Krzesinski elected as new USG president

By MATTHEW LECHNER
Staff Reporter

Back by popular demand, the election for president of Undergraduate Student Government (USG) was held Monday, March 23, following the disqualification of Loren Taylor and Katie Krzesinski in the original Feb­ruary 3 election for illegal use of campus e-mail lists. Taylor declined to run again, leaving Krzesinski, a junior psychology major, to square off against Bashsheer Lotfi-Fard, a junior biology major.

Krzesinski was elected by a margin of more than 3 to 1, receiving 100 votes (61 percent) to Lotfi-Fard's 37 (22.6 percent). Various write-in votes totaled 27 (16.4 percent). The inauguration ceremony was held Tuesday night.

Krzesinski's early plans for her term include "re-instating monthly officer meetings of the boards of the Student Executive Council," "The Student Executive Council consists of the following student organizations: USG, University Program Board, Media Board, Interfraternity Council and Pan­hel­lenic Council." "I also plan on improving communication between our representatives and their constituents through a combina­tion of publicity and personal contact," she said.

The other newly elected USG officers view the election choice of Krzesinski as positive for the university. Vice President of Academic Affairs Neil Aggarwal, a sophomore undecided major, has worked with Krzesinski before and said, "Her stron­gent quality is her ability to motivate, but at the same time appear that she is not simply delegating work. She leads by example and does an effective job with her desire to ac­complish reform." Vice President of Development Nathan Oyster, a junior political science and eco­nomic double major, called Krzesinski hard-working, enthusiastic and dedicated to USG, adding, "Her enthusiasm about stu­dent government has a positive effect on everyone else in the organization."

Vice President of Finance David Burks, a freshman undecided major, said he has worked only indirectly with Krzesinski, but she impressed him as a "focused, respon­sible, optimistic student."

The voter turnout of 164 for the new elec­tion was considerably lower than the usual 800 for regular elections. Election commis­sioner Kasia Petelenz, a junior biology ma­jor, attributed low turnout to several factors. "Run-offs have fewer people voting because the candidates do not campaign nearly as much as in the previous elections and there are no incentives for voters [like free mugs]. Also, in normal elections, 16 positions are open, so naturally more voters will have friends they know running, and will want to cast a ballot."

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The committee is also reviewing adjudication and punishment procedures. They hope for “standardization of our response to violation” said Dodd. This would include the process and the punishment. For example, different professors follow different policies when dealing with cheating in the classroom.

While the committee currently is discussing policies concerning undergraduates “we expect to broaden these discussions to include the graduate and professional schools,” said Dodd.

Once the committee has developed proposals they expect to share the proposal with faculty committees, representatives from each of the colleges, the Provost’s Office, student affairs, the Undergraduate Studies and other student groups. Then they hope to disseminate the document to the general CWRU community. “We want the process to be broadly communicative so we can reach general consensus on the document,” Dodd said.

Dodd expects proposals to be released in the fall semester. The committee has no authority to make any changes. Any final changes must be approved by the Faculty Senate.

second offense, or denied by the student, or not disciplinary action is warranted. Currently 20-30 students are reported in violation each semester. Materials.

four people adjudicate: a faculty member, a student affairs representative from Undergraduate Studies and a representative from Student Affairs. In a typical year, three to four cases are heard by UJB and Barnard hears two to three infraction. Currently, the policy concerns "cheating and plagiarism" said Dodd. This would include the violation is especially severe, a longer term than usual. The delays might have hurt student feeling about USG, but he said, "I hope that the student body feels it was handled correctly."

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Sports

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Gurarie fences in NCAA Championships

By ERIN MCKEAG
Sports Editor

Two weekends ago, several members of the CWRU fencing team competed in the Midwest Regional Individual Fencing Championships at Northwestern University. The Spartans participated in every event in the final round of twelve: senior Arina Gurarie in the men’s epee, senior Greg Sutton in the men’s foil, sophomore Beth Eskra in the women’s foil, senior Christy Smith in the women’s epee and senior Lisa Meyers and Eskra in the women’s saber. All placed in the top ten, except Eskra who, though a hope for nationals, injured her ankle and could not compete in the finals.

Next came the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Fencing Championships. 120 fencers competed in the event. With his performance in the regional competition, Gurarie went on to be the first Spartan fencer to fence at Nationals since Frank Ngorney, saber fencer, in 1973. The competition took place at St. Mary’s College in Indiana, on March 21 and 22.

Only four people may qualify from the midwest (including schools like the University of Notre Dame, Ohio State University, Cleveland State University, Northwestern University and the University of Michigan) and only 24 people from across the country went.

The all-divisions championship requires a top-four finish in regions, or selection by vote. Gurarie’s sixth-place finish in the men’s epee at the regional competition was good enough to be voted into the field.

“It was extremely intense competition and a brilliant time,” said Gurarie. “The way the tournament was run, the 24 qualifiers from across the country fenced a round robin, and everyone fenced everyone.

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Sport Information Photo

With his qualifying time at the regional competition, Gurarie became the first Spartan fencer to qualify to compete at the national level since 1973.

Tennis teams shocked by division rivals

Men’s and women’s teams suffer losses to Kenyon and Malone Colleges

BY ARUN SUBRAMANIAN
Staff Reporter

For the first time this season, the Spartan men’s and women’s tennis squads are finding out what it’s like not to be invincible.

After opening the 1998 spring season in Florida with dual 9-0 routs of Hiram College, the men’s and women’s teams both suffered losses this past weekend.

Coming into the spring season, the undefeated men’s squad was 5-0. Led by sophomore James Tong, who racked up an impressive 5-0 record at singles and a 5-3 record with his partner junior Jay Mitchell at doubles, the men seemed unstoppable.

This was the backdrop for the tennis squad as they returned to Cleveland only to be hammered by North Coast Athletic Conference rival Kenyon College 0-7 on March 21.

Players on the team attributed the on-court calamity to lack of mental preparation and focus during matches. However, Kenyon College is one of the best teams in the region, and the Spartan fuzzballers are not letting the loss set them back.

“All we can do now is work hard during practices,” commented senior Chris Boland. “We have to have another strong season before we think about playing in the NCAA championships.”

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Baseball team splits doubleheader against Thiel Tomcats

By JEFF SHAW
Staff Reporter

On March 19, the CWRU baseball team faced Thiel College in a doubleheader. Junior Eric Miller started on the mound for the Spartans and pitched the first four innings, giving up five runs. The offense failed to produce any runs until the fifth inning, when the Spartans knocked in six runs to take a 6-5 lead. Sophomore Ben Biskell took over the pitching duties in the fifth, and carried the lead into the seventh inning, when the Thiel Tomcats exploded for eight runs, giving them a 13-6 win.

In the second half of the doubleheader, though, the Spartans demonstrated their true abilities as they crushed Thiel by a 28-3 margin. Junior Nick Boyer started the game and pitched into the third inning, leaving the game with a 22-3 lead. In relief, sophomore captain Gordon Daily pitched a scoreless fourth, and junior Manish Singh gave up one run in the fifth inning.

The win came after a rigorous spring training, where the team conditioned and fine-tuned their game, while mentally preparing for the challenging season that lay ahead.

“We really bonded as a team. The hardcore conditioning will help, too. I’m really excited about playing this season. I think its going to be fun,” commented freshman Arvinda Vargheese.

Statistically, the CWRU women are coming into the spring strong, with freshman Beth Bellantoni leading the team at singles with a dominating 4-0 record. In doubles, Vargheese and sophomore Jody Privat have faced into a 6-2 first team.

However, since the Malone match, it seems like the spring season has been anything but fun for the Spartans. They were sitting pretty until the Battling Bishops of Ohio Wesleyan came to town, blasting the CWRU women with a vicious 7-2 defeat on March 20.

But the season is still young for the fuzzballers, and the women will try to muster up the ghost of Hiram College as they take their show on the road to face the Earlham College Quakers on April 4. For the Spartan men’s and women’s tennis teams, the fun is only just beginning.
CWRU offense came through to support the strong pitching performances, led by home runs from Daily, sophomore Jeremy Naun and freshmen Tim Greer and Kevin Steen.

"In the second game, the offense came around," said senior captain Mike Jirele. "Coach (Jerry Seimon) got some of the younger guys in the lineup, and they hit the ball for us." Jirele added, "We have a young team, so we need younger guys to step up in order for us to compete."

"We were a lot better than them," commented Stein, who hit his first home run of the season. "In the first game, we just didn't hit well enough to win."

The split doubleheader gives the Spartans a record of 4-6. Their March 22 game against Mount Union College was postponed. After playing Hiram College at home on Wednesday, the Spartans will host North Coast Athletic Conference rival Wittenberg University in a home doubleheader, starting at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, March 28. The next day, the Spartans will travel to Hiram College to play their second game against the Terriers.

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Neo-Luddites blamed for high tech crime spree

By J. ROBERT DOBBSON
Adjunct Rumormonger

Several students were arrested today after allegedly entering another student’s residence hall room Monday evening and destroying many items. The victim, Bill Dell, a junior computer science major, called campus security after returning to his room and finding it ransacked. The intruders had mutilated several technology-related items. Members of an organization called the Neo-Luddite Association (NLA), suspected of being involved in the attack, were quickly apprehended and questioned. Some were released, but four members are still in custody.

Technology abounds at CWRU, one of the most wired universities in the nation. Most people here view CWRU’s wirelessness as a good thing — a sign of progress and achievement. A handful of students and professors, however, take an opposing view. These are the people who call themselves Neo-Luddites, and six years ago under the leadership of the Undergraduate Student Government (USG), they called for a ban on technology on campus.

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The day after the Dell incident, a Neo-Luddite biology major was overheard proclaiming to a couple of engineering students, “I don’t have a net connection, and I don’t need a net connection.” A handful of students and professors, however, take an opposing view. "I don’t have a net connection, and I don’t need a net connection.”

In a recent interview with the Daily, a Neo-Luddite professor explained, “We need a net connection. You people with net connections have no social life. And cyberfriends don’t count.” When asked about the social life of a typical Neo-Luddite

The university has offered to hold a steel cage match to determine the real USG president. "I have the only way that I will give up the title, is if I lose a steel cage match with Pytte at the Convocation Center.” Pytte, who for a time was known as Hollywood Hulk Hogan and The Macho Man, Randy Savage, Zaremba fought hard to become a leader in the NWO.

Under the pseudonym of Massacre, Zaremba worked his way to the forefront of the WCW. However, the threat he posed to the likes of Hollywood Hogan and Savage caused them to cut his career in the NWO and the WCW short. He was expelled from the NWO and after a brief stint as the Undertaker’s tag-team partner under the name of Grave-digger, in the World Wrestling Federation (WWF), he left the world of professional wrestling for good.

The university has called in referees from the WCW to officiate this event, as well as the famed announcers Mark Madden, Lee Marshall and Chad Damiani. Damiani said, “This is a match like no other. There can be only one victor out of the steel cage on Wednesday, April 1. Who will it be, that remains to be seen, but this my friends will be the end-all, be-all of major events.”

Mutant cockroaches storm Crawford

Yesterday bionic cockroaches escape from the biology department in a Holy Cow! movie.

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Meatloaf Madness consumes students at CWRU.
El Nino causes amphibious precipitation in England

MANCHESTER, England — Residents in Manchester were plummeted by frogs and fish when heavy showers of rain and cooking fluids have caused extensive property damage, estimated at $20 billion by officials. The region has also witnessed power shortage since the deluge due to the large number of amphibians caught in power cables. Dr. Kathik Rana, head of the National Atmospheric Sciences Society, has attributed the fall of frogs to low atmospheric pressure caused by the weather phenomenon El Nino — Spanish for The Nina. "The frogs are sucked up from nearby wetlands by strong updrafts and deposited like rain," Rana said.

Clintons vacation in Camp Goliah

WASHINGTON, D.C. — To flee the onslaught of media hounds covering impeachment, the Clintons have traveled to Camp Goliah for the eighth straight weekend. The most recent allegation involves 75-year old Grace Oliver Polk, a former cleaning woman to Clinton during his gubernatorial stint in Arkansas. Polk claimed Clinton spoke and gusted to her adamantly while she was cleaning the Governor's house lavatory. When questioned about the veracity of the accusation, Clinton replied, "Some of my friends say false, and some of my friends say true. I stand with my friends." He concluded with his intention to ignore his personal affairs to concentrate on his domestic and foreign affairs. Polk is working on a book contending G.O.P. Parties Governor and Clinton Fantasy, due out in August from Starr Publishing, Inc.

Seed fixed $500 in clone fall

SAN FRANCISCO, CA. — A San Francisco cable car driver has been found guilty of manslaughter in the death of Polly, Chicago physicist Dr. Dick Nutt's first successfully cloned human. Witnesses say Polly began to show curses and obstructions towards the driver, 35-year old Kenneth Seed, when he asked to see her ticket. According to Seed, he became "angry at the clone's conduct and slapped her to bring her to her senses." Polly fell off the 45-foot long cable car and landed on an obscen clone fall, was fixed $500 and ordered to seek psychical help. "Making an obscene clone fall indicates a degenerative behavior with potentially serious problems. It is not a light matter," imptumt Judge Ricke Roni.

Protests over South Park: The Movie

NEW YORK, NY — Comedy Central, in conjunction with Warner Bros. Studios, has announced plans to create a South Park movie, following the success of the Beavis and Butthead movie. Those familiar with the show can expect to see the usual inflammatory humor present in the weekly show, except the South Park movie will be a continuous, mind-numbing, non-stop bore of high-octane wins cracks from the show's five main characters. The Gay, Lesbian & Bisexual Coalition, Christian Right, Humane Society, National Rifle Association, American-Jewish Association, Democratic Party, Senior Citizens & Us, UNICEF, National Education Foundation and Katee Lee Gifford protest the movie and call a boycott of all Comedy Central and Warner Bros. Studios entertainments. The boycott has initiated the largest sign of solidarity among the general American population since World War I. College students have responded favorably to the South Park movie.

Northern Ireland peace talks halted by new violence

BELFAST, Northern Ireland — The We Hate Protestants (WHP), a splinter group of the Irish Republican Army, has claimed responsibility for a bomb that exploded outside a northern Belfast bus station yesterday. "We don't want peace," claimed a WHP leader. No one was injured in the explosion, but martial-President has been seen matching south westing crowds towards the independent Republic of Ireland. Peace talks have been called off as a result of the new animosities. "We want a cease-fire, but we will not sit down to discuss peace until the fighting stops. Once there is peace, then we'll discuss peace," To end the violence a bipartisan coalition has been working to create a governing body in the region that would be composed of both Catholics and Protestants.

Martians endangered by killer asteroid

LOS ALAMOS, NM — Astronomers at Los Alamos National Laboratories have recalculated the equations recalculated by NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory, and they have concluded that Earth is indeed in no danger from asteroid 1997X11, but Mars is on a collision course with Armageddon. Plans are in development between the government and industry to create a fleet of space shuttles capable of transporting hundreds of tons between Earth and Mars. During a press conference, Secretary of State Madeleine Albright stated vaguely, "We develop — because I was told it was important." After the questions about the meeting were crowded out, further press conferences showed that there had been a "mixed up." Much of the funding for the development and production of the fleet is coming from Microsoft president Bill Gates. When asked why, Gates responded sharply, "It's not planning on taking over Mars. I just want to help them out.

All information compiled from Encyclopedia Galactica circa 1947.

Write for Newsance

or we'll burn down your dorm room and write mean things about your mom.

Survey shows: nerds abound at CWRU

By SMITH SMITH SMITH-SMITH
Pocket Protector Representative

In a new survey conducted by various organizations including the national organization for the protection of nerds (NOPON), CWRU was ranked as the number one school for nerds in the nation, "Your biological and technological significance is virtually painless." Internal information, however, is a little harder to come by. When asked about the procedure, Vice-President for Assimilation Six-of-Nine said only, "Pain is irrelevant." Once an assimilée embarks on joining the collective, they are immediately recognizable by the sporty, black, cyberpunk fashion which have become de rigueur for the group. It is rumoured that Borg gear was going to be the basis of the new fashion director from late designer Johnny Venus. Many students at CWRU have welcomed the newest student organization with open arms. William Kirkland, a freshman geologist major, said, "If you think about it, the Borg aren't all that different from us. At the end of each day they return to their alcove and plug into the collective for regeneration. That doesn't seem so bad.

How many pocket protectors do you own?

Have you ever hacked into the Pentium or any foreign governments?

An admissions officer commented on the new format, saying, "These questions will give us a feel for the type of person the applicant is. If she or he can't show us any signs of nerdiness, we just can't admit her. We have a reputation to uphold."

When the results of the survey were announced, sporadic cheering was heard in the dorms and spikes in e-mail were recorded at eight times normal output. A celebration is being planned to be held at The Spot. Events include a rousing cheer, pocket protector design contest and the show "whose processor is faster, anyway?" An Nerd Theme Week is also planned for the week of finals.

CWRU plans to open a new lounge next semester in the Thwing Center as a place where we can relax and talk about current nerd issues and sit down and play one of many networked games on the computer. The administration hopes that such actions will attract more nerds and assure that the school will continue to receive the award well into the next century.
Pardee is the “Big Bang” in new Stone movie

By E.T. SPIELBURGER
Amistad; a better boat than the Titanic

The Harrison Ford thriller Air Force One blew the top off Severance Hall last sum-
temer with cameo appearances by the Kelvin
Smith Library and Thwing Center. The sum-
ter of 1999 will again feature footage of

eccentric buildings from around campus. Ne-
egotiations are currently set with 20th
Century Fox to film part of Ken-

Hall Smith Building as a double for an
un-
disclosed Martian structure in the anti-
cipated sequel of the 1990 hit Total Recall (set
to star Arnold Schwarzenegger with
Jonathan Frakes signed to direct). (Disclor

sare: The Absurder, like Fox, is part of
Rupert Murdoch’s vast global conspiracy/med
emira empire. Go Dodgers!!)

Pardie will also be featured in a movie
produced by Oliver Stone. As part of the
foremost American university “masterplan”
for the campus initiated by President Agnar
Pyne, national attention was directed to
Pardee Hall, which is set to be razed in 1999.

When news of this reached director Oliver
Stone, he immediately contacted the univer-

sity. When Stone first saw the architecture of
Pardee in the early 1980s, he was struck by
how much some of the buildings on the
Case Quad resembled the finest Latevian
architecture of Samadi’s era. He feels it is
the ideal setting for his latest pet project, a
biopic of an obscure nineteenth century
Latvia aristocrat and painter Bobbo
Samadi, who, according to Stone, lived an
“interesting, yet uneventful life.”

Stone has been quoted in a National Re-
view interview, saying he “always wanted
to make a simple as bunnees, easy-to-under-
stand, down-to-earth homespun movie that
your grandmother would rent on a Satur-
day night at Blockbuster instead of going to
Chippendale’s as usual.”

“A stumbling block to Stone’s vision is
his inability to negotiate an explosion around
Your Hall with university officials, so in the
meantime, he is concentrating on his other

project, Platoon. Stone considers
Samadi’s assassination by a bomb to be
an “important event in the painter’s life”
and the climax of any biography about him.

Now that Stone’s project is set to go,
early casting rumors are rampant in Hol-
lywood. The most recent word is that
Kevin Bacon might star in the title role.
Also rumored are Mira Furlan as
Samadi’s wife, Lala, and David
Hasselhoff as a German minstrel. Shoot-
ing is scheduled to start in the spring of

1999.

Students appear unconcerned about the
movie. “Yeah, right. As if this will hap-
pen. They were supposed to tear Pardee
down two years ago,” said Iman
Appatikith, sixth year mechanical engi-
neering only major, who happened to

move there.

Pardee Hall was built in 1929, during
the Great Depression. It was formerly a
residence hall, but was converted into an
office building in during the ’50s. In 1985,
it was the site of David Letterman’s home
office for three months. Pardee is cur-
rently home to several offices, including
Career Planning and Placement, Student
Accounts Receivable, the Ministry of
Stylit Walks and Student Employment.

Letch A Sketch was just one of the victims in the attack on Dell’s room.

Some chapters have already taken steps
to fulfill their new goals.

“My chapter’s colors are lavender and
cream,” said Bambi Cuddles, president of
Chi Mu (XM). “So now our members are
only allowed to wear those colors.

She also said that her title was being
changed; instead of president, she will soon
be known as Miss Congeniality.

Muffy Fleece, the intramural chair of Beta
Pi Omega, (BPO) is resigning her position.

Another NLA member, Ginny Breuer,
commented, “Rush around my

campus is going to change. From now on,
rushes will have to submit glossy 8x10s of
themselves. Anyone who weighs too much,
has brown hair, or doesn’t wear jewelry
won’t even be considered. However, we are
lowering our GPA requirement— it’s hard
to study when doing your hair.”

She also said, as did Cuddles of XM, that
income would be an important new yard-
stick in determining who could join.

Alpha Pi (AI) and Gamma Psi (GP)
oranies, however, are taking the new ideal

most seriously.

“It’s time for a rivalry,” said Fawn
Vanderbilt, party chair of AI. “No more of

the Neo-Luddites’ goals. "It’s very simple!

That some of us use technology from time

to time, but that’s not necessarily a bad thing.

Also, members will only be allowed to
date Greek men. This means that many sis-
ters will have to break up with their boy-
friends.

“It’s a sacrifice, but I’ll do it for my chap-
ter,” said a member of AI who asked to
remain anonymous.

And all the chapters agreed that this new
plan was going to take some work, but that
it was inevitable. Gallbladder expressed the
feelings of all the sorority members when
she said, “Well, since everyone believes
these stereotypes, they must be true, right?”

"I hope the guilty party is brought to jus-
tice quickly. I’m just glad I still have my
palmtop and my calculator watch,” said Dell.
Survey says ...

Surveys can be quite informative — they can concisely provide information about the opinions of many people. But surveys can also be quite misleading. Depending on how and of whom the questions are asked, the value of surveys varies greatly. And we would be the first to admit that you're not going to learn much from only surveying 27 people. But we here at The Observer would like to think that we've learned quite a bit about this campus over the past year — some information, in fact, that would be quite enlightening to the student body. So what better way to present this information than in survey form?

Sample size: 3,000
Margin of error: None
Percentage of students who feel The Observer doesn't represent them: 99.2%
Percentage who want to contribute to The Observer so that it better represents them: 0.3%
Percentage who feel it is their duty to write sarcastic letters to the editor without offering constructive ideas: Too many
Percentage who feel compelled to write letters to the editor offering their reactions to John Giorgi's and Mike Choma's thought-provoking columns: Not enough
Only topic that provokes significant discussion on campus: Not politics, racial relations, abortion or Iraq; but ... Chalkings
Percentage who want to contribute to the Vision committee. I'm writing this letter to all the students of CWRU to tell everyone that we are running a contest to write a new alma mater for this university. I mean, we already have an alma mater, and even though we could put our efforts into letting everyone know about one of the few pieces of tradition that this university has, we're giving away money to rewrite it! We really feel that this will bring everyone together in the spirit of unity and togetherness. With cash giveaways and catchy names like "Heart of the Campus" and "Share The Vision," how can we go wrong?

Marlene Dogooder
Administrator
The Vision committee.

Letters—

Let's sing along, kids

To The Editor:

Go Go" and add a hip-hop beat to it. Then add some dope lyrics. Don't really matter what they are. That should liven up any ol'-style ass contest.

Sean "Puffy" Combs

We have a winner

To The Editor:

Yo, this is Puff Daddy. I heard 'bout the contest to redo the Alma Mater of CWRU, and I got one phat suggestion for yo ears. It's like this. Take a Wham! hit like "Care­ less Whisper" or "Wake Me Up Before You Go To Sleep" and add a hip-hop beat to it. Then add some dope lyrics. Don't really matter what they are. That should liven up any ol'-style ass contest.

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Go read Features ... there'll be pictures of Matt Damon

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diary of my week

I Had A Really Hard Test Last Week

Last week, I had a really hard test. I mean, it was really, really hard. I was supposed to take this easier class with easier tests, but the school decided that the easier class did not teach me the proper skills for my major and profession. Something about modern­ izing the curriculum. So I had to take the class with the hard test. Boy, was it a doozy. One of the questions didn't even have num­ bers in it. It was like this: What is the answer to the question mark? I don't know. And then the answer was: None. I don't know. I don't know what was going to be like this? Man, the next time I look for a short-cut or an easy way out, I better look harder.

Those Feminists Really Can Be Annoying

I don't mean to be "politically incorrect" or anything, but those feminists are annoy­ ing sometimes. Their silly ways can be confus­ing. What's with them? That Patricia Ire­ land speaks really fast and uses even bigger words. And that Gloria Allred and that preg­ nant woman from Melrose Place. Women's rights. Whatever. I mean, it's like Norm from Cheers says, "Women — can't live with them, pass the beer nuts."

I Don't Like Rusted Root, Brownie Mary.

I really, really don't like Rusted Root. I don't like Rusted Root. I really, really don't like Rusted Root. And I really, really don't like Brownie Mary. And I really, really don't like Brownie Mary. And I really, really don't like Brownie Mary. And I really, really don't like Brownie Mary. And I really, really don't like Brownie Mary. And I really, really don't like Brownie Mary. And I really, really don't like Brownie Mary.

Diary of my week

I was thinking about Hell this week. I hope I don't go there. It's really hot. And those little red devils with little red pitch­ forks get annoying after a while, I'd bet.

Walter Mitty got his name after his dad had an intense session with a Norton An­ thology of American Literature. Forthcom­ ing works of his include "Tater Tots vs. Hash Browns: Which Should Lister Serve With Breakfast?" and "I Got A Hairgum.

Terry — You deserve a medal for the work you have done. Good luck next year — Guinness Drinker

The Absurder

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You know, I truly like the job Bill Clinton is doing as Philanderer, I mean, Commander-in-Chief. Hey, the economy is doing well, the budget is balancing like an egg on the verial equinox, we’re standing up to Iraq (after seven years), and the Israelis and Palestinians are talking about maybe having talks to hold future talks to begin talking about peace sometime. What could be better than this? Besides, we all know that character counts — for nothing! And what he does with his body isn’t any of our business.

Welcome to Camelot II.
OK, so maybe I could never pass for a Democrat. I tried. After all, this is the April 1 edition of The Observer and surely you saw this edition of "My Side of the Mountain" spouting the antithesis of conservativism from a mile away. I, however, am stronger than that. Grounded firmly in an ego the size of Texas, and my own self-righteousness, you can rest assured that I will not succumb to the temptations of the left — even for April Fool's. Fear not, my frighteningly myopic views are here to stay. After all, I am right. (hey, is there something odd here?)

See, I can prove it to you. Despite the best efforts of this April Fool's issue to produce a liberal column from me, I can resist. Abortion is morally evil in all cases, as it is the slaughtering of an innocent unviable tissue mass. See?

OK, let's try this. Titanic is a true classic of a movie. It's a message of hope in an eternal love which transcends generations and speaks to us all. (much better — told you so)

Ronald Reagan transcended generations, too, apparently including his own. Too bad the old guy didn't have the good grace to die in office. Oh, he probably forgot to do that, too. Just like that thing about tax cuts maybe causing a little bit of a budget deficit somewhere down the line.

(hey what's going on here? Stop that!) Speaking of deficits, how about the lack of... color content in white-bread corporate America? We need less... opposition to affirmative action! It is time to equalize the work place. (Unhuh... Must resist...)

Newt Gingrich is a huge idiot! Alan Keyes is a complete... wacko. (Ahhhh!!!)

The Student Activity Fee is necessary to provide quality programs for the collective student body. Without it, CWRU would just be a dull apathetic mass with nobody doing anything at all. Your average bowl of lime-green Jello would show more signs of life. Happy Kwanzaa, Everyone!

RESISTANCE IS FUTILE

(John D. Giorgis is a junior Economics and Geology double major. and appears regularly in The Observer. He is also, apparently, the newest member of the Borg Students Association. Tune in next week to see what will become of him.)

GREEK WEEK...

Events during "The Week Zeus Got Loose:"

Wednesday, April 1: Pie Snarf and Root Beer Chug at the Spot, 7 p.m.
Thursday, April 2: Faculty Breakfast and Greek Faculty Pride Day!!
Plus, Banner competition on the Quad all day, and Raft Race and Beach Ball Relay at the Donnell Pool, 7:30 p.m.
Friday, April 3: Obstacle Course on the Quad, 4:30 p.m. Spot Shot at Adelbert Gym, 6 p.m. Egg Toss, Bouncy Ball, and Pyramid on the KSL fields following.
Saturday, April 4: Can Castle at Crawford Podium, judging 10:30-11:30 a.m. Rope Pull on Bellflower Field, 1 p.m.
Sunday, April 5: Variety Show in the Ballroom, 2 p.m.
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And music these days is funny too. It's not as good as it used to be, but neither are the people who listen to it. Um, Hootie's always pretty funny, and so is the guy from Bush. And Jimmy Ray... now that guy's funny. Marilyn Manson... what's up with that? And Hanson's pretty funny too, but because their lead singer's pretty hot for a high school chick, I won't make fun of them too much.

And what about racism? That's pretty wacky, too. People are different colors you know, but I bet all because of the inside, get it? We might all be different, but we can all get along because we all have red blood, and some kidneys, and livers, well, as of right now we all have livers anyway.

But then there are serious things too. Like, do we all live in the dorms, but some people stay in other people's rooms at night. How messed up is that? And then they decide that eight o'clock in the morning on a Saturday is a great time to go back home to their own rooms, where they just go back to bed and read stuff. I mean, why didn't they just go sleep in their own beds in the first place? In my five years here, I've never been able to stay in another person's room overnight, nor have I myself had any guests past 10 at night, so it looks like I'm just a bit smarter than some people.

And how bad is Aramids food anyway? It's like, not fresh sometimes, and other times it's not even when I want it, but when I ask for it they say that they can't make cheeseburgers at that hour. Hey, if they can cook all that french toast, then they can probably cook a cheeseburger, right? See how that's funny?

Teachers these days are the real problem, though. Their tests are too tough, and they sometimes make me get answers wrong. What is that teaching me? That's just reinforcing what a poor job they're doing of teaching, if you ask me. It's almost downright nutty!

It goes to show that these teachers these days didn't go to Catholic school enough, because then they'd know a lot about bullies and feeling guilty and being beat up, but you then turn 22 and you don't feel any different. It's like yesterday, except that it's today, see? See how that's funny?

So resist all the nonsense, people. There are only two things you can trust in life, like, that's Jinping and that which can be found within your own poop. So dig deep, friends. Scratch beneath the surface, and see all the magic and wonder that lies within with an ordinary sample of feces.

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By AL KOHOLLIK
Random Reporter

The students here seem to complain a lot about the school, but who can blame them? The food is terrible, the weather ranges from warm rain to cold rain, the highly promoted STAR WARS system always crashes and I'm not even going to mention the classes (oh, God, the classes!). Such hardships could lead any student to drink. But while the ad

This time around, Lucas has begun screening small parts of the prequel to different audiences to get their reactions to his new project. You may not know it, but you were already part of this plan. At the end of the Return of the Jedi Special Edition, there are some new scenes of celebration after the death of the Emperor. Some of those scenes include footage of the Imperial Capitol of Coruscant which will be part of the prequel. Continuing in that tradition, I was lucky enough to be included as one of a few college-movie critics invited to screen some of the raw clips from the movie now that the first flick of principal photography has finished.

I can't tell you very much of what I saw — we were all forced to sign contracts guaranteeing a certain level of secrecy, of course — but to be honest, there isn't much to tell. You can get most of the exciting information and even some slight shots of the sets on Lucas' web site at http://www.stars.com. Still, that doesn't compare to seeing it on the big screen. There really is a new look to things that somehow keeps the spirit that we all know and love. Gone are the X-Wing and the Falcon, replaced with sleeker, yet somehow more primitive, craft. Little Anakin (Jake Lloyd) is really intense and Obi-Wan (Ewan McGregor) has the cocky recklessness that was hinted at in Episode IV. Familiar faces return in R2D2 and C3PO — they're the only ones in the Star Wars movies.

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more music, fewer hits

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Who knew such semi-moderate radio came out of a student's dorm room?

The campus radio station, WCWRU, has re-evaluated its purpose and has decided to change its format. The 30-year-old 1000-watt Cleveland fixture sent out a survey to well over 18 people in the local Austin, Texas area. The scientific questionnaire asked the respondents to answer such inquiries as: "What is the average of 17 grams of Tropicana orange juice, not from concentrate?" "Why do the Houston Astros exist?" and "Is Ross Perot really just a figure-head minor changes, such as changing their call-sign, the station will now be known as WCWRU.

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Due to the popular demand of the students, WCWRU now takes requests via 10 different forms of communication: fax, e-mail, carrier-pigeon, bicycle messenger, telegraph, blimp signals, shouting, belching out the syllables of your request and billboards. We hope to install a separate request phone line soon.

To that end, we know you've heard the BZZZard; we're gonna be Jammin' with a new Majic personality. Get out of your seat and hold onto your chair, WCWRU is changing. The new morning personality will be, the one and only, the great, Mark Linn-Baker, who played Larry Appleton in the classic sitcom "Perfect Strangers"! And yes, we will have the fantastic Craig Stevens impersonate the voice of Balki Bartokomous! Imagine that, "Perfect Strangers" as your morning co-hosts every day that you wake up! (Please note, that due to our strict play-list, Mark and Craig will not be able to speak on the air. But once we get our phone lines installed — you can talk to these veterans of "family-safe" comedy for only $2.99 per minute!"

WCWRU will also feature specialty shows on the weekends. Saturday mornings it's the "Digital Encyclopedia of Sound Effects." Tune in to hear recreations of such exciting sounds as "Vicious Dog Growling," "Ducks Quacking," "Cars Skidding," and "Good Rock Music." Also make sure you listen to our popular collection of car and street sounds like, "Car Door Opening," "Car Door Closing," "Car Skidding," "Car Skidding into a Pool" and "Car Skidding and Ramming Through the Window of a Fast Food Establishment, Rolling over Slappy Burgers, Spicy Fries, Short Employees and 32 Young People in the Park Area."

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The Absurder

Wednesday, April 1, 1998

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mood," added lenner.

Green anticipates the recording endeavor with much confidence. "I believe all the MCWRU bands will be the next hottest thing in popular music today," he said.

With all the constantly exciting music that MCWRU musicians deliver, it is no wonder that lenner offered the enticing contract.

"When we reached the second last band of the night on Saturday, I knew I couldn't resist making these talented individuals an offer no one in their right mind would refuse," lenner said.

"Most record executives go to big schools in New York and Florida to recruit for new talent," lenner explained. "I will never go anywhere else but Case Western Reserve again. Honestly Good rock music is played right here in University Circle," lenner added.

Green said the record contract contributes to the Share the Vision goal of showcasing how multi-talented our students are. "Not only can they build circuits, write complex programs, design and create machining parts, but our students can also play guitar and sing really well," pyte said.

"I think it's important that the MCWRU Columbia record will go multi-platinum within months after its release. "It just makes sense. This kind of talent can not go unrecognized. Now we have the recognition and soon we will also have the money," he said.

Columbia plans to release their MCWRU record in late August, "Just in time to have another hit. But in time to have at the beginning of next school year," lenner said.

For more information on MCWRU and their new Columbia Records contract, visit www.werule.com.

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Two Poetry Readings

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(Febuary 27-April 26, 1998)

Friday, April 3:

Thomas Sayers Ellis

Friday, April 17:

Lana Zannoni

and

Elizabeth Park

Free and open to the public, these poetry readings will be at CCC's "Center Café" (8501 Carnegie Avenue in the Cleveland Play House complex). For information contact 368-0528.

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At Nagle-Poor/Moving Solutions
The General Assembly discussed the issue of upgrading the computers in the USG office. It was approved to set a ceiling of $3000 towards purchasing new computers and equipment.

The representatives of Alumni and Hitchcock House were inaugurated. The meeting was adjourned at 7:45pm.

Committee Reports
President
As one of her first goals as President, Katie will work in getting the Student Executive Council (The Four Boards) to meet together.

The SSN bill passed last week was given to the Provost, Office of Student Affairs, Student Activities, and the Registrar office.

VP of Development Nathan Oyster
Nate checked on the credit card solicitation issue. ARAMARK said that it has no jurisdiction over people soliciting outside of the dining commons. Nate will check up with Housing for more information.

VP of Finance David Burks
Mass funding is being done. Get those recognition and funding forms in ASAP!

VP of Academic Affairs Neil Aggarwal
Working on the Teaching Excellence Awards.

This Week's Announcements

Next Meeting - USG will meet Tuesday, March 31 at 7:00pm in Thwing Center.

Greek Week 1998 coming up! - Starts Wednesday, April 1 to Saturday, April 4

The Spring 1998 Diversity Survey Results - Available in the USG Office or check the Homepage.

Student Leadership Awards - Tuesday, April 14, 1998

USG PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION RESULTS
Katie Krzesinski - 100
Basheer Lotfi-fard - 37
Various Write-Ins - 27

*USG would like to thank Kasia Petelenz the Election Commission, and election volunteers for helping out with the elections this semester.

Questions, Comments Or Suggestions?

To Contact a USG Executive Member:
Katie Krzesinski - President (kck10)
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David Burks - VP of Finance (bkb25)
Neil Aggarwal - VP of Academic Affairs (nka)
Katie Feldman - Treasurer (kif)
Karen Stagner - Secretary (kes8)
Kasia Petelenz - Parliamentarian (kmp)

ATTENTION USG GROUPS
Recognition and Funding Forms for Fall Semester 1998
Will be accepted by the USG Finance Committee Until
Friday, April 3, 1998 at 5:00PM

CWRU 1st ANNUAL
SPRINGFEST
Saturday, April 18th from 2:00-10:00pm in the Heart of the Campus
Booths, games, prizes, live performances, food, and novelties!!!
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The True Icon

CWRU's athletic facilities, Spartan athletes out, "said Athletic Director Dave Lutter. of playing in that middle school gym next to Congeal. "That's quite an accomplishment, selling out," said Athletic Director Dave Lutter. "We weren't sure if we'd be able to fill ten thousand seats for a couple of basketball games. After all, in the past we were lucky if our attendance hit triple figures. And that was counting the players and coaches."

Already, the dome is paying big benefits. Wooster's players were so freaked out by having to play in front of thousands of screaming fans that the previously undefeated men's team fell to sixth-place CWRU by an amazing 54 points. Meanwhile, the Wooster women were destroyed by the Spartans by a gaudy 24-point margin. "It's nice to win by so much," said CWRU women's coach Christine Hue. "But I was a little nervous at first — I couldn't figure out why there were so many people there. I thought that there was going to be a CWRU net seminar at halftime or some-thing that would gain some attention."

Meanwhile, Central Cleveland Sewage went into overdrive, unable to handle all the meatloaf goodness. At that point, one could only hope for the swift "passing" of the savage meatloaf and the end of its foul-bowel excursion. Who will answer for these crimes against humanity? After searching for hours, this intrepid reporter was able to locate a high-level Scaramark executive, whom I'll call Legg Browne. After prodding Browne for hours, he finally cracked. "The basketball team gave us the money! We were only pawns in their sick game. Oh God, what have we done!! Down Home Meatloaf is people!' Screaming like a maniac, Browne proceeded to jump out of a nearby window and fall to the concrete below. A Memorial service will be held at the Congeal center next Monday at 2:00 pm. Hopefully, CWRU will be able to flush the memories of meatloaf madness from their minds and forgive Spartan basketball to stooping to such depths of human deprav-ity. Are we really that concerned with sports that we would risk the lives of our fellow CWRU students? This reporter can only look back with fondness on the mellower times of paying off student-athletes with money and drugs. Ah, the good old days.

In the end, there is one overwhelming moral to all this. Please stay away from the meatloaf. Sure it looks moist and tasty, but you have no idea where it's been or what it once was.

On second thoughts, if you're stupid enough to eat something like "down home" meatloaf from Scaramark, maybe you deserve to spend the better part of your life on the porcelain throne. In fact, you're probably an altogether revolting person with no friends. You disgust me. Go away.

Hoopsters behind "Meatloaf Madness"

By ARUN SUBRAMANIAN
Staff Reporter

Last Wednesday, thousands of unwitting CWRU students descended on Leetzer Commons and sank their teeth into the "down home" meatloaf. Little did they know that they were guinea pigs in a genetic experiment carried out by a conspiracy of our friends in Spartan basketball and Scaramark Foods.

In an effort to reassert themselves in the sports arena, Spartan basketball paid Akron to connect and serve a special meatloaf surprise that supposedly could boost the height of an otherwise short and dumpy student body. Our man Logg Browne was put on a special diet to create a super-race of giant CWRUheads, unstoppable on the basketball court.

However, the insidious meatloaf in fact did nothing but seriously aggravate the testicles of poor CWRU students. Within minutes, the belly-bombing meatloaf caused a massive stampede to bathroom-less campus. All around University Circle, students dropped everything and made a run for the nearest exit. Even the faculty were caught up in the meatloaf madness, as several deans and professors were seen sprinting across the quad in search of a lavatory. It was only when Legg Browne passed a student undergrad who readily commented on the evil basketball scheme while huddled behind the swinging doors of the can. "Goddamn those bastards! I'm gonna be here for hours! I've already read the stupid Observer five times!" said freshman Dan Pushing. After prodding Browne for hours, he finally cracked. "The basketball team gave us the money! We were only pawns in their sick game. Oh God, what have we done!! Down Home Meatloaf is people!' Screaming like a maniac, Browne proceeded to jump out of a nearby window and fall to the concrete below. A Memorial service will be held at the Congeal center next Monday at 2:00 pm. Hopefully, CWRU will be able to flush the memories of meatloaf madness from their minds and forgive Spartan basketball to stooping to such depths of human depravity. Are we really that concerned with sports that we would risk the lives of our fellow CWRU students? This reporter can only look back with fondness on the mellower times of paying off student-athletes with money and drugs. Ah, the good old days.

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Student recreation center torched in protest

By SPORTY SPICE
Sports Editor

Early Tuesday morning, Cleveland firefighters worked to quench the flames that engulfed the newly erected Congeal Recreation Center. Hundreds of students were forced to evacuate the campus, due to intense flames caused by the burning of the Congeal Center's indoor rubberized track surface.

The fire was initially ruled as accidental, the cause of the outbreak has since been determined as arson. "Because the fire was not accidental, we will not see any insurance money," said Director of Athletics Dave Lutter.

The Congeal Center was erected in the spring of 1997, and cost the university nearly 100 million dollars. Parts of it are unable to be salvaged, say authorities, but the majority of the building will have to be reconstructed by the summer of 2000.

"It is certainly disappointing, but we are not really concerned in this matter. People are now lining up to donate money to the athletic department for the rebuilding of the recreation center. We have already received an excess of 200 million dollars from private contributors. We will now not only have the money to rebuild the center, but to buy new shuttlecocks for the varsity badminton team, to buy horses for the polo team, to buy new volleyballs for the varsity volleyball team, to buy new wiffle balls for the wiffleball team, to build a new wiffleball court, to build a varsity sauna and spa at Montage Fields, and buy Winnebagos for the teams when they travel. The teams will be happy about all of the changes, and our students won't have to go out of the city anymore," said Lutter.

Since Tuesday, nearly 320 CWRU student athletes came forward and admitted to collaboration in the crime. "That was an act of protest on behalf of some CWRU students," said Junior Minnie Smith, captain of the women's lacrosse team.

Junior Ronnie Smith, captain of the women's lacrosse team was quite proud of the incident. "It was an outright act of protest," she said. "We athletes are sick and tired of being taken for granted on this campus. Nearly no one comes to our games. People around here would rather sit in their rooms and play Quake than come outside and watch an exciting game. In fact, I bet there are hardly any people on this campus that even know that we have a varsity lacrosse team. I buzz my butt hard for my team, and people don't even know it exists! That's how bad our spirit is on this campus."

Sporhomer co-captain of the baseball team Matt Jones agrees. "We wanted to do something that would gain some attention. We wanted sports to be better respected on this campus. Well, no one's going to ignore the athletes after this fiasco. I just wish I had run in and saved my gym bag before we torch the place — I left my lucky shoes in there."

And the athletes certainly won't be ignored. Whether attendance at games will now go up, no one can know. But one thing is certain: the CWRU campus will remember this incident for years to come.
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JOB DESCRIPTION:

JOB TITLE: Athletic equipment manager

"You name it; it seems like football coach, Jim dentists think highly enough of me to invite me to their parts, and the people who work behind the bar at The Spot and the Rough Rider Room who keep my regular place at the bar reserved for me."

HIS FAVORITE THING ABOUT HIS JOB: "Students think highly enough of me to invite me to their parties, and the people who work behind the bar at The Spot and the Rough Rider Room who keep my regular place at the bar reserved for me."

FAVORITE SPORTS TEAMS: Pro- "Any team not owned by Art Modell." Collegiate- "University of Kentucky Basketball."

FAVORITE ATHLETE: "Wayne Gretsky."

HIS LEAST FAVORITE THING ABOUT HIS JOB: "There isn't enough space on this page!"

DREAM JOB: "Winning a $20,000,000 lottery prize and not having to worry about this question."

HOBBIES: "With all of the time I spend here, do you think I have time for hobbies?"

SOMETHING MOST PEOPLE DON'T KNOW ABOUT HIM: "I do NOT drink lite beer from Miller because it tastes great. (That's oxymoronic)."

FAVORITE QUOTE: "Hard times come, hard times go. In between you hope and pray the scars don't show. Life is strange and so unsure. The days you hardly make it through, you'd swear there was a curse on you, when nothing seems to fit, and things won't go your way, you know you've had enough, you've got the right to say WHY ME?"

compiled by Erin McKeag

NAME: Hugh Marshall
JOB TITLE: Athletic equipment manager

Football team enrolls in modern dance class

By SPORTY SPICE Sports Editor

If you're a person who likes to keep in shape, or if you're going into your senior year and scrambling for your physical education requirement, you may stumble over an obstacle at the registrar. If you were planning to enroll in one of the more popular physical education classes here at CWRU, you are out of luck. The class has already been filled, a rarity for classes like these. If you are desperately dying to get into the class, you may be able to get an override from the department, but chances are slim at this point.

"It appears that the entire football team has signed up for the class," says Elle Nino, a secretary in the registrar's office. "I came in to work the other morning, and there were 40 guys waiting to sign up for classes. It was absurd."

It has long been rumored that dance classes can help football players by making them more graceful, therefore helping them run and move more efficiently. And although the Spartans, with their no-loss record this season, seem in need of no help, Assistant Coach Benny Harry feels that the team could use the extra boost, and has made the class a requirement for all who wish to play on the team.

"In light of the recent wins against the University of Michigan and the Ohio State University, it seems the team needs no extra help," said Harry. "But I think it will perfect our play even further. When I was in college, I took all kinds of dance classes from ballet to jazz, and I loved it. And it made a considerable difference on the field."

Harry expected his team members to be less than happy about the new "dance requirement," but the team is enthusiastic about it.

Senior captain Jimbo Tank said, "I have no problem taking the class. In fact, it might be fun. And I have no problem with a few girls checking me out in tights."

Will the new requirement for the team change the Spartan performance? "Even with a powerhouse team like the Spartans, there's always a little room for improvement," said Harry.

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In fact, the half-time show consisted of a dance competition. The arena was officially named the Sudeckdome, a name which was chosen over several other suggestions.

"We had a lot of possible names to choose from," said Shudder. "We were considering The Derek Messmer Memorial Arena, The Lubrizol Dome and the Smith Building. But eventually we figured we'd name it after The Legend."

"I personally voted for naming it the Smith Building," said Automobile. "But whatcha gonna do, when 10,000 screaming Sudeck-A-Maniacs come down on you?"

"We think it would fit, and things seemed to work with a powerhouse team like the Spartans, there's always a little room for improvement, said Harry.

As of yet, there has been no word about whether the dome will be used for other activities.

"We think it would be an ideal place for the Observer staff party," said editor-elect Guiness Drinker. "Although I'm not sure we'd be able to swing an alcohol permit."

And University Programming Board (UPB) is also anxious to make use of the new facility.

"This is so timely," said UPB advisor Corrin D. Ace. "Metallica was about to back out of the fall concert they agreed to put on here. They complained that they weren't aware of the fact that they'd have to play in a middle school gym. But now they're going to come, since they heard about the new Sudeckdome."

(Observer's Note: The Metallica concert would have taken place in the elementary school gym, not the middle school gym. It's an understandable mistake.)

To find out more about the Sudeck Dome, visit The Legend's new web site at http://www.sudeck.com.
Fun Page Photo of the Week

Magic Eye

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Answers to Crossword are MIA

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The Crossword Puzzle

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Titanic floats away with 11 Oscars

By DON DRISCOLL
Movie Critic

Well, I bet you're glad you didn't just copy my answers down for the Oscars Contes~. I got 13 out of 24, which is 54.2—not a bad average for baseball, but not all that great for a "professional" critic. Actually, if you picked Titanic for everything it was nominated for and then guessed at the others, statistically you would have gotten a 12.

A friend of mine suggested that I organize their nominations by character, but I didn't think of that. If I divided their answers into categories, like "Best Character" and "Best Actress" and so on, I could have gotten more points. But I wanted to keep it simple and I got 13 out of 24.

I pointed now if they let anyone else host the Oscars this year. I'll be disappointing if they let anyone else host because we'll miss his great opening act. I especially like Postman Kevin Costner showing up on the sinking Titanic. If he can survive both Waterworld and The Postman, his career is as unkillable as Titanic was supposed to be! Matt Damon and Ben Affleck were my favorite award winners for Best Original Screenplay. Not only was it very classy for them to bring their mothers to the ceremony, but you could just tell by their Cuba Gooding Jr. style acceptance speeches that they are just two kids having the time of their lives.

Of the "big six," I did about the same as I did overall: 59.9. I got Director James Cameron, Supporting Actress Kim Basinger and Supporting Actor Robin Williams. I thought the Best Actor and Actress categories were the big surprises. As Good as it Gets took the clean sweep. Helen Hunt was surprising because I never thought they'd give it to a TV star, and as good as Jack Nicholson is at what he does, I don't think he's all that diverse. I really like Nicholson or Tom Cruise in since takes a little bit away from that performance because I just see the same old characters over and over again. Tom is the hot shot kid and Jack is the egotistical old man. I wonder if they are much different in real life.

Best Picture Titanic wasn't really a surprise, but I guess I was only fooling myself. It's not that I liked L.A. Confidential that much better, but I didn't think that any movie could live up to the mega-hype of Titanic. They certainly deserved the technical awards, and despite some childish moments from Jim Cameron, the moment of silence for the 1500 victims was very touching.

Most disappointing, however, was "My Heart Will Go On" (and on and on and on ...) winning Best Original Song. Haven't we already said enough already???

And the winner is... 1st Prize - 20 right: Agata Szymansk
Good Will Hunting Hat, Movie T-shirt, Movie Book, Two Soundtrack CDs and Six Passes for the Cedar-Lee Theatre.

2nd Prize (2) - 19 right: Aaron Kellogg, Matt Perlman

Cloud 9 floats into Eldred Theater this weekend

By STEVE HIGGINBOTTOM
Theater Critic

The time-shifting, gender-bending comedy of Caryl Churchill's Cloud 9 was performed at Eldred Theater at 8:00 p.m. on March 29 and April 5.

In 1974, she was honored as the first woman to receive first prize at the Soviet Union's National Competition of Professional Entertaining Actors.

In the United States, Belov has been a much sought after guest artist for educational institutions nationwide, including Brown University, Denver Theatre Conventory, Colby College, Wake Forest University, Salisbury State University, James Madison University and the Ringling Brothers-Barnum and Bailey Circus Clown College.

Previously, Below was the guest director for a CWBU production of The Servant of Two Masters in 1992. She returns to CWBU to teach theater courses and to direct Cloud 9—the parody of the Victorian empire and its rigid attitudes, especially towards sex.

The comedy is boldly outrageous in its approach to relationships, gender, race, sexual orientation and politics. It is a round-robin of sexual liaisons, set in British Africa during 1880, and later in London during 1980. In addition to the production's wonderful comedy, however, this play holds a warning level of emotional seriousness that reaches out to touch the audience's heart by transcending the characters' genuine souls through a century worth of time.

So, if you are in the looking for some off-beat comedy to fill your weekend with laughter, I strongly suggest that you float over to Eldred Theater this weekend for the opening of Cloud 9. Don't bring the kids, though, for due to the mature subject matter and explicit language, this comedy is not recommended for younger audiences.

General admission is $9, with discounted prices of $7 for adults 60 and older and $5 for students. Eldred Theater is located in University Circle at 2070 Adelbert Road (behind the Millis Science Center). For tickets or information, call the box office at 368-6262.
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Hillel Trivia Question #5 — As is the tradition, the first to come to Hillel (1129 Euclid) with the answer wins a complimentary meal at Schticks (the tasty alternative to the dining halls). Name the following European city; it was the preponderantly Jewish capital of Macedonia, referred to by Jews as the “Mother of Israel,” Alexander the Great launched his fleet from here, in 1492 its population increased by 20,000, it became the world cultural capital of Sephardic Judaism, in the 1940s, its Jewish population decreased from 56,000 to 1,950. Congratulations to last week’s winner, Heather Hill.

Personal

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FRiday, March 27, 1998

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Thank you, Lara, Love, Phil

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Congrats to all our new sisters! I'm as happy as a llama in guacamole. — Xi love, Teresa

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Congratulations, Jessica, Sam, Becky, Colleen and Stacey! — Love, Andrew

AEΩ — TWISTIN' the night away!

Jess & Laura, our row rocks! Xi love, Teresa

AXΩ Formal — the Big O.

CWRU SpringFest — April 18 from 2:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. Headliner Mustard Plug, also featuring novelty acts (rock climb, obstacle course, slide), over 25 student groups with activity booths and stage performances. Don't miss the free food and prizes!

"Who clogged the shower?"
Don Mom, you've gotta stay around next year! Don't leave us, lady. Xi love, Nice Angel ...

Happy b-day, Jenny!!! — Love, Andrew

AXΩ Formal will knock ...

Why do the AEΩ's have our undies???

Congrats to the new AEΩ's! — KΦ@

Hudson Relays! On your mark, get set, get involved! Contact class presidents to run, contact jlg2 to volunteer.

AEΩ — inspiring women to reach their potential.

Visit the Old West on Saturday 8-11 p.m. at the Spot. Free food and $1 beverages.

AΦ loves our new inits!!!

How much do I owe you now?

Confessions, new initiates! Love, AXΩ

Sarah, Peter, Fishbone ... yes!

AEΩ Pyramid kicks ass!

Tall woman rule!

Free lunch, great music! See Third Wish perform after Hudson Relay Race — April 26 on the Quad. 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

AEΩ — Where's Kate??? — AΦ

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Want to join? 

Good luck in London, Kim B.

Just do it.

Sometimes, you just gotta have a can, even if you already got a keg.

Who are those guys in the Phallic Fountain?

AΦ new inits, you're such rascals!

I love our newly initiated sisters! Xi love, Teresa

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One way or the other, your pants are coming off.

Watch out for the pledges in the bowl!

Songs, roses, foot lock and a clothesline ... what a great time? — AΦ

Go, AEΩ!

Woo hoo, way to go, Helen!

Beware of the Ether Bunny!

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