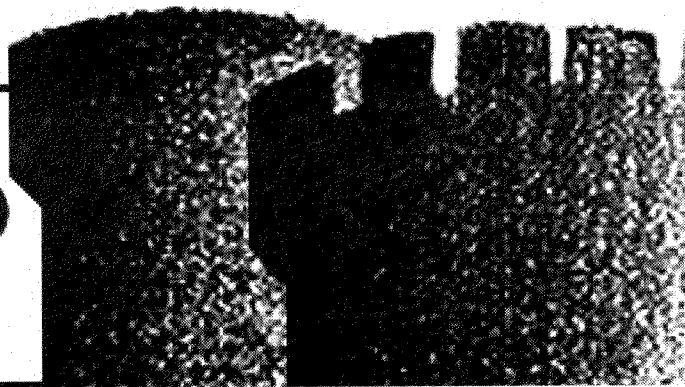


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Is There a Solution to World Terrorism?

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World terrorism is a global problem facing society today that will be difficult to stop due to the number of groups involved, but the United States needs to take action by working with other nations and targeting these networks worldwide, said Professor Robert Thompson at Arcadia University.

"It's tough on any front," Thompson, a political science professor, said in an interview. "If it was easy, it would have been done by now...though I don't think it's impossible."

Furthermore, according to Thompson, there will always be groups all over the world with opposing ideas who feel they are fighting for freedom, but who do not proceed with normal behavior common to most political groups.

The recent terrorist attacks targeting New York and

Washington on Sept. 11, allegedly organized by Osama Bin Laden's group, Al Qaida, have raised the issue of fighting world terrorism.

Today, there are numerous terrorist groups operating all over the world, such as Hamas and the Islamic Jihad in Palestine, and Al Qaida. These groups are often relatively small, consisting of a few hundred people, and, according to the experts, are motivated by ideologies that differ from most other nations.

President Bush has called for military forces to begin bombing Afghanistan after the country's ruling government, the Taliban, refused to turn over Bin Laden and his cohorts.

But that, according to Thompson, is no easy task.

In Afghanistan, it's hard to find the groups and root them out because of the small size of the various cells, and their ability to hide out in low populated rural areas, he said.

The professor also said

that countries must be careful about giving all their support to groups such as the Northern Alliance, a group that is currently fighting the Taliban, because any new group taking control might not be an improvement over the current government.

In addition, Thompson said he favored targeting other terrorist groups worldwide.

"If you are going to fight terrorism, you've got to fight it everywhere," said Thompson, adding that the difficulty is that "there will always be some kind of group with some kind of grievance."

Although it is difficult to gain the support of fellow nations, the United States needs the help of other countries to fight terrorism, as it is not only an American problem, he said.

"Sometimes you have to work with nations you don't like [in order to] defeat evil," said Thompson, adding that in the past, Winston Churchill had to ally with Joseph Stalin and the Soviet Union in an attempt to

defeat a worse enemy, Hitler and the Nazi party, during World War II.

Furthermore, relations with Israel are tenuous because of the need to ally with countries not previously supported by the United States, causing Israel to be concerned that the United States will try to appease the anti-Jewish nations and will "sell them out" to Muslim countries, said Thompson.

Also, those nations that support terrorism must be addressed.

"If a country is supporting terrorism, we should get involved in their affairs," said Thompson, who advocated putting financial pressure upon these nations.

However, he said that he believed the method of blocking the financial assets of terrorist groups as well as their supporters is difficult because most transaction records are destroyed.

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Shadow of Deceit: Fear of Contrition

First of a series of articles to inform, confer, and insight.

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Staff Writer

What do Kathy Lee Gifford, Nestle' Chocolates, Pakistan, Islam and Africa all have in common? Slavery! Though most Americans believe slavery was abolished with the Emancipation Proclamation more than a century ago, the horrors of human bondage flourishes today, completely unabated. These slaves are sarcastically referred to as "bonded laborers" because of the debts owed to their "masters."

The face of modern day slavery is not adults working of their free will under what we from the West would best describe as wretched conditions, but it is, in fact, children captured in raids or deceived by "brokers" working for sugar, coca, or prostitution interests. You only have look at the following things; chocolate, dollar stores, Payless Shoes, clothing at discount department stores like Wal-Mart, Sam's Club, K-mart, and Value City, and rugs bought at Macy's, to hear their cries. They cry to stop the beatings, they cry to cease separations of families, and they cry to be able to earn a wage to be self-sufficient. Indeed, the public's perception of the modern day slave trade is skewed at best. Your calendar may say 2001, but in the vast majority of the world, the conditions could

best be described as the 1700's at best.

Modern day slavery is such a broad based matter and is so entrenched in our lives and politics that I will be covering this topic in this and the next issue of The Tower. Most peoples' recent knowledge of this issue concerns Kathy Lee Gifford. She has a clothing line at Wal-Mart, which netted her 10 million in profits over the last couple of years. When confronted with the facts of the exploitation of the Honduran workers who made her line and the fact that they were mostly children, she wept on TV and demanded that Wal-Mart stop manufacturing there. At the same time, Gifford's New York operation was busted for non-payment of wages. Both times she claimed that she had no knowledge that the Hondurans were making 31 cents an hour or that her New York workers had not been paid for the 50,000 blouses that they had produced. How can anyone imagine having a business and not knowing what their labor costs are or if they had not made pay roll in almost 5 weeks? The back wage issue was eventually settled, however the Hondurans still make less than 50 cents per hour.

Modern slavery has never left the world's stage.

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Arcadia Addresses Mixed Responses to OUTweek

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Sometimes, a torn-down poster is just that: a torn-down poster.

When a poster is burned, however, and incidents also involving insensitive language and offensive graffiti, it becomes obvious that certain students are harboring a potentially dangerous hostility towards other members of the University community.

As with any institution, intolerant acts of varying degrees can occur at any time.

At Arcadia University, last month's celebration of OUTweek, a campus-wide event designed to encourage awareness and education concerning lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender issues, brought just such hateful incidents into the public eye.

Although it is centered around the Human Rights Campaign's National Coming Out Day that takes place each year on October 11, OUTweek itself is a creation of Arcadia University. The events of OUTweek are sponsored by PRIDE, the University's student gay/straight alliance; Ally, a network of students, faculty, and staff united to support the lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (also known as LGBT) community, also assisted with certain

events.

This year's OUTweek ran from October 7-13, and consisted of daily events such as Blue Jeans Day during which people were encouraged to wear jeans to show their support of the gay community, and a Come Out to Congress letter-writing campaign designed to alert politicians about the importance of LGBT issues. To publicize OUTweek, posters were placed throughout the campus inviting people to participate in these events, and members of PRIDE wrote statements encouraging acceptance of the LGBT community on the pavement of the Walk of Pride.

This increased visibility of events and ideas centered on the gay community was the main factor inciting certain homophobic students to respond in decidedly hostile ways. A poster advertising OUTweek events was burned in one of the residence halls, while other posters throughout the campus were repeatedly torn down. Two incidents of graffiti expressing intolerant attitudes towards the gay community were also found, one written in marker on the top of a trash can outside the Kuch Center, the other involving a stone used to scratch words into the middle of the road in the parking lot by Blake Hall.

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Letter from the Editor

One night I opened my Internet browser to check my email and I saw a headline link on my homepage that startled me. "Cut down on snail mail: 5 cool ways to keep in touch." While the link just took you to a page announcing products and services to 'get [you] into the groove of the new era of communication,' it really disturbed me. I was completely baffled why anyone would want to cut down on snail mail.

"Why pay for stamps when you can sign up for Hotmail free?" it said. The Internet provides a great resource and attempts to shorten the distances of the world by putting the universe at our fingertips. While all this is well and good, it seems to me that we have become more distanced than ever before.

When is the last time you sent or received a real, tangible letter to or from a friend or family member? Chances are, unless you still have a mother or grandmother who refuses to learn to use computers, it's been a while you received anything other than campus announcements or unsolicited mail in your mailbox. Email is fast and it is easy, but it is also impersonal. With as fast paced as our world is nowadays we can't even seem to manage to type out an "I'll see you later" rather than "tyl" or an actual "thank you" rather than "ty."

I will not preach that you should eradicate email all together, and rely completely on "snail mail." I will however hope that you will not completely eradicate letter writing from your life and rely 100% on email, e-cards, and instant messages.

I am an advocate of email, my impatient soul enjoys not having the weeks-long wait to find out what's going on with people, but my soul also needs to be able to sit down, under a tree perhaps, pick up a pen and notepad and write a letter for which I will eventually lick a stamp (well, not so much anymore with the self-stick kind), fold up and place in an envelope and send off through the modern day carrier-pigeon, those wonderful people at the post office, to its final destination. The whole idea of letter writing is a romantic one for me. To be able to hold a paper full of words, ideas, sentiments, anger, happiness, love, and memories is an important part of my life. Letters are a fantastically large part of my history, my memories, and my future.

Pedro Salinas once said, "why are you capable of imagining a world without letters? Without good souls who write letters, without other souls who read and enjoy them, without those third-party souls who take them from this person to that person—that is, a world without senders, addresses, and letter-carriers? A universe in which all is said dryly, in abbreviated fashion, hurriedly and on the run, without art and without grace?"

Those who participated in a British Royal Mail survey felt strongly about how looking at old letters affected them. Thirty-nine percent said they felt "nostalgic", and twenty percent said "emotional" or "happy." Most people said a letter is a permanent memory. Then there was an even split between, "I see the [person] vividly in my mind's eye", "The personality of that writer comes to life", and "it evokes wonderful memories each time I read it".

No matter if you email, instant message, or write, words and the conveying of thoughts is a staple in all our lives. As editor, I hope to make *The Tower* a staple in all your lives as well. This is your paper, we are here to serve, inform, and entertain you. Please stick with us and support us as we make the transition to a newspaper you can all be proud of.

And write us a letter, would ya?

Julie Strange

Parking Problems Part Two

Shari Cylinder
Staff Writer

In the last issue, we told you about the parking problems at Arcadia. In this issue, we're going to detail the measures being taken by the Department of Public Safety to help alleviate this problem. To do this, we talked to James Bonner, Jr., the director of Public Safety.

The Department of Public Safety realizes that parking on campus is a problem and is currently considering ways to help increase availability for parking. According to Bonner, there is more room on campus for new parking lots, something that would indeed aid the situation. Don't get too excited about this yet, though; it will take a long time for this to become a reality. Before new parking lots can be built, the township must approve it. Then the Department of Public Safety will send out various surveys on the topic and consider the financial aspect of it. There is also the possibility of redesigning the existing parking lots, thereby creating new spaces in them in which students, faculty, and staff can park.

In past years, there was another solution to the parking problem. There were not enough parking spots then, either. In order to help free up some parking spaces, faculty and staff were required to park off campus two days a week. They would park at Cheltenham High School and then a shuttle would bring them back to Arcadia. This helped to solve the situation.

According to Bonner, parking has been a problem at Arcadia, and at other colleges, for a long time. He says, "Parking is always a problem everywhere." He stresses, however, that parking is never impossible. He advises commuter students to arrive on campus early enough to allow time for parking. It may sometimes be necessary to look for a spot in more than one parking lot. Bonner believes some of the problem may be because of the scheduling of classes, something which the Department is looking into. For example, if many classes are scheduled at the same time, it will be especially hard for stu-

dents to find an open parking space at that time.

In order to help the situation, the Department issues a parking hang tag to all students, faculty, and staff who park on campus. The hang tag must be displayed in the car at all times it is parked on campus. This rule is strictly enforced; however, the Department has been having a problem with the hang tags recently. Often, there are several different items hanging from the rearview mirror, causing the Public Safety employees to be unable to find the hang tag. Bonner advises attaching them to a rubber band, which will cause them to hang lower and be in clear view. This will help to make the job of Public Safety much easier.

Another problem, related in a way to parking, is speeding on campus. This is not a large problem for Arcadia. According to Bonner, even though it may appear as though someone is speeding, they may actually not be. It is all a matter of perception. Because it is narrow roadway and there are immobile objects surrounding the car, it appears that it is going much faster than it actually is. This can be demonstrated by a radar which detects the speed cars are traveling. Many of you may have noticed this on campus in the past. The detector does not belong to the University, so it is not always available for use. Though when the radar is, it provides an effective means to warn drivers to drive at the speed limit, which is always important to do.

In the last issue about parking, a commuter student had proposed that the residents park in the lower lots. This decision is not up to the Department of Public Safety; rather it is decided by the University. It would be proposed to the parking committee. Bonner says of the proposition, and other possible solutions, "I discount nothing."

For all of you that park on campus, don't worry-the Department of Public Safety is well aware of the problem and is taking measures to correct it. Hopefully the solutions will work and Arcadia's parking problem will be solved!

Doing His Daily Waltz about Campus: Public Safety Officer Ed Johnson

Kate Bolmarcich
Staff Writer

Stroll around campus sometime between 8 am and 4 pm, Monday through Friday. Watch as a tall, uniformed man walks quickly about through the University grounds. His walkie-talkie interrupts his stride, and he switches direction to tend to a room admit in Brubaker. Ed Johnson, one of our own Public Safety Officers, foot patrols campus as he awaits the emergency calls Public Safety responds to. He supervises the officers sharing his day shift, and he remarks that he chose not to drive when given the choice of whether to do foot patrol or drive about campus. Ed also conducts fire training on campus as the University's fire marshal.

He considers his favorite part of the job to be meeting and escorting people. He enjoys listening to the campus community's concerns, especially with the Public Safety department. He admits that the worst times of the job involve dealing with disgruntled students, especially in the case of lockout and parking tickets. Even if they curse or swear in an

officer's face, the officer cannot talk back.

Ed began working on campus in October 1993. He applied for a guard position here since the University is closer to his home than was his original security guard job an hour away in Malvern. In addition, Ed works part time at Abington Hospital as a guard and a member of the Hazardous Materials Team. He also serves on the fire brigade at the Hospital.

Ed served in the Army Reserves for ten years (1982 to 1986 then 1993 to 1999). The Army Reserves trains riflemen to replace casualties and fatalities in war battles. Ed was never called, however. In 1999, Ed graduated from Montgomery Community College with an Associate's degree in general studies. Also in 1999, he completed training with the Montgomery County Police Academy; this training was for his security position here at Arcadia. He currently takes classes on campus part time and hopes to obtain a Bachelor's of Science in accounting.

When I asked Ed what he does with his spare time, he replied, "No spare time!" He

does travel to the Atlantic City casinos four times annually. His hobbies include electronic kits and karate (Warning: Ed has a black belt!). He plays chess with an electronic chess game as well. He continues to serve as a volunteer fire fighter for Jenkintown as he has for the past twenty years and is a fire instructor at Montgomery County Fire Academy. He recently passed his state test for his motorcycle license, and someday, Ed hopes to tour the Eastern seaboard en route north to Maine on a touring bike, a heavy motorcycle meant to endure rough trips. He drove to Niagara Falls this past May and would like to return there at some point in the near future. Ed hopes to obtain a ham radio operator's license by next year and is now learning the Morse code in preparation for this test.

Ed enjoys listening to Crosby, Stills, & Nash; Young America; Steely Dan; and Pink Floyd. He prefers soft rock music and does not like heavy metal. He also listens to classical music. He especially enjoys reading classical fiction. His list

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Tending to the Concerns of Women

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Student Health Services tend to the Concerns of Women

Today's college students, female freshman in particular, have many concerns through the year such as roommates, classes, jobs and finances. The most important and most often overlooked concern, however, is their health. Female students tend to have more problems while adjusting and readjusting to life in the residence halls than their male counterparts. There are many problems that women can encounter, most of which are preventable, or treatable if detected early enough. These health issues may become overwhelming, however, here at Arcadia University, there's a resource that can help female students deal with any of their health concerns: Student Health Services.

Student Health Services address concerns vital to a female student's health. They offer Gynecological Exams, Pap Tests, birth control and pregnancy testing, ways of preventing, diagnosing and treating Sexually Transmitted Diseases, and counseling regarding these issues as well as nutrition and relationships, among many others. Their policy is that education is the most important part of staying healthy so they offer various types of informative brochures and flyers on topics ranging from self-examinations of the breast to nutritional guidelines to live by.

"Because the gynecological visit is often the main

source of ongoing health care, it is also an excellent opportunity to address other health concerns as well." Therefore it is the most important aspect of women's health and it should never be ignored. Women should begin having these exams once they become sexually active or by age 18. During the visit, a breast exam is given, when the health care provider will check the breast area for lumps and for discharge from the nipples. Through this, early detection of cancer can be implemented. The actual Pelvic exam contains three sections: The External exam, in which the outside of the genital region is checked, the Speculum Exam is done in order to perform a Pap Smear, a way of detecting cervical cancer, and to check for STD, and the Bimanual Exam, a procedure which checks for uterine cancer, or any other abnormalities of the ovaries and the fallopian tubes. Afterwards, counseling on birth control, infections, and/or STD may be provided, as well as prescription for medications if needed.

The Student Health Center provides the sexually active female population of Arcadia with various low cost methods of birth control, as well as pregnancy testing. It is important that women know their options so that unwanted pregnancies can be avoided. Among the various methods of birth control include: condoms, both male and female, "The Pill", Depo-Provera, and emergency contraception. The nurse practitioners at the health center counsel on which one is best based on an individual basis. Pregnancy tests

are also available and counseling may be provided.

Another issue addressed at the Student Health Center are Sexually Transmitted Diseases. The notion of having a disease which is serious, sometimes painful and that can cause much damage should cause alarm however, there is a stigma around these illnesses. Women should not feel embarrassed about having an STD, and must get treatment as soon as possible so that their health cannot be seriously threatened. Any signs should be immediately reported to a physician, and then the appropriate testing will occur. To make sure that students are aware of what to look for, Student Health Services provide very informative brochures on this topic. In them are descriptions of specific types of STD's, their symptoms, methods of protection and prevention and the consequences of leaving the diseases untreated are laid out in an informative and informal manner. It only takes a few minutes to read, and it can save many women from unnecessary and preventable troubles.

Another worthwhile topic of concern is self-examination of the breast. Every woman should have her breasts examined at their annual gynecologic exams starting at the age of 18, but they should also perform monthly self-examinations so that any noticeable and concerning differences can be reported. This practice allows women to detect breast cancer in its earliest stages, the time in which it

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physical. As he explains, "An act doesn't have to be overtly criminal to call us. We expect everyone to act in a civil manner to everyone else. Inappropriate slang and derogatory references are not something that we as a community will tolerate."

Concerning this situation, Steve Raeburn, a second-year student who is also an active member of both PRIDE and Ally, simply states, "It's more of a community issue than a gay issue." Davirah Timm-Dinkins, Director of Multicultural Affairs and the Coordinator of the Ally program, echoes this idea, inviting both students who are victims of harassment as well as students who are struggling with homophobic feelings to contact the Office of Multicultural Affairs to discuss these issues. Regarding the latter category, she explains, "Whether or not you agree with how a person lives or identifies, it's important that you, at the very least, be respectful of an individual's right to exist comfortably as a member of the community."

And despite these incidents, there are enough people on campus who do respect the diversity around them to have made this year's OUTweek by far the most successful to date. Many more students and staff participated in OUTweek events

Dorm Life: Dealing with Noise

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It's one o'clock in the morning and you are cramming for an 8:30am Bio test. You are out of luck because the library has closed at eleven o'clock and there are too many people in the lounge. So you are stuck in your room. One of your roommates is having a conniption because their computer isn't working right and the other is talking on the phone about how great homecoming was last weekend. Your neighbors have their six speaker surround sound system up so loud; you swear that your chair is vibrating from the pounding bass. You need to pass this test in order to pass the class. What do you do?

From talking with many freshmen at Arcadia University, we have come to the conclusion that there are those who can't tolerate the noise, those who make it, and those who just don't care. Each dorm building has its own standard noise level. Heinz and Kistler are seen as having the highest noise level. Thomas is considered to be the quietest. Dilworth is somewhere in between the two.

Many freshmen have a hard time adjusting to the new noise levels in their dorms. For the past twelve years they have been able to study when they wanted to and at the noise level they were comfortable with. It is a shock to come to college and not be able to have your own way.

In order to help freshmen adjust, Arcadia University has imposed quiet hours in all dorm buildings. Quiet hours are from 11:00pm to 8:00am Sunday through Thursday and 1:00am to 9:00am Friday and Saturday. Between these hours, students are expected to maintain a low noise level. Courtesy hours are 24 hours a day, every day.

than in previous years, and the publicity surrounding OUTweek also attracted a significant number of new members to both PRIDE and Ally.

Membership in PRIDE has in fact more than doubled to over 51 members since last year, and, since Ally membership has now grown to 58 people, this organization has been able to take on a more pro-active approach than ever before. It should also be noted that a significant number of members of both organizations are straight people who simply support the gay community, although these groups do not require their members to divulge any information regarding their sexual orientation.

One need not even be a member of PRIDE or Ally to demonstrate one's support of the gay community. Freshman PRIDE and Ally member Colin Rossi, for example, was both surprised and pleased when one of his hall mates who is not associated with either group asked for an OUTweek poster to be hung

During courtesy hours, students are expected to lower their noise level if asked to by another student.

Both quiet hours and courtesy hours are expected to be followed by students and enforced by RA's. From our interviews, many students believe that courtesy hours are much more important. Freshman Kim Zacierka says, "Everybody's on different schedules." Because of these different schedules, courtesy hours are more effective. Gary Castaldo, a freshman, states that "courtesy hours are fine because people do work at all hours of the day and they must be respected."

Even though quiet hours and courtesy hours help with the noise level, there are still students who can't tolerate the noise. There are many ways to deal with this issue. If the problem is with your roommates, you can have a room discussion concerning when it is appropriate to study and when one can blast music. As for hallmates, it seems that many freshmen believe you should confront the people you think are responsible. Cassie Huttman says to "knock on the door and ask them to turn it down" is one way to deal with hall mates or even neighbors on floors above or below you. Sometimes, it's still not enough. In this event, explain the situation to your RA or the RA of the floor you have the problem with and ask for advice. If the advice does not work, ask the RA or the RD to speak to the room.

No matter what the situation is, there is always a way to deal with it whether it is you changing or someone else. College is a time for change, we really have no choice but to adapt in at least some ways. We do have a choice as to what we change, however. Are you going to be passive and simply accept your situation or are you going to be aggressive and do something about it?

directly outside his door. Rossi reports that this response was particularly encouraging since it positively countered the negative reactions concerning these posters.

That this positive experience took place in the residence halls is also especially important. After all, students whose on-campus home has become a hostile environment because the attitudes of the people with whom they live are opposed to their own beliefs or lifestyles literally have nowhere to turn.

As these experiences demonstrate, for every random act of hatred that occurred, there appeared an equally unexpected expression of support for the gay community that never would have been expressed had OUTweek not existed. As such, it can be said that OUTweek was at least successful at its intended goals to educate the university and make people aware of LGBT issues.

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includes *Robinson Crusoe* and *Moby Dick*.

Next time you walk about campus, be sure to give this friendly guy a wave. And remember Ed's insight on life: "Expect the worst, hope for the best, and deal with what you get."

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Public Safety and the Office of Student Affairs are currently investigating these incidents. Jan Walbert, the Vice President for Student Affairs and Dean of Students who is herself a member of Ally, states that several parties responsible for these violations of the University's Code of Conduct have been formally charged with the offenses, and some have already been through the process of adjudication. This process involves a formal administrative or judicial board hearing that determines if a person is responsible for such violations, and, if he or she is found accountable, decides what actions should then be taken against that person.

Due to the University's policy concerning acts that are currently under investigation, Walbert was unable to provide details as to what specific actions

would be taken against those found responsible. She did state that, depending on the severity of their offenses, the judicial board and the Office of Residence Life hold the right to evict problematic students from their residence halls, and the judicial board can even remove them from the University entirely.

Walbert advises students experiencing any form of harassment to immediately contact Public Safety, Student Affairs, Residence Life, or R.A. or R.D. of their halls to make a formal report. As she explains, "Reporting is central. Even though the outcome of what has been reported is not always made public, students should know that this process is real."

James Bonner, Director of Public Safety and a member of Ally, stresses that students should call for assistance in cases of verbal harassment as well as

Orientation 2002 already?

Erin Holm
Staff Writer

The 2002 orientation planning executive committee (OPEC) has been selected and plans have begun to plan for new student orientation 2002. On November 3, five members of OPEC, Erin Foose, Lisa Forberg, Smitty, Erin Holm and Kristen Hyman, Director of Campus Activities and Student Involvement, embarked on a flight to Toronto, Canada for the National Orientation Association Conference (NODAC).

Over this four-day conference, these five attended numerous sessions on how to improve Arcadia's already extremely successful orientation process. Each gathering included different components of the

process. As well as four days of sessions and speakers, they were also entertained by comedy acts and, of course, many Toronto sites such as the National Hockey Hall of Fame.

After arriving back in the states, these five took their many hours of knowledge back to the other members of OPEC.



L to R- Lisa Forberg, Erin Foose, Smitty, Kristen Hyman, Erin Holm

Over the next nine months OPEC will be working hard to plan all that goes on during orientation in the spring, summer, and fall months. If you wish to get more

Directors
Conference

involved with orientation, orientation leader (OL) applications will be available in January and will be due in February. Returning OLs will be contacted directly, but if you're interested in becoming a new OL stop by the student affairs office or student activities office in January!

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There are some 200 million slaves in the world today according to UNICEF and other human rights organizations. It is the ultimate dirty secret that the world is trying to keep swept under the carpet. Usually, what The "civil" countries of the world do is hide behind the skirts of diplomatic privilege. Least the light of truth shine down on them, they hide the issue behind world (free) trade arguing that it's better that those people have a 35 cents per hour job then none.

Or they hide behind the fragile coalition of Islamic Muslim Arabic countries that must keep together in order to fight terrorism. The paradox is then between needing Muslims help to fight those responsible for September 11, but not brushing aside the fact that the modern slave trade is perpetrated, financed, and encouraged by the same hard core Islamic countries that we are in bed with right now. This question has to be addressed because of distortions and disinformation such as the peaceful nature of Islam, or that we have nothing to fear from Islam. I disagree, and am putting forth the notion that we are engaged in a war that is putting progress (Western values) squarely against fanaticism (Islamic extremism). We know that the countries that sponsored terrorism are Islamic, if you need any further proof as to the guilt of these countries, look no more! I ask, what is the ultimate in state sponsored terrorism if not slavery?

Therefore, the question as I see it, is not "are Islamic countries responsible for the slave trade," for this is a fact. The question becomes "why is

there no condemnation from the same clerics and others who take the time to point out what a terrorist nation Israel or America is?" Why is there not universal condemnation of this issue? The question is once more, where we as a country might have had the best of intentions, why we are taking the convenient way out. Instead of insisting that those countries (Sudan, Yemen, Syria, Libya, Iran, Iraq, Tunisia, Saudi Arabia, and North Korea) will help us or else face our wrath, we are tripping all over ourselves to accommodate the same countries that, according to our president, we will have to go after Afghanistan, if we are going to rid the world of terrorism. Am I the only who sees this dichotomy?

How about America making a stand that the world could really rally around! Imagine what America's stature in the world would be, if it stood for the eradication of slavery from the world? What would terrorists have in way of recruits if hundreds of millions of people were out from the yoke of exploitation, whether western or local? Take note about how much ignorance and a lack of a well-rounded education plays into the hands of the terrorists. Our immediate need now, and for the immediate future is the use of the sword. This action is needed and justified at this moment. You can't kill an elephant with a fly swatter. However, we must not be so blinded by rage and revenge that we pound out our singular and collective response on individuals, or places of worship, THAT IS UNAMERICAN! As distasteful as it will resonate in all of us, we (America as a whole and individuals) must have the olive branch at the ready to offer.

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Now that OUTweek is over and the impact of these negative incidents fades from the collective consciousness, the real challenge is to continue this spirit of acceptance towards everyone at Arcadia University, including those of the LGBT community. Providing some concrete advice for meeting this challenge, Jim Bonner simply states, "Be respectful of everyone and treat others as you would like to be treated."

Any student who has experienced an intolerant or uncivil act should immediately contact Public Safety at (215) 572-2800, or the Office of Student Affairs or Residence Life, both at x-2933. Students who wish to further discuss issues of homophobia or to talk about their own experiences dealing with this issue should contact the Office of Multicultural Affairs at x-4088.

Both PRIDE and Ally welcome all members of Arcadia University interested in supporting the gay community regardless of their sexual orientation. PRIDE meets every Tuesday at 10 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Castle, located under the stairs in the main lobby. A training session for those interested in becoming Allies will take place on Thursday, November 29, from 5-7 p.m. in Kuch 205. To learn more about PRIDE, contact ArcadiaPRIDE@yahoo.com. For more information about Ally, contact Arcadia_ALLY@yahoo.com.

Off Campus Events

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Staff Writer

Music

The Trocadero seems to be the place to be this month; their lineup includes the following:

Friday December 7, at 8 PM, El Vez (how cool is this - a Latin rock singer who is hailed as the next Elvis. Move over, Enrique!). Tickets are \$12.50 in advance, \$14 the day of the show.

On Saturday, December 8, H20 (dance and electronic) come to town - again the show starts at 8.

For information on either of these shows, call the Trocadero at (215) 922-5483.

For the Lite Rock fans out there - you know who you are - Vince Gill and Amy Grant are coming to the First Union Center on December 7, at 7:30 PM. You'll have to miss El Vez for this one - I know that'll cause more than a few tears. For information, call (215) 336-3600.

Theater

It's the holiday season, I know, which means that most of us are in an even more dire state of poverty than the one we occupy for the rest of the year - but lookie here, some of these shows are even less expensive than going to

Terrorism Cont'd from Page 1

"It's not the answer," said Thompson. "They have this ancient system of sending money throughout the world.... They don't leave a normal banking trail."

According to Thompson, the notion of cutting countries off from the United Nations would not be a successful method because, "unless you get everyone who trades with a nation to impose sanctions, there will always be a loophole."

Furthermore, in Thompson's view, the issue of restricting trade between the United States and nations that support terrorism will not be a successful method to undertake, as the civilians of these nations will be greatly affected as opposed to their leaders.

While the war against terrorism directly affects relations with other countries, the

United States must deal with related internal problems as well, the professor said.

The question arises as to how far the American government can go in regard to taking away citizens' civil liberties, as terrorists enter the U.S., take advantage of everything the country has to offer, and then harm that country and its people, said Thompson.

"They take advantage of our freedom, and our freedom is our vulnerability," he said, adding that because of the problems caused by these terrorists, government officials now have to find a way to balance both citizens' personal freedoms and safety.

In any case, Thompson said that defeating terrorism will take many years, and "even if the Taliban collapses, it does not mean we will [have] stop[ped] terrorism."

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is most effectively treatable. Student Health Services provides information on how this self-exam should be performed. Learning how to do this procedure effectively can save women's lives.

Nutrition is also a huge part of a woman's well-being. One of the least serious problems that can happen to women during college, especially the freshman year, is weight gain. During this period in their lives, women may not have enough time to worry about nutrition, and sometimes it just seems so convenient to eat pizza all the time. The stress that accompanies college life can also cause women to overeat, seeking comfort in their food. However, both of these things lead to one outcome: weight gain. There is an alternative to this: exercise and a healthy diet. Starting this healthy lifestyle now can keep weight gain from becoming a problem later in life. The Student Health Center provides nutritional counseling so that women can learn how to create a proper diet, and how to become and stay physically fit.

Office Hours

Monday- 9 am to 5:30 pm
Tues-Fri- 9 am to 5 pm

Doctor's Hours

Monday- 4pm -5:30 pm
Wednesday- 2:30 pm to 4 pm
Thursday- 1 pm to 2:30 pm

These practices can increase energy and regulate bodily functions more effectively. The hope is that these practices stay with a woman throughout her life, so as to avoid concerns like high cholesterol and blood pressure as they get older.

Women in college, regardless of how stressed and pressed for time they are, should take the time to take care of themselves and learn as much as they can about these issues. It is important for women to make annual appointments with a gynecologist, learn about STD's, how to perform monthly breast exams, watch what they eat, and exercise at least three times a week in order to stay healthy. The results are well worth the effort.

More information on these topics may be obtained in the Student Health Services office located on the lower floor of Heinz Hall in office 28. They can also be contacted at extension 2966. Appointments are not needed, except in the case of gynecologic exams.

Our apologies to Ellen Sitron and the Student Health Services. The October Issue of the Tower had Ellen's last name spelled wrong, and the hours for the Wellness Center were also incorrect.

Arcadia's Hillel: An Exciting Year of Programs

Erica Brooke Fajge
Staff Writer

Although the fall semester is halfway over, Arcadia University's Hillel club is planning many exciting upcoming events, such as dinners, parties, and a ski trip.

Hillel provides a forum for Jewish students (non-Jewish members are also welcome) to make friendships and participate in social events and educational programs.

So far this semester, the club has been participating in many city-wide events with other Hillel students from Temple University, Drexel University, Penn State Abington, Philadelphia University, Bucks County Community College, and the University of the Sciences of Philadelphia.

"I'm really excited about this year . . . we have a lot of great upcoming events," Hillel President Diane Levy said.

The events started off in September with Shabbat dinners at Temple and Drexel Universities, followed by a leadership retreat at Woodrock Retreat Center.

The Friday night dinners include a half hour service, followed by a dinner with many students from other Philadelphia schools. Here, Arcadia students can meet and share good food and good times with other Jewish students at other schools.

The leadership retreat was an opportunity for Hillel student leaders and members to spend a day together having lunch, sitting in on informative workshops, and participating together in a challenging ropes course that incorporated both fun

and teamwork.

On October 10, a kick-off party for city-wide events was held at Finnigan's Wake, a restaurant and bar in downtown Philadelphia. Arcadia students, along with students from other schools, spent the night dancing away, while seeing old friends and meeting new people.

Other events held this past semester included a haunted hayride on October 28, an ice skating party on November 8, and a shopping trip to the Reading Outlets on the 11th of November.

Coming up this semester is a Shabbat dinner at the castle on November 30, more Shabbat dinners at Temple and Drexel, a semi-formal, and a Chanukah bash which will be the last party of the semester.

Next semester, expect there to be another kick-off party and an overnight ski trip to the Poconos in February.

In addition, there will be more Shabbat dinners, including one here at Arcadia that will be a city-wide event open to students from the other city-wide campus Hillels.

Non-Jewish members are also encouraged to join the club and participate in these events. There are already some non-Jewish members. Although the club is religiously based, one of Hillel's main goals is to provide students with outlets of social events here at Arcadia University and at other universities in the city to make friends and have fun times, while creating a close community of students.

If you are interested and have any questions, contact Diane Levy at ext. 3165.

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a movie these days!

At the Wilma Theater (www.wilmaheater.org or 215-546-7824 for information) we have *Les Liaisons Dangereuses*, which, if I recall correctly, is what the movie *Cruel Intentions* is loosely based on. Student tickets are only 7 bucks, but the show closes on December 23, so you'll want to check this out while you still can.

My Fair Lady sings (and dances and acts too, I suppose) at the Walnut Street Theater. Tickets start at \$10, and run all the way up to \$55, but with your young eyes you can afford to sit in the very back row. Call (215) 574-3550 for information.

And my perennial favorite, *The Nutcracker*, comes to our very own Keswick for the

weekend of December 14-16. The shows run Friday night at 7:30, Saturday at 11 AM, 3 PM and 7:30 PM, and Sunday at 3 PM. This is fun family entertainment, so call your folks up for the day and make them pay. They'll love it. Tickets for adults are \$19.50, and you can call (215) 527-7650 for more information.

Art

The coolest thing going on in the art world these days happens on Wednesday nights, at the Philadelphia Museum of Art. Every Wednesday from 6-9 PM, the museum features a special theme-night, with music, films, food, tours and slide lectures. Check out their website at www.philamuseum.org for more information, or call (215) 763-8100.

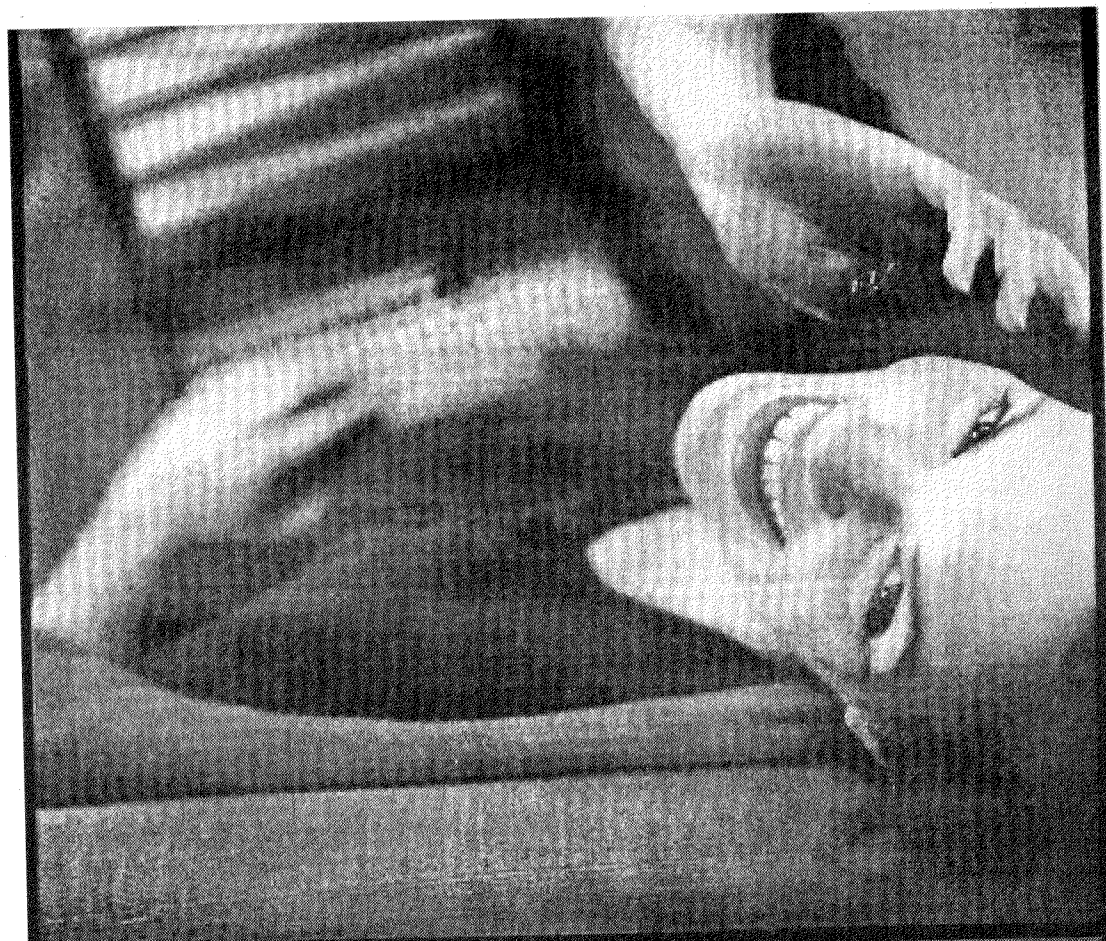
New Library To Be Named for Landman

At a gala event for major donors on Saturday, November 10, Hugh Moulton, Chair of Arcadia's Board of Trustees, announced that the newly renovated and expanded library would be named after longtime University President Bette E. Landman.

The announcement was made at the Cruise Terminal at the Naval Business Center in South Philadelphia to a black-tie crowd of 250 major donors, friends of the University and selected students, faculty and staff. At the event, it was announced that more than \$7,057,790 of the \$10.9 million campaign goal has already been raised during the campaign's quiet phase.

For more information about the Library Campaign, visit the University's Web site at www.arcadia.edu.

*information taken from arcadianet. a more detailed article of the Gala of November 10th, will be in the December issue of *The Tower*.



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Guess Who's Going to London

The following faculty and staff have been selected to be group leaders for London Preview 2002: Aisha Amin-McCoy, Act 101/Gear Up; David Bassuk, English/Communications/Theatre; Param Bedi, Information Technology; Toshika Bell, Modern Languages; William Braunewell, Education; Scott Conlan, Music; Mike Coveney, Treasurer; Kathleen Curotto, Physical Therapy; Jennifer Garman, Enrollment Management; Maureen Guim, Graduate and Professional Studies; H. Lark Hall, English/Communications/Theatre; Kristen Hyman, Student Affairs; Barbara Kleckner, Public Safety; Guerry McLauren, English/Communications/Theatre; Marie Sanchez, Biology; Clista Townsend, English/Communications/Theatre; Katie Wich, Center for Education Abroad; Jan Walbert, Student Affairs; Thelma Wigod, Education; and Mary Winn, Psychology.

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Scarlet Knight Sports

Mens Soccer Team Wins First Ever NCAA Tournament Game; Falls to Number One Team in Country

The Men's Soccer Team has completed the most successful season in its history after winning the first NCAA tournament game in school history before losing in the third round to Messiah College, the number one team in the nation.

First, on Friday, November 9, Arcadia defeated Kean College 5-1 after

earning a bye into the second round of the NCAA Tournament. The Knights (20-1-1 overall) led 2-1 at halftime after goals by Ben Swan '03 and Rob White '03. It stayed a one-goal game the final six minutes when Tom DeGeorge '03 scored twice and Gary Beaver '03.

Then, Messiah, the top-ranked team in the nation,

won a hard-fought 2-0 game on Saturday, November 10. The game remained scoreless through the first half before Messiah scored twice in the second half to secure the victory.



Tennis Anyone?

*Jennifer Hohn
Staff Writer*

The 2001 Arcadia Knights Women's Tennis season has come to a bittersweet end, especially for the five graduating seniors Jenn Szeker, Sabrina Merola, Monisa Houseknecht, Katie Gorman, and Carolyn Dentz. Not only has this talented team been named Pennsylvania Athletic Conference Team Champions as a result of an undefeated season, but it also yielded two PAC players of the week, Szeker and Merola, and claimed three individual PAC titles by Szeker, Merola, and freshman Katie Detwiler. The

eleven tennis players bonded through pre-season, road trips, and nail-biting matches and learned to work as a team to achieve a common goal: to be the best. And the best they are. Coaches Tom McGovern and Bill Heiser could not be more proud of the student-athletes they guided through two months of grueling practice, heartbreaking upsets, and exhilarating victories. With key wins against rivals Marywood and Wesley, the team was confident that they would go all the way. Now that they have gone all the way, the only thing left to do is look back on the season remember the friendships formed, hard work endured, and

goals reached. The seniors, who have done an excellent job of leading the team and paving the way for this year's success to be continued, will be greatly missed and will always be remembered as the strength behind the first undefeated team in Arcadia's history. That being said, they should feel confident that the future lies in the rackets of sophomores Abby Bradham and Adina Kolhalmi, and freshmen Katie Detwiler, Jennifer Hohn, Stephanie Maloney, and Sarah Treaster. Congratulations to Coach McGovern, Coach Heiser, and the 2001 Women's Tennis Team! Best of luck in the future!

Winter and Spring 2000-01 PAC Selections

Men's Basketball

Tim Boerner - Honorable Mention All-PAC
Jeff Bilinsky - Honorable Mention All-PAC

Women's Basketball

Jenn Szeker - Honorable Mention All-PAC
Dyette Dillard - Honorable Mention All-PAC

Baseball

Bart Hotchkin - First Team All-PAC
Ricky Nasta - First Team All-PAC
Phil Fry - Second Team All-PAC
Matt Melcher - Second Team All-PAC

Women's Lacrosse

Katie Gallen - Second Team All-PAC
Michelle Paster - Second Team All-PAC

Softball

Teresa Magrann - Second Team All-PAC
Heidi Messner - Second Team All-PAC
LeAnn Ott - Second Team All-PAC
Lisa Pepe - Second Team All-PAC
Tiffany Rupp - Second Team All-PAC

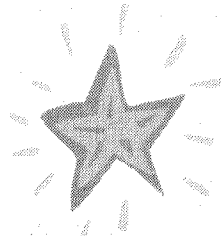
Men's Tennis

Vince Abate - First Team All-PAC #1 Doubles
Mike Brewer - First Team All-PAC #2 Singles & #1 Doubles
Tee Torok - First Team All-PAC #3 Singles
Chris Ferrari - First Team All-PAC #5 Singles

Congratulations!

Arcadia Women's Tennis Team

PAC Champions 2001



Athletic Schedule

Women's Basketball

December 1- Away
Wesley 1:00
December 3 - Home
Wilkes 6:00
December 5 - Away
Misericordia 6:00
December 8- Home
Cedar Crest 1:00
December 9 - Home
Catholic 2:00

Men's Basketball

December 1- Away
Wesley 3:00
December 3 - Home
Kings 8:00
December 5 - Away
Misericordia 3:00
December 8 - Home
Neumann 3:00
December 11 - Home
Stockton 7:00

December 13 - Away
Widener 7:00
December 15 - Home
Eastern 1:00

Swimming

December 8 - Home
William Paterson
1:00