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"You look wonderful tonight!"

Senior Gaia Cioci, escorted by Phil Beattie, was crowned Homecoming Queen at the 1991 Semi-formal.

### "Mama Rat" stirs debate

by Sandra Raisch

Each year, Beaver students in the introductory psychology class observe rats in a variety of groups to note the animals' development. The project is known as Mama Rat.

The Mama Rat project is well-known enough that the department has had it printed in a variety of psychology publications, explained Dr. Barbara Nodine, chair, Department of Psychology, Beaver College.

The project gives students a chance to function in the role of a psychologist and offers hands-on study. After observing the rats, students are required to write a paper on their observations.

When the experiment is completed, the rats are recycled into another experiment, fed to snakes, or killed, Dr. Nodine said.

"We try to set it up so that animals bred for the experiment are used in other labs for advanced psychology classes or even in other departments," said Dr. Nodine. Dr. Nodine noted that a small number of animals are used for the experiment.

Sophomores Carry Askin and Tina Manwiller, both students in psychology professor Dr. Patricia Scully's class, objected to the treatment of the rats after the project. Askan and Manwiller decided not to participate in the project and received an alternate assignment.

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"We want to raise awareness about the ethics behind the use of the animals," explained Manwiller.

According to Askin the debate is set up to make students aware of their choices. The pair wants to make sure students have a choice to participate or not.

"The students don't have to agree, just listen," Askin said. She does not want the debate cont. on page 2

The President's Agenda for the 91-92 Year

by Jody Wilkins

President Bette Landman can be seen walking on campus talking to faculty, staff and students, whether it is in a formal or informal manner about school or personal business.

However, what student don't see is the constant interchange of ideas and planning that Landman and the administration do to make Beaver better. When asked about the agenda for this year, Landman answered with much enthusiasm.

Landman stated one of the main issues is the possibility of instituting a new core curriculum. Even though she is working on this plan, Dean Jean Dowdall and other administrators are working on the plans as well. The idea is to have students taking "a series of courses that would be the same for every student."

This would mean common reading lists even though there will be different faculty members teaching the cours-

Landman also saw this cur-

riculum as an opportunity for students to "have a core of information that as new students that they can talk about with one another." In addition to the courses, Landman sees the importance of using co-curriculum programming like speakers and other educational activities to reinforce course work.

Another issue related to the core curriculum plan is having students become more aware of our culture and other subcultures but also in the second semester focus on social justice issues that "the country faces." Landman stated that the idea is being looked at by faculty and that there is some uncertainty right now about whether or not the idea "will go or not but we are exploring that."

The college is also exploring the idea of ensuring every student the opportunity to study or "to incorporate an experience abroad as a part of their four years at Beaver." Landman realizes that not all students could or would



President Landman cites new core curriculum as main concern.

want to go abroad for a semester or a year. However, she truly wants to offer all students an equal opportunity to go abroad regardless of whether students are on financial aid or not. Landman is watching the results of Dennis Kuronen's ID181 class which is going to London, England during the winter break. She is also interested in other places for this project as well. Beaver has "historic ties" to the Presbyterian church. This means that Beaver could make partnership connections with many col-

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## Does democracy exist in the U.S.S.R. and can it survive?

by Kimberly Espenschied

An attempt at a democratic society may be on the government agenda in the Soviet Union; but the concept of democracy itself first needs to grow in people's souls, hearts and minds before any attempt of liberation is successful, said James Gallagher, deputy assistant managing editor of the Chicago Tribune

Gallagher, a Woodrow Wilson Visiting Fellow at Beaver the week of Nov. 18 and former Moscow correspondent to the Tribune, recently discussed "Can Democracy Survive in the Soviet Union?" with members of the Beaver community.

"The topic itself presupposes that democracy already does exists in the Soviet Union," Gallagher noted. To the ordinary American democracy in the Soviet Union simply means a better supply of food and more clothing for the people. But in order to obtain material items, democracy needs to be understood by Soviet citizens.

"There is nothing in the history of the Soviet Union that will prepare them for democracy," Gallagher said, or offer them an understanding of how democracy functions

and what people must do to make it work.

Tracing the roots of the Soviet government back to the times of Ivan the Terrible, Gallagher highlighted the

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system of oppression and centralized power that Soviet citizens have long been accustomed to.

They are taught not to think independently, he said, and to believe in a strong centralized government. Even in the apparent wave of democracy spreading across the Eastern continent, many Soviets put their faith in democracy in the hands of one man – Boris Yeltsin, believing that one man can create a democratic system.

"The vary notion of Yeltsin as being democratic strikes me as blatantly absurd," Gallagher commented

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Holding that Yeltsin is very clever and appears to be concerned most about enhancing his position of power

through the recent democratic surge, Gallagher remains very skeptical about his overall intentions. "It's much to early to tell where he stands on anything," he said.

The key test of the success of Soviet democracy, Gallagher said, will be seen this winter when the country faces a severe food shortage.

Despite the long-term goals of Yeltsin's democratic vision, Soviet citizens are going to get hungry when food

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## Adopt-a-school gets started

by Jody Wilkins

Forty-five to fifty Leeds Middle School 8th grade students came to Beaver campus on Nov. 15th.

The idea to have Philadelphia schools come on campus came about when Dean Jean Dowdall and the administration discussed starting an adopt-a-school program. The administration liked the idea and decided to adopt three District Six schools: Edmonds Elementary School, Leeds Middle School and Martin Luther King High School. Beaver had an adoption ceremony last spring and then the talks began about what Beaver could offer to these schools.

The principal of Leeds, Mr. Myron Mostovoy called Dowdall to discuss a possible program. A meeting was scheduled with Beaver administrators, Mr. Mostovoy and a Leeds teacher, Christine Thomas and they sat down and came up with a plan. Angela Senior, Coordinator of Minority Advancement executed the plans. The plan was to have the students involved in computer science, science and art classes, a tour of the campus, a library tour along with demonstrating to the students how to operate the PsychLit CDRom program in the library and of course lunch in the cafeteria.

The main purpose for the program was to have these 8th grade students get a taste of college life and what it's all about. Dowdall stated that the group was to have all the students together and to have individualized relationships with the Beaver administration and students. The long term goal was to establish "community relations and diversity." Beaver also wanted to raise these students' aspirations and think about college as an option available to them. Benjamin Williams, Library Director wanted to stress the point of college as a option with the students. Williams gave the students an motivational talk which consisted of telling them his tory. he wanted them to see him as a role model and he wanted to present to them realistic perspectives and when they get established in their careers that they should help others. He liked the group of students and he had a good

Williams was one of the many people who got involved in this program. Suzanne Kinard, Head of Readers Services demonstrated the PsychLit CDRom to the students. Since the group was too big to do all of the things together, the students were divided into several groups when they did the library demonstrations as well as in classes. Kinard thought the group was interested in the demonstration.

Another person involved

in the project was Mr. Donald Steinberg, ID Science, Ele-mentary Science Methods teacher taught heat and energy transfer and air pressures experiments to the students in his laboratory. Steinberg stated that they enjoyed hands on experiments. "If you are going to learn science, do science." Steinberg enjoyed working with the students. Dennis Kuronen was involved in teaching the art class experience.

The other people involved in the project included Mitch Vines who taught computer science, Michelle Jefferson and 10-15 Beaver students. Angela Senior thought the program was a "great success" and that informal mentorships were developed. The Leeds School will come to Beaver seven more times and additional mentorships will be implemented. Dowdall felt there was a "wonderful cooperative effort." in the project.

### Recycling realities

by Jennifer Seyfried

Remember the glass collection sponsored by the Global Awareness Organization a while ago? In three weeks, almost 200 pounds of glass was collected. But then what happened to it? BFI, a trash collecting agency and Beaver's substitute for the mythical trash fairy, doesn't collect

According to Rebecca Jacobson of the Beavers Global Awareness Organization, they loaded it up and took it too the Montgomery County drop-off on Fitzwatertown

Road, which accepts glass. Don't think of this as a fund raiser - there's no money in glass recycling. There's no money in recycling at all, (in fact it costs in more ways than one) unless you're the one charging to cart the materials away.

According to Bob Edwards of the Physical Plant, BFI charges Beaver \$60 per dumpster full of trash, plus leasing fees on the dumpsters themselves. BFI also charged Beaver for the recyclable material bins - the tall card-board boxes all around campus. BFI charges half the standard rate for recyclable materials but the half price fee only counts for uncontaminated loads only.

This means that every Beaver student that drops a newspaper in the office paper bin or a soup can in the aluminum can bin is costing Beaver money. Edwards stressed the importance of putting only the designated materials in these bins.

Jacobson said that the GAO members try to sort out the materials in the paper bins in the dorms, and housekeeping does their share. Between them, through, there is not enough manpower to do all this extra work. the students need to pitch in.

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to be one-sided and hopes the opposition will also attend.

The psychology department is supportive of independent thinking on the part of the students, Dr. Nodine said. They find the project valuable but encourage students to consider their own values.

"The Mama Rat experiment introduced students to psychology and allows them to obtain fundamental knowledge of observation," says Fredric Kirschbaum, a senior psychology major in support of the project.

Kirshbaum's opinion differs greatly from that of Manwiller who believes that rats die needlessly in the project. She believes that many students take the course as a core elective; therefore, the project is unnecessary.

"I think many students view reading textbooks as useless," counters Michelle Kenderdine, a senior psychology major. "That's what cores are about, learning about something you normally have no interest in," she said.

The debate, scheduled for December 5, at 4 p.m. in Calhoun Ampitheatre, will be limited to discussion of the Mama Rat project. This will beneficial because as an emotional topic the discussion will become muddle if more than one instance enters into play, explained Dr. Nodine.

Due to limited space, freshman students will make up the debate audience. Askin and Manwiller will debate against Kirschbaum. Kender-



Manwiller hopes to raise awareness about ethics of Mama Rat.

### Chemsource

Dr. Arthur Breyer, professor of chemistry, joined two other chemistry professors in directing a national chemical education project entitled "Chemsource: A Plan of Action for Assisting New (and Old) Chemistry Teachers.

The project consists of a Sourceview and Sourcebook, which provide teaching tips and the best instructional ideas from over 40 successful high school and college chemistry teachers.

Breyer has directed over twenty chemistry teacher training institutes and was named Professor of the Year at Beaver in 1991.

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leges and universities or at least do something to have other countries to offer to Beaver students in the ID180

Landman also stated that the Danes that were here recently have some new building space that now allows them to invite any Beaver students to join them in Denmark for next spring or the summer. Landman stated that "these kinds of ties mean that the whole world is out there for us if we are imaginative about it."

As the conversation drew to a close, Landman discussed a couple of things. She said that this is the first year that very department has senior projects to do and a visual presentation component to the senior courses. In the past not all departments participated. Landman's goals in instituting a new and better curriculum are fourfold. The first goal is to make the major programs strong and to make the relationship between faculty and their major professors "a good and strong one." The second goal is to give students appropriate and

broad "grounding in liberal arts and sciences" but to balance the books students also need to know the social responsibilities they have in society. The third goal is to give the students the opportunities to apply what they have learned and the fourth goal is to have students to integrate what they have learned. Landman truly wants Beaver to be a great institution of learning as well as a fun and recreational college. The athletic center projected completion date is January 1993 and the 69 new parking spaces on the Castle side will be done in a couple of weeks.

## More than a counselor

by Betsy Barkus

Most people mistake Fran Pollock for the woman they must see when "busted" for under-aged drinking. Fran, however, is more than just Beaver College's drug and alcohol counselor; she is a certified nurse and also a child of an alcoholic.

Before becoming an educator, Fran attended nursing school at St. Joseph's Hospital and later acquired her Bachelor of Science degree at Temple University. After obtain-

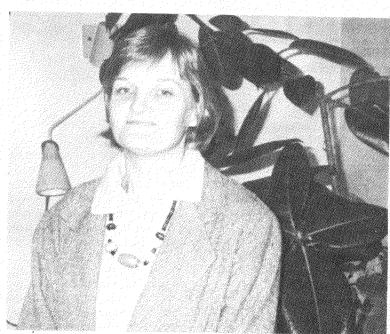
### Fran Pollock "is here to help the campus with any of their alcohol problems."

ing her nursing degree, Fran continued her education and earned a Master of Arts degree in pastoral counseling, specializing in marriage and family therapy.

Before coming to Beaver, Fran worked as a grade school drug educator. She feels that the experience was especially rewarding because she got the chance to help

youngsters make the right decisions. Fran has also worked in a detoxification center for four years prior to her work at Beaver. She felt a strong rapport to the staff as well as the patients because of her own family background. The job, however, offered some personal conflicts for Fran because she expected to see a stronger addictfamily bond as well as greater "theological affiliation." Thus, Fran chose a career in counseling. Fran came to Beaver College has neither a counselor nor an educator. She first worked on campus as a relief nurse, and then later as a trial counselor for eight hours a week. Her involvement in the program increased to twenty hours per week the following year. This year, Fran's luck changed. Due to a grant, she was able to work full time at a job that gives her great satisfaction.

When I asked Fran if she considered herself a leader, her response was very candid. She said she really doesn't see herself as a leader and that she "is here to help the campus with any of their alcohol problems...." She also compared herself to a "stop sign," stating that her job is to



Pollock compared herself to a stop sign - helping people slow down and look at their actions.

help "people just slow down and take a look at what happened."

Fran has categorized herself as anxious, a "do-gooder", and a helper. Her outstanding willingness to help others can be seen at the codependency group that she started her at Beaver. She wants everyone to know that the group was started because of student interest and

is open to any student who wants an honest and open group to talk to. She emphasizes "that this is not therapy; it is a physco-educational thought group." She also calls the group "very touching" and feels very strongly about the group. They meet every Friday afternoon at 1:30 and is open to anyone who "helps everyone but themselves."

# SGO Update

The last S.G.O. meeting was held on Tuesday, Nov. 19. S.G.O. will be organizing a scholarship fund in memory of Dr. Belcher. Each senator will be making a donation, we are also asking students to contribute in any way. Hall senators will gladly accept donations for the scholarship.

will be sponsoring the first non-alcoholic dance in Stiteler. Beaver College will have a guest speaker for Martin Luther King week. S.G.O. is encouraging students to submit any topics they would like to hear discussed on this subject to senators. The S.G.O. food service committee, led by Gordon Lee, has spoken with ARA representatives to discuss food quality and variability. SGO reps feel the meeting went well and have noticed some recent improvements in the food service. ARA is open for suggestions, they want to hear from students, so tell them if you have a problem, or if you like something they are willing to

The S.G.O. security and maintenance committée has finally gotten the Physical Plant to change the handle on the cafeteria-Dilworth door. The mice problem is still being worked on.

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rations run short, Gallagher noted. Democracy is not going to satisfy starving Soviets.

"I would not be surprised if the end of winter sees a 'strong-man' back in power again," he said.

Addressing the issue of

American aid to the Soviet Union this winter, Gallagher commented that he honestly does not know what should

In some ways, offering the country aide would only be fair play, he said. "We told these people to become democratic; therefore, we owe them food."

On the other hand, Gallagher questioned who will feed the Soviet Union next winter, and the winter after that.

"If we feed them now, they might put-off decisions that



Democracy will not satisfy starving Soviets, said Journalist James Gallagher.

they have to make," he said.

If aid is given and food is sent over, Gallagher said ideally it should be sent directly to the local leaders and the republics themselves. If it ends up in the hands of the government, the food would most likely be stolen by communist gangsters who will sell it on the blackmarket.

If democracy does not succeed in the Soviet Union in the next few years, Gallagher warned that America needs to be prepared to "roll with the punches" and remain aware of what is happening in the country so it can be controlled.

Ending his talk with a cynical comic tale comparing life in the Soviet Union and America, Gallagher commented: "Hell is a local call in the Soviet Union and many may not even be able to afford that anymore."

### You're called what??

In the last issue of The Tower, we featured a list of students' nicknames. The Tower staff has since narrowed the list to the ten most original names. We are asking you to select from this list the THREE most original nicknames. Those chosen will be spotlighted in the semester's last Tower issue.

We thank you in advance for your cooperation. Please mail all votes to Kristin Ellis, Box 945 by Friday, Dec. 13.

Pick three names from the following list:

1) Ron "Lerch" Dupcak

2) Todd "Walking Hormone" Sargood

3) Clint "Snapperhead" Stetler4) Matt "Mr. Testosterone" Neiberg

5) Reni "Chili Pepper" Kruszewski

6) Carrie "JaGunDa" Osborn 7) Bill "Gargamel" Delaney

8) Jim "Epilady" Epperly

9) Jerilyn "Jo Mamma" Bocko-

10) Amy "Soupie" Campbell

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From the faculty

by Heather Nethen

On Thursday, Nov. 21, Helen M. Free, former national chairperson for the Committee of Women Chemists of the American Chemical Society gave a lecture entitled "Chemistry-Contributions to the Quality of Life." Her lecture focused on health care and medical research and some of its practical applications. Free included a slide presentation and discussed some treatments for diseases

as well as preventive medicine. She covered diverse subjects such as the prevention of mental retardation, Sudden Infant Death Syndrome, advances in diabetes testing and advancements in medical equipment.

Her lecture was open to everyone and not selected just for chemistry students.

Also from the faculty; Many people were concerned

about the number of courses (or lack of) for the psychology dept. There were several courses that should have been listed for psychology but were left out. In addition there are two graduate level courses open to upperclass undergrads. If you want more information on what courses are available for next semester talk to someone in the psych dept. while you still have time to adjust your schedule.

### Club Corner

by Kerry Costello

#### AIBS

Attention AIBS members: Don't forget the pizza party on Dec. 11 at 10 p.m. in the SAC. Take a study break to relax and enjoy some hot pizza!!

#### HILLEL

On Thursday Dec. 5, Hanukkah Party, 5 p.m. in Kistler Lobby, food and fun, FREE. Saturday Dec. 7, citywide Hanukkah Party and D.J. Dance at Mer-Zedek. \$3. at the door. For details or carpooling contact Mindy, X4070.

### RESIDENCE HALL COUNCIL

RHC will be holding an open forum on Dec. 4, at 6:30 p.m. in Calhoun Amphitheater to discuss future ticket sales. Ideas and constructive comments wanted.

### CASTLEAIRES/CONCERT ENSEMBLE

Don't wait for the carolers to come to your door, come out and join them in the beauty of the Castle!

Castleaires and the Beaver College Concert Ensemble will present their annual Holiday Concert on Dec. 8, 7 p.m. in the Castle Foyer. The concert will include Christmas music, Chanukah music and other traditional carols. A carol sing-along will follow the concert and we encourage everyone to come out. Refreshments will be served after the performance. There is no charge.

#### CIRCLE K

Circle K is very fortunate to be hosting and cosponsoring numerous activities during the end of the Fall semester. During November, we co-sponsored a dance with SPB (Toga dance), in which we collected clothes from the students to benefit those less fortunate. We are planning to collect more on Dec. 2 so that we can distribute them to various local organizations. On Dec. 10, we are planning to co-sponsor a Christmas Party for St. Vincent's orphanage in Philly. Also, on Dec. 11 we will be hosting our own Christmas Party in Murphy from 5-8 p.m. to benefit Christ's Home Children's Home. All are Invited. We hope everyone had an enjoyable Thanksgiving, and we hope that you have a "non-stressful" December. Take Care.

### CLASS OF 1992

On Sunday Feb. 2, 1992, we will be sponsoring a trip to see the Philadelphia Wings vs New York at the Spectrum. Game time is 1:30 p.m. and transportation is provided. Also, on Tuesday, March 24, 1992, we will be sponsoring a trip to the Spectrum to see the Philadelphia Flyers play the N.Y. Rangers at 7:30 p.m. Only 25 tickets available with transportation provided.

#### ATTENTION MEMBERS OF THE CLASS OF 1992

We want to use your pictures to make a video that will be shown at Baccalaureate on May 7, 1992. Please send them to any of the officers via campus mail. Please print your name and Mailbox # on each so they may be returned. We want you to be a part of this special event. Thank you.

Matt Neiberg: President Linda Clegg: Vice Pres. Stephanie Lucci: Sec. Erin Simpson: Treasurer

### DAY STUDENT CLUB (DSC)

Day Student Club is sponsoring an underprivileged family in Glenside. If you would like to donate any clothes or toys, please contact any DSC officer in the Commuter Lounge for details. All help is appreciated. Thanks to those who participated. Thanks to those who participated in the hayride and the Thanksgiving Dinner! Any questions call X2365.

#### **DEBATE CLUB**

Professor Galen Godbye came to Beaver and showed us techniques, skills and the process of debating. He also judged a pressing debate on capital punishment. Next semester the Debate Club will perform a debate for ALA students. Stay tuned for more details.

### **EDUCATION CLUB**

Education Club elections for the Spring and Fall semesters will be held on Monday Dec. 2 at 7 p.m. in the Blue Lounge. All positions are open.

A dessert bash will be held on Monday Dec. 9 at 7 p.m. in the Castle Landing. Come meet the new officers. All are Welcome!

#### TOWER

Don't forget to choose the 3 most original nicknames for our contest! Submit them by Thursday, Dec. 8 to Kristin B. Ellis, Box 945.

#### INTERVARSITY CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

So you're going home for semester break but relating to your parents is a big headache. You want to learn how to get along but when you despair, you're not alone. Many suffer from the same syndrome. Fortunately for you, you can break this chain because a speaker is coming to help explain how to improve the relationship you have by breaking through the barriers. Come hear Angelo Guiliani speak, if peace with your parents is what you seek. The meeting will be held on the fifth of December, so write a note and you'll remember. Thursday at 7:30 be in Kistler Lobby! This meeting sponsored by Inter-Varsity.

#### LOG

Candids are still being accepted for the yearbook. Any photos of Mr. Beaver, sports, or any other activities or events would be helpful! Submit to Box 441 or 163! Don't delay!!! Purchase your yearbook for \$30. See Michelle Schleicher or Liz Kondonijakos in the Castle.

### STUDENT GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATION

Tuesday, Dec. 3 at 7:30 p.m. in the Library Gallery. Come voice your concerns. We are the team behind the student body. For more information contact Kerry Costello at X4055.

#### BASE

Come play volleyball with BASE members and the Montgomery County Special Olympians every Thursday night from 7-8 p.m. Meet us outside the Chat. Also, we will be holding a Christmas Dance for the Olympians on Dec. 12 at 6:30 p.m. in the Castle. If you are interested in helping, please contact Joan Flanagan, Nancy Wilson, Kerry Costello, Heidi Reynolds or Charlotte Notaro.

### B.A.F.A.

Attention all students!

Beaver Association of Time Arts will be hosting, a student art show at the Spruance Gallery, Thursday Dec. 5. Anyone may enter up to 3 pieces depending on size. They must be matted, but they will not be judged.

We will be collecting work Dec. 2 through 4. If you have questions contact Christine, Jeri or Christina at X4066 or 572-1878.

## The Eagles' playoff picture looks promising

by Dan Arkans

The infamous bandwagon has returned with more passengers as the Eagles have turned around their season. The Eagles are flying high with a realistic chance at going 7-5 heading into Houston. The Eagles have an excellent chance at making the playoffs, but they are hoping to play one game at home.

The wild card picture has Detroit as the forerunner. Other teams in the running are Atlanta, Dallas, Minnesota, New York and San Francisco.

Dallas' remaining schedule is extremely difficult: their opponents have a combined record of 46-22. The Eagles can help themselves by beating Dallas Dec. 15 – not an unreachable goal.

Dallas coach Jimmy Johnson has never beaten the Eagles. Detroit can't play outdoors. Star running quarterback Barry Sanders can't make the cuts he usually does at the dome. Detroit hasn't won a game outdoors, and that doesn't look to change with games in Buffalo and Green Bay.

San Francisco is struggling without Montana or Young. They shopped for a quarterback in the entertainment world and got Sonny Bono. Actually it's Steve Bono, a former strike player. Having Jerry Rice and John Taylor is incredibly lucky, but you must have someone who can throw the ball.

The 49ers don't, and will struggle through the rest of the season. They key to the Giants season is the game against the Eagles. The

Giants have struggled against the Eagles the last few years, and any hopes of the playoffs will ride on the slim chances of beating the Eagles.

The Eagles now have a glimmer of hope. The offense and defense are complementing each other nicely. The offensive line has been rejuvenated by the insertion of three rookies. However, they have yet to play well against an intimidating defense. They are young and will make rookie mistakes.

Running back James Joseph has looked like the second coming of Wilbert Montgomery. An offensive line that can keep the defense away from McMahon is the key to the Eagles season. The defense will lose some of its firepower when Ben Smith isn't playing cornerback. This loss may be worse than the loss to Cunningham.

Smith is one of the best corners in the league, and the Eagles don't have a good backup. Izel "Toast" Jenkins is his replacement and will need plenty of help from the safety position.

The Eagles' defense is going to be forced to get more pressure on the quarterback. The key is the game in New York. This follows a Monday night battle in Houston's "House of Pain." If the Eagles

lose against New York, they will not make the playoffs.

The wild card teams will be the winner of Detroit vs. Minnesota, and the winner of Philadelphia, New York and Atlanta. I do think the Eagles will be hosting a wild card playoff battle.

## Way to go guys!!!

In the first week, students, faculty and staff pledged

**1171 HOURS** 

of community service for INTO THE STREETS

Keep pledging!!!

SIGN UP EVERY TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY IN THE DINING HALL OR CHAT DURING LUNCH.

If you already signed up, look for service opportunities in your mailbox, soon.



### Viewpoints

### **Editorial**

### Scare tactics

Those of us who had the pleasure of meeting Woodrow Wilson Visiting Fellow James Gallagher two weeks ago got quite a scare.

He was arrogant, cynical, even depressing to listen to.

What an incredible guy. Some students sat in his lectures with their faces turning red.

Some students listened in the classes he spoke to with gritted teeth.

Some students even got the nerve to ask him questions.

But hidden away in their dorm rooms, in the tiny nooks of this campus, there were many students who spoke about James Gallagher as a cynical, unknowledgeable son-of-a-bitch, and didn't do anything about it.

They got angry. They screamed.

They told their friends they couldn't stand to listen to him put our generation down.

After all, Mr. Gallagher did mention once or twice that we were apathetic, that we didn't care about much besides drinking and dating.

And boy did he capitalize on our lack of knowledge about America and all its glory - the history of it, the politics of it, even the evils of it.

But students remained si-

Where were the protests? Where were the intellectual challenges?

Where were the letters to

Mr. Gallagher telling him to look further at our generation before he criticizes so deeply?

If we can sit there and take that from a man who has only been on our campus six days of his life without questioning him – we really are all those things he said.

There is no way someone like him can pass through our lives, challenge us with his soapbox of criticisms and then blow right back into the real world without making each of us stop and think about the society we live in and what it's doing to us.

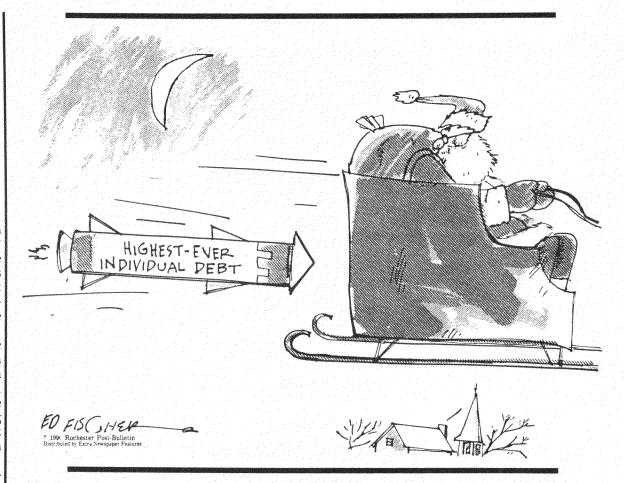
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So maybe he did put us down.

So maybe he walked in here, put up a fight about what he believes in, and walked off with bits of our dignity.

If we don't care enough to question people like Mr. Gallagher (and all the rest of the arrogant, powerful authority figures that have the grace to put us down), we deserve to be stepped on and told we're apathetic, and we certainly do not deserve to be in college.

An institution of higher learning is meant to instigate just that - learning - and in order to learn, we have to challenge those people who say things we don't believe



### Dear Lane

Dear Lane,

My parents separated last summer. When I ask them why, they both tell me it's the other one's fault. I feel like they are trying to get me to choose sides.

Since I live on campus, I usually try not to think about it or can put it out of my mind. However, with the holidays coming up, I am really worried about what I am going to do. It will be the first time the family won't be together. I have to make a decision where to go.

I know I'm going to feel guilty no matter who I decide to be with.

Signed, "Torn apart"

Dear "Torn apart,"

There is no way to get through a parent's divorce without feelings of sadness, anger and loss. Since the holidays are usually associated with family togetherness, happiness, and security, when there is a family crisis, this time of year can be a time of acute stress and pain.

Compounding the situation, however, is the fact that you feel caught between your parents and feel you must make them both happy.

It is important for you to realize that it is inappropriate as well as unfair to you to be a confidant for, or to be asked to side with, either of your parents.

The dynamics between your parents belong between your parents without you in the middle. Your decision where to spend the holidays is a tough one. Whatever you decide, keep in mind that it is not your responsibility to make your parents happy. That's on them.

You may be angry or sad about the divorce, but don't blame yourself for your parents' unhappiness. Instead, look for support for your own feelings of loss from friends and/or other family members.

If you have a question or concern that you would like Dr. Neubauer to respond to in this column, write to her care of the Wellness Center.

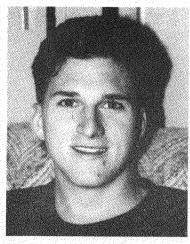
### **Questions and Answers**

by Heather Nethen

### What are your suggestions about how to sell tickets to the formal dances?



Faith Trout: Freshman "Split it up. Have the Semi for underclassmen and the Cotillion for upperclassmen."

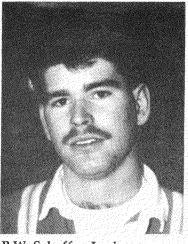


Kevin Creedon: Senior

"Let the seniors have the first crack and then move on down the line. Let the seniors have certain days to get them, then go to juniors.



Becky Kincaid: Freshman "Maybe sell more tickets, like a hundred at a time."



P.W. Schaffer: Junior "Sell all the tickets at once when everyone knows they are going on sale. Or give out

numbers to the first 20 peo-



Lisa Pistone: Freshman "Have it somewhere so that everyone can go."

### Viewpoints =

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in Student Affairs Office

Pictures taken December 12th & 13th.

Lio 4 Start your

Christmas shopping now!

Visit the Reading Outlets for great bargains at stores like J. Crew, Gap, London Fog and Polo. The trip is scheduled for this Saturday, December 7th and the bus will leave at 10am from outside of the Classroom building. The cost is only five dollars. If you have any questions contact Melanie Henderson at X4075.

### A time for change

by Karin Colalongo

I have been sitting here, trying to write this week's column, desperately seeking a topic, but nothing came to me. All I could do was stare out into the autumn days, and get lost in its reverie.

Amidst the orange and yellow vibrancy, the smell of burnt nature and crispness. I traveled to a place where life had a meaning we are often obvious to. It was here that I realized the role that change plays in my life, in all of our lives. It was such a useful realization that I decided to share it with you instead of another article about our

Watching the days grow longer, the weather a little brisker, the trees brighter, then barer, I thought of our transition from child to adult. from sure to shaky, from beescapes this.

We all find ourselves at some point in our lives at our very best, when we are shining our brightest. It is at this time when we feel strongest and it emanates to those around us. Its power, its energy, give us confidence, selfassurance and this is readable to the world. These are the times when our "leaves" are golden an the epitome ideal life. This is the picture of au-

What is so strange about this is the thereafter. Even the most magnificent of all leaves wither and fall away from the tree, leaving it empty and lifeless. When this happens, the air grows frigid, the world can become a cold place.

That brilliance of before is dormant and lying dead and useless on the ground in crumpled heaps drained ing filled with brilliance to from the tree: there is no emirunning on empty. No one nence. Autumn is ending, change begins.

This is so like our lives in that even the brightest of all moments can wither and fall a way from us, and we can feel bare and lifeless, drained. But as in our lives, after that period we call winter where life freezes for awhile and has nothing more that it can give, there is a new beginning. Fresh roots begin to form, greener and more full of life, preparing for a brand new brilliance-spring.

Each of us lives through a winter of our own, only to find ourselves with a new season before us where will be given the chance to begin again, to spring. We leave behind us, in a crumpled heap on the ground, our sorrow, despair, our anger and our lifelessness and begin to build our leaves green for our brand new brilliance.

All this from looking out the window on a beautiful fall day ... be nice to each other, someone you know may be having their winter.

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### Entertainment

## "Top Girls" offered culture and history

by Jennifer Seyfried

Top Girls by Caryl Churchill is among the best shows Beaver has staged in recent years. The play is billed as a "serious comedy" and seriously funny it was.

The casting couldn't have been better. Sue Dettmer as Pope Joan was hysterical, delivering some of the best oneliners of the evening. Jami Gorman played Marlene, the ultimate bitch, to the hilt. TJ Jewett was irrepressible as the adolescent Angie and the mythical Dull Gret. Maureen

Johnson's breathtaking performance as Win was also impressive. The entire cast was energetic and very professional.

The show was a real attention getter from start to end. The actors' speech was lively, emotional, and realistic. Dialogues were alternately collaged over each other and hushed for maximum effects. The opening dinner scene was a masterpiece of varied dialogues and peripheral activity keeping the audience

engrossed.

Top Girls was a cultural experience. Take a little history, some art and literature, a pinch of British class struggle, throw in a bunch of strong women; simmer slowly for two hours in an intimate setting-umm, delicious! It even had great costumes and Beatles music for interesting, scene changes. They ould, however, dispense with director david Bassuk's classroom style introduction.



Beaver production of "Top Girls" mixed art, literature and

### Dance the night away



Seniors Monica Flynn and Deb Goldberg and sophomore Sarina Gulisano enjoyed the festivities at the 1991 Homecoming Semi-formal.

Sing along at

Karaoke neght

Friday, December 6th from 7-11 p.m., in the Chat. Background music is provided and you don't even have to know the words.

### Get "Scrooged"!

Find out how to avoid the "Bah-humbug" blues. Come see the movie in Stiteler on Sunday, December 8th at 2 p.m.



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#### SAGITTARIUS

November 23 - December 21 Hard work finally pays off as fellow colleagues and supervisor recognize your efforts. Treat yourself to something special for all of your hard work.





**CAPRICORN** 

December 22 - January 20 Travel might add some spice to your love life or might offer the chance to create a love life. Security is found in those whom you have trusted throughout your life.



**AQUARIUS** 

January 21 - February 19 Ambition-seeking Aquarius might find what they have long been searching for as the holidays fall upon us. Remember promises you have made in the past and keep commitments you have made in the future.



#### **PISCES** February 20 - March 20

What you preach might not be what you have been practicing. Take a moment to examine yourself and see what you might be doing. The fastapproaching holidays bring luck and fortune.



### **ARIES**

March 21 - April 20 Consult those necessary when making plans that involve them and don't take too many things for granted around the holiday season.

Surprises come in big and small packages.



#### **TAURUS** April 21 - May 21

The weather might prove harmful to your emotional and physical state of health. Do not avoid a check-up. No one wants the flu over the holidays.



### May 22 - June 21

You may become attracted to someone who is completely your opposite. Feelings of desire might soon replace feelings of indifference and doubt. Be prepared for a splendid new year.



June 22 - July 23 A good role model might be needed to get you back on track in the upcoming year. Find refuge in the company

CANCER

you keep but avoid hiding from your fears. Following the straight and narrow course doesn't always have to be boring.



#### LEO

July 24 - August 23 Second opinions prove valuable in financial matters as the month closes. Avoid advice from those who you may not trust whole-heartedly.



#### **VIRGO**

August 24 - September 23 Escape to a place you always wanted to seek refuge in even if it isn't far from home. Bring a close friend or that significant other along for some company.



#### LIBRA

September 24 - October 23 It might be time to consider a new attitude on life as the new year approaches. Holding on to old views could hinder you future success.



#### **SCORPIO**

October 23 - November 21 Control is the key word in holiday shopping and spending. Organize your needs and prioritize them financially. Over-spending and increased indulgence could prove harmful in future months.

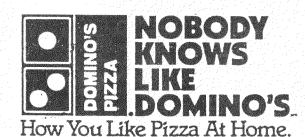
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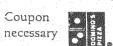
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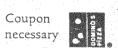
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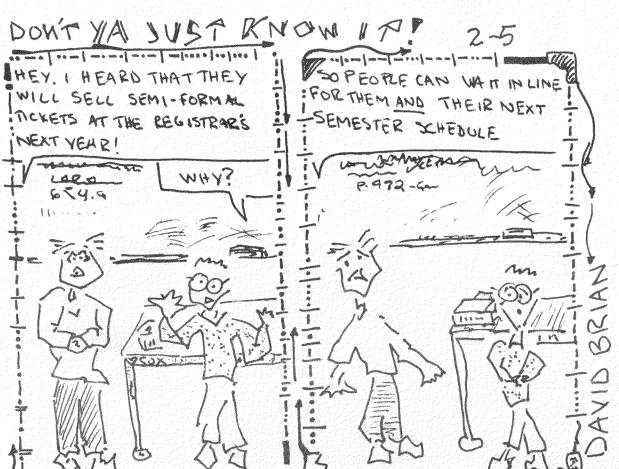
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