. Winning the tip, they went off on a 10-0 run, beginning with a three from Catrina Jones. That was the first lead, and the Chaps never lost it.

Late in the first half, the Bulldogs put together a run which knifed the

score to 15-13, but the half ended at 28-19.

The second half got the crowd

into the game. The scoring leader with 14, freshman guard Brigid Barret, put a move on a defend-

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dish to freshman forward LaToya Adams, who got 'the hoop and the harm,' cutting the throats of the Bulldogs, 53-34.

Fan Jermaine Shaw said "I love girls basketball games. They are exciting and sexy."

The Chaparrals won 57-39, but the score can be deceiving. The Chaps dominated both sides of the court. "This is a big win for the team, everyone played well," said Coach Beth Mitchell. "It was great to beat a good team like South Suburban."

"There is a lot of togetherness, and I am proud to be a part of the family," said Sophomore guard Kristina Sharp.

"The first time we played them, we did not play well as a team," Barrett said. "But this time, we did. If we didn't do it on offense, we picked it up on defense."



Sports Calendar

Men's Basketball

January

Sat., 27 OLIVE-HARVEY 7 p.m. Tues., 30 JOLIET 7 p.m.

February

 Sat, 3
 Triton
 7p.m.

 Tues, 6
 Rock Valley
 7p.m.

 Sat, 10
 HARPER
 7p.m.

 Tues, 13
 St. Xavier
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Swimming

February

Fri, 2 Lincoln College 6 p.m.
Sat, 3 Eureka Invite 10 a.m.
Tues., 6 1.1.T. 2 p.m.

Fri, 16-Sat, 17 Region IV Championship

Tues, 6-Sun, 11 NJCAA Championship Intramurals Sign-up

Registration has begun for Winter Quarter Intramurals. To register, fill out the registration sheet in the Athletic Department Office (PE 205). Registration deadline for all Winter Quarter Intramurals is 5:00 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 2. Students, faculty and community members may participate. All activities are open to both men and women. Additional inquiries should be addressed to William Fajkus,

fajkus@cdnet.cod.edu or 942-4444 ext. 54203.

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Javelin champ teaches throwing for any sport

By Jinnel Robinson Correspondent

U.S. champion javelin thrower and Olympic competitor Tom Pukstys returns to the college this Winter to conduct athletic clinics.

The clinics focus on techniques to improve throwing in many sports. Participants will learn exercises and the value of weightlifting to improve throwing ability. Pukstys said he is "interested in teaching the training" and "how not to get hurt," so the clinics will benefit coaches and athletes alike. His training techniques are already being incorporated by the college's baseball team.

A former COD student, Pukstys returned here to train and recover from a serious shoulder injury.

Unable to participate in the recent Olympics, Pukstys became involved at COD as the assistant track coach and now trains other athletes. "I love coaching and I like to help other athletes out. I intend to coach after l retire so this is my beginning,'

Despite his love of coaching, Pukstys intends to return to competition in the near future. "I'm still active as an athlete. I very much want to compete," he said. "I have a lot of

His sponsor, Adidas, provides extra pressure for Pukstys to return.

His credits include representing the U.S. in the 1992 and 1996 Olympics, and in 1997 setting the current national javelin record of 285 feet, 11 inches.

Pukstys launched his career as a javelin thrower at COD, and in 1997 became the first DuPage athlete in

any sport to be inducted into the National Junior College Athletic Association Hall of Fame.

He also sports a baseball background, having tried out as a pitcher with the New York Yankees. He impressed the Bronx Bombers by hurling the baseball 92 miles-per-

Pukstys' first two throwing clinics were attended by a mix of athletes, community members, high school students, and coaches. The remaining clinics will be Jan. 28 and Feb. 11 at 1 p.m. in PE 201. The cost is \$25.

Trainer wants to rename the pool, softball field

By Stacie Boudros Correspondent

Athletic Trainer Mike Bell is petitioning to name the natatorium/ swimming pool facility after Al Zamsky and softball field after Sevan

Sarkisian.

Much has been said of naming a college facility not as a memoriam, but naming it for somebody still alive and even working part time at the college. Bell believes the naming of a building should come while the individual is still

here to enjoy the honor. "Isn't it best to do it while they're still alive?" he said.

Bell tried to petition for this cause four years ago when Sarkisian was still alive. But failure to meet the outlined criteria made it impossible for Sarkisian to have the honor

prior to his death in November of 2000.

The race for the 50 recommendations is still in the running and Bell said he hopes the petitioningwill work this time around.

A date the board will review the criteria is still

pending although such issues are usually discussed in the fall and spring. Bell is anticipating completion of the 50 letters and other criteria by the spring.

As exhibited recently in the naming of the McAninch Arts

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Center in 1998 and the Rodney Berg
Instructional Center in 1999, naming
decisions require certain criteria to be
met by the petitioner to the board of
trustees.

One is receiving at least 50 individual letters of recommendation for each candidate. The board will then break each letter down and examine the candidate's contributions, "both monetary and intangible," according to board policy.

The board will also looks at personal attributes that make the person deserving for the honor, how the facility to be named is suitable for that candidate, and what positive impact naming the facility might have on the college.

"I have known both of them since I started in 1975," Bell said. "Let's name

the buildings after people who have dedicated their lives to COD and its mission," he said.

In a recent college-wide email from Bell, such criteria outlined by the board were brought to the attention of community members in a detailed description of each candidate's accomplishments.

Zamsky was the first swim team coach starting in 1968. He coached the team for 17 years, while winning awards ranging from State and Regional Titles to top 10 rankings and even during a time when the college had no pool.

Zamsky was inducted into 4 different regional and national swimming associations and Halls of Fame while still on faculty.

In 1998, he received the Outstanding Faculty Award and

returned to retirement for the second try after breaking his retirement by tending to a coach-less swim team during the seasons of 1989-1993 and 1995-1996.

Bell said Zamsky is still found substituting at the college today.

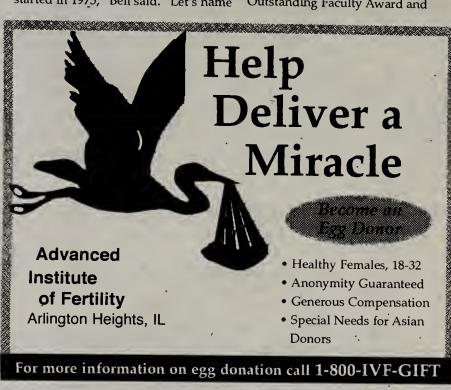
"Probability 90 percent of the senior citizens know him," and because they've been here for so many years have introduced "their children and grandchildren to him." Bell describes this as "Generations of kids in swimming."

Sarkisian's accomplishments range from coaching to achievements as a faculty member (1970-1995) and other community service projects.

Softball coach from 1984-1996, Sarkisian coached N4C Champions and won N4C Coach of the year both 6 times and coached Region IV Champion and was Region IV Coach of the Year both 3 times. Sarkisian also coached the only Region IV non-scholarship softball team to make it to the National Tournament before the 1997 separation of scholarship & non-scholarship teams.

He was in charge in the Recreation Leadership Program, received the Outstanding Service Award, and was recognized by letters of appreciation from local senior citizen homes.

In addition to receiving the "Fellow Award" from the Illinois Park and Recreation Movement for Unselfish Contribution and Devotion to Professional Fellowship, his community service projects range from organizing Boy Scouts "Fitness Day" to the Naperville "Pet Show" and "Kite Derby" to Addison's "Little 500 Bike Rodeo."



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Who influenced you to play? My brother, Jason.

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