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# Columbia Chronicle

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Columbia College, Chicago

## Administration silent as Asselin leaves

By Penny Mateck

The unexpected departure of Director of Records Kate Asselin has left behind a problem-plagued office without formal direction and school officials silent on specific details.

Hermann Conaway, dean of student Services and Asselin's former boss, would not elaborate on the reason for her departure.

And, in a telephone interview last week, Asselin also declined to comment on the reasons surrounding her leaving.

The Records Office came under fire last semester when nearly 350 students

were unable to receive their loan checks due to the enforcement of a five-year-old regulation by the college.

Subsequently, students were required to prove financial aid eligibility. While high school transcripts were accepted as proof, many students found that their transcripts were never on file here to begin with.

"There have been problems in the Records Office for longer than a few months," explained Bert Gall, executive vice president of the college, "and we are certainly hopeful that new leadership will solve many of the problems that students and faculty have had over the past couple years."

Asselin came to Columbia in March 1980 to serve as a research assistant to the dean of Institutional Research, Hubert Davis, who is also no longer with the college.

Later, she became an assistant to Hermann Conaway when Conaway was promoted to the dean of Student Services. Asselin was promoted to Director of Records in 1982.

Asselin's last day with the college was March 1 yet according to one Records Office employee, the staff didn't receive any explanation for their boss' departure from the college or Asselin herself.

"Tuesday she went to lunch and we

never saw her again," said Chip Talbot.

Conaway said the school is conducting a national search for a permanent replacement for Asselin. Conaway will serve as interim Director of Records until a replacement is found.

Gall speculated on the length of time it will take to fill the position.

"I think it's going to take at least 60 days," he said. "It could well take more."

As to future career plans, Asselin is not sure whether she will seek a job at another learning institution.

"I really don't know right now," she said. "I'm going to take some time and think about it and reevaluate everything."



Kate Asselin

## Favorite sons fight for Illinois bragging right

### Simon says he could win

By Lee Bey

Last Tuesday wasn't so super for presidential candidate Paul Simon and he says he intended it that way.

The Illinois senator finished with 36 delegates, while fellow midwesterner the Rev. Jesse L. Jackson walked away with 375, just behind Democratic leader Michael Dukakis, who wrapped up the day with 433 delegates to the Democratic National Convention in August.

Simon chose not to campaign in the southern primary, instead pooled his resources for this week's contest in his home state.

After barely making a splash in the March 8 contest, Simon hopes to use the March 15 primary in Illinois as a springboard to better times, saying Super Tuesday's results, though lackluster for him, shouldn't be taken as a mandate by the other Democrats.



Paul Simon is looking to win big Tuesday.

"I said to you no one would emerge the clear winner," Simon said in a Meigs Field press conference the day after Super Tuesday. "This means we have a very wide open race. And Illinois starts the campaign in the industrial states."

Illinois has 173 democratic delegate votes, and is one out of seven states with primaries in the upcoming three months. The nation's final primary is in June, with contests in New Jersey and

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California, and a motherlode of 423 delegates at stake in one day.

"The real Super Tuesday is June 7th," a Simon spokesperson said before the press conference.

More than 1,000 delegates will be up for grabs in the months ahead, which, in Simon's camp, represents a new beginning for the candidate.

But to garner credibility in the other states, Simon must first prove his own house is in order by taking the Illinois primary in which he faces stiff competition from Jackson.

"It'll be Jesse and me here," Simon said.

Simon, however, could take Illinois, but it may not go willingly. The state's Democratic party is on the outs with Simon, in part because he had said he might bow out of the race if he didn't win either Minnesota or South Dakota on Feb. 23.

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### Jackson hoping for a victory

By Penny Mateck

After battling in four states in last week's Super Tuesday, the Rev. Jesse L. Jackson will step up to the plate here in Illinois ready to play for the presidency against home town competitor Sen. Paul Simon.

"We think we have a good chance of winning the state in terms of popular vote," said Jackson campaign manager Gerald Austin in a recent Chicago Sun-Times article.

Jackson's campaign took another step forward last week, when in an impressive showing at Super Tuesday, Jackson captured Georgia, Louisiana, Virginia and Mississippi and 375 delegates.

Simon skipped the southern scram-



Jesse Jackson expects this Tuesday to be just as super.

ble, due to a lack of funds and focused on Illinois.

While there is no doubt Jesse Jackson is a serious candidate for the presidency, one Jackson supporter feels the nation is not yet ready for a black president.

"Race is a factor that affects the voter

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## Dems have student support

By Lee Bey

A large number of Columbia students support Democratic Presidential candidate the Rev. Jesse L. Jackson over fellow Illinois native son Sen. Paul Simon, with Mass. Gov. Michael Dukakis receiving a vote of confidence.

Of students asked, most said they would vote in this week's primary and preferred Jackson, who political insiders say will do well in Illinois, particularly Chicago.

"Simon's got no shot of winning at all," Louis Neris, a junior Journalism major and Jackson supporter said. "He's only got a couple of delegates. He's from Illinois, but it won't save him."

Simon, who virtually bypassed last week's Super Tuesday primary to concentrate his resources on the upcoming primary races, needs Illinois support to convincingly go onto other states during



the next three months of campaigning.

"I feel Jackson is a better candidate," freshman Vanita Guice said. "It didn't surprise me [that Jackson did well in Super Tuesday] because I knew he would

get the votes because it was in the south."

Television major Julius Bryan said Jackson's foreign policy views impressed him enough to vote for that candidate.

"He's familiar with foreign policy procedures," Bryan said. "He went to get that American [Lt. Robert Goodman in 1983] and that shows me he's interested in peace. A lot of people are beginning to see him for his ideas and not his skin color."

"I have a few hopefuls," Advertising/Art major Gina Benuzzi said. "I think Jesse Jackson has a good chance."

Jackson seems to reach out to all peo-

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## News Briefs

### Proposed student government organizers ask for assistance

Students interested in using their talents to form a Student Government at Columbia College may contact Patrick Riley, at 538-4650 or Ryan Eugene Daniels at 268-4970.

Organizers are meeting in Hokin Lecture Hall March 17 at 12:30 p.m.

### School talent to be showcased at nightclub

The Avalon Niteclub is sponsoring Columbia College Night Wednesday March 16, with school talent performing including bands, acoustic musicians, comedians, readings, performance art and numerous videos.

Admission is free until 10:30 p.m.

For more information, Call 663-1600 x344.

### Getz Theater to feature newly-discovered black music

The Black Music Repertory will give a world premiere performance featuring newly discovered printed music by black composers March 25 at 7:00 p.m., at the Getz Theater, 72 E. 11th St. Donations are \$50.00. A champagne reception precedes the event at 5:30 p.m.

For more information, call 663-9465.

### Library to exhibit works of Nelson Algren

The Special Collections division of the Chicago Public Library will display original manuscripts of the late Nelson Algren, the celebrated Chicago writer. The writer's works, including a few personal letters to his friends will be on display at the G.A.R. Museum, second floor of the Cultural Center, 78 E. Washington, until May 21.

For more information, call 269-2926.

### Scholarship for Vietnam Vets

The Paralyzed Veterans of America/Youth for Vietnam Veterans Scholarship fund is accepting applications for a \$1500 grant awarded to college students.

Applicants must be a natural or legally adopted son of a Vietnam Vet killed in action, an MIA, POW, disabled with 100% service-connected rating, or rated 100% disabled for VA purposes. Deadline is May 31.

For more information consult your phone book for nearest PVA chapter.

# Civil rights movement now in "disarray," activist says

By Kimberly Rachal

In honor and recognition of Black History month, the Black History Club recently hosted civil rights activist Julian Bond.

More than 200 people attended the affair held in the Getz Theater, 72 E. 11th St.

His lecture, "The Legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King," not only reminded the audience of the marches, pickets and protests which began the civil rights movement, it also answered many questions about the status of blacks in today's society.

"Anything you say about current civil rights is, of course, the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King," Glenn Graham, history coordinator for the Liberal Education department said.

Graham, also advisor to the Black History Club said that he was very pleased to have Bond at Columbia. "The students deserve to have someone of his stature come to speak," Graham said.

Bond expressed fear that blacks are not doing their part in continuing to uphold what King, as well as everyone else, involved in the civil rights movement, stood for.

"The movement of yesterday now seems to be in some disarray," he said.

Bond pointed out that many blacks have become complacent with their conditions today.

"Although our general condition has improved a great deal, our relative condition has managed to get worse," he said.

Bond pointed out the record high infant mortality in the black community, as well as an increased number of black people living at poverty level.

The 1950's and 1960's were a "time of great involvement," Bond said.

Since that time however, "some serious setbacks have happened to all of us," he said.



Chronicle/Brett Wilcox

Former Georgia senator Julian Bond questions the direction of the civil rights movement while speaking at the Getz Theater recently. The one-time Dr. Martin Luther King protege said blacks aren't upholding the slain leader's ideals.

Bond said that many feel that by merely voting, they are doing their part in continuing to uphold the civil rights movement.

"This is quickly becoming irrelevant to the production process," he said. For blacks to continue to do their part, mass participation is needed in today's movement, he said.

The beginning of the civil rights movement occurred little more than three decades ago. Many, however, seem to have forgotten what went on in Selma, Birmingham and Montgomery, Al., Bond said.

When Rosa Parks refused to give her seat on a bus to a white man in 1954, she could not have imagined the outcome of her actions. This was probably the same case for the four black college students in Greensboro, NC who refused to give up their seats at a lunch counter.

"These small acts of passive resistance and the cumulative acts of tens of

thousands helped bring a people's movement to the United States," Bond said. These actions "did away with legal apartheid in little more than a decade," he said.

Bond explained that the best way for blacks to continue to support the civil rights movement is by becoming involved. He said there are a number of organizations which are in desperate need of volunteers and contributions.

"We move farthest, fastest, when we move together," Bond said.

Bond served four terms in the Georgia House of Representatives, six terms in the State's Senate and is a member of numerous civil rights organizations.

When asked about his future political plans, Bond said that he will remain in politics for the rest of his life, either holding office, or helping others get elected. He admitted that he does not have any major political plans right now.

## Career Opportunities

National Institute for Music Theater offers project grants for singers. Grants range from \$150-\$1,000. Contact National Institute for Music Theater, Kennedy Center; Washington, DC 20566. (202/965-2800)

**GRADUATE ASSISTANTSHIPS:** University of Montana provides stipend of \$4850 plus waiver of tuition and fees in the areas of light/sound; costuming and scenic design. Positions offer opportunity to grow in 2 year old, state-of-the-art facility. Contact: Mr. Patrick Shaughnessy, Department of Drama/Dance; University of Montana, Missoula, MT 59812.

**FESTIVAL INTERNSHIPS:** International Theater Festival of Chicago. (May, 1988) Available internships in the areas of company management, press and marketing, production, community service and outreach. Letter to: INTERNATIONAL THEATER FESTIVAL OF CHICAGO: P.O. Box 3567, Chicago, IL 60654.

**SHOOTING STAR REVIEW:** Non-profit literary magazine seeks original work for publication. The Review features original and classic short fiction, poetry, essays and book reviews. Contact Sandra Gould Ford, Editor; 7123 Race Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15208. (412/731-7039).

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(The above information has been provided by the Office of Career Services. For further details concerning the internships and opportunities list, contact Monica Web Grayless in the Career Services office, Room 607, main building.)

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**George,**

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# Women face modern issues in show of strength and unity

By Victoria Pierce

Rain did not dampen the spirits of the nearly 150 women who marched throughout the loop March 8 in Honor of International Woman's Day.

The march, while honoring advances in the women's liberation movement, protested many Reagan administration policies, especially U.S. military intervention around the world.

"We oppose all U.S. military intervention," said Susan Sawyers, a coordinator of the protest.

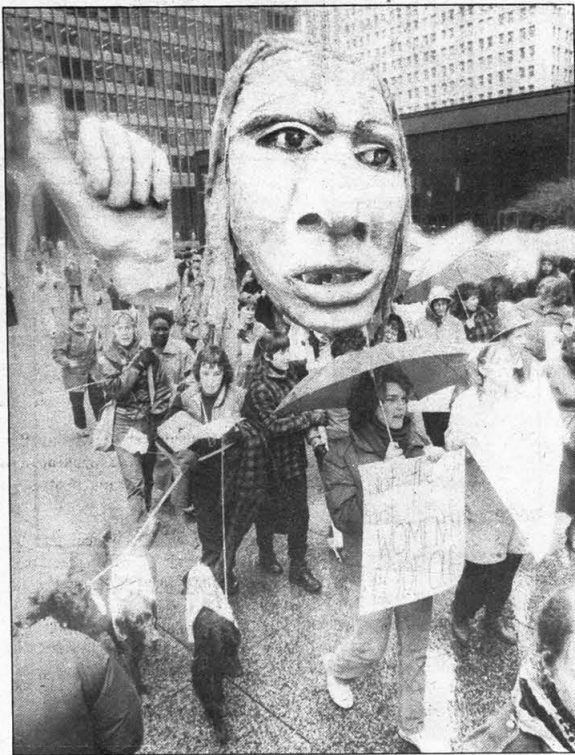
The protest honored "women around the world who have been severely repressed by the U.S. government, but have met this repression at every turn with great dignity, great strength and great courage," said Meryl Greffner in a speech at the Dirksen Federal Building.

After standing outside the Federal Building, which one woman called a "death building" symbolizing blood shed due to CIA and military oppression, the march made its way to several sites in the downtown area symbolizing women's oppression.

The South African consulate, located at Adams and Michigan, was picketed calling for "an end to white supremacy and racist violence."

The Aid for Women headquarters, located at 8 S. Michigan Ave., was another stop where one woman told a story of how she pretended to be pregnant and was advised not to have an abortion.

Five sites in the loop were picketed. Protester Margaret Powers led the women in chants of "Porn's an attack! Women say fight back!," "Nicaragua, Guatemala, El Salvador, U.S. out! No more War!" and "Fight Aids, not Nicaragua!"



Many women carried signs signifying why they were participating in the rainy march.

"This is a day for women to show their strength," said protester Jody Howard, who was leading three dogs with "Shoot Down the U.S. Military" signs taped to their backs.

The march was very successful according to Leslie, another coordinator of the event.

"We wanted to bring attention to the fact that it was International Women's Day," she said.

The Chicago march, one of hundreds around the world, was dedicated in honor of Nora Astorgo. Astorgo died

last month of cancer after being a leader in the Nicaraguan revolution and ambassador to the United Nations for Nicaragua.



International Woman's Day provided the backdrop for a march throughout the Loop protesting U.S. military intervention, apartheid, AIDS discrimination, the right to abortions and exploitative advertising.

Above: Women banged pots and pans together symbolising a break from women's oppression.

Photos by  
Tom Holoubek

## Simon

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Illinois House Speaker Michael Madigan reportedly took issue with Simon's remarks and allegedly hinted Simon's Senate reelection chances could be affected if he left the race.

Other party members are dissatisfied with Simon's attendance in the Senate, which has dropped considerably since he has been on the campaign trail.

A spokesman at Simon's campaign office in Chicago said Illinois Demo-

crats will fall in line with the senator by the Illinois primary, however.

Another factor could be Simon's reportedly low campaign funds, which political insiders say is the reason he didn't campaign for the Super Tuesday primary—he couldn't afford to. And Simon said he will not use television spots in the Illinois race either.

"Frankly, I'm hoping not to advertise in Illinois," he said. "I'm offering the people of Illinois 30 years of service, not 30 seconds of advertising."

But Simon also admitted "If I spent as much money as some candidates, I would have as many delegates."

A case of two many liberals in the pot could turn out to be Simon's undoing in Illinois, if anything does. Jackson, sure

to get most of the states black vote, which represents about 30 percent of Illinois registered voters, may also get a good portion of the liberal vote.

Dukakis is also viewed as a liberal, and off the heels of his strong Super Tuesday showing, could face a ground swell of support here. Simon is seen as too liberal in some conservative circles, and could face a tighter than expected race this week.

Simon also needs Illinois because he isn't expected to carry Michigan, the site of the next primary.

"I'll do respectfully there," Simon admits. "But I don't think I'll carry Michigan."

"I need quite a few more delegates," Simon said.

## Jackson

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when he passes by that curtain to decide who will lead this country," said Birmingham, Ala. lawyer J. Mason Davis in a *USA TODAY* article last week.

Yet before the candidates even headed into their home state, Simon conceded the state's black vote to Jackson.

But due to Jackson's strong showing in predominantly white states preceeding Super Tuesday, Simon may very well concede the Illinois white vote to Jackson also.

If his growing white support continues, Jackson also may very well go into the July Democratic Convention as chief power broker.

Yet even though his base of support is

so broad, his campaign continues to raise many questions.

Since he has never held public office, why does he feel he is a better candidate than the others? Is he unconcerned about the conflict between church and state his candidacy raises? Does he feel he has to pick up where Dr. Martin Luther King left off? Or is his aspiration simply to be the first black president?

While responses to these questions vary according to constituency, it can certainly be said that Jackson's appeal has drawn many new voters into his Rainbow Coalition.

It may be that voters feel the need for a change. Jackson is the only candidate whose powerful ability as a speaker seems to work for him.

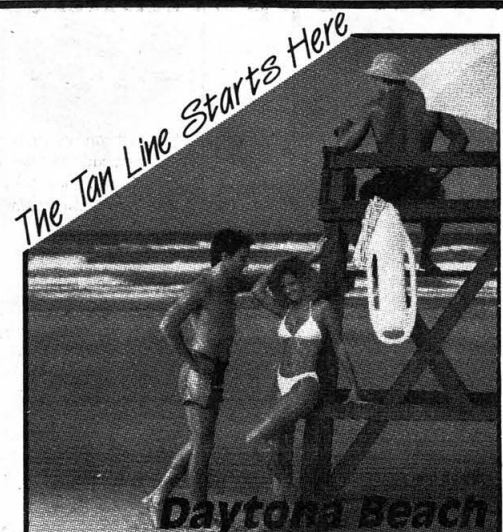
Even if he doesn't make it to the White House this time around, observers agree he is gaining the momentum he needs for future endeavors.

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# The Presidential Race

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The Democrats

CANDIDATE PROFILES –  
The Republicans



**MICHAEL DUKAKIS**

**HIGH SCHOOL:**  
Brookline (Mass.) High School  
CLASS OF 1951

**COLLEGE:**  
Swarthmore College  
1955

Harvard Law School  
1960



**RICHARD GEPHARDT**

**HIGH SCHOOL:**  
Southwest (St. Louis)  
High School  
CLASS OF 1958

**COLLEGE:**  
Northwestern University  
1962

University of Michigan  
Law School



**GEORGE BUSH**

**HIGH SCHOOL:**  
Andover (Mass.) High School  
CLASS OF 1942

**COLLEGE:**  
Yale University  
1948



**ROBERT DOLE**

**HIGH SCHOOL:**  
Russell (Kan.) High School  
CLASS OF 1941

**COLLEGE:**  
Washburn Municipal  
University  
1952



**PAT ROBERTSON**

**HIGH SCHOOL:**  
McCallie School (Tenn.)  
CLASS OF 1946

**COLLEGE:**  
Washington and Lee  
University  
1950

Yale University  
1955

New York Theological  
Seminary  
1959



**ALBERT GORE**

**HIGH SCHOOL:**  
St. Albans (Washington, D.C.)  
Episcopal High School  
CLASS OF 1965

**COLLEGE:**  
Harvard University  
1969

Vanderbilt School of Religion  
1972

Vanderbilt Law School  
1976



**JESSE JACKSON**

**HIGH SCHOOL:**  
Sterling (S.C.) High School  
CLASS OF 1959

**COLLEGE:**  
University of Illinois,  
North Carolina Agricultural  
And Technical  
State University  
1963

Chicago Theological  
Seminary



**PAUL SIMON**

**HIGH SCHOOL:**  
Eugene (Ore.) High School  
CLASS OF 1945

**COLLEGE:**  
University of Oregon,  
Dana College (Neb.)  
1946-48  
Prior to graduating,  
he started working for  
an Illinois newspaper.

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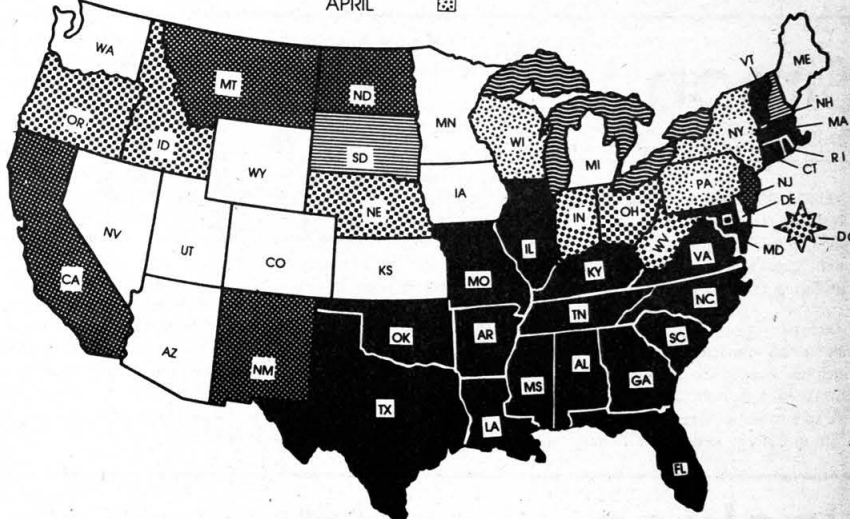
Jesse Jackson  
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Paul Simon  
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## Presidential And Congressional Primary States And Months

FEBRUARY  
MARCH  
APRIL

MAY  
JUNE



JULY: Democratic National Convention  
AUGUST: Republican National Convention

## Students

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ple, Broadcast Journalism major Patricia Washington said when asked why she thought the candidate would do well in Illinois.

"And I think Simon is basically a weak candidate," she added.

Michael Dukakis, who finished first in the Super Tuesday primary may find support in Illinois also, some students said.

"I think he has good organization and I think he will be a strong leader," said Advertising major Marci Sirota. "He did okay in the south even though Jackson had the advantage."

## VOTE

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25th Legislative District  
Punch 174

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## Attention All Students\*!

Create a project for AIDS Awareness Week and

### YOU CAN WIN \$200

To inform the school community about the deadliness of AIDS, Columbia College is sponsoring AIDS Awareness Week May 2-9.

Get involved by creating an AIDS Awareness project in one of the following categories:

- electronic media
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- print media
- visual

The top three entries in each category will win the following cash awards:

- 1st Prize: \$200
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- 3rd Prize: \$ 50

All students submitting projects will receive a certificate of participation. Winning projects will be displayed in the Hokin Center during AIDS Awareness Week.

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All projects must include the following:

- accuracy
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Entries should be submitted to the Dean of Student Services Office M601 by 5 p.m.

For additional information, call 663-1600 x361 or x220

\* Contest open to all students currently enrolled at Columbia College.

\*\* All performance projects will be videotaped by the school. Please contact the Office of the Dean of Student Services for further details.

# remember to Vote

## Steamy TV ads cloud messages

I screamed "Panty hose," to my television, but the tall, slim, grey-haired woman kept walking.

"No, it's a perfume commercial," my sister exclaimed. The woman went into her home and closed the door.

"Maybe it's makeup," I suggested.

"No, it's hair dye, like Linda Evans advertises," my friend said.

It ended up being a commercial for menopause medicine.

Commercials obviously are conveying messages; however, many times the images they convey don't correlate with the product.

Flash — a picture of a macho man. Flash — a picture of a sexy woman. Flash — macho man meets sexy woman. Can you guess the commercial's product? The commercial consists of quick flashes of the man and woman and only three pictures of the beer they're trying to sell.

Advertisers have to develop fresh, unique ideas, but they must let the viewer know what their product is.

"Sex sells" is a motto conveyed through many commercials. Maybe sex does sell — But wouldn't it be nice to know WHAT it sells?

Just imagine all the people who enjoy relaxing in their favorite chair and flipping past channels in the middle of the commercials using their remote control. If they only saw 15 seconds of many commercials on TV these days, they would not know what the commercial products are. For many ads, it would be impossible to guess the product.

Another commercial flashed the image of a man and a woman across the screen. Seductive music is played in the background.

It could be a commercial for sheets, perfume, wine or birth control.

It was a commercial for a new music television station.

Now suppose another commercial flashes across my screen with a macho man and a sexy woman. Will it be the beer commercial or the music TV commercial? Suppose another company tries the same kind of ad. Will you be able to tell which commercial and product goes with which man and woman?

Start saving your pennies because if more companies follow this trend, the new board game on the market next Christmas Day be similar to "Wheel of Fortune." Spin the wheel and the arrow will point to a picture of a macho man and a sexy woman. If you can guess what commercial they belong to, you win a colored number of a channel. Collect all channels for your remote control and you win!

By Anne Marie Obiala

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## Punch away voting fears

A sea of names floats before your eyes, you feel claustrophobic, the walls are closing in. Which names to choose? Which people are right? You decide on the most familiar names and flee the building.

Voting does not have to be like this. Yet for many people, especially young voters, it is a frustrating experience that often discourages people from ever voting again. The election process is not as hard as it looks.

When you walk into the polling place you will be asked to declare a party, Democratic or Republican. If you have decided to vote Democratic you will need the appropriate ticket.

Other parties do not have separate sheets, because only the Republican and Democratic parties have more than one candidate for each office. The primary election narrows the candidates to one for each office in each party.

Once in the booth each page usually represents a different office. The Democratic ticket page for the president will have Paul Simon, Jesse Jackson, Michael Dukakis, Richard Gephardt, Albert Gore and Gary Hart. Simply punch out the space next to your preferred candidate.

Don't stop there though, there is a lot more to tomorrow's election than just the presidential primary.

Delegates for each presidential candidate are also chosen tomorrow. The more delegates your candidate has going to the national convention, the better chance he has of winning the national nomination of his party.

On the page for delegates there will be a list of names, names, names. Next to each name will be the name of the candidate he/she is supporting. Punch the hole next to each delegate supporting your candidate.

Also on this page you will notice several names with

"uncommitted" next to them. These candidates are undecided and it is a good idea to punch these also because there is the chance they will swing over to support your candidate.

The primary is also conducted on county and state levels. Offices such as clerk of the circuit court and levels of judges and hundreds of others are being voted on tomorrow.

Many referendums are up for passage tomorrow. For example, in St. Charles, a referendum to raise property taxes to support the school district is up for consideration. These elections are extremely important and highly publicized in each district.

Who you vote for is your own personal choice. This year it seems difficult to pin down just what the issues are and what each candidate stands for. Newspapers are a good source of information as well as the television newscasts. The Chicago election headquarters phone numbers of each candidate are listed on page 4 of this paper. The people at these offices are well versed on their candidates views and will answer your questions.

If you have any questions about where you are supposed to vote call the Board of Elections in your area. In Chicago, 269-7900, Cook County 682-7440, DuPage County 682-7440.

If you have not registered to vote, it is too late for the primary, but it is not too late for the general election in November.

Polls will be open from 6 a.m. until 7 p.m.

Democratic elections are an opportunity many people throughout the world do not have. If you don't like the status quo of today's administration voting is your chance to do something about it.



## Photo Poll Do you think the City Council made the right decision when it allowed lights in Wrigley Field?



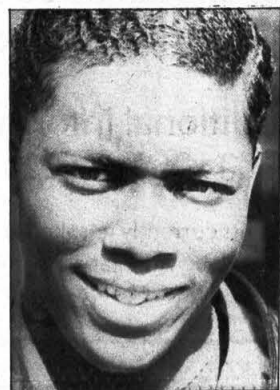
Monica Taylor  
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Public Relations

"I think they did. They needed lights. It will be nicer for them to have night games. The neighborhood residents have a valid complaint, but it's for the city as well."



Debbie Kelly  
Sophomore  
TV Journalism

"I do like night time baseball, and I don't live in that area so I guess it won't effect me. It's good for everybody. They're going to have a few night games anyway."



Michael Dowdell  
Freshman  
Public Relations/Public Speaking

"No I don't. Simply because in the day-time there's a lot of hassles, in the night time there will be more hassles. Old people in the neighborhood won't be able to sleep."



Lora Mariottini  
Freshman  
Undeclared

"Yes, why not? Night games are more fun than day games anyway. In the city wherever you go there's going to be traffic, it's just heavier in other places. Lights are just an improvement."



# A guide for the green on St. Patrick's Day

By Susan Tengesdal

Green beer, parties, parades, Guinness beer, Shamrock shakes and Irish jigs — St. Patrick's Day.

If there ever was an excuse to have a party, St. Patrick's Day wouldn't be such a bad choice. In fact, if you celebrate on March 17, you probably won't even know who St. Patrick really was. So let's take a look at him up close.

St. Patrick, the patron saint of Ireland, was actually from Britain, but his desire to help the people of Ireland led him to that isle. He converted most of the country to Christianity and introduced Latin to the Irish church. One of his legendary acts was running all the snakes out of Ireland. He is also said to have pointed to the three leaves of the shamrock to illustrate the doctrine of the Trinity.

Traditionally, wearing a splash of green gets you into the Irish spirit, be it green socks, tie, sweater or coloring your hair. If you have any energy left

after a long day, try cooking a pot of cabbage and a slab of corned beef, the traditional St. Patrick's Day feast.

On your way home from school, you won't be hallucinating if the Chicago River looks bright green. The pollution didn't do it. Chicago workers dyed the murky waterway in celebration.



Another Chicago tradition, of course, is the annual St. Patrick's Day parade, where clusters of redheads, Irish dancers, leprechauns and decorated floats paint the scene of a true festive celebration.

Not everyone can see the parade or have time to cook an Irish feast, so

where can you go to find an Irish party? Everywhere!

"We'll have enough corned beef to feed the city of Chicago," claims Shenannigan's, a bar located at 16 W. Division. Doors will open at 11 a.m. and the bar will host thousands of Chicagoans to the cheapest feast in town.

"Our normal cover charge of \$3.00 may go up a few dollars, but you'll be able to eat as much as you want." Kegs of green beer at \$2.50 per glass will replace much of the domestic beer normally served.

If Irish charm is your desire, travel to Lincoln Park where you'll find Kelly's Pub at 949 W. Webster near the DePaul campus. The place is rather small, housing a few tables and a huge bar, but an outdoor terrace filled with wooden chairs and tables makes this bar bigger than most.

"We'll have plenty of bartenders and green beer for the crowd," said Joey Edwards, a bartender. "Even if it's crowded, you'd be surprised how many we can fit comfortably."

If you can stomach it, try the house specialty—Guinness beer. At about \$6 a pitcher, you better enjoy it.

True traditional atmosphere right down to the Irish accents make the Irish Village an authentic Irish bar.

"The John Dillon band will entertain our patrons until closing," commented Mary Foley, a woman with a thick brogue at the bar, 6215 W. Diversey—is the site of spirits and plenty of dancing. You may need to brush up on the steps before you venture out on the dance floor with the prose.

"The band always seems to appeal to the tastes of the young people on St. Patrick's Day," said Mary Williams, an annual patron at the bar. A long line may circle around the building, but the wait to enjoy true Irish spirit will be worth it.

Those buttons saying "Kiss Me I'm Irish" are somewhere in your drawers, so find them, choose your greenery that will compliment your wardrobe and set your plans for St. Patrick's Day festivities because this party day only comes once a year.



## Study basics taught in workshop

By Vicki Olds

Most students think they already know how to study, yet statistics show that students usually approach the task of studying with little direction.

In a recently held workshop on how to develop good study skills, students learned that there was more to taking notes than they thought.

One of the main goals of the workshop, conducted by Academic Advising, was to show students how to study more efficiently and how to remember more of what they study.

"The best way to study efficiently is not to study the day before the quiz or test because you probably won't retain what you studied," Rose Blouin director of the writing center said.

"You should study a week before the test," she said, "then go back to it two days before the test and then the day of the test you will be able to skim through what you have already studied and then you will be able to retain it better."

Blouin, who conducted the workshop, said this goes hand-in-hand with repetition and reinforcement. It also pertains to reading and taking notes in class.

The best way to know what is going on in class is to read the assigned reading from the textbook, continued Blouin. The best way for a student to know what to read is to first read the questions or summary in the back of the chapter because it deals with the most important facts of the chapter. Blouin

suggests going back to the chapter and underscoring the important facts. Important facts are easily recognizable because they usually have bold headings

and subheadings in the first and last paragraphs. Then go to the lecture and take notes, but only notes that won't be in the chapter. Finally, go back over your notes the day of the test.

"If you decrease one of the steps then you won't do as well on the test as you would have if you followed all of them," Blouin said. "You shouldn't miss any classes because each class ties into the other." If students follow the steps of repetition and reinforcement then they are guaranteed to pass their exams, Blouin stressed.

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# Station airs good vibes about interns performance

By Matthew Kissane

In a modest spot among rows of stored library books in the Mandel Building, 425 N. Michigan, is Julie Coleman's office.

A flyer on her door is headlined in 72-point type: NO NEWS TODAY. It represents the daily outlook of reading impaired people in the days before the Chicagoland Radio Information Service (CRIS) went on the air in 1981.

The station is specially available for handicapped people who are unable to read news and information, whether they are blind or unable to hold or turn the pages of a book or magazine. The service is transmitted through a subcarrier authority of WBEZ-FM (91.5) by way of a specially installed receiver.

Coleman, general manager of the station, is one of only 10 paid employees at the station. The service, which is run entirely from the Mandel studios, relies on the work of more than 500 volunteers.

Every school semester, seven of those volunteers are interns. While responsible for producing all shows, other duties for the interns include labeling tapes and moving equipment to on-location broadcasts.

A staff consensus shows that the highest grade goes to the Columbia College interns.

"They're the best," Coleman said. "They're technically always better because they've actually had hands-on experience."

"They seem to be more sure of themselves — more confident," she continued. "I think it's because they've had more classes in it and they just know that they want to be in the field. They've already made the decision or else they probably would have never gone to Columbia."

Director of Volunteers and Interns Steven Haas wishes radio internship coordinator Chuck Rowell would send more Columbia students for his supervision.

"I wish I could get them all the time," he said. "I've had a few other good interns from different places, but the consistent quality has been better from Columbia."

The station, which serves more than 20,000 in the area, has combined with Columbia as the launching pad for sev-

eral careers. Former Columbia intern Darlene Ming went directly from CRIS to a job with Harry Porterfield of WLS-TV. Janelle Younger is doing traffic reports for Lee Communications, while Mary DeLaFuente works for WUSN-FM (99).

McArdle is now in charge of most of the station's production.

"My responsibility is to keep the station running aesthetically well and to keep the sound quality strong and accurate," McArdle said. "Levels have to be set right so people won't have to rush to their radios to turn them down."

Spring 1986 intern Joe McArdle, a Columbia senior, was recently hired as CRIS' associate engineer after two years of part-time engineering for the station.

"This is where I got my training. [Columbia] is where I learned it," McArdle explained.

While shopping for an internship,

## Columbia students are always technically better

McArdle was willing to try anything. An instructor suggested CRIS.

"My only reservation was that it wasn't a commercial station," he said. "But as it turned out, it was better than I could hope for because not only has it led to this job, but, at the time of the internship, it was a great learning process. They gave me more to do than most stations would ever have been able to."

Unlike the common "go-for" internships, CRIS has given a lot of responsibility to its student interns.

"Interns here are what we call the producers," Coleman explained. "They actually edit the newspapers. They really have a say in what items will be read from the newspapers because we can't read it all. They also itemize it and put it in the order that they feel is the most important. (They really have to have journalistic ability.)"

Along with those responsibilities, the students must also be ready to be "emergency on-air persons" in the event that a volunteer cannot show up to



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CRIS' general manager Julie Coleman (center) holds a transmitting receiver as Brad Jeffries (left) and Steven Haas flank her.

read in his scheduled time slot. Prospective interns must take an audition for voice and diction, which is given by Haas.

"We can offer people real on-air experience," Coleman added. "They can acquire real production skills from working with our equipment."

"We don't have to worry about unions and not being able to work with any of the equipment because of union rules," she added.

One of CRIS' more attractive aspects is its notable rapport among workers.

The staff reciprocates the interns' hard work and dedication by aiding and co-operating with them.

"Just like anywhere I've worked, the interns want to learn everything they can," chief engineer Brad Jeffries commented. "[The internship] gives them a chance to try everything and not get just

one dose of it. I think internship programs everywhere really benefit the interns."

"This place has been nothing but great for me," McArdle said. "In a

sense I'm still an intern because I started as an intern and they keep giving me challenging things to do and newer things to learn."

CRIS might not offer the glamor of major commercial stations, but its technical access to students overshadows the fact that it is a public service, Haas believes.

"A lot of times they just can't fathom that what they're doing is benefitting so many people in a way that no other radio station can," he said.

"It's the icing on the cake," McArdle said. "Not only am I getting experience and doing a job, but I'm doing something for a group of people who really deserve something this good. I hope that with my small input I can make CRIS into a better service than it is no," he added.

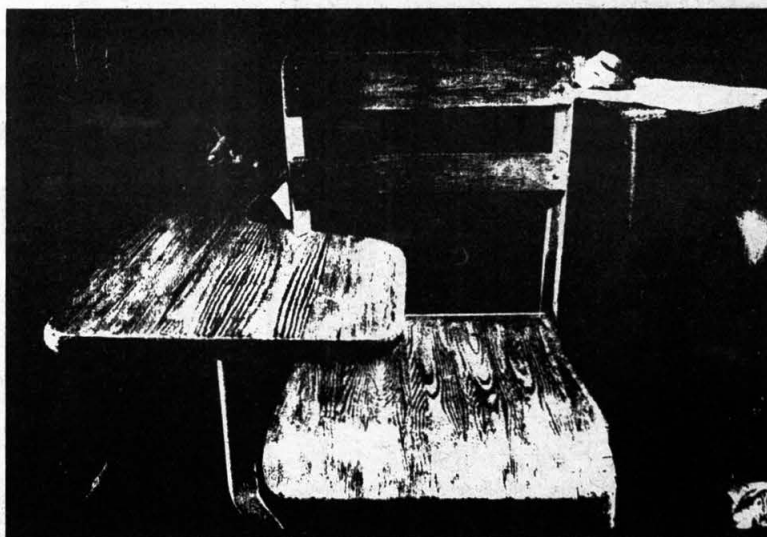
As a full-time staff member, McArdle must now take interns and part-time engineers, like Columbia senior Robert Zoetmulder, under his wing.

"I want to give the interns what I got out of the station," McArdle explained. "When I see an intern who wants to work and wants to do things, they do a great job and they learn a lot for their future."

McArdle believes that the internship was the ignition key to his radio career.

"With radio and with most businesses, if you get an opening, you've got to get in somehow and this was my start," he explained. "Hopefully, it will lead to bigger and better things."

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Chequer's Grille, in the Blackstone Hotel, offers everything from taco salad to turtle cheesecake. Pictured is the counter where you can watch the cook serve up the famous mesquite burger.

## Sizzling Tex-Mex menu makes Chequers Grille a spicy alternative

By Dena Smith

Are you tired of going to fast food and pizza places that offer only mediocre food and bad service? Do you need a spice of food variety in your life?

If so, why not check out Chequers Grille?

Chequers Grille, 636 S. Michigan, specializes in a range of foods from the good ol' American foot-long hot dog, stacked with chili and cheese, to Tex-Mex appetizers including the Queso Fundido, baked Mexican cheese and spicy beef with chorizo and flour tortillas.

Other specials include the famous Mesquite hamburger which is grilled over live Texas mesquite wood. It's a

full half-pound of ground chuck served on a freshly baked sesame seed bun with lettuce, tomato, pickles and onions. This is one heck of a burger.

You can really taste the difference the Texas Mesquite wood makes, all for the reasonable price of \$3.75.

For those who want to be creative, there's an array of other ingredients from which to create your own combination. Some of the ingredients include guacamole, fresh mushrooms and Monterey jack cheese.

Not only did Chequers impress me with a great burger and a scrumptious piece of turtle cheesecake for dessert, but also with that kick-your-shoes-off take-a-deep-breath Mona (my waitress)

will-be-right-there-to-help-you atmosphere.

There's music playing loud enough to hear, but not enough to offend customers. There's also booth seating for your privacy, or you can sit at the counter and watch the kitchen prep line put up dish after dish. That's a good way to see what you'll have for lunch the next day.

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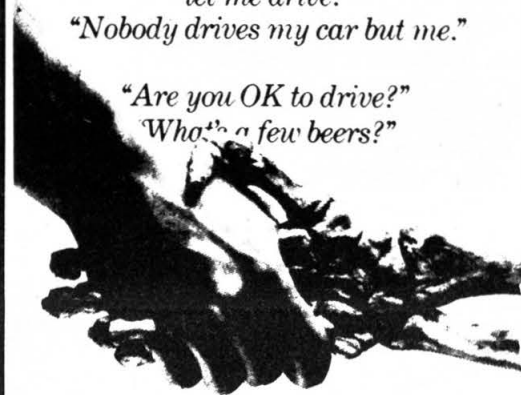


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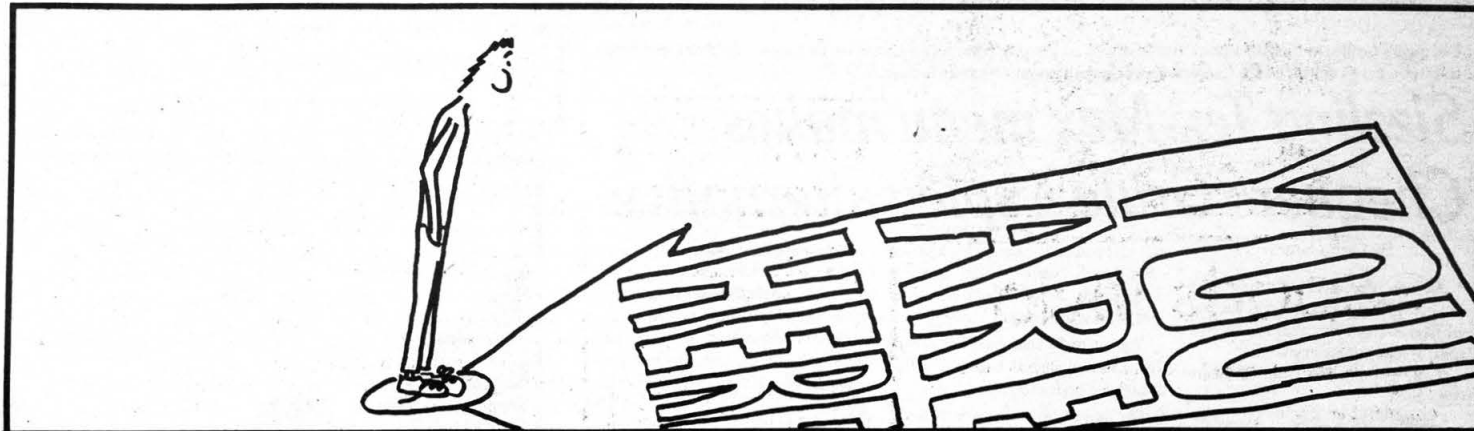
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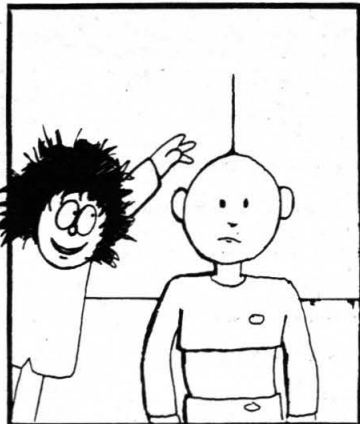
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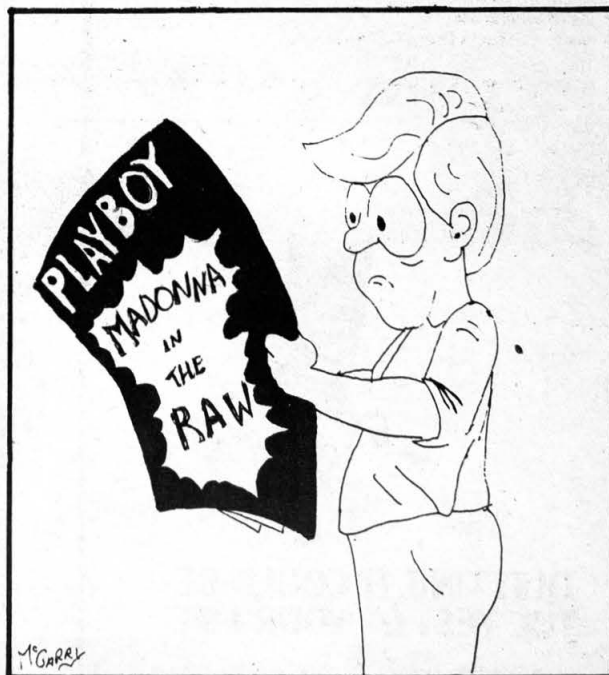
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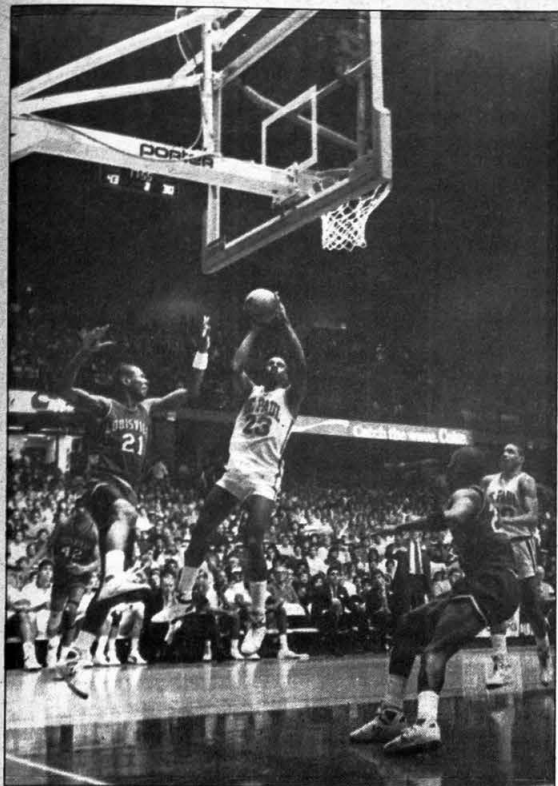
# Modern Voodoo

by Tom McGarry



Billy "Big Nose" Benson blamed his mother for his problems with other children.

What will Sean Jr. think of mommy's past?



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Stanley Brundy drives past Louisville's Kenny Payne for two of his 26 points in DePaul's 77-58 romp March 5. It was the Demons' 20th victory in their final home game. They will start NCAA Tournament play Thursday.

## Home

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The auditorium's reconstruction consisted of putting on a new roof, sand-blasting and painting. Instead of the old green and white paint, the finish is a brick facade.

Its renovation has made it possible for realistic future endeavors such as making the Amphitheater the "busiest center" for live entertainment by 1989 and possibly indoor football at a later date.

The inside, according to Weisman, constitutes a "first class facility."

## Colleges

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In *Schail and Johnson v. Tippecanoe School Corp.*, Sharp approved the district's plan, saying that school officials' desire for a drug-free athletic program outweighed the privacy rights of students.

The district's testing proposal covers athletes and cheerleaders, but not the general student body.

"Courts previously have determined that the right of participation in extra-curricular activities is not constitutionally guaranteed as is the right to an education," said Tippecanoe Superintendent Kenneth Kroger.

The ACLU, which represented the two athletes, intends to appeal the decision.

The judge's ruling in this case is contrary to the law that's out there, said ACLU attorney Judy Steward.

"We have very high hopes of getting it reversed," she said.

## Locker Room Lines by Matthew Kissane



I was talking about sports reporting to the staff of the Clemente High School *Journal* recently when faculty advisor Allan Goodkind posed a question about the status of the topic. He referred to the lack of attention female athletics receive in his newspaper compared to college and professional papers.

His assumption — that newspapers tend to ignore female sports — is a common misconception. I explained equality is a controversial subject, nobody who deals with people on a constant basis, such as a journalist, wants to slight a social group.

The unfortunate fact is that women's sports must achieve a standard that is worth noting in the news in order for it to be given just as much print as any sport. Examples such as the importance of Debi Thomas and Mary Lou Retton to our country clearly prove that. In most local papers, winning female high school and college teams receive fair print.

In a story I wrote for this paper on the Special Olympics, I highlighted the achievements of Kathleen Guthrie. Her goals were not just important for a female athlete, but for any athlete.

To the Clemente staff, I cited that I was one of only two males on a newspaper staff that included 10 women, which supported that the *Chronicle* could not be sexist in its reporting.

As sports editor, I have received weekly press releases from the University of Illinois' women's basketball and volleyball teams. I read the first release and was not impressed. When I received the next release, I consulted three of our women editors about covering the programs. They were not impressed.

When similar releases kept coming throughout the winter, I decided to find out if the programs were among the best in the country. Again, the subject was not impressive.

Although the term "women's" or "female" before a sport's name tends to bring down the actual picture of the sport, no level of athletics deserves less respect than any other.

Sportswriters are always stressing that amateur sports are as important as professionals. The competition is as equal on any level. But readers love to hear about seven-foot centers and 200-point basketball games. They like to read about big-name boxers beating the heck out of each other rather than teenagers putting forth their best efforts in the Golden Gloves.

If the Chicago Bulls won an NBA game the same day as a major female college team won a hard-fought rivalry, the commercial game would get prevalence in print. On the other hand, if a woman, like Old Dominion's Nancy Lieberman, is talented enough basketball player to try out for a professional team, she would receive more press across the country than the top male draftee.

That is the commercial law. A professional newspaper must try to sell its copies by printing public interest stories. And as a college newspaper, although we do not sell our copies, our principle is to deliver to the student body the news that they want to read.

Obviously, the Clemente girls' basketball team plays a very important role in the school's athletic program, so they receive the coverage deserved of any lettermen's activities. But Clemente Journal Sports Editor Eddie Rivera will soon find out that when it comes to giving the news to a large group of people, less popular activities will fall into their places.

## Sports Trivia

- What is the length of a basketball court from baseline to baseline?
  - 80 ft.
  - 86 ft. 2 in.
  - 85 ft. 4 in.
  - 85 ft.
- What sport allows the human body to travel at the fastest self-propelled speed on a level surface?
  - auto racing
  - ice speed skating
  - cross country skiing
  - roller skating
- How many National League pitchers won more than 20 games in 1987?
  - 5
  - 2
  - 7
  - 0
- How many seasons has Michael Jordan played in the N.B.A.?
  - 5
  - 3
  - 6
  - 0
- Who is Jim Izard?
  - catcher for the 1938 New York Giants
  - owner of the Portland Trail Blazers
  - professional golfer
  - coach of DePaul's Lady Blue Demons
- What pitcher had the most strikeouts and the lowest ERA in the major leagues in 1987?
  - Rick Sutcliffe
  - Nolan Ryan
  - Mark Langston
  - Roger Clemens
- Who is the only major league player to hit more than 40 home runs 10 times?
  - Hank Aaron
  - Willie Mays
  - Babe Ruth
  - Mick Kelleher
- How tall is Bulls' coach Doug Collins?
  - 6 ft. 10 in.
  - 5 ft. 11 in.
  - 6 ft. 3 in.
  - 6 ft. 6 in.
- Who was the last Bear player to don number 8 before Maury Buford?
  - Vince Evans
  - Bob Parsons
  - Mike Phipps
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# NCAA takes a shot at over zealous hoop fans

(CPS) — Tossing a dead chicken — or even a live one — on the court during a college basketball game now could cost the home team two points.

Hoping to control what it sees as increasingly unruly fans at basketball games across the country, the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) announced last month it was empowering referees to get tough with spectators.

Its "reinterpretation" of existing rules lets referees award visiting teams two free throws and possession of the ball if their opponents' fans deliberately delay a game by throwing debris on the court. In the past, only one foul shot was awarded.

"We want it called consistently," Dr. Edward Steitz of the NCAA's basketball rules committee said. "This is the result

of a continued increase of fans throwing objects like toilet paper, ice cubes, dead fish and chickens on the court."

If the crowd doesn't stop, referees can assess a technical foul on the home team coach.

"In the past, some players and coaches even encouraged fan rowdiness," Steitz said.

Steitz said no single incident led to the rules change, but it was announced shortly after University of Missouri at Columbia fans provoked Iowa State University player Jeff Grayer during a January game at Columbia.

Mizzou's infamous student rooting section, known as the Antlers, teased Grayer so fiercely he jumped into the stands to silence them. Grayer allegedly

threatened Antler Mike Harvey for making cracks about his mother.

"All I did was hold up a sign that said 'Your Momma is a Cow,'" Harvey said.

After Missouri beat Iowa State 119-93, ISU coach Johnny Orr filed a complaint about the Antlers — known for, among other pranks, greeting the announcement of visiting teams' players' names by shouting "smells like a bus" in unison — with the Missouri athletic department. Athletic department officials later told Antlers' representatives to be nicer.

So Antlers showed up at MU's next home game against the University of Colorado dressed as Ghandi, Pope John Paul II, Abe Lincoln, Santa Claus and other sweet characters, gave visiting

coach Tom Miller a box of Valentine's candy, shouted "good try" when CU players missed shots and, when Missouri took a commanding 21-4 lead, yelled, "sorry about the score."

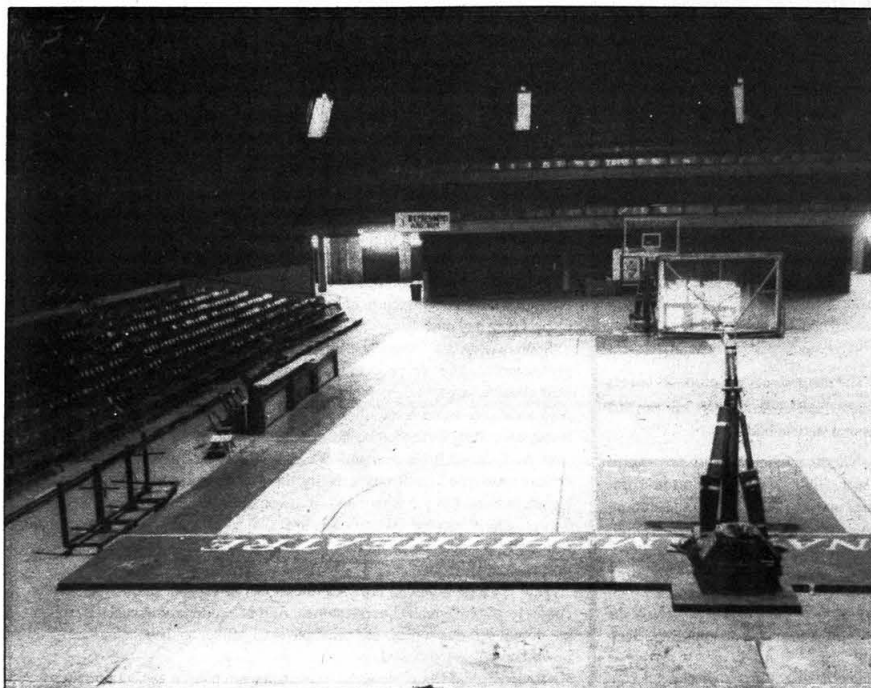
The NCAA's Steitz contends the new rule is working, noting even coaches are trying to keep their fans in line.

University of North Carolina Coach Dean Smith, for instance, interrupted a Jan. 17 home game to admonish some UNC fans waving their arms to distract an opponent trying to shoot a free throw.

The opponent, moreover, was Danny Ferry of archrival Duke University, whose Cameron Indoor Stadium fans often are cited as among the most insulting in the country.



A young basketball fan.



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The redecorated interior of the historical amphitheatre, where the Loyola Ramblers have found a home. The arena seats more than 12,000 for concerts, trade shows, conventions and sporting events.

## South Side's restored Amphitheater serves as new home for Ramblers

By Letricia Riley

The dust has settled and most of the work has been completed on a southside Chicago landmark.

"With no outside funding the arena has received a \$5 million facelift, both inside and out," Cory Weisman, managing director and events coordinator for the International Amphitheater said.

The revitalized arena at 42nd and Halsted can seat 12,000 visitors and host a variety of events including concerts, trade shows, conventions and sporting events.

The main sporting event hosted by the Amphitheater will be seasonal Loyola Ramblers basketball.

The homeless Ramblers were "enticed to play there [amphitheater]," when renovation was nearly completed, and after playing their home games at the University of Illinois-Chicago's Pavilion on the Near West Side, Loyola Coach Gene Sullivan said.

Loyola accepted the invitation after searching for a home and because of frequent schedule conflicts with other events at the Pavilion, Weisman, an Auditorium Arena Management instructor at Columbia, said.

The Chicago Park District rents the auditorium yearly for championship boxing. Without any major hassles,

"four or five thousand people can attend the match," Al Fitch, general supervisor of physical activity for the park district stated.

Car and motorcycle shows are hits at the Amphitheater also.

Jim Pionke of Currie Motors, 4900 S. Pulaski Rd. recently chose the Amphitheater for a car show because of the "market area we had never explored."

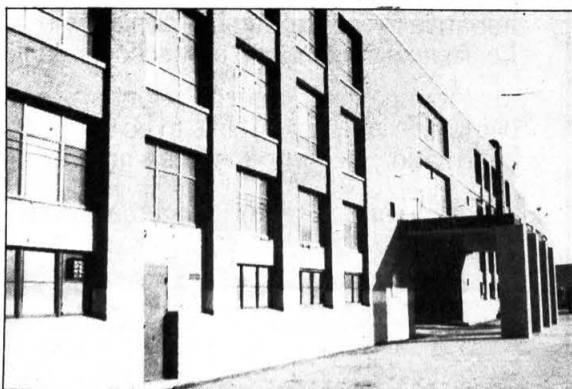
The 54-year-old building holds sentimental value in its neighborhood. After being closed for five years, Amphitheater officials felt "the investment was

minimal but the payoff will be immense," Weisman said.

After the Amphitheater reopened in November 1987, it was decided to renovate the structure because of the desire to keep the "country's first multi-purpose convention center and arena," according to Weisman, who proudly recognizes that the Amphitheater is a "monster of a building."

According to Weisman, the fact that the South Side lacked such a facility also played an important part in the decision to resurrect the old building.

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The structure at 42nd and Halsted holds sentimental value in the neighborhood.

## Legal threats cause colleges' withdrawal from athlete drug tests

(CPS) — At the same time a student — headed for the University of South Carolina — died of a cocaine overdose like the one that led to widespread drug testing of college athletes, two more colleges decided to rein in their drug testing programs.

Spirited apathy — and the opinion of the school's legal counsel — convinced the University of New Mexico to drop plans to test its cheerleaders for drug use in mid-February.

And University of Washington officials, faced with a lawsuit they didn't think they could win, said they would no longer require athletes to undergo mandatory drug-testing.

But shortly after UW announced its decision, a Maryland high school athlete died after swallowing several chunks of crack. Rico Leroy Marshall, an 18-year-old football star, was a big fan of University of Maryland basketball player Len Bias.

It was Bia's June, 1986, cocaine-related death that prompted dozens of colleges around the country to start testing athletes, cheerleaders and, in at least one case, marching band members for drug abuse.

But some students objected, and a few courts have questioned whether schools have the right to force the students to take the tests.

A Washington state court, for example, has ruled mandatory tests unconstitutional, said Ernest Morris, UW's vice president for student affairs.

UW is also a defendant in a federal court drug testing suit that has not yet been decided. The school opted not to wait for the decision to stop the testing.

"The reasoning Judge (George) Matson employed in his oral opinion, in our judgment, is likely to prevail over time," Morris said. "It simply doesn't represent wise use of institutional resources to pursue the matter."

Washington, Morris said, instead will test athletes only when there is "reasonable suspicion" the student is using illicit drugs.

In the federal suit, UW cross country runner Betsy O'Halloran and the American Civil Liberties Union sued the school and the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA), claiming mandatory testing violated her constitutional rights to privacy and due process.

"The way I look at it, it's a victory," O'Halloran said, "but I would rather have a ruling because, if they get dismissed from the case, what is there to

keep them from instituting mandatory drug testing in the future?"

"I think the UW has said 'we are going to abandon the most invalid part of our drugtesting program, and that's testing everyone without valid reason,'" O'Halloran's attorney David Tarshes said.

UW's lawyers say the school's concession may lead the federal court to dismiss UW from the suit, but Morris says it is in the school's best interest to remain as a defendant. If Washington is dismissed from the case and the NCAA wins, it should be hit with NCAA penalties.

University of New Mexico officials, however, used similar legal logic in deciding to drop plans to make UNM cheerleaders take drug tests.

UNM cheerleaders got non-scholarship athlete status last year, which entitled them to receive medical treatment from athletic department trainers. The university's rules, however, require students who receive medical attention from trainers to undergo drugtesting.

But the school's lawyers thought it was a bad idea.

"I looked at it in the perspective of if it would be legally supported," said assistant counsel Barbara Mathis. "I certainly didn't feel it was under the current drugtesting laws."

UNM cheerleaders, unlike O'Halloran, could care less.

"It's no big deal for us," said cheerleader Kristie Krayer.

A proposal for mandatory drugtesting of University of Oregon athletes also would fail state and federal constitutionality tests, Oregon's attorney general warned in November.

Attorney General Dave Frohmyer said mandatory drug testing without prior suspicion of drug use would violate state and federal protections against unlawful search and seizure.

Various courts also currently are considering the cases of athletes from Stanford University and the University of Colorado, who claim the drug tests invade their privacy.

In February, a federal judge upheld an Indiana school district's random drug testing of high school athletes and cheerleaders.

U.S. District Court Judge Allen Sharp recently rejected the claims of two student athletes that the proposed plan would violate constitutional bans against unreasonable search and seizure.

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