

WPI students complete 1000 mile bike journey

by Kieran Suckling
Newspeak Staff

During Spring Break, while most college students are working on their pre-summer tans in Lauderdale or Miami, two WPI students were biking through snowstorms, up mountains, and over icy roads to raise money for charity.

Dan Carroll and Eric de Braie biked from the base of Mount Washington to the Shenandoah Valley of Virginia to raise over \$1000 for the Asthmatic Children Conditioning Program and Summer Camp through the Central Massachusetts Lung Association.

The seven-day, 1000-mile trip, which would be exhausting at any time, was particularly grueling due to the late win-

ter snows. Their original starting point atop Mount Washington was moved to the bottom because of a snowstorm, and they were forced to ride most of the way through New Hampshire in five inches of snow and ice. The bad weather continued through Massachusetts, Connecticut, and New York before finally letting up. De Braie complained that their "water bottles froze within ten minutes in the sub-freezing temperatures."

Their typical day began at 5 a.m. and ended some 12 hours later, over 140 miles from the morning's starting location. Although Howard Johnson's provided them with food and lodging for the trip, on the road they were on their own. They had to cope with the weather, the

mountains, flat tires and an occasional make-shift repair job including a delicate freewheel overhaul "with a screw driver and a large rock outside of Harrisburg, Penn."

The most spectacular and most challenging part of the trip was crossing the Blue Ridge Mountains in Virginia. At one point de Braie and Carroll had to climb 22 straight miles before finally reaching the summit of one peak. Another ascent near Fort Royal was so steep they climbed 2,100 feet in only 5 miles! Coming down these mountains they reached speeds of 55 mph, easily passing cars on their way.

What was the best part of the trip? "The people we met," both Dan and Eric agree. At one point outside Nashua, N.H.

they stopped to ask directions and were told that the road that they wanted was, "Two and a half miles back up the road and NO shortcuts." They didn't have the heart to tell him that they had already ridden 40 miles that morning and had over 100 miles still left to pedal.

"Everywhere we went people were inviting us in for food and trying to help us in any way they could," said de Braie. "It was really great."

What's next for the two adventurers? Well, both were quick to reply they just wanted to rest and did not plan to do anything like this again too soon, especially not in the winter season. But with a wry smile Dan begins to think of something to beat this journey.

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Welcome
Back!

SAE plans car rallye

by Marge Motyka

Ladies and gentlemen, tune up, and get ready to start your engines because it's time again for the SAE Car Rallye. This year's rallye will be held on Saturday, April 14, and should prove to be enjoyable and challenging for all.

As in previous years, it will be a novice-class rallye (no previous rallye experience is necessary; anyone with a driver's license and a car is a potential rallyist). It is a time-distance rallye; you will be given a set of coded instructions or clues to guide you through the route.

The route, which starts at the Quad and ends at the Pub, is approximately seventy miles long and should take between three and four hours to complete. It will be divided into several sections (legs) with checkpoints between the legs to record your time. If you travel the correct route at the speed specified in the instructions, your time will be close to the exact time computed by SAE for that leg. The closer you come to the time, the better your score will be.

In addition, you can have a great night, too, at the Rallye party in the Pub Saturday night. All rallye participants get free admission to the Pub, where the Glenn Phillips Band will play and trophies will be given to all the winners.

All proceeds from the event will be donated to the Easter Seal Society of Worcester.

You may register by using the form in this paper, or by signing up at the Car Rallye Booth in the Wedge on April 9-12. The number of entries is limited and the deadline for entries is 4 p.m. on Thursday, April 12.

Car Rallye Details

- 1) Entrance fee is \$10.00 per car (\$7.00 with college I.D.)
- 2) No limit to number of people per car (no motorcycles)
- 3) Rallye starts at the WPI Quad and ends at the Pub.
- 4) First car leaves at 9:30 a.m., Saturday, April 14, 1984.
- 5) You will be notified of your starting time if it isn't the same time as listed above.
- 6) All entrants should register at least 45 minutes before their starting time in order to provide enough time to read rules and clues.
- 7) You can enter as an individual or as a team (see below).
- 8) Team Regulations:
 - a) Minimum entry — 3 cars
 - b) Maximum entry — 6 cars
 - c) Best three scores will be added for the team score
 - d) Lowest team score is the winner
 - e) A group can enter more than one team.
- 9) All proceeds benefit the Easter Seal Society.
- 10) Prizes will be awarded in the Goats Head Pub.

New Humanities Award to be presented

by Jeanne Benjamin

On Tuesday, April 3, at 4:00 p.m. in the Lower Wedge, the first award presentation for outstanding projects in the humanities will be hosted by the Humanities Department. The competition, which was made possible by an endowment set up by the Class of 1879, will feature three outstanding projects which were completed during either last C, D or E terms or during A or B term of this year. All students who completed their sufficiencies during this time period, and all faculty are invited to attend this ceremony.

Professors Deborah Valenze, Susan Vick, Thomas Shannon and Peter Onuf make up the prize committee. Reviewed sufficiencies were nominated by humanities faculty in history, literature, philo-

sophy, drama/theater and music. The three winners were picked from any category of the Humanities Department to encourage the interaction of the disciplines within the department. This award presentation is part of an effort to publicize events happening in the Humanities Department, and to give students the recognition they deserve for Sufficiency Project achievements.

The three winners will describe their projects at the short program and will receive both a certificate of presentation and a check. Also, a plaque will be displayed with the three winners' names on it in a location to be announced. This Sufficiency Award will be an annual opportunity for students from now on.

Campus social life survey

In the fall, the WPI Social Committee issued a Campus Social Life Survey, intended to be used as the tool to allow the Social Committee and the Dean of Students to evaluate past social programs and activities that WPI students would like to see initiated, changed, or continued. These were the results.

- 547 people responded, 380 male, 167 female.
- Over 70% of all respondents would like to see music videos in the Pub.
- Over 30% of all respondents regularly attend Centrum events.

• Soccomm series in order of "like" responses:

1. Movies
2. Concerts
3. Mixers
4. Pub Bands
5. Nightclubs
6. Coffeehouses
7. Spectrum
8. Cinematech

• Soccomm series in order of "dislike" responses:

1. Mixers
2. Concerts
3. Nightclubs
4. Coffeehouses

5. Pub Bands
6. Cinematech
7. Spectrum
8. Movies

• Soccomm series in order of "Don't Attend" responses:

1. Cinematech
2. Spectrum
3. Coffeehouse
4. Pub Bands
5. Nightclubs
6. Concerts
7. Mixers
8. Movies

• Films are the most liked and most attended event.

• Females liked nightclubs more than males.

• Mixers were the most disliked (by number of responses) of the survey, but they were #4 (by number of responses) of the "like" category.

• Spectrum and Cinematech were the top two unattended events.

• Fraternity respondents liked nightclubs, concerts, mixers and Pub bands more than non-fraternity respondents.

THE 16th ANNUAL SAE CAR RALLYE PREREGISTRATION FORM

Entrant _____
 Description of car _____
 Group or team _____
 Phone _____ Address _____
 Send with payment of \$10.00 (\$7.00 with college I.D.) to:

Rallye Chairmen
SAE
WPI Box 2515

or

Rallye Booth
WPI Wedge
10:30-4:00

or

Rallye Chairmen
6 Humboldt Avenue
Worcester, MA 01609

Preferred starting time (9:30 to 12:30):

LETTERS

Comp changes discussed

To the Editor:

For the past three terms I have been a student representative on the Committee of Academic Policy (CAP). This committee is responsible for making policy recommendations regarding the direction and goals of undergraduate education at WPI.

Current discussion among CAP members is of particular importance to all WPI students. Recent agendas have contained the discussion of alternatives to the Competency Examination and replacement of the NR/AC/AD grading system with an A/B/C/NR system.

On March 14, 1984, a memorandum, prepared by two members of the Committee on Academic Policy, entitled "Interim Report on the Competency Examination" was sent to the heads of all departments and several administrative committees. This report contains the opinions of some CAP members as to the problems, purposes, and alternatives to the competency examination. This report can be found in the Dean of Students Office.

The major components of the alternatives presented are:

1. Elimination of Competency Exam; Required 15 Unit rule,
2. Elimination of Competency Exam; Required MQP Presentations,
3. Elimination of Competency Exam; Requirement of a "Qualifying Exam".

4. Elimination of any sort of examination. The proposed "qualifying exam" could take two forms:

a. Demonstrations of "understanding of fundamental concepts . . . to simple problems". This exam would be encouraged to be taken "before the senior" year and before the beginning of the MQP.

b. Demonstration of understanding of fundamental and advanced concepts and "applying these concepts to typical problems." This exam can be taken once. "In the case of failure of the exam" students must attain "successful completion" of a "professional practice-oriented course."

As an active member of the CAP I found three things disturbing in the way this report was established:

1. No faculty or students, outside of CAP members, were formally consulted in formulating the opinions of the CAP toward Competency Examinations.

2. No research or discussion has taken place with regard to better implementation of the Competency Examination.

3. Suggestion to improve or supplement the current Competency Examination has been ignored.

With CAP's treatment of the problems of current WPI degree requirements, I often wonder what direction WPI is really in. Last year's implementation of distribution requirements and this year's insis-

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New alcohol policy for D-term mixer announced

To the Editor:

This term will begin our new alcohol policy for mixer and concert events. Upon entering, those over 20 will receive a color-coded wrist band in order to buy alcoholic beverages at the cash bar inside Harrington. No BYOB will be allowed inside the doors. Beer and wine will be available inside for those over 20.

Athens and Blotto will be playing at the mixer, Friday, April 6, 9:00 p.m.. Athens played a memorable night of

great music last November in the Pub, and Blotto is a zany party band from Albany, NY whose hit song and video "I Want to be a Lifeguard" appeared nationwide last year.

Be sure to bring your I.D. and if you are 20 be sure to get a wristband. The bands tear apart upon removal and are then invalid, so do not remove your wristbands until after the concert. Bar prices will be 50¢ for beer and 75¢ for wine. Admission will be \$2.00.

— Jim Morton, '85
SocComm Chairman

WPIC-TV explained

To the Editor:

I want to respond to some comments made in the Cynic's Corner column of the last issue ("Tours and Admissions") by Andy Ferreira. Although the intent of the column was more or less tongue-in-cheek, I think the author has some misconceptions about what WPIC TV is and is not. WPIC TV is a service of the Instructional Media Center, and is under the jurisdiction of the Dean of the Faculty, as are academic campus departments. We are not a student video club.

First of all, WPIC TV should **not** be compared to a real television channel. It should **not** be thought of as WPI's version of "community access programming cable channel Z" as satirized by SNL's Dan Akroyd. In no way do we attempt to broadcast "real stuff" (or even the "right stuff"). I don't quite know what Mr. Ferreira expects us to provide in the way of programming, but I know that most WPI students would be hard pressed to find time to sit down in front of the tube to watch anything on a regular basis, and it's been my experience that most of them don't care that much about **any** television.

As for his comment about programs that are "rebroadcast every day for more than two consecutive weeks", I take exception to that. We try not to repeat programs any more than five days in a row. Programs are generally blocked to run at the same time for five days. This gives everyone a fair shake at seeing the program, no matter what their course schedule might be. There are only two programs which make regular appearances on WPIC TV. One is the infamous "Rockworld" (which I'll explain momentarily), and the other is "The German Scene", a series of films about life and culture in West Germany. They are used as part of a popular German language course taught by the Humanities Department. The films are a regular assignment for the students in the course, and are required viewing. By showing them on WPIC TV, we are taking some load off the AV Room in the Library, so that you may enjoy the latest tape on infinite series without having to wait in line behind some German student watching a tape about life on the Rhine River.

"Rockworld" is basically a vehicle for advertisements. We receive the tapes free, on a weekly basis, and are granted the rights to air them provided we show the ads contained within. I am not a big fan of "Rockworld", and I doubt that it will be with us for the upcoming fall season. The quality of the videos leaves something to be desired. I haven't heard a single good comment about "Rockworld", and we are currently looking into alternatives, possibly campus entertainment delivered by satellite. However, "Rockworld" is with us until the end of D-Term, when the agreement expires.

Quite frankly, running any kind of programming on WPIC TV is a totally optional activity of the Instructional Media Center. We are currently operating 56 hours a week just doing what we are **here** to do — provide technical support for the undergraduate and graduate educational programs at WPI (you know, the stuff your tuition buys). Anything we do above and beyond that support is done because we **want** to — not because we **have** to. Anybody who comes through the door and wants to produce (and the key word here is **produce**) regular, home-grown material for WPIC TV is going to have to get in line behind the dozens of regular, on-going projects at the IMC that have a much higher priority for our efforts than producing programming for WPIC TV (or anyone else). These projects include approximately four to six IQP/MQP groups per term that use our facilities in conjunction with project activities; taping two graduate management courses for use at four off-site satellite campuses around New England; in the last 12 months, adding approximately 100 new, original videotapes to the Gordon Library collection, bringing the total to over 1600, and replacing hundreds of old, worn-out copies; providing audiovisual equipment for loan to everyone on campus; doing graphic arts, photography, and layout work for virtually every campus department, club, and organization; repairing every broken piece of television and AV equipment on campus ourselves (without burdening WPI with a \$40/hour repair tab for outside service — think about that next time you abuse a video player in the library); providing interconnection wiring for almost every computer on campus (VTN network, for example) and alarm systems (Newspeak's for example), and planning new wiring systems for old and new buildings (Washburn and RH6, for example). We wired from scratch five campus buildings for VTN networks in the last year alone. The list goes on and on . . .

I wonder if Mr. Ferreira is suffering from the very same malady that he writes about — that is, misinformation learned from the PF tours. I doubt that he has ever bothered to come inside the IMC long enough to fully understand what it is we do here. His only impressions come from what he heard in a five-minute speech from the Admissions tourguide in front of a television set, and from what he perceives as "programming" on WPIC TV. I hope that he comes by some day for a real tour, and the invitation is open to anyone on campus who hasn't done so yet. I still find it incredible to meet seniors, about to graduate, who spent four years on this campus and need directions to find the Instructional Media Center.

— Doug Thompson, '78
Supervisor and Engineer,
Instructional Media Center
(extension 5220)

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Computer Science Comp

The deadline for Registration for the Computer Science Department June Competency Examination is Tuesday, April 10 at 9 a.m.

COMMENTARY

Some have complained these lines are the same
 Week in and week out, but you know,
 This top bit's just the intro here
 The article's what's below.

The poison pen

by Jody Bobbitt
 Newspeak Staff

On the darker side of WACCC

Interminable waits at WACCC
 I might as well camp out
 The place is crammed, the DEC is jammed
 NR without a doubt.
 Our Lords Sperry and Univac
 Along with Emperor Wang
 Have decreed the realtime is unreal
 My terminal's on the hang.
 It's hopeless, pointless, useless too
 To even hang around
 The DEC won't even share its time
 Because the damn thing's down.
 I watch the sunrise on the verge
 I hear the DEC's up now
 I brush the cobwebs off my sleeves
 And stiffly leave, somehow —
 I stumble, muttering, off to class
 To me this much is plain
 That "progress" in computer form
 Could drive us all insane.

On the price of books

An expense one often overlooks:
 The price of our required books
 "Book One of Three" the list will mention
 But does not call to your attention.
 The useless waste of money spent
 Begged and borrowed, sometimes lent
 For then the final straw will fall
 You'll never open them at all.
 Lab kits, notebooks, graphs and charts
 Will someone tell me where's the smarts?
 Surveys of science far and wide
 But never need we look inside.
 So we swap them at a loss
 Who's in charge here? Who's the boss?
 I'd like to lodge a small complaint
 This term's purchase simply ain't
 Worth the money I laid out
 Two hundred's nothing to laugh about.

A defense against offense

by Andy Ferreira
 Newspeak Staff

Folks, now this might come as a surprise to some of you, but there has been a lot of complaining about my articles. Some people get a bit testy when you start talking about them or something close to them and I'm sorry if I offended anyone because I didn't mean to. My apologies to Daka, WPIC-TV, Christmas trees, tours, admissions, WACCC (I'm not sure if I mentioned WACCC in any articles, but just in case . . .), roommates, the Office of Residential Life, people

of hill; goes to top; comes back down. How much work was done? None. (Look up the formula to determine work and assume the skier ends up where he started — the lift line.)

Nuclear arms! Now that's a non-controversial topic!!! (Personally I'm a leg man myself.) (Oh, I'm sorry. Now I am resorting to puns.)

I've got a better idea! Let's forget the whole idea of non-controversy and offend the hell out of everyone! (Uh, my editor said maybe that wasn't too good of an idea.)

There goes the Comp

by David F. Wall
 Newspeak Staff

Hello, and welcome to another edition of "Change The Plan." We're your hosts, various faculty committees, working once again to change WPI's education program to something we think is better.

Just when you thought they couldn't do anything else to the poor, tired, weatherbeaten old Plan, the faculty strikes again with yet another idea no one is going to like very much. They are going to try to get rid of the Comp. And, they are going to try and add a 15-unit graduation requirement.

I can hear the faculty now, going "Great Boynton's Ghost, there goes that kid again moaning about our changing the Plan. Doesn't he realize that to oppose change is futile? And besides, how can he complain about getting rid of the Comp? Nobody likes the Comp. It gives students nervous breakdowns, it gives the faculty ulcers, and makes everyone's life difficult. Time that dinosaur went by the wayside."

during Comp time, wait until you see what happens when they come in here with the happy thought that they can only afford to make three mistakes in four years here.

The current strategy is to bring this up for discussion at the April faculty meeting, with the proposal going to the vote in May. The feeling is that if it doesn't go through this time, it won't go. Let us hope. Of course, with any luck at all I will get out before all this happens. I just wonder sometimes about how lucky I was not to get caught in this rush.

On some old business, I received a letter over vacation from a concerned fraternity brother who apparently thought my little item about Hell Week was badly placed. He made some valid points in his letter, and I think it is my responsibility to address them.

Point one is this. I am not against Hell Week. That term for what usually turns out to be the week before initiation is probably an unfortunate one, but it is the one in vogue. I even have some concep-

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who like Valentine's Day, Ken the tour-guide (who can find his mailbox alone), and the millions of others that I might have mentioned in any of my articles. From now on I promise to stick to things that everyone agrees on so I won't cause any more controversy! Now, what can I talk about . . . ?

Snow!! Now with that weather we had last week I think we can all assume that no one likes snow . . . What do you mean skiers like snow? Just who do they think they are? What do you get done in downhill skiing anyway? Nothing! Ask any physics major: Skier starts at bottom

Maybe by now you are getting the idea (then again, maybe not). What I am trying to say is that a lot of people have taken offense from my articles and I am sure that some of them have wished that I would cease to breathe as well as write. Sorry. No matter what I talk about someone will take offense. All I can do is tone down the sarcasm and remind you all that I mean no harm. I'm sure you all have read the poetry column by Jody Bobbitt called "The Poison Pen". The last line of her preamble is most true.

This article is going to be very short for a very good reason. It's due.

OUT OF TURN

There's one other thing it gives us, faculty credibility.

This might sound like a lot of mouthing off, but the Comp impresses an awful lot of people. I've described it to some of my peers at other colleges and after the original shivering in their socks, they say that it is probably a very good idea.

People looking to hire us students also think it is a good idea. I know of one case where an interviewer, hearing that the WPI Plan was getting changed around, hoped that they weren't getting rid of the Comp.

And then there's the other piece of this pie, the 15-unit graduation requirement. If this goes through, plain and simple, WPI will no longer be worth the sum of money it costs to get an education here, because it won't be any different from Northeastern or MIT or RPI or any other engineering school. The emphasis will, once again, be on the courses, on passing the courses, on getting enough credits to get out of here. And that is the way it is. You might as well call the projects seminar courses to save space in the Operational Catalog.

Kiss being able to change your mind about your major goodbye. And if you think students have nervous breakdowns

tion of what purpose this period is supposed to serve. It tests one's commitment, of course. And from what I've been able to gather, it does people and property good (I know that a fairly popular element of Hell Week is to put the pledges to work fixing up the house).

Point two is that I do not profess to be making any sweeping statements about WPI's Greek system. It is the place of the IFC to make sweeping statements. My only objective in the item about the "pre-initiation period" was to express someone's concern (the original point came from a fraternity brother) about the fact that yes, it is important to test the commitment of pledges, to make sure that they know what a serious commitment joining a fraternity is, but that there is an occasional over-zealousness involved in it all. Fraternities and sororities are organizations of human beings, after all.

I hope this has clarified what I was trying to say. The fraternities and sororities on this campus take a lot of undeserved flak, and I am sorry if they thought I was adding to the barrage. And my thanks go to the fraternity brother who was concerned enough to write to me. After all, I am all kinds of fallible, too. I'm just masochistic enough to let people know, sometimes.

Spree Day 1984

Contrary to popular belief or rumors, plans are being developed to hold Spree Day this spring. To accommodate recent changes in the alcohol policy, Spree Day will be a non-alcoholic event. Plans are also in progress for the return of outside entertainment.

As in the past, the Quad will be fenced in and manned with student security. Student security will be responsible for enforcing the alcohol policy as well as checking for non-WPI guests. To ac-

complish this we will need three shifts of 25 people each. Compensation will be a Spree Day T-shirt. A meeting will be held prior to the day to cover all of the details. Sign-up between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Monday-Friday in the Dean of Students Office. There must be a complete sign-up for all three shifts by Tuesday, April 17th at 5:00 p.m. or Spree Day will not be held.

Any questions should be referred to Glenn DeLuca, Dean of Students Office.

ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT

Pre-Raphaelite art,
once shocking, now at
Art Museum

by Kieran Suckling
Newspeak Staff

"Mean, repulsive, and revolting." That's how Charles Dickens summed up the Pre-Raphaelite Brotherhood which, despite his prudish disclaimer, is recognized as one of the most important artistic movements of the 19th century.

Although their works may seem harmless enough to our modern tastes they were shocking to the contemporary art world. Their stark detail was an affront to the romantic art critics. Their depiction of sacred subjects in common surroundings without special regard was blasphemous to the church. Their subtle moral messages reminded the common

man of his plight.

The artists of the Pre-Raphaelite Brotherhood banded together in 1848 under the intellectual guidance of Dante Gabriel Rossetti as a reaction against the abuses and excesses of the prevailing Victorian art circles. They felt that the contemporary academic environment stifled creativity.

In its first major offering of the new year, the Worcester Art Museum recently opened an exhibition of the nation's largest Pre-Raphaelite painting collection. On loan from the Delaware Art Museum, the exhibit will continue through April 29 and includes jewelry, china, music, poetry, and lectures on the movement.

MUSEUM MUSINGS

Generations of Worcester people knew Nixford Baldwin (Nicola Ballerini) as Worcester's "Balloon Man", peddling his balloons on the corner of Park Avenue and Highland Street. Few realized that he was a talented painter.

When Nixford died in 1983 at the age of 94, he left a large group of paintings and drawings in his crowded apartment. Through the generosity of Wynne and Arthur E. Chase, these pictures will be exhibited at the Grove Street Gallery, 100 Grove Street, Worcester, from April 6th through April 19th, 1984.

Mr. Baldwin's work, in several media, includes portraits and landscapes dating from before World War I until the last year of his life. Most of the pictures shown will be for sale.

The "Balloon Man Show" is being

mounted and hung as a joint effort of the members of the Grove Street Gallery. Mr. Bryan Davagian is cleaning and mounting many of the paintings, and Elizabeth Killoran is cutting mattes for the works on paper.

Curators Terry Priest and Robert M. Nash have planned two public receptions: first on Friday the 6th from 5:00 to 9:00 p.m., and again on Sunday the 8th from 1:00 to 5:00. Regular gallery hours are noon to 5:00 Tuesday through Sunday (closed Mondays).

The Higgins Armory Museum is presenting an exhibit called "The Arts of Hunting, 1500-1850" from April 10 through August 31. Saturday, April 14, at 1:30 and 3:30 p.m., they will give a Falconry Demonstration as part of the exhibit.

SOCCOMM PREVIEWS

Tuesday, April 3: Cinematech

Another political struggle will hit the screen as Cinematech presents **The Organizer**, the story of a strike staged by Italian textile workers. The film rolls at 7:30 in Alden Hall and is free.

Thursday, April 15: Coffeehouse

This Thursday, Paul Strowe will perform at 9:00 in the Wedge. Stop in for some relaxing music; munchies available.

Friday, April 16: D-Term Mixer

WPI and Becker Junior College will hold a Mixer Dance beginning at 9:00 in Harrington Auditorium and feature the music of two exciting bands: Blotto and Athens.

In addition to performing on MTV, Blotto has cut three albums which feature their unique type of song. Their music contains some of the most hilarious lyrics since Spike Jones. Without a doubt, the members of Blotto perform to have fun and always share their enthusi-

Tau Beta Pi's
Medieval Manor

On Sunday, April Fool's Day, Tau Beta Pi hosted a night of medieval revelry in the Goat's Head Pub. From the introductions at the door (complete with fanfare) to the "characters" there, one had to wonder just what century it really was (or should have been). Feisty servants, jesters, royalty, and other pleasant touches lent an air of far-flung unreality to the whole affair. Most guests managed well the preplanned rule of no eating utensils, except the ones who came with (fingers).

Entertainment was provided by the Polytones, Professor Beale, and a cast of many. A similar event may well be in the works for next year. Seeing as this one was such a good time, and such a nice break in the tedium of D-term, the next ought to be even more well attended.

asm with their listeners. Their concern for humor and parody have become evident in tunes such as "I Wanna Be a Lifeguard" and "My Baby's the Star of a Drivers' Ed Movie."

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Also, next week marks the fun-filled annual Freshman Class Scavenger Hunt. The contest will be held on Saturday, April 14, from noon to 5:00 p.m. in the Lower Wedge.

Registration for all freshman teams

will be from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on April 4, 5, and 6 in the Wedge. Each team must have a name when signing up and there is no entry fee. All teams are required to have five individuals and no cars are allowed to be used in the contest. Anyone not taking part in the Scavenger Hunt who would like to help out is encouraged to contact Box 1311.

Don't forget to sign-up for Metro Night and the Scavenger Hunt! Come watch your classmates go through chaos and confusion as they compete for extraordinary prizes! They are guaranteed to be a hit!

Donald Duck celebrates 50th

by Marge Motyka

Donald Fauntleroy Duck, the famous Disney cartoon star, will be celebrating his fiftieth birthday on June 9 this year. Disneyland and Walt Disney World are planning to celebrate throughout the course of this summer with parades and numerous shows which will include appearances by the famous duck.

Donald began his film career in 1934 with the release of **The Wise Little Hen**. Since that time he has appeared in about 170 cartoons, the most recent being "Mickey's Christmas Carol" which was released in 1983.

Twelve of Donald's films have received Academy Award nominations, although he received only one; for "Der Fuehrer's Face" (best short subject, 1943). Donald has also received numerous film awards in countries such as France, Italy, Belgium, Yugoslavia, Argentina, Cuba, Mexico, Scotland, and Iran.

In all these countries' languages, and for all these years, Donald's voice has been supplied by a man named Clarence Nash, now 79 years old. He is scheduled to make some appearances at the Disney Theme Parks to help celebrate the birthday of his long-time companion, Donald.

NEWSPEAK NOTEBOOK

FIVE YEARS AGO

Tuesday, March 20, 1979, **Newspeak** article:

Recently, Alumni Gym has been having problems with vandalism — locks broken, wallets stolen, etc. . . . the only persons who are eligible to use athletic facilities are WPI students, faculty, staff, and alumni . . . However, as a result of recent problems, beginning in D-term the policy of checking I.D. cards at the door will be strictly enforced. Furthermore, security officers will make spot checks throughout the facility; those unable to produce a valid I.D. will be asked to leave.

TEN YEARS AGO

Tuesday, March 5, 1974, **Newspeak** article:

A general understanding of the Plan degree requirements is currently lacking at this college. Whether this situation is desirable is debatable. It may well be that

an important facet of a student's education is a continual re-examination of the goals of that training. However, the value of that questioning is a function of the atmosphere in which it is done.

AND A NOTE OF INTEREST

Wednesday, October 1, 1958, **Tech News** article:

A new organization on campus, the Student Wives Club, will hold its next meeting on Thursday evening, October 9, at eight o'clock. The purpose of the club is to provide a program of interesting activities for the wives of the married students. This is an excellent opportunity for the out-of-town wives to become acquainted with Tech.

Thursday's meeting will take place in the Janet Earle Room and will feature Miss Sally Porter of the Worcester Telephone Company who will speak on "Your Voice and You."

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Worcester Polytechnic Institute Summer Courses (May 30 - July 19, 1984)

Dept.	Course No.	Course	Type	Schedule	Room	Instructor							
Biology & Biotechnology	BB 1010*	General Biology I	LEC MTTT CON Tu	11-11:50 2-2:50	SL 326 SL 326	TBA	Management	MG 1100*	Financial Accounting	LEC MTTT	9-9:50	SL 121	Wimmergren
	CM ----	Independent Study and Projects	To be announced					MG 1250*	Personal Finance	LEC MTTT	3-3:50	SL 121	Wimmergren
Chemistry	CH 1010	Chemistry I	LEC MWF CON W LAB W	9-9:50 11-11:50 1-3:50	GH 227 GH 217 GH 109	TBA		MG 2101*	Management Accounting	LEC MTTT	11-11:50	SL 121	Wimmergren
	CH 1020	Chemistry II	LEC MWF CON W LAB W	8-8:50 10-10:50 1-3:50	GH 227 GH 217 GH 109	TBA		MG 2260*	Investment and Security Analysis	LEC MTTT	2-2:50	SL 121	Wimmergren
Civil Engineering	CE 2000*	Analytical Mechanics I	LEC MTTT	8-8:50	KH 116	Koontz		MG 2500*	Management Science I: Deterministic Decision Models	LEC MTTT	8-8:50	SL 121	Graubard
	CE 2002*	Introduction to Analysis & Design I	LEC MTTT	10-10:50	KH 116	Koontz		MG 3401*	Industrial Engineering II	LEC MTTT	10-10:50	SL 121	Noonan
	CE 3006	Design of Steel Structures	LEC MTTT	3-3:50	KH 116	DeFalco		MG 3600*	Marketing Management	LEC MTTT	1-1:50	SL 121	Graubard
	CE 3008*	Design of Reinforced Concrete Structural Systems	LEC MTTT	9-9:50	KH 204	Chalabi	Mathematics	MA 1011*	Calculus I	LEC MTTT	10-10:50	SH 203	TBA
	CE 3020	Construction Management	LEC MTTT	4-4:50	KH 116	Salazar		MA 1012*	Calculus II	LEC MTTT	10-10:50	SH 204	TBA
	CE 3041*	Soil Mechanics	LEC MTTT	11-11:50	KH 116	D'Andrea		MA 1013*	Calculus III	LEC MTTT	9-9:50	SH 203	TBA
	CE 3044*	Foundation Engineering	LEC MTTT	2-2:50	KH 116	D'Andrea		MA 1014*	Calculus IV	LEC MTTT	8-8:50	SH 204	TBA
	CE 4007*	Matrix Computer Analysis of Structures	LEC MTTT	1-1:50	KH 204	Chalabi		MA 2051*	Ordinary Differential Equations	LEC MTWTF	11-11:50	SH 202	TBA
Computer Science	CS 1001	Introduction to Computers	LEC MTTT CON W	1-1:50 10-10:50	AK 232 AK 232	TBA		MA 2071*	Matrices and Linear Algebra I	LEC MTTT	9-9:50	SH 204	TBA
	CS 1021	Introduction to Programming	LEC MTTT LAB W	1-1:50 10-10:50	AK 233 AK 233	TBA		MA 3611*	Statistical Methods	LEC MTTT	11-11:50	SH 203	TBA
	CS 1022	Techniques of Programming	LEC MTTT CON W	3-3:50 3-3:50	AK 233 AK 233	TBA	Mechanical Engineering	MA 4451*	Boundary Value Problems	LEC MTTT	10-10:50	SH 202	TBA
	CS 1401/2401	Business Data Processing/Commercial Languages	LEC MTTT	9-9:50	AK 232	TBA		MA ----	Independent Study and Projects	To be announced			
	CS 2023	Data Structures	LEC MTTT	2-2:50	AK 233	TBA		ME 1311	Applied Graphical Design	LEC MTuF CON W	3-3:50 2-3:50	HL 209 HL 209	Corey
Electrical Engineering	EE 2002	Fundamentals of Electrical Engineering II	LEC MTWTF	9-9:50	AK 116	TBA		ME 1313	Descriptive Geometry	LEC MTuF CON W	11-11:50 10-11:50	HL 209 HL 209	Corey
	EE 2703	Basic Electrical Engineering Laboratory	LAB MTT	1-3:50	AK 211	TBA		ME 1800	Material Selection and Manufacturing Processing	LEC TuF LAB MTh	8-8:50 2-3:50	HL 130 WASH	Medeksza
	EE 3101	Electric Transmission Lines	LEC MTWTF	10-10:50	AK 116	TBA		ME 2820	Materials Processing	To be announced		Medeksza	
	EE 3201	Basic Electronics	LEC MTTT LAB W	11-11:50 1-3:50	AK 116 AK 317	Krackhardt		ME 3310	Kinematics of Mechanisms	LEC MTWTF	9-9:50	HL 130	Hammond
	EE 3202	Instrumentation Systems	LEC MTT LAB W	9-9:50 8-10:50	AK 219 AK 317	Lanyon		ME 3320	Design of Machine Elements	LEC MTuF CON Th	1-1:50 1-2:50	HL 212 HL 212	Hammond
	EE 3801	Logic Circuits	LEC MTuF CON Th LAB W	8-8:50 8-8:50 1-3:50	AK 116 AK 116 AK 207A	Eggmann		ME 3420	Thermodynamic Applications	LEC MTTT	1-1:50	HL 130	Savalonis
	EE 3901	Semiconductor Devices	LEC MTWTF	11-11:50	AK 219	Lanyon		ME 3504	Stress Analysis	LEC MTuF CON W	10-10:50 9-10:50	HL 224 HL 224	Borden
Engineering Science Interdisciplinary	ES 1310*	Engineering Design Graphics	LEC MTuF CON Th	2-2:50 2-3:50	HL 209 HL 209	Corey		ME 3824	Current Manufacturing Processes	To be announced		Bar-On	
	ES 2001*	Introduction to Material Science	LEC MTuF CON Th	2-2:50 2-3:50	HL 130 HL 130	Bar-On		ME 3901	Engineering Experimentation	LEC MTT LAB W	3-3:50 1-3:50	HL 212 HL 212	Borden
	ES 2501*	Introduction to Stress Analysis	LEC MTTT	10-10:50	HL 130	Barnett		ME 4020*	Special Topics	To be announced			
	ES 2503*	Introduction to Dynamic Systems	LEC MTTT	9-9:50	HL 201	Hammond		ME 4423*	Air Breathing Engines	LEC MTTT	8-8:50	HL 212	Borden
	ES 2600*	Introduction to Mini/Micro Computers	LEC MWF LAB Th	9-9:50 1-3:50	AK 218 AK 004	Sun	Philosophy (Humanities)	ME 592	Thesis	To be announced		Scott	
	ES 3001*	The Statistical Development of Classical Thermodynamics	LEC MTTT	10-10:50	HL 201	Savalonis		ME ----	Introduction to CAD	To be announced			
	ES 3003*	Heat Transfer	LEC MTTT	8-8:50	HL 224	Boyd		ME ----	Independent Study and Projects	To be announced			
	ES 3004*	Fluid Mechanics	LEC MTTT	11-11:50	HL 201	Boyd	Physical Education	PY ----	Independent Study and Projects	To be announced		Gottlieb Young	
	ES 3011*	Control Engineering I	CON MTTT	8-9:50	HL 204	Peura		PE 1005	Introduction to Life-Time Sports: Swimming, Bowling, Table Tennis	TT	1-1:50	GYM	McNulty
English (Humanities)	EN 1250*	Science and Scientists in Modern Literature	LEC MTTT	10-10:50	SL 019	Schachterle		PE 1021	Recreational Bowling	MW	2-2:50	GYM	McNulty
	EN 1272*	Moral Issues in the Modern Novel	LEC MTTT	2-2:50	SL 123	Hayes	Physics	PH 1101*	General Physics --Mechanics	CON MTTT	8-9:50	OH 223	TBA
	EN ----	Independent Study and Projects	To be announced			Hayes Ljungquist Schachterle		PH 1102*	General Physics --Electricity and Magnetism	CON MTTT	8-9:50	OH 223	TBA
German (Humanities) History (Humanities)	GN 2676	German Conversation	LEC MTTT	10-10:50	SH 106	Anderson		PH 1103*	General Physics --Modern Physics	LEC MTTT	10-10:50	OH 223	Kupferberg
	HI 1131*	American History, 1877-1920	LEC MTTT	11-11:50	SL 123	Hanlan		*****					
	HI 1242*	Twentieth-Century Revolutions	LEC MTTT	3-3:50	SL 123	Dunn	Tuition: A special tuition rate for Summer Session E84 of \$1500.00 is available only for students taking one full unit (9 credit hours); 1/12 unit of PE credit may be added at no charge. During Term E only, students may take less than a full unit of credit at the standard tuition rate of \$600.00 per 1/3 unit (3 credit hours). The \$600.00 rate will also apply to courses (1/3 unit) in excess of 1 unit. The Physical Education courses PE 1005 or PE 1021 offering 1/12 unit (3/4 credit hours) will carry a tuition rate of \$150.00 per course.						
	HI 2141*	The Shaping of Post-1920 America	LEC MTTT	9-9:50	SL 123	Hanlan/ Zeugner		For catalog and application contact the Summer Session Office (793-5591), Room 204, Project Center.					
	HI 3111*	Problems in U.S. Foreign Policy Since World War II	LEC MTTT	1-1:50	SL 123	Zeugner							
	HI ----	Independent Study and Projects	To be announced			Dunn Hanlan Parkinson Zeugner							

PERISCOPE

Pathways

by Jeanne Benjamin
Newspeak Staff
PATHWAYS

The "Pathways" group became an official club in December of 1983 by Dean Brown's authorization. Up until this time, Pathways was considered a student organization.

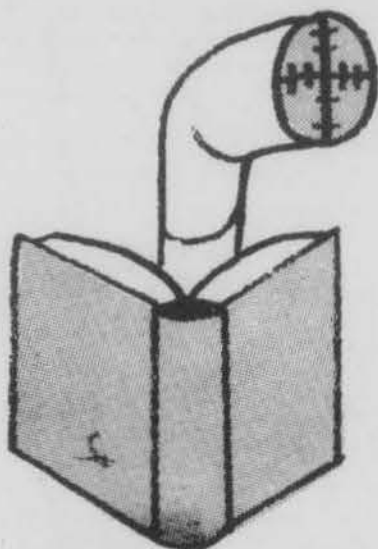
Professor Hayes is the club's advisor, but the students who hold organizational offices and are on the staff vary with each issue since it is those students who have the most time and energy to put into the upcoming issue who assume the most responsibility.

"Pathways" is a student periodical which comes out twice each academic year, and features poems, prose, and black-and-white photographs and drawings contributed by students. The next issue will be available in May, and it is the first time that the periodical will have one specific theme: "Time" (although submissions on other topics will also be welcomed). "Pathways" is a free publication, and is available at the entrance-way to Daniel's Hall, where **Newspeak** is also found. It is also delivered to those students who showed interest in the periodical last year via the club's questionnaire.

A student is considered a member of "Pathways" if he/she is involved in at least two of the following three activities: making contributions to the periodical, helping with editing and layout of the magazine, and attending the weekly

meetings held on Tuesday evenings at 7:00 p.m. in Riley 01 (Newspeak office). These meetings will continue until all editing and the layout is complete.

For those who feel their literary skills could be improved, with the intention of making finer contributions to "Pathways", or for their sufficiencies or for personal enjoyment, a special Intersession course is being designed. It should be ready for next year's Intersession for the first time. Anyone who is interested in participating in the production of "Pathways", or simply has questions, should contact "Pathways" through their WPI Box, #720.



Fireworks policy

The possession and/or discharging of fireworks/bottle rockets is in violation of both residence hall policy and Massachusetts State Law.

In addition to violating campus and state regulations, there is the inherent danger of seriously injuring your fellow students and/or members of the WPI

staff.

Students should understand very clearly the position of the Dean of Students Office toward the violation of these regulations. Violators will be assessed a fifty-dollar fire safety fine as well as being subject to serious disciplinary action.

GREEK CORNER

ALPHA CHI RHO

This year's officers at Alpha Chi Rho are: Mark Stanley, President; John Scannell, Treasurer; Jim Nichols, Vice President; Steve Mann, Secretary.

25 Brothers trekked through the weekend's blizzard on Friday night to State College, Pennsylvania. The event was the annual Crow Bowl at the Pennsylvania State University Chapter. The WPI brothers had a good time seeing all of their other brothers from around the country.

ALPHA GAMMA DELTA

Watch out for Fitness Frenzy. Help yourself and JDF... look for more details during the week! Congrats to all our competent seniors!!! We sure will miss all of you (except for your singing). We'd like to thank all the old officers, especially Lee-Anne for making this year loads of fun. Remember... Homecoming float, Christmas party, Pledge Night, the handprints... the list goes on. We look forward to an exciting year with Joyce Cutting as our president and with the other newly installed officers.

ALPHA PHI OMEGA

Alpha Phi Omega, the national service fraternity on campus, will be conducting a can drive on the dates of April 6, 7 and 8. The cans can be deposited in boxes which will be located outside Resident Advisor's doors in the dorms and in a central location in Fraternity Houses.

In the past we've collected approximately 5,600 cans. This time we hope to break the magic number of 6,000. The money raised is going to the kids of Friendly House, so your contribution will be gratefully accepted. Thank you.

DELTA PHI EPSILON

The sisters of Delta Phi Epsilon would like to congratulate Chiara Whalen on her selection for the Kodak All-District Women's Basketball Team. Way to go, Chi!!! Remember sisters, Spring Weekend is on the way, so start thinking of ideas for our newly renovated chariot!

club CORNER

CHESS CLUB

On Wednesday, April 4, the WPI Chess Club will sponsor a simultaneous exhibition in the Wedge, beginning at 11:00 a.m. Ken Mann, a WPICC member rated "Expert" by the United States Chess Federation, will challenge all comers on nine boards at once. The cost will be 50¢ for playing with the Black pieces and \$1.00 for playing with the White. Winners will receive the certificate good for a free 12" Domino's Pizza.

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

The first meeting of the Executive Council will be Thursday, April 5, at 7:00 p.m. in the Library Archives Room. All are welcome.

MANAGEMENT SOCIETY

Congratulations to the new Management Society officers: Ellen Regan, President; Elisabeth Bendantial, Vice President, Finance; Kimberly Taddell, Vice President. (continued on page 12)



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All nominees must attend the Nightclub on Saturday, April 28th.

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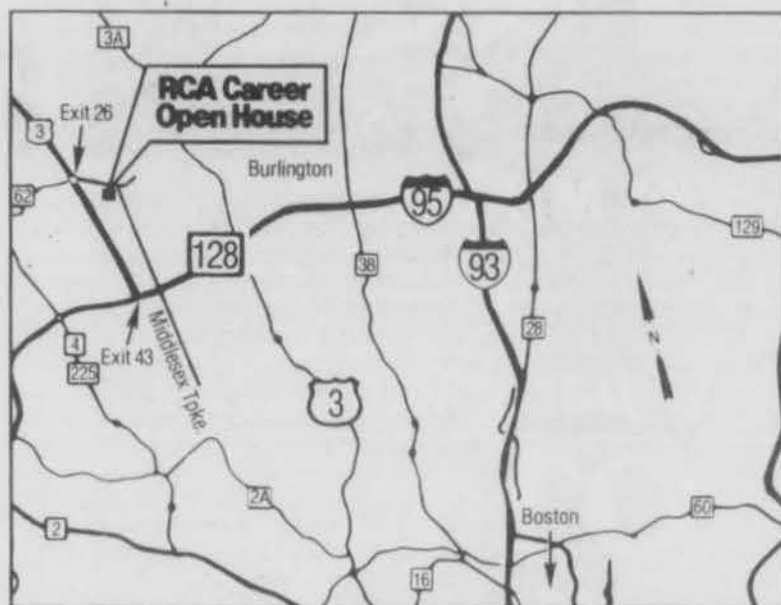


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12:01 a.m. — Fire alarm in Riley Hall; first floor smoke detector was activated, apparently a false alarm.

4:24 p.m. — Officer reports two mailbox glasses broken in Daniels Hall.

Sunday, March 25, 1984

2:00 p.m. — Alumni Gymnasium door found pegged open; upon investigation non-WPI students were found and evicted from the area.

Monday, March 26, 1984

1:26 a.m. — R.A. called to report that the R.A. had found a student passed out in room. Campus Police contacted.

10:28 p.m. — R.A. called to report an unarmed robbery in Elm Park.

10:59 p.m. — Student called to report bottle rockets being set off in Alden Hall.

Tuesday, March 27, 1984

12:36 a.m. — R.A. called to ask for assistance to quiet down a party in Stoddard Complex.

2:45 a.m. — R.A. called to report bottle

rockets being shot off in Stoddard Complex.
6:40 p.m. — Complainant in Police Station stated that someone threw glass objects out of windows in Daniels and smashed them on driveway.

Wednesday, March 28, 1984

5:25 p.m. — Campus Police requested an ambulance at Highland and West Streets for seizure victim.

Thursday, March 29, 1984

1:30 p.m. — Student called to report a tree fallen down in Fuller Parking Lot.

2:38 p.m. — Student calls to report persons in a Morgan Hall floor throwing fireworks at passing pedestrians.

NOTES: ALL FIREWORKS ARE BANNED BY WPI SCHOOL CODE AND MASSACHUSETTS STATE LAW; THUS THE POSSESSION AND USE OF FIREWORKS ARE ILLEGAL.

VANDALISM OF MAILBOXES IS A VIOLATION OF WPI REGULATIONS, PROPERTY LAWS AND FEDERAL MAIL STATUTES.

Early reports find tuition hikes will outpace inflation again

(CPS) — Tuitions at many schools next year promise to go up much faster than the inflation rate, according to scattered recent announcements by administrators around the country.

Schools as diverse as Loyola of Maryland, Metropolitan Community Colleges of Kansas City, and the universities of Missouri and Rochester have already announced price hikes for next year that are more than double the current annual inflation rate of 4.6 percent.

New Hampshire, the State University of New York system, Syracuse, Lehigh, the Georgia State system, Miami, Kentucky, DePaul, Oklahoma, New Mexico, Bismarck Junior College, Stanford and the California community college system, among many others recently have unveiled plans to raise tuition for the 1984-85 academic year by more than 7.5 percent.

The hikes, moreover, follow years of double-digit increases for students.

For example, it costs 12 percent more to attend a four-year public college this year than it did last year, according to the College Board's annual college cost survey.

Four-year private college tuition went up 11 percent, while two-year campus tuitions increased by nine percent, the survey found.

Though national averages for 1984-85 school year tuition hikes won't be compiled until next fall, recent announce-

ments by individual colleges suggest the upward tuition spiral will continue.

Administrators say the increases are necessary to compensate for the federal and state budget cuts of the last four years, to make long-delayed salary increases to faculty members, to restore and build facilities put on hold during the budget crunches, and to try to recover from the sky-high interest rates of the recession.

"Colleges got killed when interest rates were 18 percent," explains Dr. Gary Quehl of the Council of Independent Colleges in Washington, D.C.

"We have not caught up with budget cuts," adds Dr. James Quann, Washington State's registrar. "We've not yet recovered."

Pondering why tuition rates should exceed the inflation rate, Merideth Ludwig of the American Association of State Colleges and Universities says "speculation is that (the increases are) to take care of things that have been put off for a long time."

One long-delayed piece of housekeeping is faculty compensation. Recent studies illustrate college teachers' buying powers are now lower than they were in 1972, thanks largely to a decade of high inflation touched off by the Arab oil embargo of 1973.

"Faculty salaries haven't kept up with inflation," Quehl observes. "We're playing a catch-up game."

"Our salaries are basically in the cellar by national standards," says Richard Rhoda of the Tennessee State University and Community College System.

To bring them up, Tennessee colleges hope to hike tuitions by as much as 10 percent for the next year, while the state legislature ponders increasing state higher education funding by 12 percent, Rhoda notes.

Nationwide, state support for colleges has risen 14 percent over the last two years, according to Dr. M.M. Chambers of Illinois State's periodic surveys of state higher education funding.

But those average increases apparently have not been enough to compensate for severe cutbacks in the amount of money campuses received from the federal government since 1980.

Consequently, many schools are now asking their students to pay a higher percentage of what it costs to educate them.

Administrators figure it's "reasonable" for tuition to cover about 25 percent of the cost of education, with state, federal and private monies paying for the rest, explains Joseph Marks of the Southern Regional Education Board.

But recent audits in 14 southern states, for instance, found tuition covered only about 19 percent of a student's annual education costs, Marks says.

The study convinced many southern schools to raise tuition rates rapidly.

West Virginia students now pay 73 percent more in tuition than they did three years ago, although their rates were relatively low at the time, Marks says.

The University of Georgia has imposed 15 percent tuition hikes for three straight years, Marks reports, and Louisiana State has hiked tuition 38 percent over two years to bring student contributions up to near the 25 percent mark.

Yet at Washington State, students already pay 33 percent of the costs of their education.

"You can really look at this in two ways," suggests Dennis Martin of the National Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators.

"You can look at it as raising tuition at two or three times the inflation rate, and you can wonder how people figure what the inflation rate is," he says, "or you can see that the percentage (tuition) increases for next year are much lower than last year's."

But no one is predicting increases will stop altogether in the future, even when faculty salaries are improved and budget cuts are mended.

"I don't think that's going to happen," says Robert Lytle, comptroller of Northern Arizona University. "The costs of educating students are continually going up."

Colleges forced to sell themselves better

Campus Digest News Service

Like their counterparts in the business world, college officials are realizing the importance of sound marketing in their quest for students.

And they have to, if colleges are to avoid closing and decreasing services in the future. Since a peak in 1977, the number of high school graduates has been declining. That pool is expected to drop by 14 percent during the period of 1981-86 from 2.9 to 2.5 million. In 1988, a slight increase will raise the number to 2.6 million. Another low in 1992 (2.3 million) will be felt before the number of high school graduates climbs in 2000 to almost 2.7 million. (These predictions are based on a report by the Western

Interstate Commission for Higher Education, The Teachers Insurance and Annuity Association and the College Board.)

In addition to doing their homework, college recruitment techniques are taking on a more sophisticated glow — just look at the snazzy, four-color publications and advertisements for proof.

In the print media, promoting a good image is done through logos, slogans, graphics and carefully chosen photos and text. Many colleges tout successful alumni — particularly celebrities — in their publications to catch and hold potential students' attention.

Extra efforts are not cheap. At the Jensen Beach campus of the Florida Institute of Technology, an estimated

\$750-\$900 is spent on each freshman in the class of '88 — "fairly typical for a private college," said marketing director John C. Hutchins.

Before spending money on any efforts, however, admission and marketing officials — like their business counterparts — do research on the college's strengths, make prospective student lists and do perception surveys.

Of the valuable tools a marketing researcher utilizes, College Board exams rank high. The board, which tests nearly 3 million students every year, makes available grades, class rank, college and career plans, interests and awards, ethnic background and other demographic information of high school juniors and

seniors. Schools pay a fee, plus 14 cents per name, for each student list.

Private consultants are also used in college marketing as are computers. At the F.I.T.'s School of Applied Technology, a computer stores answers to common questions by prospective students for quick response by admissions counselors.

Conferences, workshops and publications from the Council for Advancement and Support of Education also aid college recruitment improvement programs.

For their part, high school students studying college options can make wise decisions by checking with guidance counselors and alumni, visiting campuses and reading college guides.

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WPI LAX rocks Florida

by Chris Good

While most WPI types enjoyed the brilliant New England weather over spring break, the WPI Lacrosse Team was hard at work in the miserable wasteland of sunny Florida. While playing in the Sun-cast Lacrosse Tournament which hosted several fine squads from all over the country, the Tech Laxsters came away with a respectable 0-3 record.

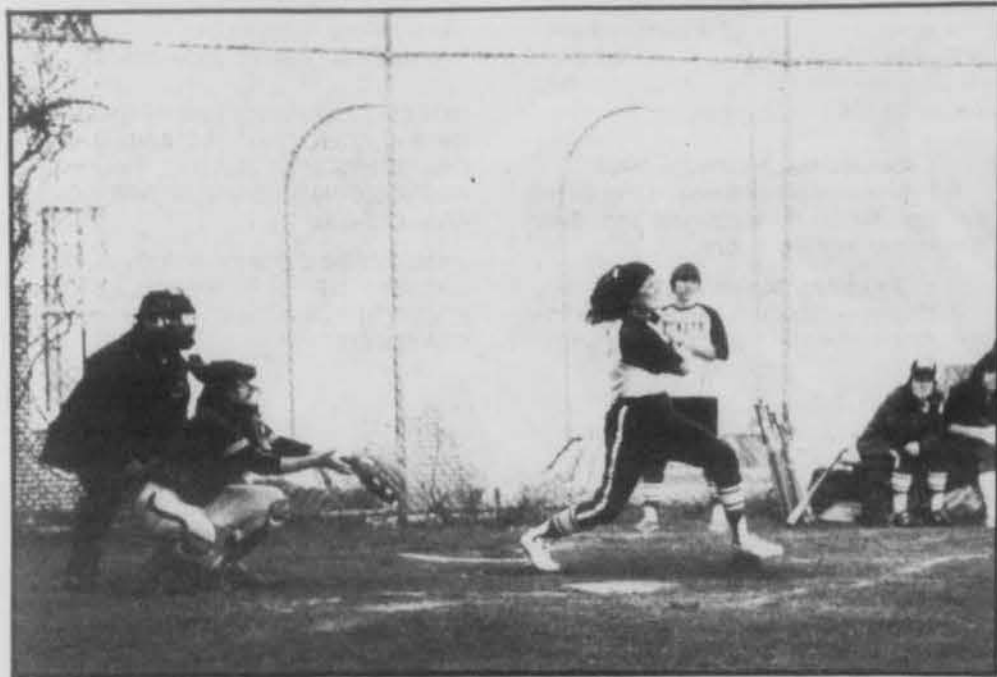
After losing a close game in the opener to Wesleyan 12-8, a game which saw Bill "Ziggy" Zagransky net three goals, WPI came into a very tough Williams team. Despite a deceiving final score of 15-2, the Engineer goalie pair of Tom Loring and Harold "Buddy" Vincent made several fine saves. The final contest ended in a 13-5 loss to Tufts. In this game the first midfield line of Chriss Claussen, Dave Sheehan, and Pat Brady played

superbly.

Overall the Florida excursion was a complete success. The team accomplished what is originally set out to do and that was to play lacrosse and also enjoy what Florida had to offer. This trip had been in the making since early September and was completely funded by the players themselves. The trip went so well, in fact, that the team is planning to make it an annual event.

The WPI lacrosse season starts Tuesday with a home game versus WNEC and continues on Saturday at Mass. Maritime. With the repercussions of Florida and the overall determination of the team and Coach, we are looking forward to an exciting season.

The team would appreciate a strong fan support at all home games for the fastest game on foot.



Women's softball practices for season. Their games this week were cancelled due to bad weather.

— Samir Ghosh.

Alumni Society Presents:

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Thursday **APRIL 5, 1984**

Atwater Kent—Newell Hall
7:00 PM

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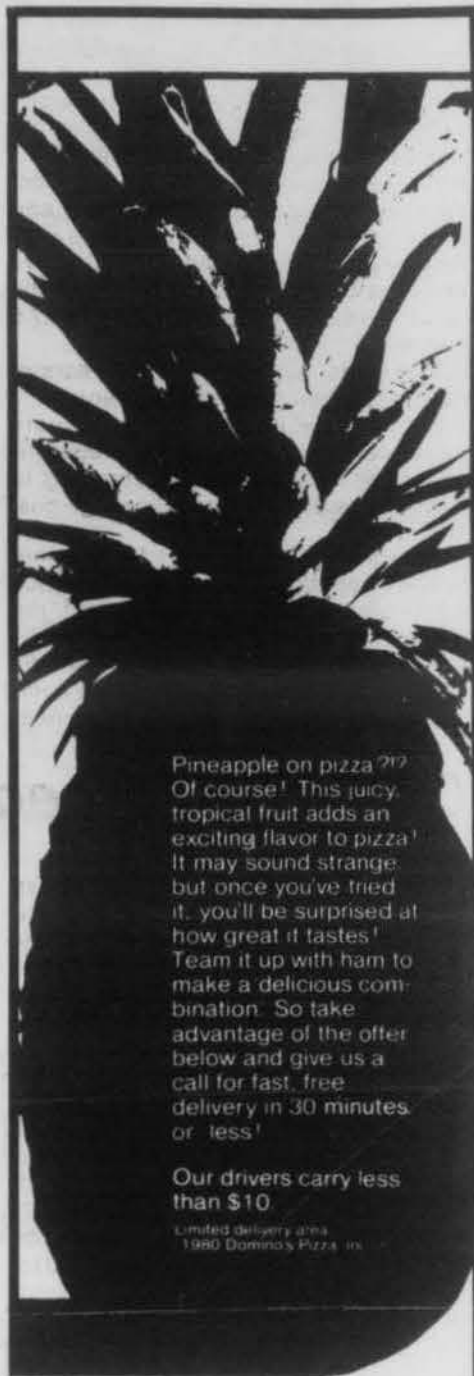
Insurance Protection — How much on your car? Your property?

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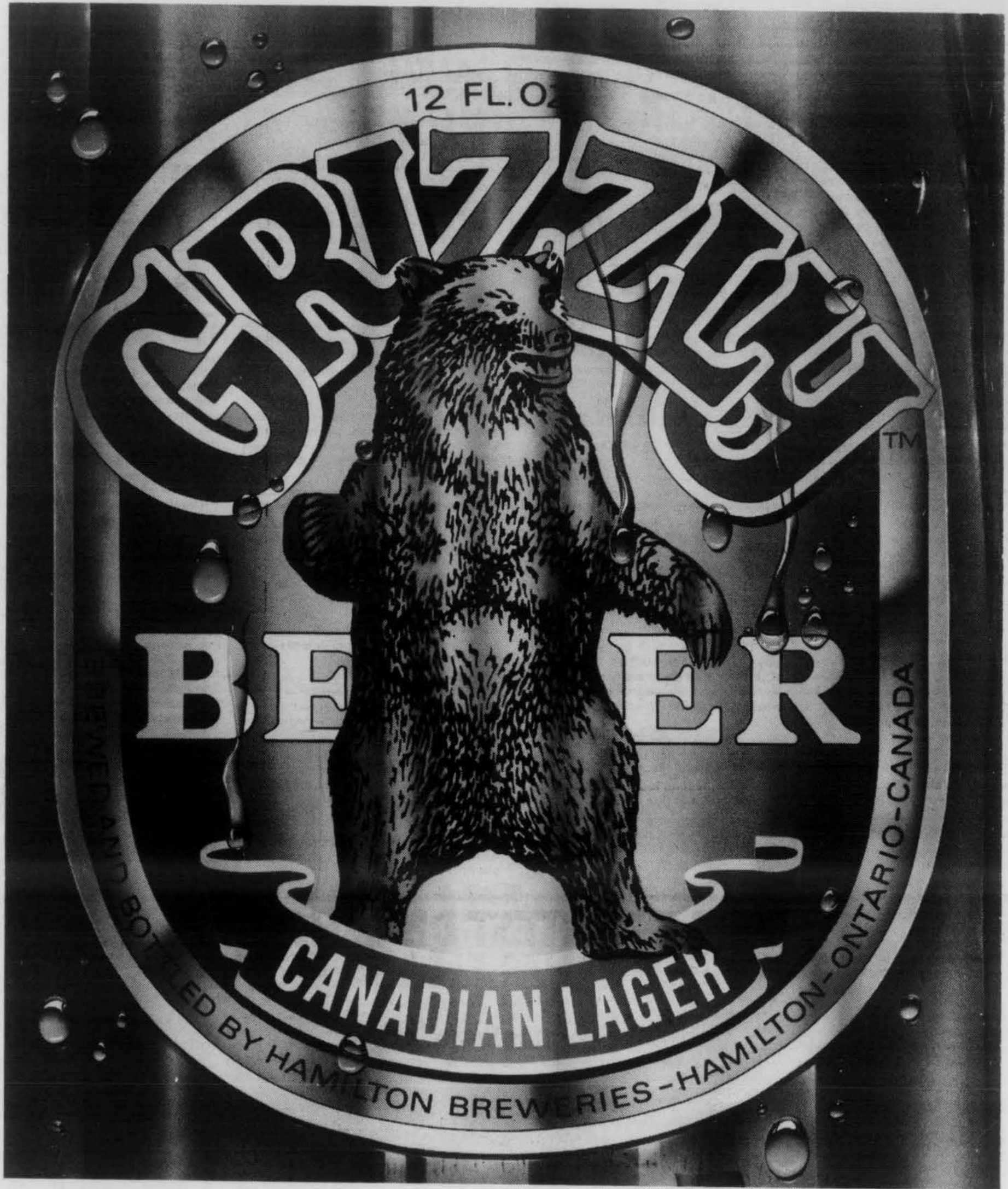
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TYPING — Reasonable Rates, 755-8551, Mrs. Cahill.

TECH-HIGHLAND — 3 Bedroom Apts. Spacious, Appliances, Gas Heat, 5 Mins. to WPI, Shea Realty, 755-2996.

COMING ATTRACTIONS! SPRING WEEKEND, APRIL 27 and 28.

DOWN EAST MAKES THEIR FIRST APPEARANCE AT WPI, JP NIGHTCLUB, APRIL 27 & 28.

The Metro from Boston comes to WPI with Music, Lights and Videos, Friday, April 27th.

Mike — Congratulations — No Broken Bones! Not bad for a damn Flatlander! Shirley.

For Sale — Texas Instruments Home Computer — TI994A. Never used. Includes computer, cassette deck, and connecting cable. \$100.00 for package. Notify Joe, Box 403, or call 792-3914.

SKEXIS: Heard that you lost something and that the replacement was too small. We didn't think that was possible. — Nights of the Round Table

DEAR SCOTT — How tight WERE they ??? This shows you must be careful what you buy and what you put in it! — MDCC

Give it up, Baby. GIVE IT UP!!!!!!
BE A GOOD APPLE.

POLICE LOG: WPI student reported theft of his jockey shorts from the Ellsworth-Fuller laundry room. Culprits were apprehended and advised by Inspector 12.

J. SCOTT — It must've been cold walking down to the Galleria in the snow without underwear!

DEAN DARLING — Been kicked out of any warm spots lately? You still owe me something. M

APARTMENT AND/OR ROOMMATE WANTED. I will be a graduate student next year and need a place which is within close walking distance of WPI, as of this May. Any other present or future grad students in the same predicament? All possibilities welcomed for consideration. Please write me a note, WPI Box 419.

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SO YOU THINK YOU CAN PLAY CHESS. Then come defeat two-time ACUI Champion Ken Mann in a simultaneous exhibition and get a free pizza! Wed., April 4, 10:30-5:00 in the Wedge.

****FREE PIZZA**** will be awarded to anyone who defeats two-time ACUI Champion Ken Mann in a game of chess as he plays up to nine people simultaneously in the Wedge Wed., April 4, 10:30-5:00.

SEX is not a discriminatory factor of the service fraternity, APO. For information attend the meeting today at 4:30 in SL11 or send a note to Box 2566.

GO AHEAD, PUNK...TAKE MY SHORTS! SMILE, Frank hasn't destroyed you... yet!

MALES WANTED to join the service fraternity Alpha Phi Omega. For information attend the meeting today at 4:30 in SL11. If you can't make it send a note to Box 2566.

GREEK BROTHERS/SISTERS — Members of other sororities or fraternities can join the service fraternity APO. For information attend the meeting today at 4:30 in SL11.

Starting April 2 Aerobics classes will take place every Mon., Wed., Fri. in Harrington Gym from 12:00 to 12:50. Come and join us!

TO ALL HISPANIC STUDENTS ASSOCIATION (H.S.A) MEMBERS: Don't forget this Saturday, April 7!! Bring lots of friends!

LAND FOR SALE in Edelweiss (Conway, N.H.) Private pools and tennis courts. Roads are well plowed in winter. Near Wildcat and Conway ski areas. Call 792-9145 or write WPI Box 1733.

LAND FOR SALE in Birchwood Hideaway (Center Barnstable, NH) Walking Distance to private sandy beach on Lake Suncook. Call 792-9145 or write Box 1733.

FEMALE ROOMMATE wanted to share new home in Marlboro located next to Game Refuge. Minutes from Routes 20, 90, 290, 495. Call 792-9145 or write Box 1733.

To A Supposedly Super Senior — How can I just let you walk away without a fight — Actually I probably won't. A Simply Silly Sophomore

SOMEONE stole my underwear from my laundry. Bought a new set, but they were too small. Return them please.

TO LISA (AP President): Do you have a rock at UMass, or should we send you one? PRL

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MIKE AND GENE, Good job on the rock.

TYPING — Will type your term papers, MQP's and IQP's. \$1.00 per page, fast service. Call after 5 p.m. and ask for Bev.

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Also featured Friday is the four-man, one-woman group Athens, specializing in high-energy rock 'n' roll dance music. Those who have seen them perform in the Pub will remember Athens for their well-polished original charts and their sensuous lead singer Lois Holcomb, who is a show in herself.

Together, Blotto and Athens will undoubtedly provide an evening of mixed musical emotions that should not be missed.

(Remember that a new alcohol policy will go into effect for this Mixer. See related announcement in this issue.)

Saturday, April 7: Pub Entertainment

Saturday at 8:30, PUSH will get the Pub moving into a lively dance atmosphere. This five-piece band from Boston features top 40 hits including music by The Police, David Bowie, J. Geils, and many other top artists. Admission is fifty cents and all ages are welcome.

Sunday, April 8: The Reel Thing

Magic challenges technology in a fight for the world as twin wizards each strive for ultimate control of all beings. Set ten million years in the future, Sunday's film **Wizards** shows technology as the antagonizing force. Who will win out in the final confrontation with magic? Come see in Alden Hall at 6:30 or 9:30 p.m. \$1.00.

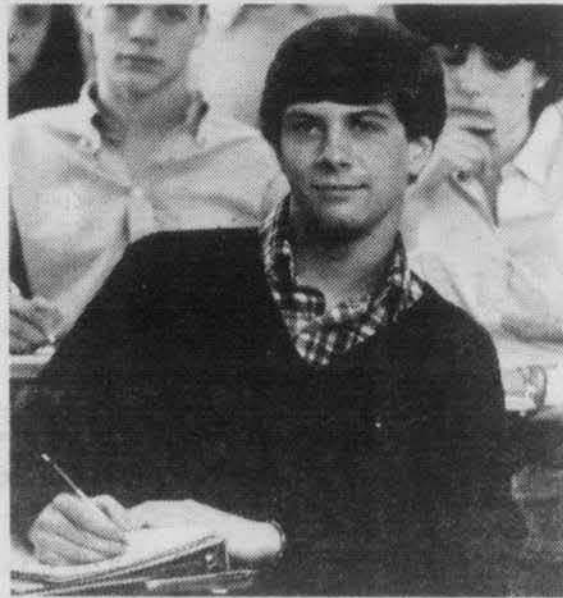
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WHAT'S HAPPENING

Tuesday, April 3

LACROSSE vs. Western New England College, 3:30 p.m.
 AWARDS PRESENTATION, Class of 1879 Prize, Lower Wedge, 4:00 p.m.
 Update Lecture: "Weather in New England — The Future of Meteorology",
 Atwater Kent 116 (Newell Hall), 4:10 p.m.
 HAPPY HOUR ENTERTAINMENT, Goat's Head Pub, 4:15 p.m.
 CINEMATECH, **The Organizer**, Alden Hall, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, April 4

SIMULTANEOUS CHESS EXHIBITION, Wedge, 11:00 a.m.
 BASEBALL vs. Babson, 3:00 p.m.

Thursday, April 5

SOFTBALL vs. Assumption, 4:15 p.m.
 "MANAGING YOUR SALARY", AK 116 (Newell Hall), 7:00 p.m.
 COFFEEHOUSE, Paul Strowe, Wedge, 9:00 p.m.

Friday, April 6

GOLF vs. MIT, 1:15 p.m.
 D-TERM MIXER with Athens and Blotto, Harrington Auditorium, 9:00 p.m.,
 \$2.00

Saturday, April 7

WOMEN'S RUGBY vs. Wheaton, 12:00 p.m.
 RUGBY CLUB vs. Mass. Maritime, 1:00 p.m.
 PUB ENTERTAINMENT with Push, 8:30 p.m., 50¢

Sunday, April 8

SUNDAY MASS, Alden Hall, 11:00 a.m.
 THE REEL THING, **Wizards**, Alden Hall, 6:30 and 9:30 p.m., \$1.00

Monday, April 9

CHEMISTRY COLLOQUIUM, "Chemical and Biochemical Applications
 of Electron Spin Resonance", GH 217, 4:00 p.m.

Tuesday, April 10

BASEBALL vs. AIC, 3:00 p.m.
 HAPPY HOUR ENTERTAINMENT, Goat's Head Pub, 4:15 p.m.

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tence eliminate the Competency Exam and most recently discussion of implementing A/B/C/NR grading system are all indications that WPI wants to go back to teaching patterns which I feel can fail students in their education. Current CAP discussion is unacceptable if this institution truly seeks to educate students to be self-confident and eager to better understand their environment.

Nowhere in any studies of discussion has it been said that the current Competency Examination and grading hinders students in becoming professionally competent.

I urge you, the students, to read the CAP Report on Competency Examinations and comment about your feelings toward the Competency Exam and CAP's alternatives. Comment should be directed toward the chairman of the CAP, Professor R. Sisson of the Mechanical Engineering Department, whose office is on the third floor of Washburn. If you are interested in taking part in a Competency Review Project, please contact me at Box 2487 or in person.

— R. Scott Hand, '85
 CAP Student Representative

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President, Communications; Peter Schultz, Treasurer; Michael Sepe, Secretary.

The Management Society is open to all students of all majors. If you would like to be on our mailing list, please contact Jackie Courtney, Box 1979 or Kim Taddell, Box 821.

PEP BAND

The members of the WPI Pep Band would like to thank Maureen Mullarkey for directing us in C-Term 1984. We could not have done it without her.

Thanks to all members of the band for a great year. Let's hope next year goes as well or better.

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