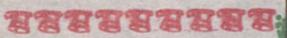


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The basketball team kicks a little Widener and Pat picks Super Bowl and College champs. All this and more this week in **Sports**, page 18.

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University plans elimination of top-level position

by Steven Mizrach

As part of the soon-to-be-announced Five Year Plan, according to University President Steven Muller, the position of vice president of public affairs, currently held by B.J. Norris, will be eliminated effective June 1.

Muller said the full details of the plan will be forthcoming when the plan is officially announced December 20. He noted, however, that the plan is designed to bring the University's internal budget into balance and would be sent to the Board of Trustees some time in February for ratification.

As part of the plan, two other positions, vice provost and treasurer, will be left vacant.

Richard Zdanis, former vice provost, left his position earlier this year. Eugene Sunshine, senior vice president for administration and treasurer, will retain both his positions.

Deliberation on the plan has been going on since last spring and continues within the administration.

As well as eliminating the position of vice president for communications, the plan will also call for the hiring of an outside consultant to discuss possible alterations of departments that fall within the area of that office.

Such items, according to Ron Sauder, director of News and Information services, include the *Johns Hopkins University Gazette*, the *Johns Hopkins Magazine*, news and information, printing services, publications and design, special events, and WJHU-FM, the professional radio station.

Muller pointed out that none of these services would be discontinued, but re-evaluation might

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News-Letter file

B.J. Norris, vice president for communications and public affairs

JHU getting closer to hiring Women's Studies director

by Anne Langley

Women's Studies is finally on the road to becoming an academic discipline at Hopkins. To the cheers of the handful of faculty members in their respective disciplines who have individually pursued gender-related topics, and also the ever-increasing body of students interested in these areas, the initial battle has been won and the wheel has begun to grind. A search is underway for a director for the Women's Studies program at Hopkins.

The search was motivated by a three-year Ford Foundation grant providing \$150,000 in program-

matic funding specifically for women's studies. It is being conducted by a search committee headed by Frances Ferguson of the Department of English.

Last year, a similar committee conducted a search and made an offer to Professor Janice Radwa of the University of Pennsylvania to coordinate the discipline. The

offer was made too late, however, and Radway accepted an offer from another school.

This year's committee hopes to have an appointment made by next spring. The deadline for applications is January 1, and, according to Ferguson, the search

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Economics faces major retirements

by Alex Pham

"Our department is in the middle of a massive turnover," said Bruce Hamilton, chairman of the Department of Economics. "By the mid-1990s, we will have replaced all but four of our faculty."

"This is an exciting time," continued Hamilton, "But it's also a scary time. This task [of recruiting replacement faculty] has absorbed and will continue to absorb much of our free energy."

Three senior professors in the department will likely retire in the next three and a half years, including Carl Christ, Peter Newman, and Alan Walters. A fourth professor, Bela Balassa, is recovering from throat cancer, and is, consequently, limited in the number of courses he is able to teach.

"All four are central figures in the department," said Hamilton.

Christ announced his plans to "semi-retire," and will teach only during the spring semesters beginning with the 1989-90 academic year. Christ holds the only endowed chair in the department, as Abram G. Hutzler professor.

Walters will spend the next

academic year in Great Britain. He is the personal economic advisor to Britain's Prime Minister, Margaret Thatcher. Walter plans to return to Hopkins for "most likely one year," and retire afterward.

"Walter's departure is going to leave a hole in the program," said Christ. "He has a very good sense of real world economics."

Newman expressed probable plans to enter into full retirement in the summer of 1992, when he expects his current project will end. Newman believes the project could be completed earlier, however, thereby advancing the date of his retirement.

Balassa's unexpected illness puts the department in an even more vulnerable position. He is currently able to teach only one graduate-level course and will instruct a trade and development seminar for graduate students this spring. Balassa, however, maintains his high level of research output, and has even completed a book, *Japan in the World Economy*, this year.

"Balassa is one of the pillars of the department," said M. Ali Khan, an economics professor.

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HOLIDAY MESSAGE

I always have a tough time writing these "We're Not Publishing for a While So Here Are the Deadlines and Stop Bugging Us" blurbs.

But this year, I decided to be nice. I thought I'd leave you with a sugar-sweet message about the upcoming holiday season. After some long and hard thinking (well, a minute or so), here's the best I came up with.

The News-Letter will resume publication on Friday, January 27, 1989. Business hours will resume on January 24 at 2 p.m.

The deadlines are as follows: for letters and Activities Calendar submissions, January 24 at 5 p.m.; for ads, January 25 at 4 p.m.; for quiz entries and campus notes, January 25 at 5 p.m.

Sort of like an Emily Dickinson poem, isn't it?



Berit Goro

A Christmas tree

SC demands Barnes & Noble reveal profit margins

by Martin Stemmler

In response to the prices charged by the Barnes & Noble bookstore for textbooks and supplies, the Student Council endorsed a request that Barnes & Noble reveal the terms of its contract with the University, its profitability, and the profit margin on each book.

Of particular interest to Council is the rent the University charges the bookstore for its space. "They're here to make a profit," said Junior Class President Darryl Flaherty, noting that

Barnes and Noble's markups may be legitimate.

Bill Henry, chair of the Committee on Communications, expressed exasperation at the Barnes & Noble management's refusal to admit that it even has a price list of mark-ups. The question he said Barnes and Noble should ask itself is not "how can we be even better," but "how can we be merely adequate?"

Henry argued for more reasonable meeting arrangements of the Bookstore Committee. He called for the committee to meet

more than three times a semester or to meet for a longer time than one hour. Flaherty pointed out that the next Bookstore Committee meeting is scheduled for December 13, which falls in the middle of Reading Week.

"[The Bookstore Committee] doesn't get anything done," said Henry. "It's a large body meeting only six times a year." Henry said that undergraduates are underrepresented on the Committee, and proposed the formation of a separate student committee.

Confusion also existed concern-

ing the bookstore's buyback policy. Barnes & Noble buys back only those books still used in courses at Hopkins at fifty percent of the original value, and resells them at seventy-five percent of their original value.

A Student Council resolution concerning the bookstore was proposed by Henry and junior Tony Tassi. The resolution was not voted on, however, because it contained language the Council deemed potentially offensive to managers of Barnes and Noble.

In other news:

•Council considered recom-

mendations for improvements to Levering Hall over Intercession.

Some glass partitions would be removed, the Union Desk would be moved to one side to create more space, and an electronic message board would be installed, according to a plan proposed by Dean of Students Susan Boswell, a group of students, and the administration.

A survey to amass student opinions on the subject will appear in mailboxes soon.

•The Committee of Undergraduate Studies has approved a new psychology minor, and a major in Latin American Studies is in the offing. A subcommittee on a potential writing requirement has been formed. One person to contact about the writing requirement is junior Bob Angevine.

•Council discussed introducing a debit card system for the cafeterias on campus. Comparing the situation at Hopkins to other institutions, many members of Council argued a debit card system would work better than the one currently used by Seiler's.

•New guidelines for the Student Activities Awards were approved without discussion.

•\$1,936 and some odd cents. The Student Council's budget has dwindled to that amount.

To raise funds, the Student Council is holding a Spaghetti Dinner in the Glass Pavilion on December 12. "We really need this dinner," said Student Council President Lou Giangulio. Dean of Homewood Schools Services Chris Colombo will be there to lend a hand to Council members in preparing and serving the food.

Library introduces debit card system

by Bradley Cohen

Imagine yourself doing research on D-level. The time is late and you need to copy five pages from the text you are reading. You check your pockets and to your horror, you find you have only a nickel. Dejected, you copy one page and take notes on the others.

This scene can now be avoided. The library, in an effort to make life easier for students, has introduced a new card called McKey that works just like a debit card.

The process is easy. After buying the card, a student needs only to insert it into any copier and press the copy button. Once done copying, he can press the red button on the machine and retrieve his card. The machine will display how much money is left on the card.

When the account is low, a student can take the card back to the dispensing machine, insert it, and deposit more money into the machine. The money will

automatically be credited to his account.

The person responsible for the card system, Charles Baughan, said the library decided to install the system after numerous difficulties with the old change machines. "One coin can jam the machines and foul the whole system up," he said.

Consequently, the library decided to use this system, which was already being used at other universities. Baughan went on to say that the cards can be used with the copying machines at the Hutzler Undergraduate Library and in Shaffer Hall.

Asked if the new cards have any drawbacks, Baughan warned, "We have no way to identify whose card it is, it's just like money."

The card dispensing machines are located on M-level, next to the checkout desk. The system has been successful, according to Baughan, and he encourages anyone who makes copies to get a card.



Ely Brown

Debit cards are intended to allow Hopkins students who lack change to use library Xerox machines. Using debit card machines can be fun!!!



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Protesters found guilty for trespassing in Muller's office

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Article originally appeared December 2, 1988.

By Dion Thompson

Three anti-nuclear activists, convicted yesterday of malicious destruction of property during a protest at Johns Hopkins University, were given suspended jail sentences and ordered to do community service.

The defendants, Dale Ashera-Davis, 34, Richard Kramer, 31, and John Heid, 33, told Baltimore Circuit Judge John C. Themelis they would serve at area soup kitchens and other community organizations.

Ms. Davis and Mr. Kramer received 30-day suspended sentences, six months' supervi-

ed probation and 300 hours of community service. Mr. Heid, who is awaiting sentencing in Washington in an unrelated case, was given a 60-day suspended sentence, nine months' probation and 450 hours of community service. Judge Themelis said Mr. Heid's probation will run concurrently with any sentence he receives in Washington.

The defendants, who appealed their District Court convictions to Circuit Court, were found guilty of pouring 8 ounces of human blood onto the desk of Dr. Steven Muller, president of Johns Hopkins University.

The incident occurred Nov. 24, 1987, during a demonstration against what the protesters contend is weapons research at the university's Applied Physics Lab.

The defendants, who

represented themselves, said their act of civil disobedience was an attempt to call attention to the nuclear arms race.

During her closing argument, Assistant State's Attorney Althea Handy countered by telling the jurors they must not let their personal feelings interfere with their legal responsibility. Given the defendants' admission of guilt, finding them not guilty "would be to say that people can break the law and get away with it," she said.

"They went in there. The blood was poured on the desk, and that's illegal," Ms. Handy said. "You're here to adhere to the facts you heard from the witness stand and apply those facts to the law."

Dept. of Economics to retain only four current faculty by mid-1990s

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"He has attracted a large number of foreign graduate students to the department. His sickness has been a big shock, and it hurts the department on many dimensions."

Hamilton said, "It is important for us to think about life after these four people. It is of crucial importance that we be rather aggressive in looking to replace [retiring senior faculty members]. This will, unfortunately, be at a time when there will be general faculty reductions within the University [as a result of the Arts and Sciences deficit]."

The department anticipated its demographic transition several years ago by hiring Stephen Blough in 1987, and David Bizer and Enrica Detragiache this year. In recruiting these professors, particular attention was given to the fact that their areas of concentration coincided with those of departing senior faculty. In addition, the department has authority to hire a replacement for Robert Triest, who left last year to teach at the University of California at Davis.

"There is not any unique one to one correspondence [between new faculty members and old]," said Bizer, who specializes in macroeconomic theory and public finance. "I'm thought of, for example, as partially filling Dr. Christ's slot and the slot of Bob Triest, a public finance economist."

While the departure of some of the department's world-class faculty members constitute a blow, Christ believes that Blough, Bizer, and Detragiache "are going to contribute a great deal in both research and teaching."

"These are very fine people," said Christ. "All are very bright and aware of contemporary economics. They are certainly [proficient] in the areas we need."

In the past, the department relied heavily on visiting professors to teach international economics courses. With the ap-

pointment of Detragiache, the department secured a permanent international economics and economic development professor.

The department has fourteen full-time economics professors. Compared to staff sizes of other schools of similar caliber, which average around thirty to thirty-five members, the Hopkins department is small. While that implies a limit to the quantity of resources available here, many benefits result from a small size. "It forces us to stay broad intellectually," said Hamilton.

Khan added, "The department attaches a lot of importance to its faculty having broad interests because of size and resources."

"A distinguishing feature [of the economics department] in this age of specialization is that we still have one general seminar where all the faculty and all the graduate students attend," said Khan.

Designed to cover a broad menu of topics, the seminar is the one unifying feature of the program, according to Christ.

Walters believes the economics profession has become specialized and narrow, placing more em-

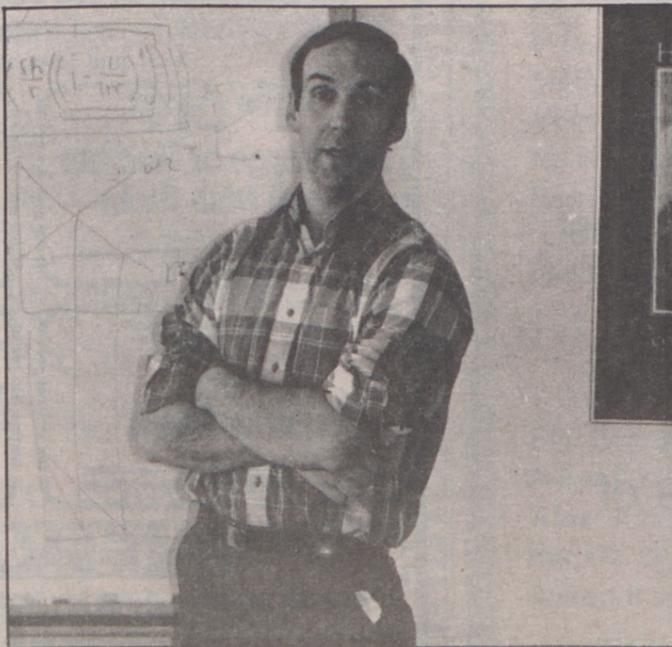
phasis on technology and less on economic policy, thereby affecting the type of future economics professors.

"The system doesn't produce jacks-of-all-trades with an emphasis on policy," said Walters, "so the supply of people is rather different."

Specialization, however, is not necessarily a negative progression. "Just as in medicine, progress often takes the form of specialization," said Bizer. "Since we're a small department, we're cognizant of that fact. We try to hire people who are highly-qualified in more than one field."

Although the trend of economics is toward "capital intensive" research and teaching in terms of large grants and size of research staffs, Khan said that the economics department has been able to maintain an advantage in intuitive, classical teaching.

"Our mission is first to high-level undergraduate and graduate teaching," said Khan. "That mission will continue. How well we will measure up to what we want to accomplish is a different question."



Scott Tourtellotte

Economics Chair Bruce Hamilton said the department's recruitment of replacement faculty absorbs much of the department's free energy.

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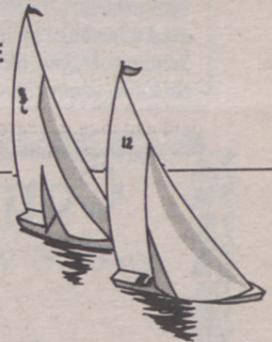
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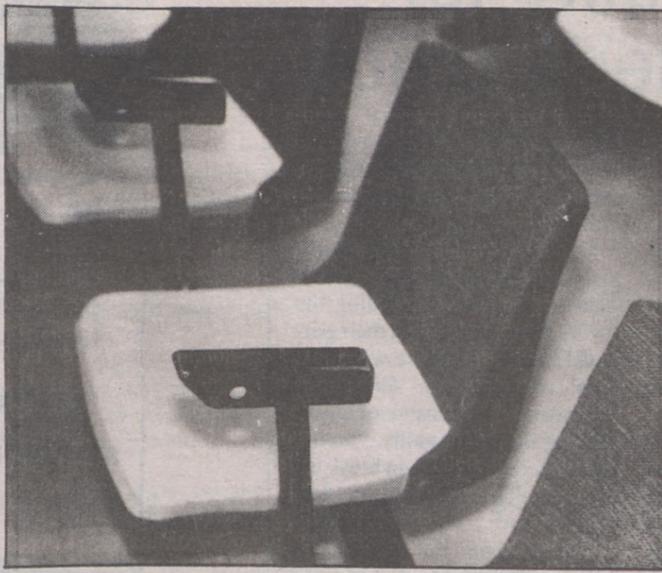
by Bradley Cohen

In the battle for academic pre-eminence, Hopkins may not be falling behind. Still, it may be falling apart. The reason for this possible decline is simple: the deterioration of classrooms throughout campus is getting worse.

While some buildings like Ames Hall and Mergenthaler Hall have been recently remodeled, other buildings have deteriorated. Lecture halls in Remsen, Rowland and Shaffer are in need of new paint, chairs and desks. Students and faculty alike share this view.

Asked how the condition of his classroom affected his class, Mathematics Professor Jack Morava, who teaches Calculus I in Shaffer 3, said, "When giving an exam with thirty percent of the [desk] tops missing, it makes the seating situation worse."

The reasons for the classrooms' conditions vary from simple vandalism to oversight on the part of maintenance personnel. The department responsible for campus maintenance is Facilities Management, led by Bob Schuerholz. The *News-Letter* tried to arrange an interview with Schuerholz, but he was unavailable for comment.



Bob Nelson (from our inanimate objects file)

One of many chairs with missing desks in Shaffer 3.

The actual maintenance order is processed by Housekeeping, which is headed by Joseph Martin. When asked about the classrooms, he agreed that they need work, saying, "We do our best to keep it up."

He explained that the repair order process begins when the specific professor or department chair notifies Facilities Management about the poor condition of a specific room. It, in turn, evaluates the room and gives the work order to Housekeeping, which then does the repairs.

Any renovations of classrooms, whether currently planned or not, are temporarily on hold. Freshman Matt D'Amario concluded, "It's a shame that we don't have any money to improve our facilities."

THE CHRONICLE Berkeley delays on controversial course

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by Carolyn J. Mooney
BERKELEY, CAL.

Faculty members at the University of California at Berkeley agreed last week to give a special panel more time to develop a controversial plan that would require all undergraduates to take a course on minority-group members in American

culture.

Last week's vote, which took place in a crowded campus auditorium, followed several rallies by minority students and much debate among faculty members.

The original proposal would have required students to study the experiences of at least two of four minority groups—blacks, Hispanics, Asian Americans, or American Indians—and how they

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Administration nixes communications VP position

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include the possibility of contracting these services to outside agencies in order to reduce the costs of production.

Muller suggested that the plan's purpose is to improve the University's economic efficiency. He said, "Sacrifices will be necessary throughout the entire

University and all the divisions; there will have to be many budget reductions within the administration."

He pointed out that though the University may appear to be showing a surplus, \$16 million for the fiscal year ended June, 1987, Hopkins is essentially running an internal deficit.

Norris indicated that the five-

year plan as outlined by Provost John Lombardi has not been formally adopted. She said her office has been responsible for managing a number of functions relevant to an effective "positioning" of the University.

In addition, she personally organized a University-wide group of managers representing all the divisional public affairs

and marketing persons. This group was to meet three or four times a year to develop an agenda for mutual interest and coordinated action.

Some examples of such activity included the first University-wide media guide and a collaborative marketing effort for the Montgomery County Center involving continuing studies, engineering, and public health.

Norris said the administration had spoken to her about the phasing out of her position and the consolidation that would be taking place within her office's jurisdiction.

She noted she had been the University's first female vice president and had worked in her position for six years, having been at Hopkins for fourteen.

Norris added that David Creagh, general manager of WJHU, was committed to continue undergraduate involvement at the station and will continue to look for ways to involve students, regardless of what administrative changes occur.

She also pointed to a considerable number of successes in public affairs that occurred in her term. The *Gazette*, published by the Office of News and Information, was able to offset its costs through better advertising. *Johns Hopkins Magazine* continued to maintain its editorial independence and was voted the best University magazine in the country by *Newsweek* magazine.

The materials of the Office of Admissions were recently revamped so that applicants could understand more than just academic aspects of Hopkins. As well, students with confusion over finding housing for their sophomore year received more easily understandable information.

In addition to achieving these accomplishments, Norris's office has helped students arrange internships with public relations firms and secured Cable News Network coverage of the Milton S. Eisenhower Symposium for the past two years.

Berkeley postpones action on minority course requirement

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related to American society. It was devised earlier this year by a special panel made up of seven faculty members and two students.

After a sharp debate in the spring, Berkeley's Academic Senate postponed voting on the plan and decided to conduct a mail ballot on the issue instead (*The Chronicle*, May 18). But a senate committee later decided that a mail ballot would not be valid, and the issue went back to the senate.

Time to Gather More Opinions

William S. Simmons, an anthropology professor and the special panel's chairman, said the group had requested more time to gather more faculty opinions. He said many faculty members didn't know enough about the panel's proposal. "To hear some of the

arguments, you'd think Western Civilization was being threatened," he said.

Unlike Stanford University, which recently revamped its Western-culture program to reflect more contributions by minority-group members and women, Berkeley has no required Western-civilization program. Instead, Mr. Simmons said, any new course requirement would attempt to relate the role of minority-group members to society as a whole, rather than look at them in isolation.

"Afro-Americans don't exist in isolation, nor do Jewish Americans or Italian Americans," he said.

The 1,600-member senate, made up of the university's full-time faculty members, now plans to vote on a revised proposal next spring.

A Growing Movement

The Berkeley proposal reflects

a growing movement by colleges and universities across the nation to place more emphasis on non-white culture and multicultural education. That movement has attracted especially strong support from Berkeley's administration and minority students because of the makeup of the student body. This year, 62 percent of Berkeley's freshmen—and more than half of all undergraduates—are members of minority groups.

At last week's meeting, Vice-Chancellor Roderic B. Park pointed to several bar graphs contrasting Berkeley's student body with its faculty, of which about 10 percent are members of minority groups.

Said Mr. Simmons after the meeting: "The way American culture is communicated in the universities is changing by virtue of the fact that the students listening to the lectures are changing."

CORRECTION

In last week's *News-Letter*, the photo of Robert Larkin, director of security, was not credited to anyone.

The photographer was Bob Nelson.

In addition, the photo of Gretchen Van Utt was credited to Bill Berger. That's wrong, too.

In reality, Scott Tourtellotte was the actual photographer.

It's the end of the year, folks. Finals are upon us, distractions are zeroing in on us from to and fro, and we're trying. The photo gnomes deserve credit where credit is due, however.

The *News-Letter* regrets the errors and is glad to set the record straight.

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- Richard:** A verb
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- T.H.:** Copy-editing markers shaped like the heads of Channel 13's Al Sanders and Denise Koch (and some dwarf repellent wouldn't hurt, either)
- Ely:** Reinstitution of the 80-hour work week
- John:** A clean shirt and no more Friday tests
- Alex:** A character flaw
- Pat D.:** Stock in Pillsbury (really novel, huh?)
- James:** If you could just find the original, please.

Hopkins near hiring women's studies head

Appointment would help correct deficiency in program offerings

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is "going along reasonably well."

The position is "defined as one for a scholar of real intellectual stature in an existing academic department," said Ferguson. "We need someone who will be a catalyst, creating a uniting structure."

Neil Hertz, a professor in the Humanities Center and a member of the search committee, added



Scott Tourtelotte
English Professor
Frances Ferguson

energy and political savvy to the list of important characteristics for an applicant. The director will have to combine her particular academic expertise with administrative abilities, coordinating input from University officials, fellow faculty members, and graduate and undergraduate students.

The program to be developed is purposely being left vague. Ac-

ording to Ferguson, the committee wants the person selected to be able to shape a program, determining its emphasis and structure. "The director will have the key role in the evaluation of the program," she said.

Emily Martin, chairwoman of the Department of Anthropology and co-chair of last year's search committee, said this freedom to "build from the ground up" is part of the appeal of the position. The director will have to specifically assess what kinds of things can best be done at Hopkins.

Ferguson hopes the appointment will be made early enough for the new director to meet with students in the late spring, aiding the effort to determine existing interests and commitments.

Appeal to prospective appointees is an important issue, because in the past Hopkins has experienced difficulty in attracting the specific type of scholar being sought for the position. The lack of tenured women faculty at Hopkins cannot be ignored; it has been a neglected area for the past fifteen years.

With little attention being paid to hiring a sufficient number of women faculty, even less was given to establishing a core group of faculty with a concentration in gender. Departments with feminist scholars are the exception rather than the rule.

According to Martin, "There are many, attractive groups of faculty at other universities. This makes it very difficult to get someone to come here." On the other hand, Hopkins's size, flexibility, and growth potential in this area can appeal to applicants.

The incoming director must

believe the University will continue to support a women's studies program. The Ford grant has made the appointment possible, and the administration has come through in several ways as well. Two new English professors have strong interests in women's studies, and the Humanities Center is in the process of hiring an expert in feminist thought.

In addition, the administration is matching the funding of the Ford grant. In light of the current financial situation, however, it must plan carefully to develop the program. "It is truly amazing how long it has taken," said Martin. "Entrenched conservative habits of thought and slowness to acknowledge the importance of gendered subjects are two of the factors that have held us back. We are far behind Yale, Princeton, Harvard, and other schools. There is no place that we consider one of our peers that is as far behind as we are."

Despite Hopkins's past in the area, Martin expressed some optimism. "Things will change here gradually. The tidal wave of interest cannot be held back."

Last year, the Women's Center circulated a petition asserting a need for more gender-related and women's issues courses and requesting that the administration pay immediate attention to this area of students' needs. With 449 signatures, it submitted the petition to Lloyd Armstrong, dean of Arts and Sciences, last spring.

During the spring semester of 1987, several gender courses were offered. Senior Academic Advisor Catherine Evans and History graduate student Kathleen Canning conducted a survey of

the students in these classes.

Evans, who periodically teaches a women writers course, found that "students were very enthusiastic about courses that were explicitly about gender topics. Most indicated a desire to take future courses and expressed their feelings that more classes were needed." Responses to the survey included: "these courses have had the most impact on me in the way of my personal education here at Hopkins"; and "This is probably the best course I've taken here at Hopkins in terms of personal development/growth." Responses like these occurred often in the survey.

A potential advantage to the creation of a director's position in Women's Studies is continuity and consistency in offering women's studies and gender-related courses. Many of these types of courses have been taught here, and a few are taught regularly, but Hopkins offers no guarantee that a reasonable selection of them will be taught a given semester.

The course offerings for next semester are a good illustration of this problem. Only two specific gender-related courses will be offered next semester, and one is a graduate seminar. Other courses that fit into the subject area are being taught, but the University offers no commitment to their being taught again.

As noted by Ferguson, the women's studies director will sustain feeling for the ongoing course area and will push for the courses, insuring constancy in the program.

At Hopkins, the issue of women's studies becomes a part of the vast Human Climate con-

cerns that have recently received much attention. It is not, however, only a recent issue. It is addressed in the report of the Human Climate Task Force, submitted in the fall of 1987, but the same or similar issues were addressed two years earlier in great depth by the Ad Hoc Committee on the Status of Women.

That committee's report, submitted in June, 1985, outlined startling definitive information about women at Hopkins in many



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Senior academic advisor
Catherine Evans

areas, including faculty hiring and curriculum development. According to Evans, "None of the specific recommendations of the committee have been implemented." Even after the reports were available and concrete conclusions were drawn, little definitive action was taken, until now.

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- Complainant reports that around 1:10 a.m. on December 4, while visiting in Hollander Dorm, she was assaulted during an argument with another student. No medical treatment was required.

Larceny

- Between October 1 and November 1, someone removed an overhead projector from a room in Rowland Hall. A 3M overhead projector in a tan attache case valued at \$799 is missing.

- Between 4:20 and 6 p.m. on November 30, someone removed a watch from a gym bag on the women's locker room floor. A Seiko quartz watch valued at \$300 is missing.

- Between 5 and 6:15 p.m. on November 30, someone removed a ladies black wool jacket from the women's locker room floor. The jacket was valued at \$50.

- The complainant reported on December 1 a wallet and \$3 in change removed from her jacket, which was hanging in a unlocked and unattended room in Latrobe Hall.

- Complainant reported on December 1 that he placed his gym bag inside the bookstore. The bag, containing a wallet, currency, and clothing valued at \$150, was taken. A suspect was arrested in Mudd Hall with the above property in his possession.

- Complainant reported on December 1 that at 12:15 p.m. she discovered her wallet missing from her pocketbook in the Levering Hall cafeteria. The loss was \$70.

- Between November 25 and December 2, someone removed \$15 from a desk in Whitehead Hall.

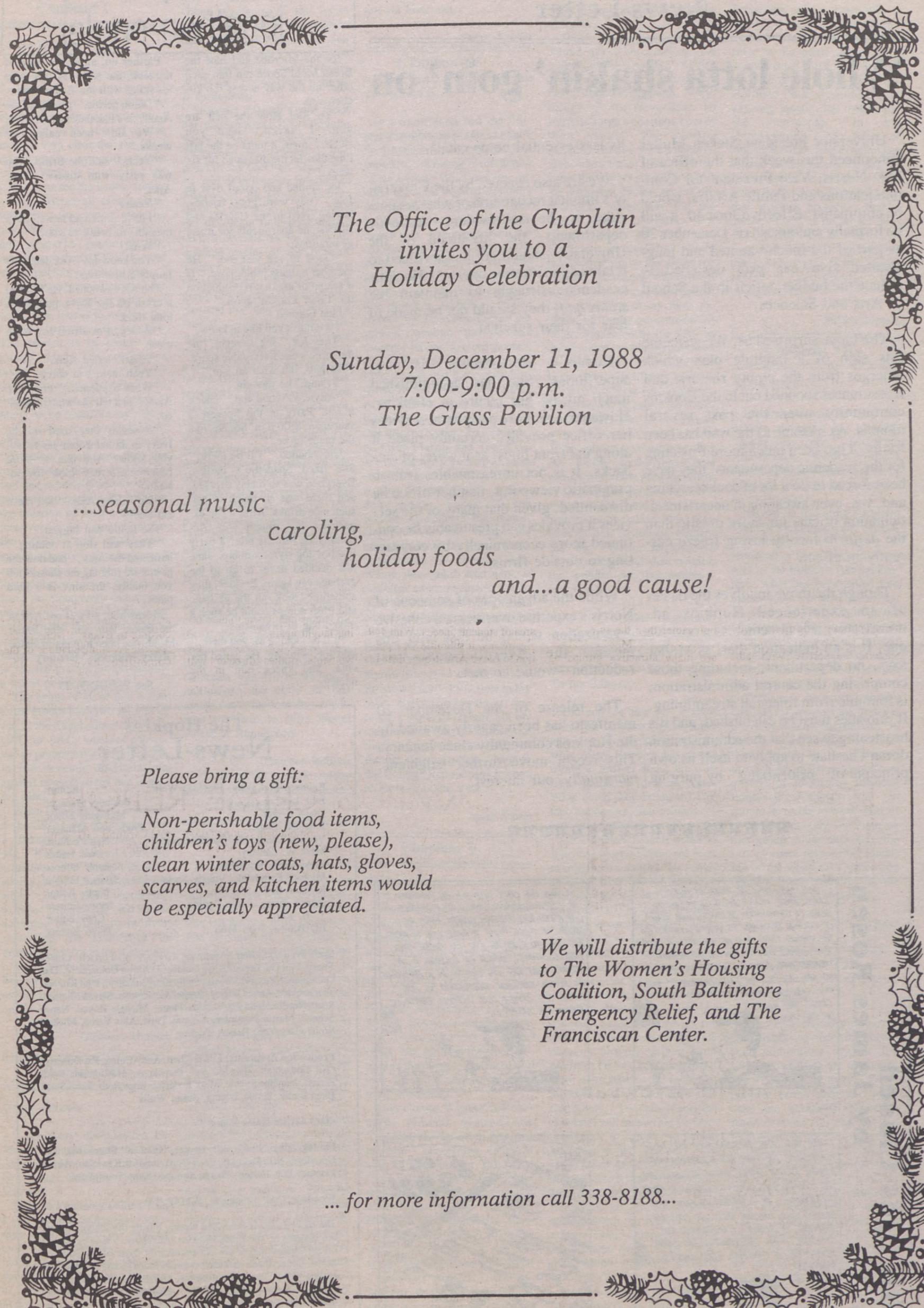
- Complainant reports that between noon and 5 p.m. on November 16, someone removed \$50 from his wallet, which was left in a desk in an unlocked Shaffer Hall room.

- At around 10 a.m. on November 26, a campus police officer on routine patrol observed that a soft drink machine in Remsen Hall had been pried open. An unknown amount of coins and soft drinks were taken.

- At about 4:30 p.m. on November 26, while on routine patrol, a campus police officer observed that a snack vending machine had been taken into the machine room in Mudd Hall and was forced open. An unknown amount of snacks and cash was removed from the same.

- On November 22, between 8 and 9 p.m., the complainant placed his gym bag on the floor of the wrestling room in the Athletic Center and someone removed it. A vinyl bag containing a men's Casio watch valued at \$30 is missing.

- Complainant reported that between 7 and 8 p.m. on December 1, someone removed his clothing from a dryer in AMR II. Total loss was \$60.



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Whole lotta shakin' goin' on

University President Steven Muller announced this week that the office of B.J. Norris, Vice President for Communications and Public Affairs, would be eliminated.

The move surprised us. We welcome this sign of a tangible plan which emerges from the empty rhetoric and reassurances spooned out to the Hopkins community over the past several months.

Though the move involves the ouster of an experienced Hopkins administrator, it is nonetheless a positive one. It is an indication that, as Muller says, no department, including those comprising the central administration, is immune from financial streamlining.

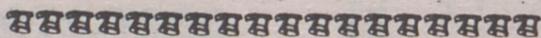
its less essential components.

We are also cheered by the University's implicit recognition of what we consider to be self-evident—academic departments, the life-blood of the University, should not be sacrificed to retain administrative ones.

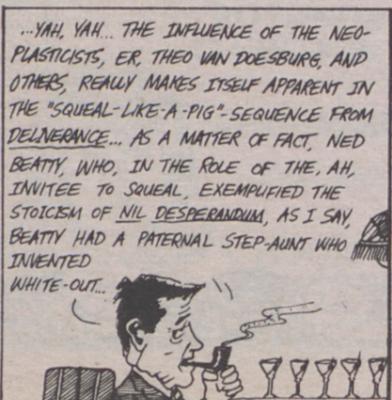
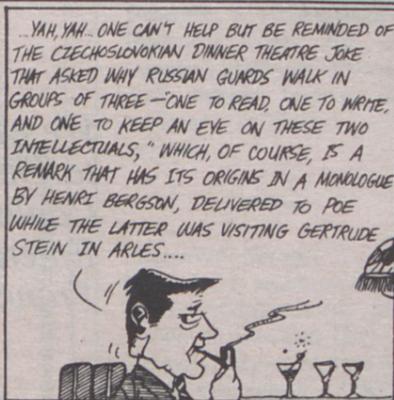
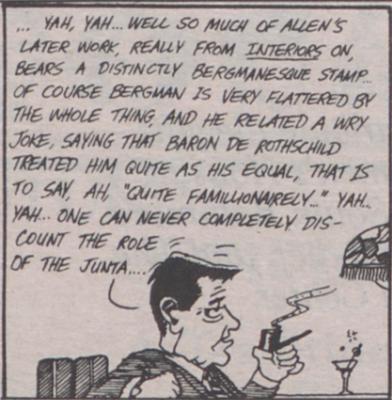
Norris's department is not superfluous. She has accomplished much during her tenure at Hopkins. However, the more peripheral services her office provides certainly place it along the front lines, as it were, of cut-backs.

While the advantages of someone of Norris's expertise overseeing a cohesive organization would be lost with this move, the overall goal—cost reduction—would be met.

The release of the December 20 manifesto has been eagerly awaited by the Hopkins community since January. This recent move further heightens, marginally, our interest.



With Eyes Closed by James Rosen



Joe the Microbe and Jane the Bread Mold Spore ran into each other on the way across the kitchen sink. "Yo Joe! How the hell are you? I haven't seen you since... man, it must be the last time they let the dishes go for six weeks!" Joe smiled and oozed over to Jane. They were good friends, having lived in the Charles and Blackstone apartments for many generations. "Good to see you too." He eyed her bulging protoplasm. "Is it sexual or asexual reproduction this time? Lookin' good." Jane blushed. "Wouldn't you like to know." "That Joe," she thought, "he thinks he's one irresistible spore. Nice guy, but what an ego." "Tramp," he thought. "Anyway," said Joe, "check it out. Party in the Spagettios saucepan. 8:00 p.m. Sounds like the place to be." Jane nodded. "I'll be there." She liked Spagettio's parties. Everyone was so nicely dressed, and there was so much to eat, such nice drinks. After a bad experience last month with Acquaintance Mitosis after a party in a hot dog styrofoam box, Jane had decided never to go to the garbage can again. Besides, they sometimes took out the garbage and trash dumps could be such a mixed bag of organisms. "I'll be looking for you there," said Joe, winking. He patted her cilia. She kned him in the nucleus. Farther up, along the edge of the sink, the Ajax crystals were speaking with the Brillo pads. "Damn germs," grumbled the Ajax, "it's like they run the joint. "We ain't been called for weeks." "Yeah," said the Brillo, who was rusty with disuse. "But, Ajax?" "Yeah?" "I have some bad news I been meanin' to break to you." "What?" "You know Joy? The detergent family's little one?" The Ajax swooned. He had had a crush on the Joy Liquid for a long time. "Buddy, I'm afraid Joy is no more." "What!" cried Ajax. "Yeah man, I'm sorry." "What happened," cried the Ajax, "just tell me what happened." "It seems they used up the Ivory in da bathroom yesterday, you know? And one o' those roommates, they took Joy instead." "No" cried Ajax, "tell me it ain't so!" The Brillo pad sagged. "They will stop at nothing," lamented the Ajax, "and now the germs are running the show. I tell you buddy, the sink is a hard place." Meanwhile, all was not well in the Baked Ziti pan. The Bread Molds had been moving in on the Gooky Microbes' territory. So See PSEUDO, 23

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Letters

Chaplain I

To the Editors:

It was indeed disappointing to find the *News-Letter* coverage of the Chaplain's controversy so confused in regards to some of the issues. At the outset I wish to make it very clear that the GRO does not have any position on the issues. While it is true that the GRO discussed the issues, as they usually discuss all campus controversies, they never voted on any official position. Therefore, any remarks made by the members of the GRO are those of the respective members only.

As was described to me, the Chaplain is entrusted with two roles. The first is to oversee the religious activities on campus. The second is to ensure that groups which "do not have a home in the GRO or SAC" (which have been perceived to be the] leftists) are given the opportunity to be heard on campus.

If it is true that the Chaplain's office is providing a home for the "homeless" politicians, then the office is providing a very important and necessary service to the campus community. Underlying the creation of such a mandate, however, is the assumption that the GRO and SAC are systematically discriminating against groups on the basis of their political views. This is in fact a very dangerous and serious accusation. There is absolutely no evidence that this discrimination is taking place. In fact, almost half of the GRO recognized and supported groups are promoting a leftist political agenda.

The result of all of this is that leftist groups have two sources of funds: the Chaplain and either the GRO or SAC, whereas conservative groups have only one. It is in fact systemic discrimination against conservatives that is taking place.

When I did raise these concerns to the GRO I was confronted with a barrage of accusations from Mr. Kaveh Ehsani of the Graduates for Social Responsibility, and his "socially responsible" cohorts that I was trying to stifle "progressive" and liberal activities on campus. In their reasoning the adherence to democratic form in the allocation of funds endangers their right to free speech, the institution of an events-czar does not endanger ours.

Oussama Himani

Chaplain II

To the Editors:

I was very disappointed by Martin Stemmler's article and the editorial last week on the role of University Chaplain Gretchen Van Utt.

First: as a member of the GRO, I can say that Stemmler's wording on the results of our meeting and discussions were MISLEADING and this apparently led to the misinforming of *News-Letter* editors Kathleen McCarthy and Flory Ware. Consistently only one member of the GRO has raised and sustained the

issue of the Chaplain's bias. Other members of the board agreed that politics and religion have never been separable, and that the Chaplain's role as one who raises often uncomfortable issues on a conservative campus is appropriate.

Secondly, making a stink about her underfunding the Talmudic Study Group is opportunistic. That group also presented its proposal to the GRO on September 13, and its details are important. First of all, the group asked for some \$1190.00 to purchase the full 30 volume Talmud (\$550 plus tax), \$160 plus tax for eight individual copies of the Brachot Talmud, and \$480 for speakers and poster. This was for a group they estimated at eight people, and that they were not sure would continue after this semester. The idea of giving over one hundred dollars per person to a small study group was daunting to the GRO, and I suspect impossible for the Chaplain's office budget. A further point that has not been mentioned by anyone is that a 41-volume Talmud in Hebrew and at least 20 volumes in English are available in the MSE library for circulation.

Finally, it is my belief that the hubbub about the Sunday Experience poster which parodied Dan Quayle before the election is a case of "politics are OK as long as they are about something far from home."

The issue of the Chaplain's role was NOT raised by the religious community itself, but rather by the College Republicans. This should awaken us to the fact that their renewed harassment of Gretchen Van Utt is politically motivated, and *does* in fact amount to a modern day witch-hunt by them to stifle liberal voices at Homewood.

Timmons Roberts
Department of Sociology

Chaplain III

To the Editors:

I wanted to compliment the authors of the *News-Letter* editorial of last week for properly rebuking Chaplain Gretchen Van Utt for her leftist priorities. The responsibility of a chaplain is to the spiritual health of the University community. It is neither her responsibility nor is it proper for her to address political issues at the expense of inherently spiritual matters. This is especially true as the office has a limited budget, and money offered, for example, to a political guest lecturer such as Abbie Hoffman would be better spent on religious concerns.

It is not valid to argue in this instance that political lectures are important and educational and are thus a benefit to the school community. This is obviously true, but is also sophistry. Hopkins sponsors lectures at which Abbie Hoffman would be a perfectly appropriate speaker, but these lectures should not be funded by the Chaplain's office, the primary responsibility of which is to care for the spiritual needs of the community. Given that the chaplain failed because of lack of funds to sponsor Talmudic reading series,

this responsibility has obviously not yet been met.

Debra Hamel

Chaplain IV

To the Editors:

It is unfortunate that the College Republicans prefer to attack the Chaplain's office rather than engage in a meaningful discussion of its efforts. What bothers me about the latest wave of misinformation is how easily it is accepted by the Hopkins community. For over a year, I've heard about the so-called political leanings of OXFAM. Yet for some reason when the head of OXFAM USA spoke at Hopkins, not one of the parties that object to Oxfam's policies showed up. I had heard about the speech through the normal sources, having spotted posters all over the walls around campus. I had hoped that the community would finally have an opportunity to address some of the real issues and so-called controversies that involve Oxfam. Unfortunately, Greg Francis and Tom Corlett of the College Republicans seem to prefer public slander as a way of making the campus more aware. Fellas, if you wanted to address the issues, Gretchen Van Utt brought the head honcho of the whole damn organization to Gilman Hall. Where were you? And why, if this issue concerns you so much, didn't our esteemed *News-Letter* editors send a reporter to objectively cover the issues involved. Instead the editors do us a disservice by perpetuating a series of myths about "controversial Political links." I've come to my own conclusions about the relative worth of Oxfam, but my ideas were developed by confronting the issues directly, not through assuming that whatever the College Republicans happen to espouse is the truth.

Justin Schein

Chaplain V

To the Editors:

What is the source of the "long controversy" surrounding the Chaplain's Office? It has two sources: Gregory Francis, president of the College Republicans, and Oussama Himani, a graduate student active in the Graduate Representative Organization. Himani is not the GRO, nor is he "members of" the GRO. But through the good offices of the *News-Letter* these two now have the appearance of a mass movement.

One charge is cause for concern. Himani accuses the Chaplain of "ignoring her own promise" concerning OXFAM and the anti-hunger fast. The same issue of the *News-Letter* features a reminder about the fast advertising Manna House of Baltimore as an alternative charity to OXFAM. OXFAM is suspect for Himani and the College Republicans because it is not "politically neutral," that is, because it thinks that hunger might have some relationship to food production and distribution. But Van Utt kept her promise.

Himani should check his facts before making such serious charges.

That Himani and Francis should mount an attack on the politics of the Chaplain's Office comes as no surprise. They have clear, coherent agendas. Why, though, is the *News-Letter* so ready to forge a consensus out of their views? The closing paragraph of last week's editorial reads like a threat. One can't imagine the editors similarly advising President Muller on his uncontrolled enthusiasm for the space shuttle program. The Chaplain, with her pursuit of peace as a spiritual duty, might have something to say about the "biased" character of shuttle advocacy. And we might, if asked, have something to say about the "bias" of former government officials sponsored by the SAC to debate narrowly framed questions of "terrorism" or the national budget. But it is asinine to speak of "bias" at all in such contexts, and unhealthy to expect the Chaplain's Office *not* to come into some conflict with other elements of the university community. It is not Van Utt, but the *News-Letter* editors who show poor judgment by turning Himani into the GRO and abetting his and Francis's intimidation by taking this non-issue of bias seriously. Himani and the College Republicans clearly understand that religion and politics are inseparable—why don't you?

Stephen Engelmann

Chaplain VI

To the Editors:

Did you see how Mr. Francis raised the question, by his letter attacking the Chaplain, exactly what many Hoppies have been trying to answer about the College Republicans for many years? What could they be up to? Are they hypocrites, anti-semites, or just disingenuous?

CR President Francis writes as if he was worried about the state of religion on campus. He writes as if he were concerned about religion being perverted by politics. As if he cared whether funding was available for Talmudic studies (and we might note that no more money is available today, even though Abbie's not coming, than when this brouhaha started. So much for the claim of a direct conflict between funding Talmudic studies and paying for Abbie.) Francis doesn't want the chaplain dirtying religion with politics. Or so he claims. But then, in his letter's last sentence, he loses control and shows his true colors: "I wonder if she [the chaplain] will help bring G. Gordon Liddy to campus to debate Hoffman if we ask her." So much for religion, or has G. Gordon become a man of the cloth? Not likely. So Francis isn't worried about religion, he's worried about politics. Or is he? He told a *News-Letter* reporter, "I have no problem with Abbie Hoffman." Well, then why the need for Liddy?

It seems the CR's president will say whatever he believes will sway the audience. But what's he up to? Hard to say, but let's con-

sider this white, Anglo-Saxon, Protestant male's sensitivity. I don't just mean that the lad has a problem understanding how to refer to an adult female — woman is the word, boy — but his calling for Liddy to debate Hoffman. Sure G. Gordon's an amusing lunatic, but that's only the beginning. In his autobiography Liddy brags of singing a NAZI song to intimidate blacks. Surely this is the perfect man to debate Jewish Abbie Hoffman. Sadly Scott-David Lippe, that vigilant protector against anti-semitism, is no longer here to keep the likes of Francis in line. But perhaps I misunderstand. Maybe the CR's aren't racist or anti-semitic, just disingenuous.

Sidney Maskit

Chaplain VII

To the Editors:

I commend you for your excellent editorial of 12/8/88, "Judgement Calls." You were able to take a subject normally distorted by both sides and fairly highlight the question that needed to be asked.

No one is disputing Chaplain Van Utt's enthusiasm and dedication (traits sorely lacking at Hopkins) or her many successes, such as the Hopkins Tutorial Project. What has been called into question is a matter of priorities. As stated in your editorial, the Chaplain's office is the department solely responsible for our campus's spiritual needs as such. I agree that these needs should take precedence.

There may be a need on this campus for some of the political activities which Chaplain Van Utt has been sponsoring, however, they should not be financed through her office, especially at a time of increasing financial limitations. Chaplain Van Utt should be trying to work with all of the student body, not favoring one group while alienating the rest. A more responsible handling of the Chaplain's office can result in greater benefits for the entire Hopkins community.

Ellis Wheby

Chaplain VIII

To the Editors:

I may be overly suspicious, but I'm just not convinced that the recent complaints against the Chaplain's Office are motivated by a sense of piety. While political terms such as "mandate" and "neutrality" have been bandied about, no one has put forth anything that draws on those spiritual values the complainants are so concerned about maintaining. Chaplain Van Utt tried to, but the *News-Letter* misquoted her. The December 2 edition reads: "Religion overlaps with social, political, and ethical concerns, she said, making possible the idea of having a faith that is divorced from those issues." Try substituting the word "impossible" in the place of "possible"

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above. There. Now we have not only a coherent paragraph, but, ta da, the beginnings of a theological argument. Could Van Utt have a deeper understanding of her office than has been suspected? What if Van Utt bases her actions as Chaplain upon spiritual belief? The power of her commitment to a non-denominational office could be staggering. Across the Hopkins community we might find people ranging from the most pious theist to the most pious atheist who would rather her mandate come from God than from the Hopkins Administration or the crusade of a graduate student and a misogynous brat.

Sophia Mihic
Department of Political Science

Chaplain IX

To the Editors:

The "L" word may have made Mike Dukakis edgy, but calling the Graduates for Social Responsibility a leftist organization is not bothersome for its members. In fact they might own up to the "charge" if only the editors of the *News-Letter* and the College Republican mouthpiece could explain how they came up with the notion of GSR being leftist. If inviting Eric Hoogland (faculty at SAIS) to speak on the Middle East is "Leftist" then I presume

the meeting between Schultz and Edward Said (member of the Palestinian National Council) last spring would certainly label Schultz a terrorist (keeping in view the blanket state department assertion of all Palesinians being terrorists, of course all univeristy professors are leftist too a la Alan Bloom). Intimidation and name calling have never helped free speech, honorable editors; it only blends into the policy of stifling alternative voices on campus and organizing witchhunts. Did anyone say McCarthy?

Kamran Asdar Ali
Department of Anthropology

Security response

To the Editors:

I am writing in response to the aricle in last week's *News-Letter* which addressed the problem of security here at Homewood, and I hope that in doing so, I represent a sentiment shared by many students here. Certainly the article brought to surface a problem that Hopkins has had to deal with for years, and has been fortunate to evade with some success thus far this year. There have been very few incidents of assault this year as compared to past years, and that is good. But it is deceptively good in that it can lull the students, faculty, and administration into a false sense of security. It is my hope that this will soon change.

Last week's article highlighted some problems I have seen and heard about for years, and as a housemaster this year, these problems concern me more than ever because of the potential for harm they represent to my freshmen. If it is not too unbecoming of me to say so, I am very disappointed in the apparent apathy by the administration on the subject of security. Of course, there are the security escort sevices, and patrolling security men on campus, but they are not enough. This year I am responsible for the enforcement of the University's alcohol policy in my dorm, and during Housemaster training this year, we were all drilled time and time again, with the fact that we had to do all we could to eliminate alcohol from the dorms partly to cover the University's liability. By protecting the health of our freshmen, we also protect the University's ass from lawsuits. If genuine concern for everyone's well being is not enough for the University to have such a dry campus policy, then money most certainly is. Money has always been a motivating factor in the world.

In the case of Homewood's security problem, I wish money were more of an issue as well. There is a problem here, and it will not go away easily. It will also take some time and thought to eliminate. But if someone were raped or otherwise physically assaulted on campus, the University could bet on there being a lawsuit pending. If the Universi-

ty wants to play it smart, it ought to seize the initiative and do more about the security problem instead of waiting for something to happen. Of course, there is no way to fully ensure the safety of each and every person on Homewood campus, but there are things that can be done.

Kasper Wang

Women respond

To the Editors:

In the December 2, 1988 *News-Letter*, the Women's Center is described as having become, in the eyes of some, less "alarmist and radical" and more "moderate." As supporters of the Women's Center, we are unsure what is meant by this description. The Women's Center continues to work on behalf of the same causes as those which the center has supported over (at least) the past ten years. These include issues specific to Hopkins such as the need for a women's studies program, more women faculty members, and affordable child care. The Women's Center has also sought to generate discussion on broader issues such as reproductive rights, pornography, rape, sexual harassment, and domestic violence. While the specific issues that the Center highlights vary from year to year, the basic aims of the Center remain unchanged. Perhaps what was once radical in the eyes of the Hopkns communi-

ty has now become so commonplace that it is moderate.

We would like to point out, however, that being moderate is not always as virtuous as your article implies. There will always be situations where a radical approach is needed to rectify a radical wrong. After all, the suffragettes were once considered radical; would women have gotten the vote without them? The position of women at Hopkins has improved over the years that we have been at this university and we believe we have our radical activist sisters and brothers to thank for this.

We hope that all those interested in women's issues, whether they define themselves as "radical" or "moderate" will contribute their ideas and their time to the Women's Center.

Eva Miskowitz
Monica van Beusekom

Orientation plea

To the Editors:

Once again, we are entering into the selection process for the Orientation Chairperson and the Student Advising Co-Chairs. Having worked so closely with the program, I wanted to let students know a little about the benefits of being involved in Orientation.

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and I think they help you to learn a lot about yourself. As for monetary payment, the Office of Residential Life can assist students in finding an on-campus job and can provide free summer housing. This cannot possibly compensate as an hourly wage, but I believe it makes it much more feasible than students now realize.

In my opinion, the most rewarding aspect of Orientation is all the people that you work with, both students and administration. The University offices pull together in order to get Orientation off the ground and it's a true partnership between everyone—it has to be.

I encourage anyone interested in applying to seriously give it some thought. It definitely is a challenge, but it isn't an opportunity you should let pass by. Applications are available outside the Student Council Office and they're due early next semester, so pick one up now. Please take some time to consider the 1989 Orientation Chairperson and Student Advising Co-Chair positions—they're a unique experience.

Ellen Stolis

The writer is Chairperson of Orientation '88

Save the Children

To the Editors:

Finally there is an answer for any one who raised money for Save the Children last spring, and was wondering where all those funds went to. In case you don't remember, we held a Volleyball tournament and fundraiser on the quad during SpringFest. Even though this all took place right before finals and summer vacation, a wide variety of different student groups collected over \$1,350 for Save the Children, a private non-partisan relief organization based in Connecticut. This money will go to relief in poverty stricken communities all over the world (including the U.S.) Each Hopkins group that raised a certain amount of money has sponsored an individual child in one of Save The Children's communities.

This project would not have gotten started without the help of Joe Sokolowski and the IFC. We appreciate the work of the seven frats who contributed: Alpha Phi, Phi Psi, Phi Mu, TEP, ATO, Wawa, and the "ex Sig-Ep/Golden Hearts." Also to be recognized are the smaller student groups that organized to raise money and play volleyball, most notably the Catholic Community, Middle East Students Association and Progressive Students Union.

Perhaps the most surprising and rewarding aspect of the day was seeing different students who've never met spend an afternoon playing volleyball in the sun, while raising money for a good cause. Wawa may live down their loss in the finals of the tournament to the AVBC, but together these groups have all shown that such charity drives can work at Hopkins.

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Students sought to study in Italy

by Paul Kramer

Imagine that you've just awakened, finding yourself much the same as when you went to bed: a student interested in European studies, with some prior background in international subjects. When you move to the window and throw open the curtains, however, you find that you are no longer in a room on the Charles Street side of Wolman Hall.

You are looking down over the cosmopolitan city of Bologna. Before you are the ancient towers and basilicas of the city and the more modern skyline, and beyond that rise the Appenines mountains. Nearby is the school you attend, where you are taught graduate courses in International Relations, Economics, History, and Political Science by a faculty of international experts, while around you are students from other countries as well.

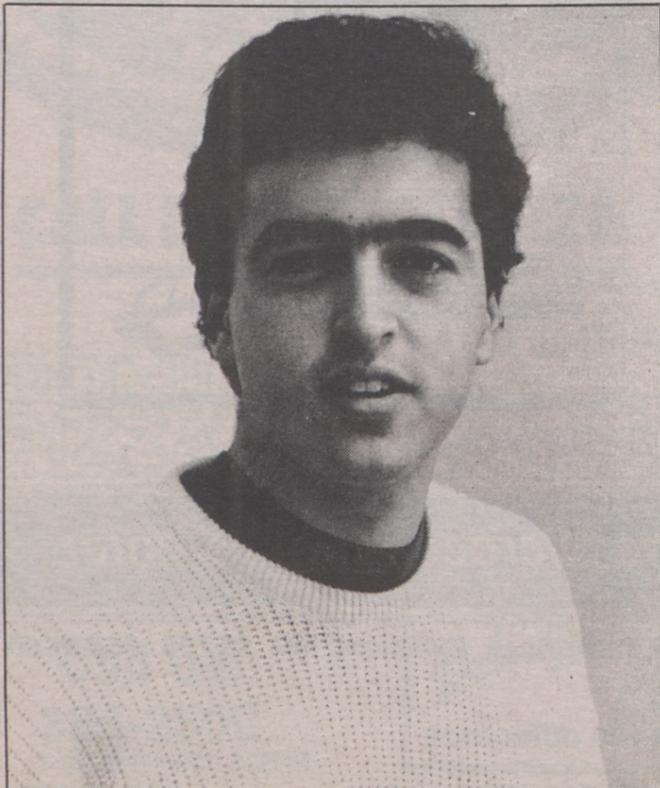
If this situation sounds appealing, then keep reading. Each year, the Johns Hopkins School for Advanced International Studies makes it possible for six to ten juniors to study at the School in Bologna, Italy, allowing them to take graduate-level courses in a variety of subjects in the social sciences in the center of European activity.

The program, which lasts a full academic year from fall to spring, begins with a 5-week intensive Italian conversation class to help students adjust to their new environment. Afterwards, the classes themselves are all taught in English, in subjects ranging from international relations to economics to political science. All grades go directly onto the student's transcript, and there are no difficulties in transferring

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credits, or distribution and major requirements. The coursework itself, however, is very different and requires independent development.

"It's very unstructured," says senior Kim McCormack, who attended the school last year. "You are given a goal and a few basic guidelines, and told to go with it."



John Misa

Andy Richman, who spent part of last year in Bologna, Italy, says, "I feel that studying abroad is an experience that will stay with me the rest of my life."



Courtesy of Academic Advising

Imagine waking up in the morning to a scene like this instead of a picturesque view of CVP. This is one of the perks of studying at the Bologna Center in Italy.

According to senior Jon Aronson, who also participated last year, the workload is comparable to that at Homewood, although on a graduate level.

"The classes meet about once a week," he says, "but there is an extensive reading list."

Students say that the program provides an opportunity to take part in serious graduate study first-hand, in an environment ideal for such coursework.

The immersion in the culture and lifestyle of Bologna, with its international population, also has its benefits. As only 60 of 140 students at the school are American, it provides a chance to meet students from all over the world and exchange ideas.

"I roomed with students from Austria, Belgium, Great Britain, and Egypt," says Aronson. "These students are at the graduate level, and openly express their opinions. There's a lot of dialogue, and this gives you an extensive picture of international views."

Italy's relatively central position in Europe also allows for travel in countries from Spain to Poland over academic breaks. And with Florence, Milan, Rome, and Venice all within a few hours' travel, a student has a chance to take in Italian culture, history, and art.

"Bologna itself," says Aronson, "is a great city to be in. It's not really tarnished by tourism, so it retains its own culture. And the Italians are helpful, and don't really mind if you don't speak fluently."

McCormack says that she found the Italians friendly and outgoing as well, and that the environment, although it served as a social eye-opener in some respects, really made the program what it is.

The process for entering the Bologna School is competitive. While most of the students that apply are in the social sciences, anyone is eligible if they have at least a background in micro- and macro-economics, with some

History of Occidental Civilization preferred. The application consists of a letter stating why admittance to the program is desired and how it fits with the educational objectives of the applicant, along with a transcript, and a letter of endorsement from the student's faculty advisor, stating why the Bologna program would enrich the student's academic program. Applications are due February 24, 1989, for the term beginning in fall 1989, and subsequent interviews are performed by the Office of Academic Advising, with a SAIS representative present.

"Students that apply should be interested in European studies," says Dr. James Goodyear of the Advising Office. "We are looking for students with commitment, appropriate coursework, and those that are mature and ready to go abroad."

Participating students agree that one needs certain characteristics to perform well in

the program. "Because of the academic freedom," says McCormack, "students need a lot of self-discipline, a sense of adventure, a sense of humor, an open mind, and have to be good communicators."

Dr. Goodyear agrees that the program is challenging, but also distinctly rewarding. "It is completely different culture and educational milieu. The program develops and transforms students. They gain a different sense of themselves, of education, and of the world in general."

If you're interested in more information, there is a general meeting at 3 p.m. in the Academic Advising Office. If you'd like to talk to someone who has been on the program, Jon Aronson, Kim McCormack, Jane Freeberg, and Andy Richman would be happy to fill you in. So check it out for yourself. If social sciences in an international forum are what you're looking for, Bologna is where to go find it.



Daichi Shimbo

The official ribbon-cutting for the library's Janus computer system was held on Tuesday. For all those people who have been using Janus for months already, now its existence is official.

The Weekly Puzzle

Potluck Dinner: The second fabulous Women's Center Potluck Dinner will be held on Mon., Dec. 12, at 7:00 p.m. Stop by the Center or talk to Jeanine for more info.

The Hutzler Undergraduate Library will be closed during Intersession. The HUGL will close on Friday, December 23d, at 5 p.m., and it will reopen at 8:30 a.m. on Monday, January 23d.

Come party at WaWa for a good cause. Saturday night, Dec. 10. Admission is \$3. Proceeds go to buy toys for the children at Hopkins Hospital for Christmas.

Holiday Craft Fair today, Friday from 9 to 6 p.m. in the Glass Pav. Sponsored by the Hopkins Union: "do all your holiday shopping with us..."

CAMPUS NOTES

Homewood TV Presentation: APL Colloquium. Topic: New Developments in Explosives Technology. Speaker: Per-Anders Persson, New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology. Friday, Dec. 9, at 2:00 p.m. in the ITV Classroom of Maryland 214.

Newman Knights! Don't forget the Annual Catholic Community Christmas Party tonight—Friday, Dec. 9, 9 p.m.—?, at Newman House (2941 N. Charles), preceded by caroling around Charles Village (meet at 8 p.m.)

Join the Catholic Community in celebrating **Midnight Mass** in the Glass Pavilion on Saturday, 12/17 at midnight, followed by Christmas specials and brunch at Newman House (2941 N. Charles)

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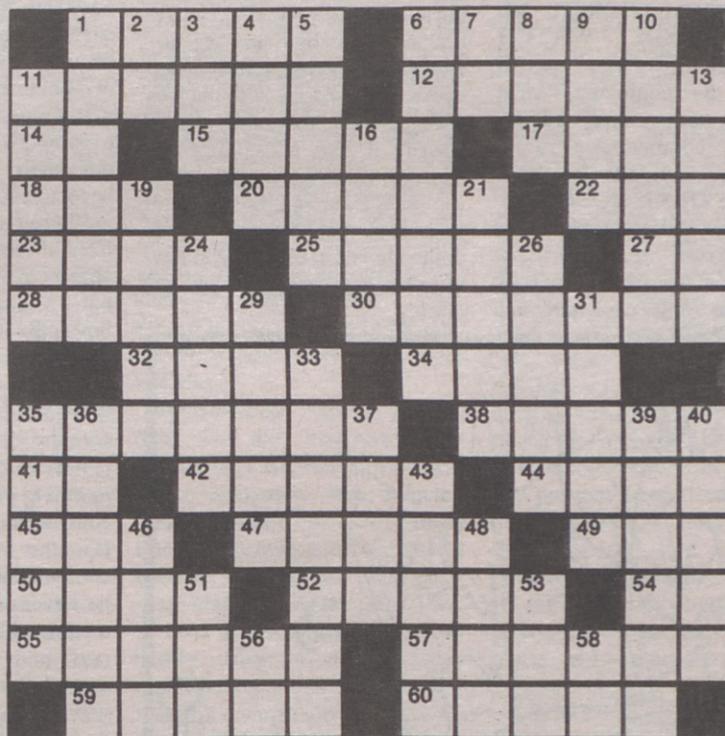
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ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

Friday, December 9

- 4 p.m. Department of Philosophy presents Michael Walzer, "Good Aristocrats/Bad Aristocrats: Thomas Hobbes and Early Modern Political Culture"—Gilman 110.
7 p.m.—2 a.m. Comic Book Club presents Christmas specials—AMR I TV Room.
8 p.m. The Hopkins Jazz Ensemble presents its annual fall concert with FREE FOOD—AMR I Multipurpose Room.
8 p.m. Office of Special Events presents "A Candlelight Concert of Christmas Music for the Harp with Harpist Deborah Fleisher"—Mudd Hall Auditorium. \$8 admission.
8 and 10:15 p.m. Senior Class: *Dirty Harry*—Shaffer 3. \$3 admission, \$2 students.
8 and 10:15 p.m. WWF: *The Fox and the Hound*—Shriver Hall. \$3 admission, \$2 students.

Saturday, December 10

- 8 and 10:15 p.m. Senior Class: *Dirty Harry*—Shaffer 3. \$3 admission, \$2 students.
8 and 10:15 p.m. WWF: *The Fox and the Hound*—Great Hall. \$3 admission, \$2 students.
8:30 p.m. Shriver Hall Concert Series presents a recital featuring the Composers String Quartet—Shriver Hall. \$13 admission, \$6 students.

Sunday, December 11

- 11 a.m. Mass—Glass Pavilion.
3 p.m. JHMI Office of Cultural Affairs presents the JHMI Choral Arts and Chamber Music Societies—Turner Auditorium.
7—9 p.m. Office of the Chaplain invites you to a Holiday Celebration featuring seasonal music, caroling, and holiday foods—Glass Pavilion. Please bring a gift.
7 and 9:30 p.m. Reel World: *Yellow Submarine*—Shriver Hall. \$3 admission, \$2 students.

Monday, December 12

- Last day of classes.
8 p.m. Department of the Writing Seminars presents a reading by Elizabeth Spires—Garrett Room.

Tuesday, December 13

- READING PERIOD.
Noon. JHMI Office of Cultural Affairs presents Mid-Day Performances featuring Doug Keegan, pianist—Hurd Hall.

Wednesday, December 14

- READING PERIOD, part 2.

Thursday, December 15

- FINALS BEGIN.
Noon. JHMI Office of Cultural Affairs presents JHMI Choral Arts Society, "Tis the Season to be Jolly"—Administration Building dome.

Friday, December 16

- MORE FINALS. (Yawn.)

Holiday Rules

The Activities Calendar publicizes activities sited at Hopkins institutions in Baltimore City, as well as some student-organized special events. All events are free unless otherwise noted. This section will publicize academic deadlines, films, lectures, sporting events, and other special events. We will not publicize events of indeterminate subject. Clubs wishing to publicize meetings should use Campus Notes. That means SAC clubs, too.

Entries MUST be typed and under 25 words long or they will not be printed. Submit entries for consideration by Tuesday, January 24, 1989 at 5 p.m. Questions? Call Flory or Kathleen at x7647.

Arts

They Live: Another Victim of No Imagination

by Timothy Kreider

The premise of this film, which is explicated in the TV ads, is that all earthly authority, government, entertainment, advertising, everything, is being controlled by hideous evil aliens to delude and exploit us. Crude as it is, this conceit could have acted as an effective metaphor for authoritarianism developing in American culture. The aliens are greedy, cruel, and efficient capitalists, distracting the working classes with entertainments and fashions, exploiting them for their own financial gain—"just doing business." And the humans are content with their hopeless delusions, asleep in the American Dream, and completely blind to the entire conspiracy. "Blind" because everything appears to be exactly as it has always been,

unless you wear these cool dark glasses developed by *the Underground*. When you wear the glasses, the false faces and advertisements fall away, all appearances and dreams disappear, and everything is in black and white. Behind the features of the affluent and fashionable are bug-eyed death's-head alien faces. Beneath the billboards and advertisements are bold commands to SLEEP, CONFORM, OBEY, and CONSUME. DO NOT QUESTION AUTHORITY. NO IMAGINATION. WATCH TELEVISION. These are, of course, the commands most entertainments and advertisements communicate to us every day. And dollar bills bear the dictate THIS IS YOUR GOD, not all that different from "In God We Trust." For the first few minutes of the film I honestly hoped that *They Live* would be a

Eighties, exposing the complacency, avarice, consumerism, escapism, and blind deference to authority which have characterized this decade. Yes, it is explicitly, blatantly done. Yes, the acting is bad. And yes, the alien faces are cheap Halloween masks. But, all that could have been excused if the film's ideas had been at all developed.

It's as if some gifted, uncredited screenwriter developed the treatment for the film, but was beaten to death by John Carpenter and a brutal gang of Hollywood hacks who escaped with his idea and decided that they could rewrite it into a "commercial film" by making the hero "more decisive, more aggressive," cutting out all that boring stuff about authority and freedom, and having some big cool fights and gun battles.

When Our Hero, an average blue-collar guy (professional wrestler Roddy Piper) discovers the alien conspiracy, he does not attempt to conceal his horror, act calm, and inform the humans in authority. No, what he does is begin to deride and abuse all the aliens around him with Funny Comments about their faces, alerting them to his awareness of the conspiracy. He shoots two alien policemen, walks down the street brandishing heavy firearms, and goes into a bank. "I'm here to chew bubble gum and kick butt," he announces. "And I'm all out of bubble gum." I admit it's a funny line, but then he begins blasting away at every alien bad guy there. And his decisions become even more brainless and foolhardy as the film continues. I could have empathized with a character who wasn't that clever but was doing the best he could, but this unfalteringly idiotic behavior becomes annoying.

I conceded that the film was Bad during an epic fight scene in an alley, in which Our Hero attempts to force his Earnest Black Friend to put on the sunglasses to convince him that he's not crazy. It also enables Piper to demonstrate almost every move he's ever used in the ring. It goes on for what feels like an hour, and both characters endure enough blows to the head and groin to incapacitate any human being for days, but afterward they both get up and go off to fight with the Underground.

There's a Beautiful Girl in there somewhere, too, but she hardly does anything, just breaks a bottle over the Hero's head and flings him out a window, which somehow endears her to him. He's always crying, "I've got to go find her!" during gun battles.

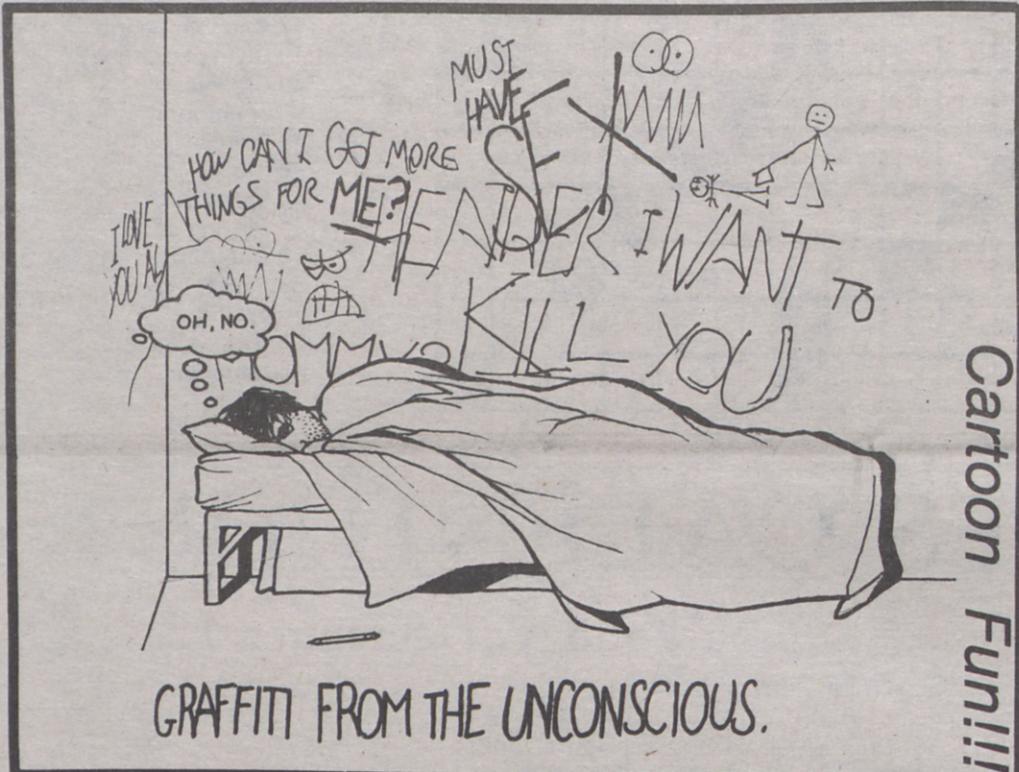
You remember that device with the blinking arms that the Ghostbusters carried around to detect ectoplasms? It appears again here, disguised as an alien communicator.

There's more action in the film, but it's all inconsequential. Eventually the Hero and his Friend get into the alien complex and begin firing their guns at everything. There's a close-up insert shot of a gun barrel firing that appears again and again, to decreasingly dramatic effect. At the climax of the film there's a big explosion. I enjoy explosions more than the average filmgoer, which is why I was a fan of *Battlestar Galactica*, but this one wasn't that good. During the explosion the Hero gives the aliens the finger.

The explosion destroys the alien device that broadcasts the hallucinations of normalcy, and as the film ends, a gratuitous girl with bare breasts discovers that she is having sex with an alien. In the credits she was called "Naked Lady" and I was "Alien Man."

After the credits my friends and I all consoled each other with exclamations of disgust. The most eloquent critic in the audience was the guy behind us. I fear he had been affected by the alien commands to SLEEP.

I was more disappointed by *They Live* than I have been by any other film I can recall. It could have been an entertaining science-fiction film, and a blackly comic critique of American culture; as it is, it is a fatiguing gun battle drama, familiar Hollywood caricatures enacting familiar Hollywood cliches. NO IMAGINATION. WATCH TELEVISION.



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ARTSCAL

Seeing as how it's the last week of the regular academic season, the Artscal focuses its attention on some of the more relaxing and/or de-stressing goings-on in the city and on campus.

MUSIC

Fusion jazz group Moon August plays Fat Tuesdays Friday night. Fat Tuesdays is located down by the Harborplace at the Brokerage. Call 727-4822 for times.

Saturday night, you can shake your stress away with the Almighty Senators when they play the Dulaney Inn in Towson, Saturday night. Take Fishbone, and Talking Heads and put them in a rec room without parental supervision and you have some idea of what a Senators' show is like. Recommended for all ages, but since it's twenty-one plus, we'll have to make do.

And if by the end of the weekend the stress is still getting to you, there's only one thing left to do. New York City's Sonic Youth makes an appearance Sunday night at the 9:30 Club in Washington. They'll be playing

everything from their new double album, *Daydream Nation*, plus a few of their old chestnuts from previous albums. Ball and Jackhammer Orchestra opens the show. Call (202) 393-0930 for more information.

FILM

This week's Weekend Wonderflix presents the animated *The Fox and the Hound*. It's a Disney film, but opinions are mixed as to how it compares to classics. Times are 8 and 10:15 p.m. in Shriver Hall, Saturday night in the Great Hall.

The Senior Class Film Series is showing *Dirty Harry* starring, who else, Clint Eastwood. For those people who shook their head at *The Dead Pool*, here's the original that started the whole Tough Guy With a Big Gun genre. Times are also 8 and 10:15 in Shaffer 3.

And finally, the Reel World shows the Beatles celluloid gem, *Yellow Submarine*. It's got sing-alongs, Blue Meanies, and it shows at 7 and 9:30 p.m. Sunday in Shriver.

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Computer Virus: An increasing affliction

by Charlie Sadoff

The November 2 sabotage of Arpanet, a pentagon computer network, demonstrated neatly what a computer "virus" can do. The virus spread across the wires that link together more than 300 universities, hospitals, and research centers and effectively shut down over 600 terminals. This attack, though the country's most serious to date, is not the first and certainly not the last computer "epidemic."

A computer virus is a program that propagates from one computer to another through telephone lines or by the exchange of contaminated floppy disks. Once inside the computer, a virus can destroy data immediately, or sit like a time bomb waiting to explode. Like a biological virus, an electronic virus can replicate itself so that it can be passed to another victim.

It is believed that the first computer viruses were created by malicious programmers bent on punishing users who illegally copied programs, thereby decreasing the potential sales of merchants. The most elegant of these vigilante programs, as reported by Time magazine, is the Brain virus. This virus was created by two Pakistani brothers in their Lahore software warehouse called Brain Computer Services. At this store, brand name computer programs like Lotus 1-2-3 and

Wordstar, which cost several hundred dollars in the United States, can be bought for \$1.50. The catch is that Americans, who the brothers suspected would illegally copy the disks, were given disks contaminated with the virus. Any time the disks were copied or used on machines shared by many programmers, the virus would copy itself and destroy data on that machine. Astute programmers were able to find a message amongst their destroyed data that read: "WELCOME TO THE DUNGEON...CONTACT US FOR VACCINATION" along with the name and phone number of the Pakistani store. It is estimated that over 100,000 IBM PC floppy disks were contaminated with this malicious virus, including 10,000 disks at George Washington University alone.

The Pakistani virus is one strain of many that are currently being passed from one floppy disk to another across the U.S. Not all viruses, however, are intended to punish programmers. Last December a Christmas greeting mysteriously appeared on the terminals of a worldwide network operated by IBM. When programmers obeyed the instruction to type the word "Christmas" they unknowingly triggered a self-replicating process that sent a copy of the program to every name on their mailing list.

Another playful program made its way through the computers at several Ivy League schools flashing the message "I want a cookie." The message flashed faster and faster until the user keyed in the letters "C-O-O-K-I-E."

All of these viruses, whether they are malicious or playful, demonstrate the vulnerability of the world's computer networks. The virus that attacked Arpanet was intended to move through the telephone lines that connect the computers and simply hide in the recesses of each computer's memory. The program contained an error, however, and it ended up overloading the memories of the computers, facing a shutdown. The virus, created by Robert T. Morris Jr., turned out to be more of a nuisance than anything else. Had he wanted to, however, Morris could have made the virus destroy all the data on every computer in the Arpanet network.

Someone did want to destroy data in the computers at Jerusalem's Hebrew University. These computers were infected with a program that slowly filled internal memory causing them to become "sluggish." This program also contained a time bomb of sorts that was set to go off on Friday, May 13—Israel's 40th anniversary. Any computer which was contaminated with the virus at that time would lose all



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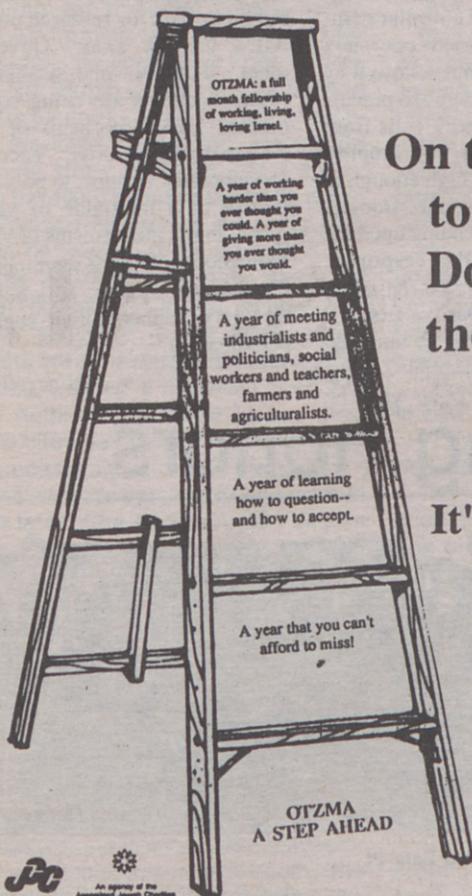
of its files. Fortunately the scientists at the University were able to rid the computers of the virus before that time.

Sometimes, however, it isn't possible to eradicate a computer virus without purging the computer's memory and rebuilding data files from scratch. As a result, "vaccine" programs have flooded the market. Programs like Flu Shot +, Data Physician, Disk Defender, Virus RX, and Retro-V are designed to protect computers from viruses. These protective programs are supposed to recognize foreign programs and prevent them from entering the computer's memory. None of these vaccines are foolproof, however. Virus writers like Morris are constantly changing their programs so that they may get around any barriers set up to stop them.

Despite the vulnerability of computer networks, irreparable

catapostrophes up to this point have been avoided. Killer viruses have yet to invade the computer centers governing the New York Stock Exchange. No insurance company rolls have been wiped out. The electronic funds-transfer system which is necessary for the operation of the country's banks has yet to crash.

Protection of large networks is likely to become a major concern now that one has been tampered with. The government spends hundreds of millions of dollars buying devices that encode classified data traveling through phone lines and protecting entire buildings with copper sheaths that prevent outside electronic interference. Yet the openness is tantamount to the usefulness of networks. The task of balancing security and openness entails much debate and new laws are not expected until at least 1992.



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The search goes on for an AIDS vaccine

by Ganesh Venkataraman

The most effective form of prevention against viral diseases is vaccination. Vaccines have been successful against smallpox, polio, measles, and other viral diseases. However, the development of a vaccine against the Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV), which causes AIDS, has been surprisingly difficult.

Vaccines rally the body's immune response against the disease-causing organism, the pathogen. When a pathogen invades the body, the immune system directs cells and antibodies against an antigen, which is an exposed part of the pathogen's surface. Certain cells of the immune system, known as T4 helper cells, generated during this encounter, "remember" the antigen and prevent another infection by invoking a swifter and a more potent immune response the next time the pathogen invades. The immune response produces antibodies against a specific antigen and does not attack other antigens.

Vaccines introduce harmless versions of pathogens to the immune system. The immune system

reacts to the harmless versions as though they were the real pathogen, and activates its T4 helper cells. In AIDS, however, HIV's primary target are T4 cells. T4 cells infected with HIV cannot activate an immune response against the virus. An AIDS vaccine must prevent the virus from infecting T4 cells.

The AIDS vaccine would also have to halt the virus before it invades the central nervous system, where pathogens are invulnerable to immune attack, because cells of the immune system cannot easily diffuse across the blood-brain barrier. The AIDS vaccine would also have to recognize all HIV variants. Most importantly, the vaccine must carry no risk of itself causing AIDS.

HIV is a retrovirus and, like other viruses, it inserts its genes into the infected cell's genes. Unlike other viruses, however, retroviral genes can be dormant for long periods of time; the infected cell may remain invisible to the immune system because the genes are not expressed as proteins that form the surface antigens. Hence, total eradication of a retroviral infection is virtually impossible.

HIV has a propensity to mutate. For example, gp120 proteins, found on the surface of both the virus and infected cells, provide a likely antigen target for antibodies. But HIV continually varies gp120's structure, making antigen-specific vaccines useless.

HIV infects cells by binding to one of the gp120 cell surface proteins, called CD4. To prevent infection, vaccines must impede HIV from binding to CD4. Vaccines can supply antibodies that resemble CD4 and thus bind to all the virus's CD4 receptor sites preventing it from infecting cells. But CD4-like antibodies are foreign to the body and provoke an "autoimmune response" which produces antibodies against the first antibody. The anti-antibodies can attack CD4 and destroy the very cells that the first antibody tries to protect.

An AIDS vaccine must take these properties into account in order to find the HIV's Achilles heel. HIV is not invulnerable: components of the immune system have a proven ability to neutralize the virus in the test tube. People infected with HIV initially launch a strong antibody and killer cell assault on the virus. These defenses hold the virus in check for years, but the people eventually develop AIDS. The immune system fights back; it just does not fight hard enough.

The trick is to discover which part of the HIV elicits the most powerful immune response and amplify that response to overcome the virus. Most researchers believe that the best site is on the viral surface protein gp120. Much of gp120 is hidden from immunological sight by a cloud of sugar molecules. A cleft where the virus binds to CD4 and a loop that protrudes above the sugar cloud, are two of gp120's exposed regions. The CD4 binding cleft is vital to the virus's function and is invariant among viruses. But this antigenic site, as mentioned before, causes an autoimmune response.

On the other hand, the loop can be easily recognized and does not elicit an autoimmune response.

But the loop is one of the most variable regions of the protein. Variability enables the loop to dodge the response it invoked; a single change in the protein structure creates a different antibody specificity. Researchers are working on a vaccine that can anticipate and destroy all mutated forms.

Even as research on vaccine strategies goes on, a number of AIDS vaccines are being tested in humans. The efficacy of the clinical trials is unknown because of the short time since their inception. Also, unlike other human viral diseases, HIV does not attack animals. Most animals don't get AIDS, even when injected with HIV; no one knows why. Lack of a good animal model with HIV means that the only way to test a vaccine's efficacy is to try it on humans. Understandably, there is shortage of volunteers to try a vaccine with no known efficacy that carries a risk of causing AIDS.

Traditional vaccines that use killed or weakened virus are avoided because of the risks associated with inoculating whole HIV's. Most of the vaccine trials employ a piece of HIV, like gp120, as antigens. To ensure that the immune system sees the antigen, the protein is complexed with large compounds like alum. Results gathered so far have been ambiguous, but doctors believe that use of an antigen complex with artificial membranes like liposomes, instead of alum, may improve performance. The most impressive results to date have been obtained from the use of a similar complex with weakened cow pox virus. Inoculation is followed by weekly boosters of gp120 precursors and uninfected T cells from an AIDS patient, to amplify response to levels high enough to be considered immune. Booster dosage varies depending upon the immune system's response, which must be measured every week. This test was the first use of an AIDS vaccine in humans; head researcher Daniel Zagury took many by surprise when he

innoculated himself along with the first volunteers in November 1986. This vaccine works, but it is too complicated to administer to humans *en masse*. It does, however, demonstrate that immunity to HIV could be achieved in humans.

Another trial has a subunit vaccine based on another internal component of the virus which is not a gp120 protein. HGP-30 vaccine mimics a protein that lines the inside of HIV's surface and induces the body to produce antibodies against it. The protein is exposed to immune attack when HIV attacks a cell. HGP-30 has had encouraging results and awaits approval of the FDA for mass testing.

In another trial in England, researchers inoculate an uninfected blood sample with antibodies against the CD4 protein. This causes blood to develop its own anti-antibodies that resemble CD4. These CD4-like antibodies, which can compete with cells in binding HIV, are isolated and injected into uninfected people. This procedure avoids an auto-immune response and ensures that fewer cells are infected with HIV, as most of the free virus is tied up by the antibodies. No preliminary results have been published, but this approach looks promising.

Most of these AIDS vaccines have yet to be proven on a large scale. Over twenty-five hundred scientists in Africa, Europe, and the Americas are currently engaged in the effort to develop an AIDS vaccine. The United States federal budget provides over two billion dollars for research on an AIDS vaccine alone. Government, industry, and academic research efforts are being coordinated, under the aegis of the National Cooperative Vaccine Development Groups, to pool expertise in a multitude of virus types, in the mechanisms of gene regulation, and in the workings of the immune system. It is hoped that HIV cannot outwit such a combination.

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Engineering honors

by Sonia Marx

Tau Beta Pi is the national engineering honor society, established in 1885 to acknowledge high academic achievement and exemplary character. There are presently over 325,000 members nationwide, with 196 collegiate chapters and 52 chartered alumni chapters. The Johns Hopkins chapter, also known as the Maryland Alpha Chapter, was founded in 1921. Eligible engineering students are those in the top 1/8 of their junior class, and top 1/5 of their senior class. The faculty advisors are professors Timothy Barbari, Chemical Engineering; Ross Corotis and Gerard Schlimm, Civil Engineering; and Charles Westgate, Electrical Engineering. There are presently about 32 active members and 22 new initiates. This year's initiation was held on Sunday, December 4. There were 15 juniors and 7



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New inductees to Tau Beta Pi

seniors initiated.

Juniors initiated were Sanjay Aggarwal, Mike Facello, Mike Greenfield, David Hsu, Howard Hui, John Joyce, Yook Yunk Kim, Bill Krause, Neil Lofgren, Jackie Morris, Ty Mullen, Robert Nichols, Phoebe Sengirs, Dan Sisbarro, and Volney Sheen.

Seniors initiated were Dave Chang, Wynn Kao, Sang Lee, Christine Long, Sonia Marx, Michelle Royce, and Erik Witt.

Tau Beta Pi also sponsors a Fellowship Program and a Stu-

dent Loan Fund. The Fellowships are granted to finance a year of graduate study. The present stipend is \$7,500. The stipends are contributed by industrial firms and by donations. All members of Tau Beta Pi in their senior year of college and graduate students are eligible to apply for these fellowships. The Student Loan Fund is designed to help students who may otherwise be unable to finish college for financial reasons.

What Can I Do With My Microwave?

by Florence Ware

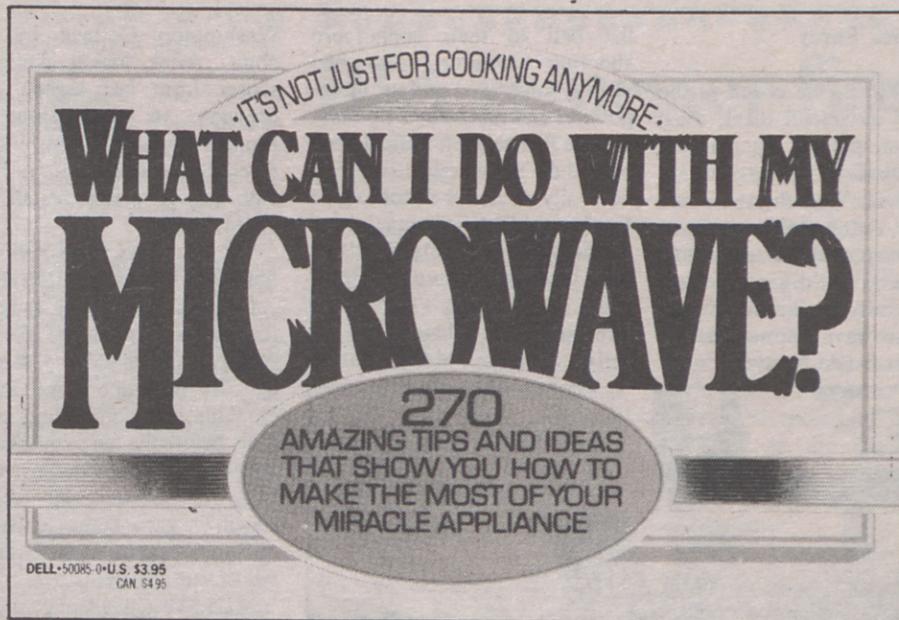
How does one manage to reheat that leftover pizza to the right consistency—not too cold, yet not hard as a rock? This question and many others are answered in *What Can I Do With My Microwave?*

Ruth Spear, a freelance food writer, has compiled 270 different tips about microwaves. These tips include how to choose a microwave, as well as its maintenance. There are also sections which are divided as to cooking method, i.e. braising or poaching, and as to type of food cooked. This division of topics enables quick reference.

The book's practical use for a Hopkins student varies widely on the person who might refer to it. It contains many basic facts about the mechanics of how microwaves cook and the consequences that might result from not being aware of the differences in microwave cooking versus conventional cooking. For instance, according to Spear,

microwaves cook from the outside in, but tend to penetrate a finite distance into the food, relying on transfer of heat within the food to cook the innermost portions. Because microwaves don't have to heat the food to cook it, this transfer of heat often lags behind the actual oven time prescribed. As a result, microwave-cooked food requires standing time. While this fact might seem obvious to the more cosmopolitan gourmet, it is useful information to the novice.

However, the book contains several hints which indicate usefulness for a more experienced or sophisticated cook. Included, for example, is a method to soften unripe avocados for guacamole, as well as pointers for adapting favorite conventional recipes to those which work in the microwave. Problems in adapting might result from not changing the spicing or the moisture content in the microwave recipe. Also, sauces that are made with milk or eggs tend to behave differently in the microwave than when cooked conventionally.



Furthermore, there are many who eschew cooking in the microwave because the texture and color of certain foods, like breads or meats, aren't quite the same as cooking them conventionally. In particular, meats tend not to brown, nor do breads, although both are more moist

when cooked in the microwave. Spear suggests methods of getting around these problems, by giving ideas for garnishes or by suggesting that the food be placed in the broiler for just a little while after microwaving to brown the outside.

Altogether, this book seems

like a pretty good deal—it's only \$3.95, and a good reference for those who might succumb to a creative urge in the kitchen, or for those who are just looking for a way to refresh those tired old potato chips.



The Ride Home by Debra Hamel

Stuart sat hunched over a wood-grained formica table and waited for his lunch. He jiggled his knee in time with the music someone was playing on the jukebox. When the music stopped his knee kept going. He played with his straw, rolling it into a spiral, then unrolling it and chewing its ends. It wheezed through a slit in its side when he tried to drink through it.

The waitress who had taken his order brought a grilled cheese and bacon sandwich to the table. Stuart smiled. He considered mentioning that he had ordered a cheeseburger, but said nothing. He hated bacon. Between bites he guzzled his milk, trying unsuccessfully to drown the taste.

The waitress came back half a sandwich later. She had brought Stuart's cheeseburger to a woman who promptly mentioned the mistake.

"I'm so sorry," she said to him. "I forgot you ordered a cheeseburger."

"No problem. I don't mind this," he said.

"Are you sure I can't get you one now?"

"No, really," he said. "This is fine."

He ordered another milk. She hurried off to get it.

A fat woman in a flowered polyester shirt was sitting in a nearby booth. She struck a match. Stuart smelled the sulfur. She lit a cigarette and held it between thick fingers. Her other hand rested on the table next to a notice that read, "Thank You For Not Smoking." A similar notice was on Stuart's table. He pushed it with his elbow to where she could see it. She kept smoking.

The smoke curled and danced and finally found him. It hovered over his milk and grilled cheese. It coated his sinuses. Breathing became difficult.

"Excuse me," the fat woman called over to him. "Do you have an ashtray?"

"No," he said. "I'm sorry. I don't."

She got one from another table.

Stuart hurried to finish his lunch and escape the smoke. He left the diner, hoping the fresh air would help his breathing. Instead, the sudden cold made it worse. He stopped on the sidewalk, overcome by asthma. Two breaths from the inhaler he always carried cleared his lungs.

He put the inhaler back in his coat pocket and walked to the bus stop. A young woman was standing there. Her Labrador retriever was sniffing the base of a telephone pole.

"Do you know the time?" she said to him.

"I think it's about one-thirty, but I'm not really sure," he said.

The dog began to smell Stuart's knee. He bent and pet the coarse, tan hair on its back.

"A beautiful animal. He can't be very old," he said.

"Six months."

"He's already huge. I had one myself once."

The dog's snout moved up Stuart's leg. Stuart pushed the nose back down to his knee.

"My Lab just never seemed very smart," he said.

The dog wrapped his left paw around Stuart's leg. Stuart stepped back. The woman said, "No, Trooper!" and pulled him back by the leash.

"He's very affectionate, though," she said.

"So I see."

The dog jumped up and wrapped both front paws around Stuart's knee.

"Get down, Trooper! Get down," she said. She pulled him off Stuart's leg, then stepped back.

"I'm so sorry," she said. "I think I'd better get him away from you."

"It's okay. Dogs will be dogs," he said.

She smiled and walked away. The dog ran ahead of her, straining at the

leash.

Stuart tried to clean the muddy paw prints from his pants. He rubbed them vigorously with handfuls of snow. When his hands could no longer bear the cold, he stopped. He stuffed them in his pockets. His legs froze beneath the wet spots in his pants. He looked back longingly at the diner, wishing he could wait inside. The door opened.

The fat woman was leaving. She stepped gingerly down the icy stairs. Walking toward her car, she adjusted her bra. She slipped a hand in the neck of her flowered polyester shirt and dug the wide straps from grooves in her shoulders. Her car was parked near where Stuart stood. She recognized him.

"Where you headed?" she said, standing by her car door.

"I'm just taking the bus," he said.

"Where to? You've got a long wait."

"Down to the green. I think the bus will be here soon," he said.

"It's every hour on Saturdays. You've got a half hour wait."

Stuart frowned and looked down the street.

"If you want a ride I'm heading that way," she said.

He hesitated, thinking of his asthma and her cigarettes. Unable to think of an excuse, he thanked her and accepted the offer.

Stuart waited in the car while the woman cleared snow from the windows. He sat with his arms folded, avoiding her glances by staring at the dashboard. A tobacco-stained statue of Jesus stared back. The woman opened the car door. The seat jumped when she sat down.

"My name's Mary," she said. She was smiling broadly, her teeth as yellowed as the Jesus statue. "So tell me where you live near the green. I used to live there myself until I moved three years ago. I know the area like

the back of my hand."

He glanced at her plump hand. "It's on the corner of Park and George Street," he said. "A two-story house. Brown."

"Oh yes, I know the one," she said. "Always lit up like a firecracker around Christmas time. You people must love the holidays."

He smiled. She nosed her way into the traffic.

"Do you always take the bus?" she said.

"No, I dropped my car off at the garage this morning. I hate the bus."

"That's why I have my baby here," she said patting the dashboard. "Hardly caused me a problem yet."

The number of pedestrians increased as they neared the city. Stuart watched them out the window. Mary glanced at them as well, commenting on anyone she found interesting.

When they stopped at a light, Mary reached a hand in her pocketbook. She pulled out a cigarette, then pointed it at two men standing hand in hand on the corner. "Get a load of those two," she said. Stuart looked at them, the cigarette wavering inches from his nose. She drove past the men and lit the cigarette. Stuart opened the window a crack to survive the last mile to his house. Mary did not notice his discomfort. She watched a man jogging. "I hope he's happy," she said.

They turned the corner and Mary pointed again. Three bearded Jewish men were walking down the street in long coats and black hats.

"There's a funny joke about them," she said. She started laughing before she told it. Her face grew red from laughing. Her eyes teared. She slapped a hand on her thigh. Her laugh turned to a cough that dislodged the mucus in her throat. She was still laughing when she pulled up in front of Stuart's house.

Sports

Enfield three-pointer lifts Hopkins over Widener

Sophomore guard scores 24 points and nets 5 three-pointers in 67-64 victory as Jays improve to 4-2

by Patrick Furey

Alan Rowe, the coach of the Widener basketball team, must have been pulling his hair out after Tuesday's game here at Homewood. With the score tied at 64-64 with under one minute to play, he probably assumed that his players would keep the ball away from Andy Enfield. Surely they must have known that the Blue Jays would be trying to get

the ball to their sophomore shooting sensation, who had already connected on four three-pointers and racked up 21 points. Yet the Pioneers left Enfield open behind the three-point stripe, and he coolly canned the shot to give Hopkins a 67-64 victory.

The game probably shouldn't have been that close. Widener came into Tuesday's game with a record of 0-4, although they had only lost to MAC power

Washington College by one point. After losing their top scorer from last season, Lou Stevens, to graduation, the Pioneers consider 1988-89 to be a rebuilding year. But on Tuesday, they gave Hopkins all they could handle.

The Blue Jays were obviously flat in the first half, and Widener capitalized by running their offense to perfection. The Pioneers used picks on the high post to set up easy back-doors and forced Hopkins into committing seven fouls before the ten minute mark. Despite their poor defensive effort, the Blue Jays were able to stay in the game thanks to the play of Enfield and the three freshmen who came off the bench.

Mark West, Jay Gangemi, and Evan Jones entered the game in the middle of the first half, and their quickness immediately gave the Jays a much-needed boost. West did an excellent job on defense, and Jones got some key rebounds, but it was Gangemi who had the biggest impact on the Hopkins offense. Gangemi, a 6'2" guard from Rochester, New York, was 5-7 from the field and scored eleven points in just sixteen minutes of playing time.

"Jay [Gangemi] has got as quick a move to the basket as anyone I've ever coached," commented Coach Bill Nelson.

Hopkins cut the Pioneers' lead to one at the end of the first half to set up the see-saw battle which took place in the second half. Enfield began a ten-point scoring run by the Blue Jays with a four point play with sixteen minutes left to play. The ten unanswered points gave Hopkins a 48-43 lead, but Widener came right back. Brian Duffy, the 6'3" Pioneer forward, scored two of his twelve points with 58 seconds left to tie the game at 64 and set up Enfield's heroics. After Enfield gave the Jays a 67-64 lead with 38 seconds left, Widener attempted to get off a three-pointer, but they came up empty at the buzzer.

The win improved Hopkins's

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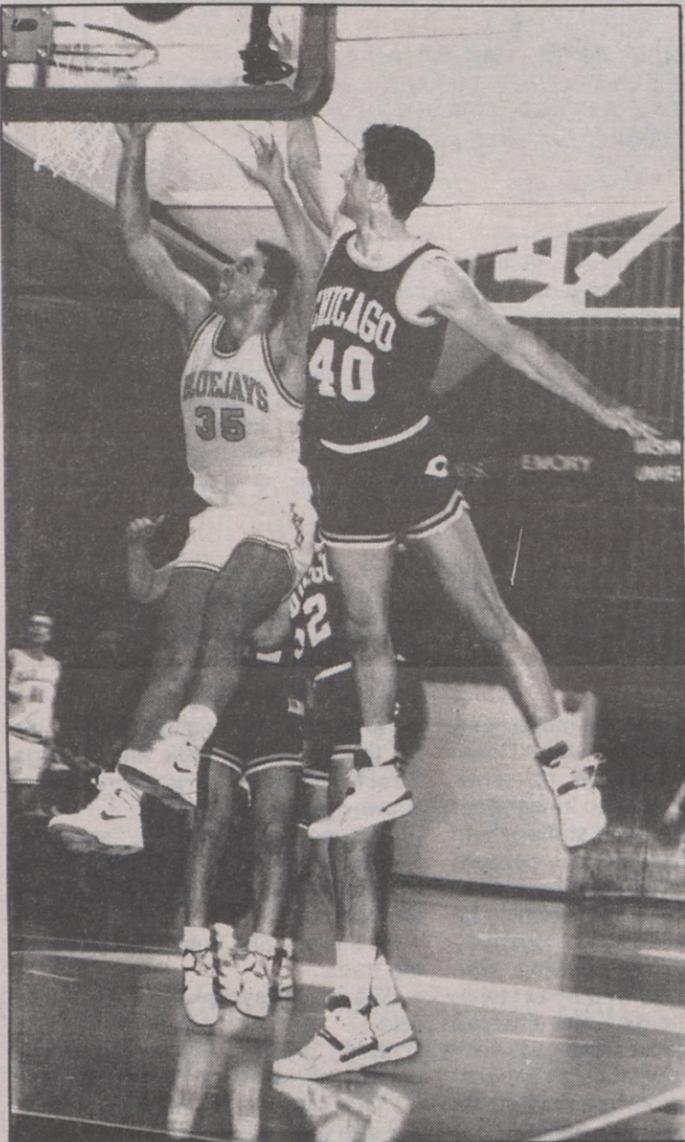
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Thu., Jan. 12-Ursinus-8:00 p.m.
Sat., Jan. 14-NYU-8:00 p.m.
Tue., Jan. 17-Washington College-8:00 p.m.

Women's
Tue., Jan. 10-Notre Dame-7:00 p.m.
Sat., Jan. 14-NYU-6:00 p.m.



Bob Nelson

Mike Latimore has been the main force on the inside for Hopkins this season. Despite his efforts, the Blue Jays were badly out-rebounded in their first four games.

Lady Jays fall to Brandeis, Western Maryland

Coach Nancy Blank's young Blue Jay team is experiencing an up and down early season. After upsetting a highly touted University of Rochester team last week, the Jays dropped their next two games.

Hopkins traveled to Boston on December 3 to face the University Athletic Association (UAA) for Brandeis University. In what coach Blank termed "a sloppy game," Hopkins fell to the Judges 75-55. "It was our first UAA road games. I think the travel and a case of nerves got to the team. As a result, the Jays' turned the ball over 37 times.

Sophomore Kristie Kantowski led the Hopkins offense, scoring 15 points. Freshman Tracy Jo Williams added 12 points and 5 rebounds for the Jays. One statistic from the game that stood

out was the number of free throws awarded each team. Brandeis took 33 foul shots to the Blue Jays' 8.

Wednesday night, the Jays took to the road again to face Middle Atlantic Conference (MAC) rival Western Maryland. Hopkins trailed by only two at the half, 29-27, but Western Maryland sank three foul shots in the final minute to clinch a 66-59 victory for the Green Terrors. The loss dropped the Jays to 0-2 in the MAC Southwest Division. Freshman Kerri McTiernan led all Blue Jay scorers with 14 points before fouling out of the game. Kristie Kantowski registered 7 points and 3 assists for Hopkins. Hopkins outrebounded Western Maryland 56 to 34, with Beth Donnelly and Kelly Van Houten each grabbing 12 rebounds for

JHU.

After five games, the Lady Jays' record stands at 2-3. Kristie Kantowski leads the team in scoring with 14.5 points per game scoring average. Kerri McTiernan is second (10.1 p.p.g.) with Tracy Jo Williams (9.75 p.p.g.) and Kelly Van Houten (8.75 p.p.g.) close behind. Van Houten leads the team in rebounding with 7.8 r.p.g. average. Freshman Julie Slye ranks second, registering 6.75 boards per game.

Hopkins will be traveling to Atlanta, Georgia, this weekend for a UAA contest with Emory University. The Jays will then be out of action until January 7, when they travel to Pittsburgh to face Carnegie Mellon.

Courtesy of Sports News Information



Bob Nelson

Tracy Hourigan brings the ball down the court for Hopkins.

Squash tops Wesleyan, Hamilton

The women's varsity squash team went 2-2 at last weekend's Wesleyan Tournament in Middletown, Connecticut. The journey started out on the positive side, with Hopkins beating the host team 7-2 and also defeating Hamilton, who is ranked a division higher than Hopkins, 5-4.

In the match against Wesleyan, senior captain Chris Emmick lost 3-0, with scores of 15-9, 15-10, 15-8. Seniors Kathy Hart and Alice Collins won 3-1 and 3-0 respectively. Junior Kathryn Ng won 15-1, 16-13, 15-11 and junior Laura Gaffney, at number five, was victorious 15-9, 12-15, 15-6, 15-11. Freshman Tara Dorr won 15-7, 15-9, 10-15, 15-11; freshman Karran Phillips, at the number seven spot, steamed to a 15-2, 15-7, 15-4 win; senior Laura Harwood beat her opponent 17-15, 15-8, 17-14; while freshman Rosy DaCosta lost 16-18, 15-9, 15-7, 15-10. Coach J.D. Goodyear was still exuberant over DaCosta's play. "She covered the court on every ball," Goodyear said. It should be noted that this was DaCosta's first varsity match. The victory over Wesleyan is an important one because the Blue Jays will most likely tangle with their New England foes at the Howe Cut Intercollegiate Championships in February.

In the match versus Hamilton, while the rookies provided the numbers for the win, Hopkins's top seeds had to face Hamilton's best. Emmick lost 3-0 as Hart lost 15-7, 15-5, 15-14 and Collins fell

15-7, 15-8, 15-8. Ng lost 16-18, 15-17, 15-10, 13-15, 15-7; Gaffney won 15-8, 15-8, 15-9; Dorr won 15-9, 17-14, 15-10; Phillips won 15-6, 15-5, 15-4; Harwood won 15-1, 15-4, 12-15, 15-4. Beating Hamilton was a significant achievement for Hopkins. Not only did the freshmen gain confidence in their own tremendously improving play, but the team proved to themselves that they can compete with any team in intercollegiate squash, regardless of division rankings.

After a victory-filled Saturday, Sunday was a day of discouragement and frustration for Hopkins. The first loss was to Colgate, 9-0. Senior Alice Collins took her match to five games and Goodyear praised Chris Emmick's play as "solid." The tired Jays proved no match for the Cornell squad and also lost 9-0. Only junior Kathryn Ng and freshman Tara Dorr won any games off of their Big Red opponents. According to Coach Goodyear, Dorr came close to pulling off a major upset and Kathy Hart played strongly in one of her best performances ever. In both of these matches, Hopkins succumbed to their own mental mistakes rather than to superior play on the part of their opponents. The matches against Colgate and Cornell were disappointing because Coach Goodyear believes that his players allowed themselves to become intimidated by the hard-serving power game that teams like Cornell favor.

Goodyear pointed out that real squash "is not like racquetball where you try and slam the ball indiscriminately around" but a complete game, combining finesse, touch, and control. He believes that Hopkins, because they possess such skills, can learn to redirect the power that their opponents use and make it work to their advantage. This concept will be important in matches to come, since Hopkins usually plays unsophisticated teams that employ hard-serving and overly-large swings. "I want to play them [Colgate] again," Goodyear said, believing that the next time, Hopkins will emerge the winner.

Although the tournament ended on an unhappy note, Hopkins's improvement had been marked. A Cornell player approached Coach Goodyear after the match and remarked that in just two weeks since the two teams played, the Blue Jays are much tougher. The Wesleyan Tournament was a good experience for Hopkins, who usually has an abbreviated fall season of one or two matches. The tournament, possibly to become an annual event, gave the Jays a chance to play competitive squash early on, allowed the players to work out kinks in their game, and gave the team more momentum towards spring semester play.

The squash squad now stands at 3-4 overall. After Intersession practice, the next match will be away against Shipley and Division I Franklin and Marshall on Friday, January 27.

Happy Holidays

BIA semester finale

by Cary Yeh

BIA has sadly come to an end this semester and there are only a few things to wrap up. In 2-on-2 basketball, Clark took top honors, defeating Hollander in the finals. Gildersleeve and Wilson finished third and fourth. In Div I, WaWa dominated 2-on-2, taking first and second, and TEP returned to BIA with force, placing third and fourth. Lastly, The Mutant Camels beat the Mayfair, US was third, and that crowd pleasing team of Andy and Jim finished fourth.

Basketball lives on! 5-on-5 will start the second semester and we have a special treat for you. Schick is sponsoring a 3-on-3 tourney, men's and women's. So, a mini 3-on-3 tourney at Hopkins from Jan 23-28 is being planned by the BIA to determine school winners. Winners will represent Hopkins at a Regional tourney on Jan 29 at George Washington University or Georgetown.

Volleyball playoffs were held this week. The dorm playoffs were highly competitive with

Lazear and Gildersleeve, the top two seeds, being knocked out. McCoy and Building A met in the finals on Wednesday. Since I have to write this article by 5 p.m., Wed., ask people from McCoy and Bldg. A to see who won. In div II, all those Chem TA's and Profs upheld their undefeated record by defeating the CSA in the finals. Todd Graybill was selected as tourney MVP, serving 12 straight points in one game.

Finally, I would like to thank the members of the BIA for all of their time and efforts and all the participants that made this semester's events successful. Point totals will be published next semester but might be posted before X-mas. Have a good one!

P.S. ATTENTION Thursday volleyball players. Last week my red ski jacket (blue lining, Columbia name brand) and personal items were taken from the AC. Reward for their return. No questions asked. Call Cary at 366-1449.

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Icemen slide to 2-2-1

by Philip Kouyoumdjian

Bill Marquardt's three goals last Thursday were not enough to pull the Blue Jays through against Towson State as they lost, 6-4. Hopkins's defense, which had been so stingy since the beginning of the season, played its worst game of the year. In fact, the entire team did not forecheck well at all.

"Towson State played the exact type of game we should have played," said coach Steve Wirth. "These guys [Towson State] came out there wanting this game, and we just handed it to them. We were riding on last night's game," referring to the Jays' 5-1 victory over Western Maryland last Wednesday.

Offensively, the Blue Jays have been producing well. Marquardt continued his scoring rampage with a hat trick and an assist as Jay Cawkins scored his first goal of the year off Marquardt's rebound. First line center Pat Gibbons also played well, setting up two of his linemate's three goals.

Hopkins showed a lot of heart in their 4-4 tie against Dickinson on Monday. The team proved that it could play well even without some of its key players. Hopkins was missing defenseman Mike Holmes, who was thrown out early in the first period for unsportsmanlike conduct, and Bill Marquardt, who was also charged with the same call, but not before scoring his eighth goal of the year. The Blue Jays picked up the slack well, however, with three other players scoring goals. Joe Zangara scored his first goal of the season as his slapshot off the face-off found an opening past the goalie. Pat Gibbons also scored, as well as Pierre Dematos (his first).

The Blue Jays will meet Gettysburg on Thursday, December 8, as they wrap things up for this semester. The hockey season will resume on January 26, 1989.

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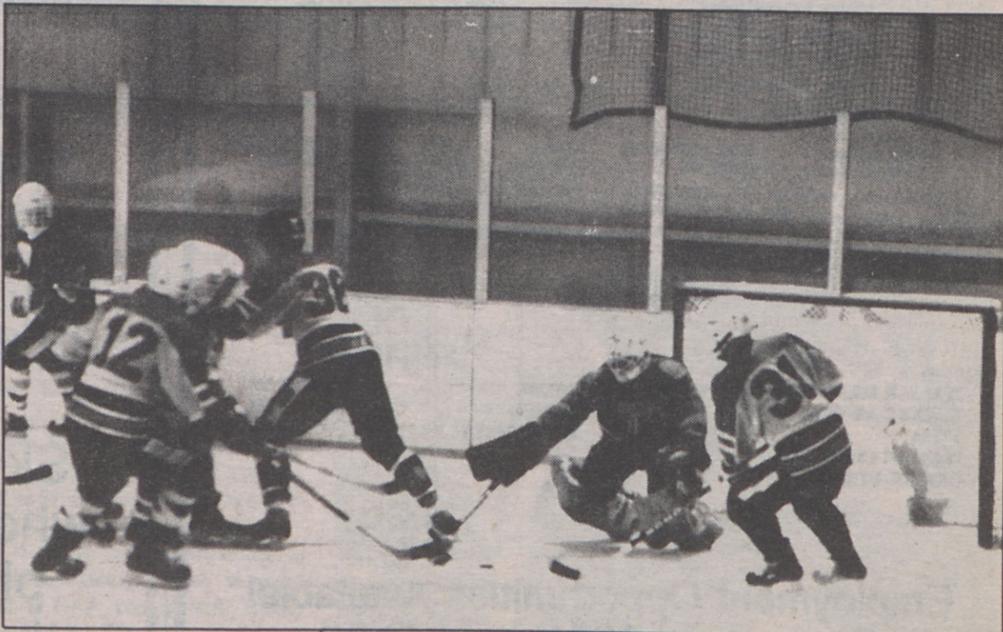
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Bill Berger

Despite Bill Marquardt's and Joe Zangara's scoring this past week, Hopkins only managed one point toward their league total with a 4-4 tie against the Dickinson Red Devils.

Fencers set sights on sixth MAC championship

The men's fencing team began its 1988-89 season in fine fashion this past Friday as they defeated Drew University and S.U.N.Y. Purchase by the scores of 18-9 and 21-6 respectively. The Blue Jays are coming off a very successful 21-1 season last year, which saw them win their fifth consecutive MAC Championship. The Jays were uncertain as to whether they could continue that championship streak this year, as they field five rookies in a team of nine. But this 2-0 start gives the team and its coach, Richard Oles, championship goals for the future.

The foil team started its season with a bang, as it defeated Purchase by a score of 7-2 and Drew by a score of 8-1. The team was led by senior co-captain David "Traffic" Cohen, who was 5-0 on the day. Also leading the way was junior Yen Len "Party Animal" Tang, who also finished with a 5-0 mark. Freshman Rich "Boo-Boo" Milhiser obtained his first varsity win and defeat as he ended the day at 1-1. Sophomores Li Kuo "Laughing Boy" Kong and Peter "Sleepy" Liu each had very successful varsity debuts, as they each won a bout and ended their day at 1-0.

The most mysterious event of the day was when junior Mike "Mad Dog" Greenfield was kidnapped by his evil twin prior to the Purchase meet. The twin substituted for Mike in the Purchase meet and was very disappointing as he lost both his bouts. Mike was able to free himself before the Drew meet and uncover the imposter. He redeemed himself for his twin's evildoings to even his record at 2-2.

The epee team also started their season on a winning note as they defeated Purchase and Drew by the scores of 6-3 and 5-4, respectively. Defeating Purchase was not easy, as senior co-captain Robert "General" Lee met with the same fate as foilist Mike Greenfield. Lee's evil twin incapacitated him before the meet, resulting in a disappointing 1-2 record. Fortunately, Bob freed himself and was a respectable 1-1 against Drew. Sophomores Andrew "Flash" Donnalley and Ian "Iron Man" Held picked up the slack as they posted impressive 5-0 and 4-1 marks respectively on the day. Rookie sophomores Ben "Who Me?" Lonske, Tim "Express" Train, and Dan "Golden Boy" Weaver allowed the butterflies of their varsity debuts to overcome them, as each finished the day with a 0-1 mark.

The sabre team was also very impressive with a crushing 8-1 win over Purchase and a close 5-4 win over Drew. Junior co-captain Andrew "X-ray" Jablonowski had a magnificent day, cruising with a 2-0 record against Purchase until an injury

struck him down in his first bout against Drew. Luckily, supersub Peter "Destructo" Kim was able to step in and win the bout for his fallen captain. Peter ended his day with a fine 3-1 mark. Junior Dave "Bubba" Howe was his usual consistent self as he posted a 4-1 mark. Sophomore John "Rocky" O'Connell was magnificent in his varsity debut as he posted a record of 4-2 for the day. Sophomore Juan "Valdez" Suros could not capitalize on the opportunity of his varsity debut as he ended the day at 0-1.

These were the only meets the Jays had before the Christmas break, but they will return in January for the bulk of their season. Their schedule will include the U.S.F.A. National Collegiate Championships, the Division III National Championships, and the U.A.A. Championships. Most of all, the team will be "Fixed for six" in their quest for their sixth straight M.A.C. title.



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The fencers, one of Hopkins's most successful teams, will take a stab at a sixth consecutive MAC title this year. This week, the fencers 'foiled' Drew and SUNY Purchase.

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Swimmers make waves

by Michele Royce

The Hopkins swim teams had a very full schedule last week, with three meets scheduled within the span of four days. But the lack of rest did not seem to affect the swimming Jays, as their performances included many individual victories and a few NCAA qualifying times.

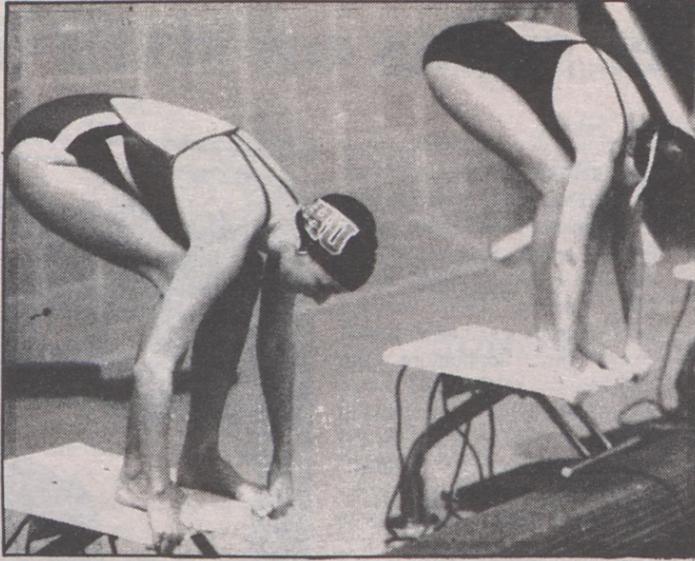
The weekend began Wednesday, November 30, with a meet at Franklin and Marshall College in Pennsylvania. This was the first Division III school which Hopkins has competed against this season and the Jays' excellence was apparent. The men's and women's teams failed to capture first place in only one event each and produced many first-second place sweeps. The final scores are evidence of this domination, with the men finishing with 72 points to F & M's 23 and the women winning 71-24. Hopkins swimmers also managed to have their names inscribed in the record books at this meet by beating two pool records. The women's 200 Medley Relay team of junior co-captain Mary Price, freshman Betsy Batchelor, sophomore Melanie Chellman, and senior co-captain Carole Menetrez broke the current pool record with a time of 2:03.88. Junior Mark Rhoads also set a new record in the men's 50 Freestyle with a time of 22.3 seconds.

On Thursday, the Retrievers from UMBC traveled to

Homewood for some intense competition. While neither the men's nor the women's team managed to beat this strong Division I team—the men lost by the score 105-138 and the women by 89-138—the team swam hard and put in some good performances. In the women's meet, freshman diver Jill Christiensen captured first place on both the one- and three-meter boards. Junior Laura Carroll touched out Matlagh from UMBC to take first place in the 100 Freestyle with a time of 57.58 seconds. The men also swam strongly and managed to capture both first and second place in three events. Freshman Allen Gardiner followed junior Chris Hussin into the wall in the 200 Back, as Hussin finished with a 2:02.01. And the "Diving Steves," sophomores Giangrandi and Kraus, again took the first two spots on both boards; Kraus finished first on the one-meter and Giangrandi on the three-meter.

With one day's rest, the Jays met Division I Lehigh University from Bethlehem, PA, one of their major rivals in the swimming world. The meet was very close in the pool, with many places decided thanks to the aid of electronic timing equipment. Freshman Betsy Batchelor had third place literally snatched from her fingertips by 2/100's of a second by UMBC's Roddin in the 400 Individual Medley.

The men, through very consistent performances, beat Lehigh



The swim team is off to a fast start as several swimmers have already qualified for NCAA's.

138-105. Junior Chris Hussin took first place in both the 400 I.M. and the 200 Back with times of 4:22.05 and 2:00.83 respectively. Freshman Lars Hondorf won the 500 Free with a 4:53.45, while sophomore Rich Quarles captured first in the 200 Breast with a time of 2:16.50. The 400 Medley Relay team of Gardiner, Hondorf, Quarles, and senior co-captain Adi Carter took first place by 8/10's of a second over their teammates with a 3:41.52. Divers Giangrandi and Kraus continued their dual meet winning streak with Giangrandi taking first on the one-meter board and Kraus doing the same on the three-meter.

The women, though losing 106-137, competed well. Freshman Stephanie Dengler captured first place in the 1000 Free, the 200 Free, and the 500 Free.

The 400 Free Relay team of Price, Fenstamaker, Chellman, and Carroll also took first with a time of 3:48.66. And the performances did not stop with first place finishes. Two women qualified for the NCAA Championships: sophomore Melanie Chellman in the 400 Individual Medley with a time of 4:48.13 and sophomore Wendy Fenstamaker, who also captured first place in the 200 Fly with a 2:14.32.

The team's competitive season will now temporarily be placed on hold until they meet UAA rival Emory University on January 10 in Florida during a two-week training period. The next home meet will be January 18 against another Division I power, the United States Naval Academy.

Cyclers end fall season

The Johns Hopkins cycling team brought its fall season to a close with the Bobby Phillips Montebello Criterium held at Lake Montebello in Baltimore. This time only six Hopkins racers entered, since the rest of the team was already taking its requisite six weeks off before resuming training for the Spring season in mid-December.

Entered in the men's race were Edwin Dair, Jeff Gurland, Kyu-Tae Lee, and Chuck Young. The field of 40 circled around the 1.3 mile loop seven times, with primes (prize laps) on the second and sixth laps. Lee was able to win the first prime with the help of his teammates. However, the team decided not to go for the last prime since the second prime was so close to the finishing sprint. Lee managed to grab third place while Gurland took 15th.

The big surprise, however, came in the women's division race. Hopkins debuted its womens team against veteran racers, including a strong Navy squad, and still made an excellent showing. Gwen Freeman and first-timer Kris Kieswetter raced in cold, driving rain that caused one serious accident in their five-lap race. Come the final lap, Freeman took fifth while Kieswetter placed seventh in a hard fought sprint.

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pseudo: mold meets spore

PSEUDO, from 9

meone had accidentally turned the sink on a few days ago and washed the Bread Molds deeper into the sink. Joe the Microbe sat near the back of the Gooky Microbes' meeting, thinking of Jane the Mold Spore.

"Now what we gonna do," said Bobby the Microbe, head of the gang. "Rumor is that the Bread Molds will be moving in on us at the Spagettios party tonight, takin' over our territory. We can't be letting them molds in here, boys, no way. Send 'em back to the Tuna or kill 'em all, I say."

The crowded meeting cheered, all but Joe, who could think of nothing but his Jane.

"Send 'em to Betty's coffee cup!" someone yelled.

Cheers rose: "To the Coffee Cup! To the Coffee Cup!"

But Joe didn't hear a word. He had already sneaked out to the party.

"Oh Joe," said Jane, resting her fuzzy shoulder on Joe's cilia,

"Our families will never let it happen. No Bread Mold is even supposed to talk to a Microbe."

"No!" cried Joe, "we can make it happen. Nothing can stand in the way of our love! We'll run away to the garbage can first thing tomorrow, they'll never find us. We'll be free! We can infect anywhere, we'll always be together!"

"The Terrace Room!" swooned Jane.

"To hell with that place. Jane, together we can infect the Hopkins Club. Nothing can stand in our way!"

A Spagettios Growth brought by a tray of drinks.

"Hi Joe, who's the girl?"

"Jane," said Joe. "Jane the Spore."

The Growth whistled.

"Man, you guys are takin' 'em all on, aren't ya? Take my advice. Get out of town."

But it was too late. Through the night, the Bread Molds and the Microbes battled it out in the Spagettios saucepan. When the first light of morning came

through the kitchen windows, Molds and Microbes lay dead, side by side, as the Ajax and Brillo gangs moved in to clean up the area.

Brillo was surveying the area as steaming water cascaded everywhere. He was glad they had finally been called. He didn't care if the gangs ate each other until there was nothing left, but apparently the stench raised from the battle had pushed the God-Roommate too far, and the Sanitary Patrol had finally been called in to do their jobs.

"Yo Ajax," called Brillo, "come take a look at this."

"Unbelievable," gasped the Ajax, "I never thought I'd see the day."

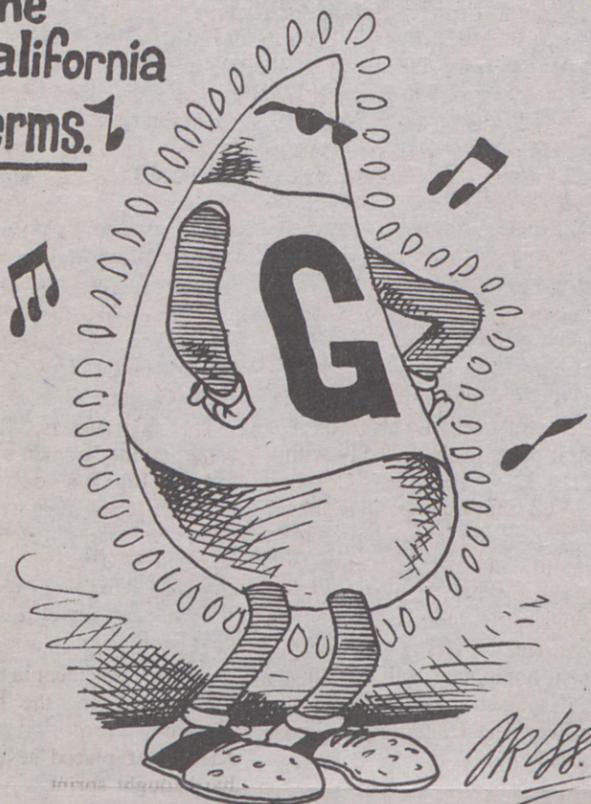
Huddled in the corner of the sink were Joe and Jane, their cilia and fuzz intertwined in a lifeless ball.

"Well you know what they say," said Brillo.

"No, what?"

"All's Fair in Love and Spores."

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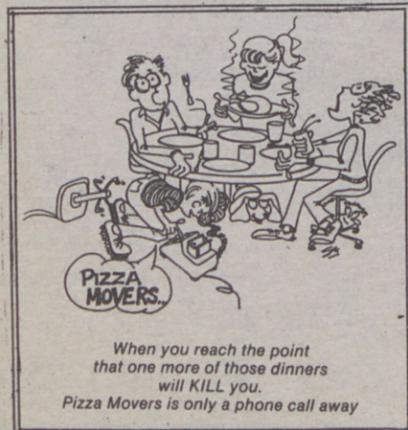
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5. Who followed Frosty around the village?
6. Name Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer's father.
7. Who narrates this story?
8. Who coached the young bucks?
9. Which elf was a little different and what did he want to be?
10. Name the lumberjack and his bouncy friend.
11. Who wrote the song, "The Little Drummer Boy"?
12. What is the first verse of the song?
13. Which animal "died" in the special?
14. Who narrates "Santa Claus is Comin' to Town"?
15. What is Santa's real name and his wife's first name?
16. Name the mayor who outlawed toys.
17. How do the reindeer fly and who is responsible?
18. What is the penguin's name?
19. What happens when you "put one foot in front of the other"?
20. Who is Heat and Cold Misers' mother?
21. They both state that they're "Mister" something. Mr. what?
22. What do the Who's make noise/music with in Whoville (name two)?
23. How big did the Grinch's heart

24. Name five items of food at the Who feast.
 25. And (of courrsch), who was the smallest Who in Whoville?
- Bonus: In *Scrooged*, what was Bill Murray's nickname, his girlfriend's name, and the definition on his office wall?

Instructions: 'Tis the season to be jolly and all of that kind of garbage. Christmas is only sixteen days away, so hurry out into the malls and buy your Editors a present that will bring a little holiday cheer into their lives: keep 'em comatose.

Christmas is a walking contradiction. Why is Santa such a weenie? He ridicules Rudolph and then turns around and uses him for his nose. And what about elf labor laws? Doesn't anybody regulate this guy? And about Mrs. Claus, have you ever seen her and Barbara Bush in the same room at the same time? Santa is hiding something. Could Santa be in the *White House*?

Well, Christmas is splattering out of this quiz like a bat out of a frying pan from Hell. I sincerely hope that everyone has a great holiday, and don't worry that air traffic quadruples this time of year, pilots take off in their sleep, and most airliners fly right over highways. By the way, quiz entries are due in the Gatehouse on *January 25, 1989* at 5 p.m. Ho ho. Ho Hum. Hum-dinger. Ding Dong. Don(g)er. Prancer. Etc. Enjoy.

Results: *Nichols House, December 9, 2008. The tale continues. When we last*

left Steven Muller and his seven-year-old grandnephew Derek and three-year-old grandniece Catherine, Catherine had just told Steven that she broke his big tanning machine. Steven told Catherine's parents, and Catherine lost the use of her remote-control Barbie doll, as well as her rights to watch her favorite TV show, The Keshia Knight Pulliam Variety Hour. As kids will, Catherine took out her frustrations over her punishment on Derek. As we return, Muller is asleep in the den. Catherine barrels in, crying, complaining that Derek just bopped her with his L'l Batman Wonder Gun. Derek follows.

"Uncle Steven! Uncle Steven! Derek's hitting me again!" cried Catherine. "And he spit chewing gum at me!"

"She started!" yelled Derek. "She stuck her tongue out at me!"

Steven stirred in his seat.

"Uncle Steven, wake up!" screamed Catherine.

Steven awoke. "Come on, guys, can't you keep it down?" he asked, stretching as he spoke. "I was windsurfing in Bimini, sipping a single malt scotch, you know."

Derek asked, "Is that like a malted milk?"

Steven answered, "No, no, it's, uh—no, you're too young to understand. What's the matter?"

"Derek spit gum at me!" screamed Catherine.

"Did not!" yelled Derek. "I was throwing it out and it, it happened to go in her direction!"

"I'm getting too old for this," said Steven. "Maybe I should do what you

said last week, Derek, and resign and let Provost Giangiulio take over."

"Hey, wait a minute," said Derek. "You never told us who won that quiz? They had to name something after you, remember?"

"Oh, yes," said Steven. "The winner was, uh, I think it was **Chiquita Banana** . . ."

"You mean I just ate the winner?" asked Catherine.

"No, no, it was **Christopher Bonanos**," said Steven. Satisfied, Derek?"

"Yes," responded Derek. "Can I leave?"

"No, we have to talk about you and your sister." Derek started walking to the TV, turning it on. "Don't turn the TV on; I want to talk to you," exclaimed Steven.

"Look, it's *Win, Lose, or Draw*," said Derek.

"Yes, I know, but—hey, they replaced Bert Convy with Bruce Willis!" noticed Muller. "It must be a re-run."

"Uncle Steven?" pleaded Catherine. "Can you take care of Derek?"

But Steven was long gone. He leaped out of his chair and started jumping up and down, pointing at the TV. "Uh, uh, it's, sounds like, sounds like, bagel, bagel with onions, onions, it's Paul Bunyan!"

Derek sighed. "No, Uncle Steven, it's a tire. The puzzle is 'Fight fire with fire.'"

"Uncle Steven!" pleaded Catherine, again. She shrugged her shoulders. "Oh, forget it."

Answers to "A Tall Tale"

THE WINNER

Without a doubt the most appropriate monument for our University President would be:

THE STEVEN MULLER MEMORIAL HOLE-IN-THE-QUAD

Why?

- It reflects the memory of Dr. Muller in the minds of all who attended Hopkins during his tenure as President.
- It will stand for all time (although it may be periodically moved to another location).
- It will be an appropriate symbol for the social and academic optimism of this school . . . a pit full of mud.



Sung Chung: *The Muller Video Game Room. You pump your money into it. You try to get the highest score. You leave with nothing to show for it.*

Debra Hamel: *In my judg(e)ment the wrench and comma statue/sculpture on the lower quad should be named in honor of Dr.*

Muller: "Muller's Tool."

Rachelle Seelinger: *I think we ought to name that thing that looks like a wrench holding a comma after President Muller . . . it will be more visible than he is and about as well understood.*