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Fighting the Loss of Friends

By Kathryn Leahey & Madeline Helser

Last Saturday marked the final day of school here at Antioch for four first year students, Brock Kalbfleisch, Alan Fiser, Cary James, and Daniel “Stubby” Carroll, who were all expelled for a violation of our college’s drug and alcohol policy.

A week later, Jimmy Williams, the Dean of Students, called one of the four expelled students down to his office where Williams confronted him about the supposed incident. After making it clear to the student that he absolutely knew what had occurred, Williams strongly recommended to the student that he write and sign a statement confessing to the act, informing him that he were to do so, his punishment would be less severe. Thinking his penalty would be mild; he wrote and signed a statement, an act repeated by the three remaining students. Two days later, the four were notified that they were being expelled from Antioch College for a violation of Antioch’s drug and alcohol policy. Had the students been apprehended in transit by local police, they would most likely have incurred a fine up to \$150, in accordance with Ohio state law.

This incident, if nothing else, has unified a formerly stratified academic community. Not long after news of the expulsions spread via the omnipotent Antioch rumor mill, faculty, veteran Antioch students, and first years alike were outraged and ready to take action against an act of the administration perceived as far too harsh by some. An emergency commu-

nity meeting held last week facilitated the discussion of possible solutions that would allow these students to remain at Antioch and receive a less harsh but more meaningful punishment. After much brainstorming and debate, a petition letter was drafted and addressed to the President in order to show the entire community’s concern for these, our fellow community members. After the letter was drafted and over 100 signatures were collected, another idea was brought to the table. A collection of money was taken up



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Ruggers Steal Hearts, Ball

By the Lovely Lauren Hind & Mariel Traiman



Photo by Kari Thompson

In typical Antioch fashion, the Antioch Radicals, who needed to take extra time to put out their cigarettes and remove a large assortment of body piercings, delayed Saturday’s rugby game. Lookers on were met with a veritable symphony of “could someone put tape over my nipples?” and “is it ok if my cunt is pierced?” While the Cincinnati Women’s team were busy French braiding each other’s hair and running drills, the Antioch women’s rugby team were still learning to pass the ball without “rainbowing it.”

This rag tag group of underdogs makes up for in style with what they lack in actual athletic skill. Don’t let the ponytails and mismatched knee socks fool you, these bitches can fight. Coach Jeanette has been

pulling out a closet full of training techniques the likes of which have not been seen since Rodney Dangerfield coached the Ladybugs. This year’s roster includes a plethora of first time ruggers; Wendy-Lynn Zeldin, Alyssa Kutil, Mariel Traiman, Patrice Wyman, Clara Lee, Anne Fletcher, Chelsea Martens, Meredith Root, and Katie Archer, who in Saturdays game braved a serious knee injury. Returning ruggers that are helping to teach from their experience and intimidate the newbies into rugby greatness include Antoinette Chensee, Ebonie Miles, Jennifer Switlick, Jelesia Clyburn, Lauren Hind, and Laura Kopp.

A typical practice consists of the Radicals running up and down the field looking somewhat reminiscent of lost four year olds in a crowded amusement park. They can also be seen running full speed into each other using an assortment of techniques to knock each other mercilessly to the ground. Folklore permeates the team

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My sweet, my dear, my darling Antioch,

The task of editing the Record and simultaneously bringing sexy back has utterly distracted me from my vigilant monitoring of conspiracy-themed internet message boards, so if the illuminati are cooking something up, and I'll wager they are, I'll be caught as off-guard as any of you. May I say, for the Record, in the Record, that I am so pleased with the tireless efforts of my staff I am unable to adequately express my elation. We, as you may notice, have been able to print 20 pages of excellent content for your reading pleasure this week, and hopefully we will be able to maintain this pace in the upcoming weeks. Next week, however, we will be doing something else entirely, that is bringing you a 'Retro-Record' that will highlight the best of the Record from the past 5 decades. Excited? Not nearly as excited as our staff, who will each spend 17 hours pouring over bound archives searching for the finest in traditional Record reporting. Hopefully, when the smoke clears after the next issue, we will have our FWSP positions reinstated, and our lovely staff will be regularly paid for their valuable contributions. This means though, that you folks will have to wait almost two weeks to read the CCNWSS's take on the queer's only party, or about the Peak Oil conference this weekend. Alas, alack, I think you all can deal. Thanks to all members of the community who support free speech and the Record, in thought, word, and deed. Anyone who is interested in providing feedback to our advisory board (RAB itself) should meet at the Antioch Inn on Friday at noon. We'd love to see you there.

Until Next Time
-Luke

Dear Community,

Welcome to the second issue of the Record. Totally free. FREE, unlike you. FREE, like my labor. That's right, I'm not getting paid for this issue, so you better appreciate it. Also, I am out of cigarettes and totally broke, so if you do like this issue of the Record, let me know VIA a couple of butts. It will mean the world to me. Got an idea for the Record? Tell us before Wednesday. Seriously. Someone tried to email us two declassifieds today. We already don't really have space for the millions we got at Community Meeting. Thanks everyone, keep 'em



coming, though if you could maybe make them a little shorter? You know I type those things myself, which isn't exactly the most fun part of this so-called job.

I would like to recount my past week: Layout. Oh yeah, I also ate occassionly.

I would like to thank Whitney for thinking of me in QOW. I'm never mentioned in print.

I would like to ask everyone to read something this week that wasn't assigned to them. Really, it's worth it. I recommend poetry. Our library has a great collection of literary magazines.

This is IMPORTANT. DON'T LITTER. I see Records people bring outside and leave on the picnic tables flying around, eventually to fall where someone else will have to pick it up. Litter something else if you have to, just not this. If you don't want to keep it, put it back in the stack, give it to someone else, anything but leaving it for someone else to pick up. We all work very hard to present the community with this every week and deserve at least a little respect. Besides, I know you didn't read everything.

I want everyone who did work on this issue to know how much I appreciate it. You are all great community members. Maybe we'll make t-shirts or something to let

everyone know.

Oh, and before I forget, I rearranged the Record office with a bit of help. It looks the best it's looked in years. Come by, check it out.

Don't litter,
Foster Neill
Layout Editor

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- To serve as an instrument for education in civic and journalistic responsibility

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Car Bomb Explodes Outside Somali 'Parliament', War Appears Imminent

By Edward Perkins

A recent car bombing outside the Somali 'parliament' in Baidoa highlighted growing tensions between rival factions in the fragmented nation. The bomb killed eleven people, including members of Somalia's 'ruling body', the Transitional Federal Government. One of the dead was the brother of Somali 'President' Abdullahi Yusuf. The TFG said that two arrests have been made, but no other information was given.

The United States quickly blamed the Union of Islamic Courts (UIC) for the bombing. The UIC is a populist Islamic movement that started as a confederation of Islamic courts. They have risen to become the biggest power in the turbulent nation since capturing the capital, Mogadishu, earlier this year. In addition to controlling Mogadishu, the UIC hold virtually all of southern Somalia with the exception of the city of Baidoa. The UIC has denied any involvement with the bombing, and is not the only group with interests tied to the TGF.

The Intergovernmental Authority on Development (IGAD), a regional group, and the African Union (AU), recently announced a planned 'peacekeeping' incursion into

southern Somalia. This 8,000-man force is intended to support the weak TFG, and is scheduled to enter Somalia by the end of the month. Uganda has pledged 3,000 troops, but there is no indication that it will shoulder the rest of the burden. The remaining troops would likely come from Kenya, which also borders Somalia and supports the TFG. The TFG exercises no material control over Somalia outside Baidoa, but are internationally recognized as the Somali government. The UIC has challenged their authority recently. Since capturing Mogadishu ear-

lier this year, the UIC rapidly expanded its territory and now controls almost all of southern Somalia, stabilizing parts of the country which have been ruled by various violent warlords since Somalia's government collapsed in 1991. The UIC has begun mobilizing its troops, and vows to fight IGAD or AU forces should they enter the country.

Ethiopia, which borders Somalia, has a long history of conflict with the war-torn nation. Ethiopia backs the TFG and accuses the UIC of sheltering 'terrorists'. Unconfirmed reports say that as many as

500 Ethiopian troops recently entered Somalia. The troops are believed to be positioned just east of the southern city of Baidoa, where the TFG is based. The UIC controls the area around Baidoa and could occupy the city virtually at will, although Ethiopia has strongly cautioned against such action. A tentative truce also exists between the TFG and UIC. The secular Ethiopian government fears the rise of an Islamic government in the region, as well as growing Islamic fundamentalism within its own borders. A United Nations report has named Eritrea, a small nation that won its independence from Ethiopia following a long and bloody war, as one of the UIC's backers, providing guns and money to the group. Inside Somalia, the UIC has widespread support. Most Somalis are Muslim and welcome the rule of Islamic law after 15 years of anarchy and violence. A UIC spokesman recently blamed Ethiopia for the car bombing in Baidoa. The United States is also closely monitoring the situation in Somalia. The UIC denies any links to Al-Qaeda and insists that there are no terrorists training in their territory. The US believes small groups of Al-Qaeda fighters are already in the

nation, and thinks their numbers will increase. In the past few years, several terrorist attacks on US targets in east Africa have been somehow linked to Somalia. Somewhat not surprisingly, a US corporation has been accused of being involved in plans to carry out secret illegal covert mercenary operations in Somalia. The UK paper The Observer ran an article on September 10th accusing Select Armor, a Virginia corporation, of planning operations against the UIC on behalf of the TGF. The report quotes emails from June of this year that allegedly prove the CIA knew about the plans, and had given the OK. Select Armor is a private security firm that engages in security and mercenary operations worldwide. The observer accuses them of meeting with President Yusuf and key Ugandan officials. The email quotes Select Amour CEO Michelle Ballarin talking about personally meeting Mr. Yusuf and boasting that her company had been granted the use of three military and air bases in the region. Select Armor operates an office in Austria, and was recently the target of an investigation by Austrian prosecutors. They have denied any operations in Somalia, and Mrs. Ballarin

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Shadow Government Formed in Mexico in Wake of Disputed Election

By Daniel McCurdy

After six years of a U.S. right-wing friendly government in Mexico under President Vicente Fox, elections were held July 2nd to determine Fox's successor. Felipe Calderon, said to be the ideological continuation of Fox, will keep conservative policies up and running. On the other hand, Manuel Lopez Obrador, former mayor of Mexico City, represents the other side of the political spectrum, with a form of government emphasizing social welfare and reform.

Two weeks after the elections, authorities announced Felipe Calderon to be the winner, defeating Manuel Lopez Obrador by the smallest margin in Mexican history, just over half a percentage point. After the recount, Calderon still won but Obrador refused to accept defeat, declaring that the elections were fraudulent and of no legitimacy.

Throughout the ongoing weeks Obrador and his supporters have pressed for a vote by vote recount of the elections, and Calderon was on a nation wide tour

around Mexico in celebration of his victory. Furthermore, news reports came out that there had been intensive ballot stuffing in rural precincts which are the ones with least security. Some footage showed a Calderon supporter actually stuffing a ballot box. This, together with other voting irregularities still did not stop the electoral commission from announcing Calderon as the winner.

As in Florida, the government sponsored Electoral Commission did not let a full recount take place. One thing that stood out was the high number (about one million) of unreadable ballots. The Electoral commission agreed to open one percent of the blank ballots, which mostly turned out to be votes for Obrador. Statistically, if a major recount of the all the ballots took place, Obrador would definitively be the victor.

Investigative reporter Greg Palast, author of "The Best Democracy Money Can Buy" about the fraudulent Florida elections, was in Mexico City right after the elections took place. He recounts on "democracy now!" (radio and television station) how the Mexican elections are parallel

to that of the U.S.'s in 2000 and 2004. In both instances, the Democrats led the Republican in the exit polls. In the end though, the Republican won, as did Calderon.

Another similarity between Mexico and Florida was the involvement of ChoicePoint. This is the company that helped Catherine Harris take out many African Americans from voting in the 2000 elections. The Bush administration sent ChoicePoint to do some work in Mexico for the elections and it did exactly as it was told. Many Obrador supporters were barred from voting for some reason or another and sometimes spent hours waiting for a response from the government as to why they were not eligible to vote. Greg Palast interviewed a Mexican that was not on the voting list that said "I wasn't able to vote. I wasn't on the list. I waited seven hours here for nothing, seven hours in the rain, seven hours hungry, just so the electoral representatives could laugh at me. The Electoral Commission is a real fraud. I tell you that as a Mexican."

Obrador thinks he has the true support of the people.

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Learning Communities Continue their Evolution

By Paige Clifton-Steel

The program of “learning communities”, now called Core classes, experienced a retooling since its inception in the fall of 2005, but incoming students this year were slightly better informed about the program than those of last year. Many first year students report knowing about the program when they arrived on campus on September 1st, but being unaware of it when they applied to Antioch College. This is a minor improvement over the case last fall when the class of sixty-seven students arrived largely ignorant of the changes that had been made to the curriculum.

In 2005, a first year student liaison committee headed by Nick Gafron conducted a survey in order to determine when students first became aware of the core program. Rachel Hamilton, who ran the survey for the committee, found that more than 50% of students had arrived on campus unaware of the curriculum alterations.

The first years of 2005 that did arrive informed were apprised of the new curriculum through mock cores, prospie weekend, and packets sent out in the July prior to their arrival. “I visited and did extensive research,” says now second-year Mandela Freiburg. “A lot of people didn’t know about it, but I think it’s partly on them.”

This year, the percentage of students who arrived on campus knowledgeable of the changes is unknown, though likely higher than that of the previous class. Members of this class have had the additional advantage of an internet website designed to inform them of the changes, as well as meetings with faculty members interested in teaching a more informed class.**

“I think faculty were caught off guard by how little students knew [last year],” says Janice Kinghorn, Dean of Faculty for Co-ops. “But [this year], everyone who came to campus I talked to personally. They also had a summer effort to inform them about the core programs and the syllabi so that they would understand what the elements were.”

The learning communities were originally part of a broad attempt of the college to overhaul the educational system. A group called the renewal commission, which was chartered by the board of trustees, created them. The renewal commission comprised thirteen people—four from the campus and nine who were trustees or outside experts.

Elliott Fukui, a second-year who sat in on the renewal commission, believes that the learning communities were created in direct response to a warning issued by the board of trustees that told the college to formulate a plan of renewal. Some people took this to mean that they would shut the college down if this were ignored.

According to Fukui, this pressure may have contributed to the hurried implementation of the program, and indirectly, to the fact that incoming students last year knew little about their curriculum.

The college has made changes to the core lineup since its trial run. There are several new learning communities added to accommodate the larger student body. For the fall, these are Cool, Citizenship, and Gaia. New learning communities for the spring are Order and Chaos, ‘Art, Business, and Chemistry’, and a science intensive core.

In 2005, six learning communities were available for the year: ‘environmental justice’, ‘sense of place’, ‘embodied minds, thinking bodies’, ‘revolutions’, ‘American identities’, and ‘water matters’. Of these, three are no longer offered. One of these was removed because of the retirement of Dr. Jill Yager, while the other two were ended because visiting professors that helped to teach them left.

Andrzej Bloch, Dean of Faculty, admits that the decision to use visiting professors was ill advised. “Hiring visiting professors is absolutely not the way to go. In the future we would avoid it.”

The one visiting professor teaching this year, Elizabeth Nixon of American Identities, was recruited to replace Beverly Rogers, who withdrew suddenly when she was asked to be temporary director of the Coretta Scott King center. Rogers is expected back next year.

Notably, the school has made marked changes to the process by which students select their learning communities. Previously, students were asked to rank the list of learning communities in the order of their preference. They also had the option to cross off one in which they were not interested in participating; however, the preferences were not always respected: “I got the ones I wanted. But I personally know four people that got put in the one they absolutely didn’t want to do,” says Kay Bauer, second year.

This year, students were able to sign up for learning communities online or in the registrar’s office, on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Dustin Underwood, then a first year, expressed concern that the content of some learning communities might be altered for the worse from last year to this one: “Revolutions was an amazing

class, though without Jahwara [Giddings], it’ll be less amazing this year.”

First year Calvin Moravec is one of the first years of this fall that confirmed knowing about the learning communities before he applied. “That’s part of the reason I came to this school. I like the opportunity to look at one subject from three different perspectives.” Another student in the same class thought that the learning community might have affected her decision about Antioch College positively--had she known about it in advance.

Already, the new students’ first impressions of the class experience within the learning communities vary widely.

Rachel Alexander spoke highly of her chosen learning community, the newly implemented Gaia, which encompasses botany, environmental science, and peace studies: “I love Gaia. I think the teachers are really compassionate about the fact that a lot of the students haven’t been in class for a while or haven’t had the desire to excel in science.” On the other hand, Whitney Otto, another student in the core, was dissatisfied: “It’s all “describe your first earth awakening’.” She has since left the class.

Within the surviving learning communities, the administration has left changes to the curriculum up to the teachers in charge of their instruction.

Several of last year’s learning communities that dissatisfied students are now defunct. “Embodied minds, Thinking Bodies” was disaster,” says Freiburg. “I think everyone in the class was pissed off. It was really disorganized. They basically just rolled around on the floor and learned how to connect their brains and their bodies.”

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Broken Pathways, Broken Hearts

By Bella Vilshanetskaya

As many of the students have noticed, earlier, there was a presence of two large machines on campus whose crushing weight damages several of the paths on campus. A cherry picker rented out by the physical plant caused this damage.

The cherry picker was rented out for gutter and roof repairs on the main building, North, and South Halls. In an interview, Darrell Cook, Assistant Director of the Physical Plant, disclosed that the repair would cost between twelve and fifteen hundred dollars.

According to Cook, the paths on campus were damaged because of the heavy base of the cherry picker to hold it steady because with it, men can be lifted up to eighty feet off of the ground. While the roofs and the gutters were being fixed, beneath the machine’s weight, the paths crumbled.

In the concern of saving money, the machine was the only option the physical plant had. It would have been extremely unsafe to use workers on eighty foot ladders and that is a risk that the Physical Plant was not willing to make. The broken paths pose serious accessibility concerns, besides being an obvious inconvenience to walking and biking students alike. There is assurance

that they will be fixed before November when most local companies stop producing asphalt. Estimates will be done in the following weeks to assess the final price of the damage. It will alleviate some students’ concern to know that money to fix the paths will be taken out of a budget line for sidewalk repairs and no money will be taken out of any of the other unrelated funds.

The repairs mandatory to the roofs and the gutters are performed once every 2-3 years. Perhaps in that time the Physical Plant can come up with an alternative or safer solution to maintain the buildings.

Another, smaller machine seen on campus was a forklift. The physical plant rented the fork lift for a week to remove old furniture out of North and Norment Halls such as bed frames and mattresses. It had nothing to do with the damage done to the pathways on campus and the cost of this machine was not disclosed. The machine has been returned to where it was rented and is no longer on campus.

It was observed that this fork lift took off with the picnic



Photo by Kari Thompson

nic tables in front of the Caf. They were needed to provide seating in the beer garden for the Jazz fest this past weekend and they will be returned over the next week.

Before we know it, our sidewalks will look the same as it did before.

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Obrador: "If I wanted, I could stop the country tomorrow. I can. I can block airports, communications, and highways. I'm never going to do that. That's not good for the people." On Sunday July 16th, Obrador held a mass protest in the Capital of Mexico of over 1.1 million people (one of the largest ever held) and called for another protest in two weeks. On July 30th, a protest of two million people took place and many started to set up camps all over the capital. This again was a protest to try and make the electoral commission do a recount of the votes. Each time Obrador has asked his supporters to wage a peaceful and productive resistance to force the recount. In addition there are now encampments all over the three hundred federal districts countrywide and many of the protests have brought businesses to a halt.

On August 6th, thousands of Obrador supporters built a human chain around Mexico City. The next day, another mass of supporters banded together to protest in front of the Electoral Court in the capital. By August 9th there began a partial recount of the forty one million votes. Obrador remained dissatisfied saying that he and the people of Mexico deserve all the votes to be recounted, especially because the partial recount already showed so many errors.

Meanwhile, Calderon's ally Vicente Fox has warned the public about Obrador's extremism and unreasonable actions that keep Mexico from con-

tinuing life peacefully. According to Fox, Calderon is the "clear winner" of the elections. On the other hand the Washington Center for Economic and Policy Research conducted an analysis of the recount of ballots that show that there were enough irregularities to hold off the decision of a clear presidential winner. One of the things they have done is a simple recount of the ballots in the voting precincts. What is supposed to happen at the end of the voting is that the ballots that counted and the blank ones are supposed to add up to the number off ballots that were there at the beginning. Marc Weisbrot, co director of the WCEPR said, "more than half of the ballot boxes don't add up. And that by itself is enough of a reason to have a full recount, even aside from all the other irregularities, and there's quite a few".

Heat around this presidential election has increased dramatically and "If the will of the people is not respected, it will be an abuse to the rights of the people which would signify a rupture of constitutional order and a hit against the state" said Obrador. Even with all this pressure errors, Mexico's top electoral court declared on Aug 28th that there have been no acts of fraud. As happened in Florida, the partial recount of only a very small percentage of the vote still has Calderon as the winner. Obrador went on to say that "the official computation given by the Electoral Tribunal of Judicial Power of the Federation, which intends to legalize the fraud com-

mitted on July 2, 2006, is not recognized. Second, the usurpation is rejected and Mr. Felipe Calderon Hinojosa is not recognized as the President of the Republic." Following the decision, the head electoral tribunal announced that "First, according to the final computation of the election, the candidate that obtained the most votes in the election of the President of the United States of Mexico was the citizen Felipe de Jesus Calderon Hinojosa. Second, the Presidential elections of the United States of Mexico are valid." Although the tribunal did acknowledge the errors during the elections they still hold Calderon as the president elect.

This past Saturday hundreds of thousands rallied in Mexico City yet again. But this time it was not to ask the Electoral Commission for a recount but to vote for a new "alternative government" headed by Manuel Lopez Obrador. All who lifted a hand as is voting in a classroom during the Rally declared Obrador the "legitimate president". Aids to Obrador said that aggressive protesting tactics were not going to be used but instead aggressive politics. The will of the people is at work and as Obrador said "It is obvious that we are not acting out of caprice or personal interest. Our decision and that of millions of Mexicans represented here is the firm and dignified answer to who the electors want."

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calls Select Armor's operations in Somalia "classified".

The UIC has received the blessings of many ordinary Somalis, largely due to the stabilization they provide. The port at Mogadishu, Somalia's largest recently reopened for the first time in 11 years. Somali business owners appear especially grateful to the UIC. The Somali economy has been all but crippled by the years of fighting, and while still suffering there have been recent signs of hope.

There have also been some troubling signs as well. Although Mogadishu is the most stable and safe it has been for years, armed gunmen still roam its streets pack-

ing AK-47's and rocket launchers. In one especially troubling recent incident, a 72-year old Italian nun was shot dead outside the children's hospital she has been operating for the past few years. On a positive note, the UIC stated that two arrests were carried out in connection with the case.

Another ground for hope is a tentative agreement between the TFG and the UIC. The two sides appear to have mutual interests. The UIC has control over key parts of the country and the most powerful army in Somalia, but crave international recognition. The TGF has that recognition, but no real power. The rival factions have agreed at least on paper

to combine their armies, which would be the first step in creating a unified national government. This seems to be a bright spot in otherwise stormy developments, but no aspect of the agreement has actually been implemented.

There are also sensitive issues between the two sides. The TGF receives most international financial aid sent to Somalia. The UIC accuses them of widespread corruption in connection with the aid money. UIC spokesmen have said that the TGF spends the aid money on luxury cars and upscale homes instead of actually helping Somali citizens.

Besides the tricky issues of aid money and corruption, other

problems persist. The UIC and TGF still operate separate armies. They also disagree on many social and political issues. Ethiopia, the TGF's main foreign backer, can also be expected to frown heavily upon any moves that would ally them with the Islamists.

A rally was recently held in Mogadishu, in which huge crowds of Somalis voiced their loyalty towards the UIC and their desire to fight Ethiopia and the peacekeeping force should the need arise. Given the UIC's previous military success and the long history of violence and warfare between Somalia and Ethiopia, plus the religious violence that is consuming the world at the moment,

the situation remains extremely volatile. With the 'peacekeeping' force massing along the Kenya-Somalia border, slated to invade before the end of the month, UIC soldiers deploying in the region, and Ethiopian soldiers possibly already in Somalia, war may be eminent in a nation all too familiar with its devastating consequences. Refugees have begun pouring across the Somalia-Kenya border at a rate triple to the normal flow. This demonstrates, yet again, who will be the most affected by another war in Africa.

Coup in Thailand: Military Seizes Control of Government

By Edward Perkins

Royal Thai Army tanks and soldiers stormed Thailand's capital city of Bangkok on the evening of September 19th, effectively removing Thai Prime Minister Thaksin Shinawatra from power, who was in New York at the time of the coup. Military officials took over government offices, seized the national television station, and repealed the constitution before declaring mari-

tal law the following morning.

Mr. Thaksin cancelled a scheduled address to the general assembly of the United Nations, but is expected to remain in New York until some kind of agreement is reached with the military. Amid widespread speculation of possible arrest, he has yet to comment on the unfolding situation. A United Nations official was quoted as saying Mr. Thaksin was no longer the

Prime Minister. A statement from UN Secretary General Kofi Annan stated his hopes that "there will be no breakdown of law and order," and stated his concern over the situation.

Aspokesman for Thai General Oudh Boonyaratkalin, who led the coup, declared the general the new Prime Minister on state television. Boonyaratkalin previously held the position of commander in chief of the Thai

army. Thai's royal family has yet to publicly endorse the handover of power, but images of Thai royalty were displayed on the Thai government television following the takeover, alongside images of previous coups.

Thaksin was first elected in 1991. He has been facing charges of corruption and abuse of power. The Thai people have called for his resignation in the wake of these charges, and appear

to support the coup for the time being. Thais living in the United States may feel differently. Around 24 protesters appeared outside of the United Nations soon after news broke. They were reported to be talking on cell phones with family in Thailand.

Although Thailand has a long history of military coups, this is the first in 15 years.

My Liberal Agenda

or How I Spent My Summer Vacation

By the cooperative council for a non-wack social scene

Never before has this reporter seen such a shameless display of blatant liberalism. Bush bashing, underwear sporting, drag dressing, power lesbian looking, political agenda having, and planned-parenthood supporting were in high fashion this past Friday night. Not going to lie, I had to buy a pair of safety glasses to protect my eyes from all the bleeding hearts splashing around. Who knew Antioch was such bastion of true liberalism? I haven't seen that much waffling since my waitress days at the international house of pancakes. Move over radicals, the Antioch liberals have taken over the podium, and they look fucking hot.

Black lights and a cigarette strewn floor set the scene for a night of liberal raunch and debauchery. The air felt almost viscous with beer sweat, and smoke- a combination that will someday inspire nostalgia in even the most sterile of students. A near flawless stream of gyration inspiring classics poured off the D.J. table, and it wasn't long until the dance floor was alive and kicking with moves to make mothers proud (though it must be noted, Prince has performed more than one song... I recommend his 3 disc greatest hits and b-sides set). It should be said of Liberals- even with the absence of bottomless beer cups, and 1 dollar mixed drinks those bitches can dance. Notable ass shaker Emma Emmerich was seen showcasing moves to make Shakira jealous. Yeah, I said it- she was that good. Other superstars include Anne Fletcher who made a stunning Al Gore and danced something like a grounded angel working her way back up to heaven (if you believe in that sort of thing). James Fishbeck made a breathtaking Hillary Clinton effectively negating the lesbionic rumors surround the young

Senator. Marissa Fisher was spotted channeling Jennifer Beals' performance in Flashdance with a modern day Sunshine Dore aesthetic highly reminiscent of this reporters mother which caused internal torment in me not felt since my last Daughters of the American Revolution rally in Plymouth, MA. Which begs the question- Lauren Hind, where were you? To quote third year transfer Kim-Jenna Jurrians "(The party was) Less timid than the last one. People seemed less reluctant to dance, less of a circle thing going on. I felt flattered from the lesbian community's invitation to switch teams. Thanks Teddy." It should also be noted that earlier in the night the same student was quoted as saying in regards to her footwear "I walk like a bloody peasant in these heels." Of the night second year transfer Mariel Taiman shared "I put a lot of energy into my outfit and character, I think my performance was a little underrated. Sometimes I think I'm ahead of my time, I saw myself as maybe a young liberal senator's daughter who just fell face first into a mountain of cocaine after Shabbat services. It was cool though, I got to make out."

*Reporters note: All this kissing and telling reeks of insecurity honey. First year student Riley Carpenter reminisced of the night: "It was awesome amazing, where else can you wear pantaloons and a turban. The girl with the rollerblades- I was a fan. And the pink pimp, that was pretty awesome. Also the gray pimp who actually looked like a pimp." Hey Riley, the cultural appropriation police called, they need to bring you in for questioning.

"It was a good representation of the Antioch community, people could be whoever they wanted to be. Although I kind of expected it I was pretty surprised at how many girls ended up being half

naked by the end." Remarked Katarina, an exchange student from Germany.

"There was a sexy Courtney Love look alike who crashed her fucking beamer, I don't really remember the night to well. I was pretty drunk. Rob the Rev is a fucking dirty dancer, Jeremy and Jeremiah as well." Said a first year who wished to stay anonymous. Erin Cizeski who wasn't actually at the party had some witty and searing criticism to share with the community, in a private interview she had the following to say; "I like that if you don't have a costume, all you have to do is either cross dress or wear your underwear. And when did it get so cool to be a Jewish lesbian? Tell those chicks to shave their pits and call me. And the recent expulsion spree really cleared the dance floor, I guess I appreciated that." 3rd year transfer Preston thought the party might have been politically motivated " (the idea was to) Get all the liberals so drunk they don't remember George Bush is in office, the senate is controlled by republicans, and in a few months the house will be controlled by the republicans unless people take the November elections seriously."

Students of Antioch I raise my liberal fist to you (do liberals raise fists?) What I meant to say is I dedicate the following t-shirt slogan to you- I am continuously blown away by your power and your beauty. Antioch at an institutional level is at this point weak and wonky, we are being subject to a sort of liberal white-washing, a homogenization of culture, a mainstreamification of the things that make us unique, beautiful, and dare I say it- radical. Rather than make a laundry list of injustices being hurled at the student body I will acknowledge the things they can never touch. They will never have access to our dance moves, they can not

sterilize our sense of humor, they can't tell us who to make out with under the milky moonlight, if they give us t-shirts chances are we will customize them. And to the Women of Antioch college- you've got me spun. I am so in awe of your power and wondrousness. I felt like a piece of pineapple floating in a bucket of pheromone punch, I want to fall to my knees and thank the goddesses for the opportunity to rub elbows with such an incredible group of wicked smart, funny, real, creative, strong, gorgeous women who come across like a cavalry of a bright hope in a time of imminent darkness.

The highlight of the night for me would have to be my ambush by a certain international man of mystery whose patchouli stank still lingers in my nasal passages. If you're reading this you dastardly sexy androgynous creature of the night, I say to you: Firstly; What my Daddy don't know wont hurt him, secondly: there is no other world, it is up to us to coax the good shit out of this one, and thirdly and lastly: I quit school cuz of recess I don't play. So before I start creeping around campus sniffing wrists like some sort of Phish lot Cinderella I urge you to show yourself in all your mustachioed glory and be my part time lover friend, and I will deliver more rose petal bass thumping sensuality than an R. Kelley music video, yeah I don't see nothing wrong with a little bump and grind.

This concludes this week's edition of my self serving liberal bullshit agenda. So remember, we are watching, we really like you guys, and we want to make you laugh. Stay strong in the trenches; your fights are ones worth fighting. Don't forget to get enough sleep, and don't stop believing, hold on to that feeling. Much Love. -The cooperative council for a non-wack social scene.

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ies. People just came to class in pajamas because all they did was roll around."

Nick Gafron expressed a lingering bitterness about the lack of information afforded to his class. "We were all sold a different school, and then when we got there we were told about the changes that they'd made." However, he admits that ultimately it was not the learning community program that he found unable to tolerate; it was changes to the co-op program.

Dean of Faculty for Co-ops, Janice Kinghorn denies that any of the learning communities were

retired because of fundamental problems with the classes: "None of them were found to be problematic. They were removed because of the faculty that left."

Many students who say they were concerned about the learning communities before they arrived also admit that the classes themselves have allayed their fears.

Among other complaints about the learning communities is a frustration with the fact that the first years of 2006, like those of 2005 before them, are segregated from the upper classmen academically and socially.

"It was just the way things were structured. We were very much guinea pigs, and because there was a lack of upper level student involvement, we had no one to turn to. We were segregated. I don't know if they're doing it deliberately, but it sure looks like that," says Fukui.

Freiburg echoes the concern. "It was definitely the downall of the learning communities," she says.

Bloch, has a different perspective on the separation. "The reason was simple: the seniors and juniors will intimidate the rest of the class. Because they are more advanced, they have a

tendency to run ahead of everybody else, and they become a disruption for the other students. The original idea of the core program provides for the use of senior teaching assistants, but in a role in which they would be supportive."

Last year, the administration took a survey of student reactions to the learning communities. According to Kinghorn, "There was a survey done and the purpose of the survey was to elicit advice to give to the new incoming students. It wasn't very successful—we didn't get useful advice. I think the students last

year felt over scrutinized."

Other concerns that recur among the student body are the large class sizes and lack of difference from the high school schedule. "No, I don't think that the kinks are worked out," says Louise Smith, Associate Professor of Theatre. I think it's arrogant to say that all of the kinks could be worked out of a program in its second year, when all of higher education is still working out its kinks. It's a process, one hopes, and one that doesn't stay static."

to be presented to the president to facilitate the repair of the damages caused by the term's previous acts of vandalism. Although no one knows who committed these atrocities except the perpetrators themselves, it was decided that taking the initiative to help mend these former bad acts would strengthen the ailing ties between the students and the administration, bringing us together as a whole. A total of approximately \$70 was collected that night, and all those wishing to contribute to this "good will fund" may bring donations to the CG office where the money is so graciously being stored.

Since the breaking of this devastating news, it has been nearly impossible for one to walk across the Caf or down one's hall without hearing a conversation concerning the student body's debate over and outrage towards the administration's actions. The students are, however, to be commended, according to Professor Ivan Dihoff, for the maturity and passion that has been displayed over the course of these events. An informal poll of student opinion reveals that the majority believes maintaining and building ties with the administration is necessary, although the expulsions are creating "a larger rift between students and the administration." A request to "remain respectful and diplomatic at all times" was voiced by one student, reminding all of Antioch that the "administration is not the enemy." Most are not quick to pass judgment on any party involved, especially Jimmy Williams, who has maintained his nearly universally beloved status on campus despite distaste for the punishment he relayed to the students. However, several students scathingly drew attention to the fact that Steve Lawry was not here when the decision was made and feel as though these students have been chosen at random to be made an example of to the community. Others reference the history of disciplinary action at Antioch, citing their memories of other students doing similar things and incurring little-to-no punishment as reason enough why the four first years should not be forced out. Nearly all surveyed believe the students' punishment was too harsh, especially for first-time offenders, and that there are "alternative and far more efficient mediums of discipline to remedy the situation," such as community service, counseling, fines, drug testing, a public apology, et cetera. Some called for a new, student-written drug policy and a first-year orientation to said policy, although others believe that "morals and common sense should prevail even without a readily assessable policy." Still others have mentioned that the apparently unilateral decision violates their sensibilities as to how they believe a progressive school like Antioch ought to handle student discipline, a sentiment often followed by the catchphrases "Where is our Antioch?" or "I want my Antioch back!"

Such sentiments have, in at least one case, prompted a student to leave school without being forced. Aiden McGuire, a classmate of those expelled, cites a conversation with Cary James about the state of the school as her reason for beginning to think about withdrawing. Aiden too will be gone within a few days. She believes that "the school is in a state of transition and maybe doesn't know exactly what it's doing." She says that her

classes are all great, and she has loved everyone she's met, but she finds the campus disorganized and unlike the "original Antioch" on which she was sold which she believed was "one-of-a-kind" and feels as though the administration is trying to take away some of the freedoms she expected here.

When asked about the effect of the expulsions on the administration and school as a whole, Richard Jurasek, who refers to himself as Antioch's "Chief Operations Officer, in local nomenclature", responded, "it is a loss of revenue, of course. That's a painful fact. But it is an even more painful fact that there are those students who would like to come to Antioch, who cannot because of the culture."

When pressed for comment President Steven Lawry said, 'Drug-use is destructive of individuals, families and communities, and all community members must take responsibility for eliminating it from Antioch.

I will also add that I was deeply troubled by the "Question of the Week" in the September 15th edition of The Antioch Record. (What do you have to say to the Narc?) It was hugely irresponsible for the editors to pose a question that implies condemnation of truly responsible and courageous community members who want to live in a learning environment free of drugs and are taking steps on behalf of that cause. This was a morally misguided and irresponsible question. I was deeply troubled by the character of many of the responses to the question, some of which suggested that harm come to the so-called Narc. These suggestions, in combination with the blatant use of aggressive obscenities, deserve condemnation, and should not be honored by publication in our community's newspaper.'

The students expelled were all hurt by the seemingly rash decision. Alan Fiser, one of the lost community members, said, "This is not what this school is supposed to be, and I am disappointed." "I am worried about where this college is going to be in four years," said Cary James, "but I love the sense of community and the people." Brock Kalbfleisch said, "I came here because it was more than a school, because community was involved with the avenue of education I wanted to pursue." "I feel that this is the best place for me to foster my personality, individuality, and my art," said Stubby Carroll. "I think that this is a good place with awesome, compassionate people, but I think the administration is misguided and is forgetting about the human side of things."

The day before the students' forced departure date, Kathryn Leahey sat down with a visibly shaken Stubby for a brief and emotional interview.

SC: [Holding up a lit cigarette] Do you mind if I smoke this? I can put it out if you want.

KL: No problem.

SC: Alright, cool.

KL: So Stubby, to be blunt, how much longer are you with us?

SC: Tomorrow at noon. Then I'm banned from campus. Banned from campus. Isn't that ridiculous? I

can't even come back to visit this place and these people that I've made these profound relationships with.

KL: Do you feel that Antioch is the same place to which you applied?

SC: I don't know, man. It's sort of the same as I feel about the national government and America as how I feel about the Antioch administration. It's just tough, you know. It's the only word I can use to describe it. It's very arbitrary. The people are still great, though. They'll be what I miss the most, the community. This place is all about community. I know the administration would never see it this way, but that night, all we were trying to do was build community, man.

KL: Speaking of the community, how do you feel about the public's response to your expulsion? Were you expecting this kind of a reaction?

SC: Well, I wasn't expecting to be expelled because of the way the communication was between us and the Dean of Students office. I wasn't expecting anything, really. We never thought that this would happen. But yeah, the community has been great. They've really come to our support in a way that's just above and beyond. I'm so grateful for everything they've done, so grateful. But none of this could have been expected.

KL: What were expecting to happen? What were you told would happen if you signed the statement that you did?

SC: I was told that our punishment would be less severe.

KL: Who actually suggested that you sign the statement?

SC: Jimmy Williams, although he didn't actually suggest it. [pause] He more than suggested it.

KL: Do you feel as though you were misled into signing the statement under the assumption that this would not have happened? That you wouldn't have been expelled?

SC: Yes, I do. I definitely do. We were completely honest, too. We told them everything. We didn't give up names but everything else. And look what happened.

KL: Do you think that there is anything that people are missing about the story?

SC: Well, are a lot of people hearing that we're being kicked out for dealing drugs? Yeah. That was never our intention. We have people that went there together and people who came back, and it was distributed, you know? People just bought it from the guy that we got it from.

KL: So, what are you planning to do now?

SC: I don't know, man. I know that I'm still going to do accomplish everything that I wanted to. I just wish that I could do it here. Here with my friends. It just sucks, man.

At this point in the interview, Stubby was overcome with emotion, and Kathryn's line of questioning was discontinued. Parting sentiments were exchanged. A stand was made. Four friends were lost.

Livermore Street Full of Editors

By Foster Neill

Livermore Street, Antioch College's student-run literary magazine is up and running again this term with four co-editors: Emily Dezurick-Badran, Mahina Embers, Chris Lisieski and Foster Neill found time to break away from their busy schedules to meet last Friday in the Livermore Street office to discuss plans to produce this term's magazine. The group will meet every Friday in the Livermore Street office at 6:00 P.M. The Livermore Street office is located in the Union, just beyond the Pool Room.

Livermore Street is open to everyone in the community and encourages students at any level of familiarity with literary endeavors to attend. Meetings consist of general discussion of ideas for events, how the magazine will be run, review of any work submitted, and workshop for anyone interested in feedback on their piece(s).

Livermore Street utilizes students in two ways. First, it depends on students for submissions. Livermore Street welcomes submissions of short fiction, poetry, essay, photography, drawings, paintings, and recipes. Livermore Street also needs student involvement in the Editorial Board, which is a body of students responsible for deciding what goes in the magazine and what doesn't.

Livermore Street depends on student involvement to produce a magazine each term, say the co-editors. As the only outlet students have on this campus to put their work in print, and to learn how to produce a literary magazine, Livermore Street is vitally important to this community. Without it, the creative culture that helps to define the Antioch community will continue to crumble. Supporting Livermore Street is good for you, good for the community, and good for the future of the community. Not supporting Livermore Street (i.e.: not attending meetings, not submitting, not talking to peers about literature, etc.) is bad in every way and will guarantee a painful death.

Digital submissions are preferred, but all submissions will be reviewed. You can submit your work in the box in the O.K. Library, by emailing it to any of the co-editors, or by slipping it under the Livermore Street office door. Do not wait until the last minute. The editors would like to start a new practice of actual editing by way of a common workshop, in which prospective pieces can be brought for review by the editors and other peers.



Photo by Aidan O'Leary

This allows the opportunity for all pieces to benefit from the discourse that is both often necessary and lacking in much of the writing life. Livermore Street also needs the last month of the term for layout and printing.

Keep your ears tuned for upcoming events sponsored by Livermore Street. Hope to see everyone at the upcoming meeting and don't forget to SUBMIT!

Sublimely Sub Par Show Opens at the Herdon

By Wes Hiserman



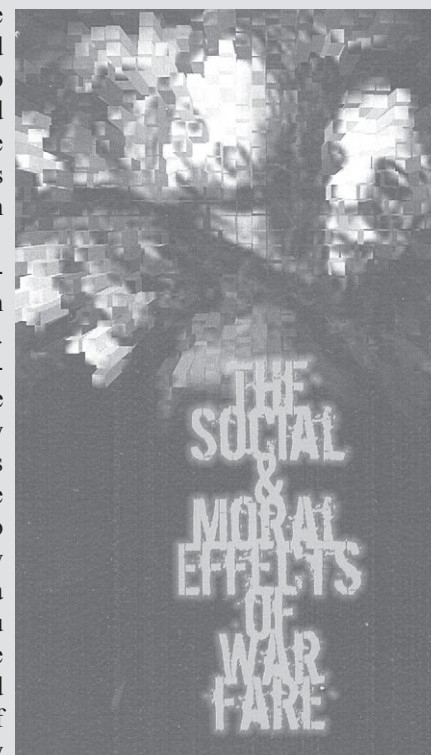
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It's a sad occasion when the ads for an art show outshine the show itself. Since September 15th and until November 17th the Herndon Gallery in South Hall is showing a selection of prints by Richard Florsheim entitled the Social and Moral Effects of Warfare. This show seems to fall into the category of art that depends on history instead of quality.

Florsheim, who lived from 1916 to 1979, helped make an enormous name for himself with these small, dark and war-themed prints. I can imagine the former timeliness and extremity of his art was what pushed him into fame. Now it seems like since then the images he portrayed- vultures, barren landscapes and forlorn faces among them, have been surpassed a hundredfold by the carnage war itself has presented us.

Maybe I come from the wrong era to appreciate the art of these pieces. After all, around World War Two might have been a time when the same aesthetic found in Florsheim's work wasn't also churned out nightly by depressed high school freshmen across the country. The effect on today's desensitized youth (of which I am a member) is close to nil.

After seeing the edited versions of Florsheim's work on fliers made by Antioch's own Dr. Colette Palamar, I had heightened my expectations of the show itself and became sorely disappointed to see the prints themselves. I fear that the same effect will occur with others who become interested in the show thanks to good advertising and a heavily worded title. Where you could want a deep insight into the psychology of war, you may find an antiquated and naive point of view duplicated as expensively as possible.



U.S. "Donates" 14 Million Dollars to Oversee Nicaraguan Elections

Upcoming Nicaraguan elections, to be held on November 5th, could possibly be an important political catalyst for the region. According to The Nuevo Diario newspaper in Nicaragua, The United States recently "donated" twelve million dollars to NGO's in Nicaragua and two million to the Organization of American States to oversee the happenings of the Nicaraguan elections before, during and after they take place. The U.S. ambassador in Nicaragua, Paul Trivelli, said that "these funds represent the strong bond that has been assumed by my government and the Nicaraguan people for free, transparent and inclusive election." On the other hand, Sandinista Presidential candidate and leader, Daniel Ortega, said that these donations are part of a U.S. government plan to discredit the Nicaraguan elections in case of a Sandinista victory. Furthermore, the Nicaraguan Network, a Washington based solidarity group, has repeatedly condemned the U.S. government, and specifically Ambassador Trivelli, for interfering in the Nicaraguan election process.

The State Department is After Cuba

Since Fidel Castro temporarily ceded power to his brother, Raul Castro, the U.S. State Department has upped its support for anti Castro groups mainly situated in Florida. Also, five groups have been formed under the State Department and the National Security Council (also Homeland Security) to 'oversee and carry out U.S. policy in Cuba.' The Miami Herald says that some of these groups have been secretly integrated since Castro was interned for medical reasons, believing that it was the end of his leadership. In addition, the State Department refuses to reveal much about these interagency task forces and remains interested in the Cuban government 'transition'. For over more than forty years now the U.S. government has tried

to destabilize the Cuban government of Fidel Castro through economic sanction and covert operations.

The Taliban a Greater Threat than Al Qaeda

According to Pakistani president General Pervez Musharraf, the Taliban in his nation have grown much more powerful than Al Qaeda. Years of conflict in Afghanistan since the cold war era on have created negative sentiment among a large portion of the Afghani people. Since the early nineties, Pakistani madrassas (radical Muslim religious schools) have sent countless students (Talibs) to fight for the Taliban. This has created a sort of grass roots radicalism in Islam which has spread in much of the Middle East. Musharraf said, "The centre of gravity of terrorism has shifted from al Qaeda to Taliban. This is a new element which has emerged, a more dangerous element because it has roots in the people. Al Qaeda did not have roots in the people. But Taliban are more organized they have roots in the people." Musharraf also stated that his country shares the blame for the spread of Islamic extremism including the U.S.

Harsh Interrogation Tactics in Question

The Bush administration faces increasing opposition to certain interrogation techniques used in the U.S. Naval prison at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, and in the covert network of C.I.A. secret prisons. Republicans remain divided as to which of these techniques violate the Geneva Convention's definition of inhumane treatment. These techniques include: induced hypothermia; long periods of forced standing; sleep deprivation and so called "attention slapping." Three key Republican Senators, including John McCain, serve on the Senate Armed Services Committee who are against passing legislation that would approve seven of disputed CIA interrogation techniques for widespread military use. President Bush said, "This CIA program has saved American lives, and the

lives of people in other countries. Unfortunately, the recent Supreme Court decision put the future of this program in question, and we need this legislation to save it. There is debate about the specific proposals in this bill, and my Administration will work with Congress to find common ground. I have one test for this legislation: The intelligence community must be able to tell me that the bill Congress sends to my desk will allow this vital program to continue."

Thousands Rally Worldwide for an Intervention in Darfur

All over the world people large scale demonstrations and protests were held against the ongoing genocide in the Darfur region of Sudan. In New York City over 30,000 rallied in Central Park and gatherings were also held in Dubai, Berlin, Dublin, Paris, London, Melbourne, Seoul, and Stockholm. These and other protest around the world were planned to coincide with the debate in the UN about Sudan. The UN has offered to send in a peacekeeping force but Sudanese President Omar Hassan Al-Bashir countered saying that his country will not accept the presence of foreign military force.

Countries Join Non-Aligned Summit in Cuba

Last week 118 countries came together in Cuba to discuss issues of importance including terrorism, the ongoing crisis in the Middle East and problems in Latin America. Other specific topics to be discussed are those of harsh U.S. policies toward Venezuela and Cuba. Fidel Castro was not able to preside over the summit but his brother, Raul, has been given the task to do so. In the final declaration, the countries rejected Israel's aggression towards Lebanon and against Palestinian territories and agreed on the right to peacefully use nuclear energy and condemned any form of unilateral preemptive warfare.

Antioch College No Longer Sells Beer or: Getting Wet Off the Volstead Act

By Christopher DeArcangelis

"What is the object of this resolution? It is to destroy the agency that debauches the youth of the land and thereby perpetuates its hold upon the Nation. In the simplest manner.... It does not coerce any drinker. It simply says that barter and sale, matters that have been a public function from the semi civilized days of society, shall not continue the debauching of the youth." - Richard P. Hobson Representative of Alabama, 1914, stating the intention of the Prohibition to the House of Representatives.

<http://prohibition.osu.edu/content/hobson.htm>

With the shocking announcement that the time for selling beer at Community Parties is over still echoing through the dungeons of Antioch College, the words above might as well have come from Antioch College President "Big" Steve Lowey's mouth. Instead, they were the words of a teetotaler, a government official, a man drunk on something more devilish than the big drink: his own twisted sense of power. It was also 1914, but years away from the enacting of the 18th Amendment or The Volstead Act; The Prohibition for Herb's sake.

Though it is 2006, many issues related to alcohol have been

mysteriously unresolved. For a substance that was one of the first for Humanity, Antioch College and beyond has a hard time agreeing on how they feel about it.

Those who drink feel that it is often the soothing preventer of maddening rage. Some say it keeps their head screwed up. The taste, the taste, they say, is what the fuss is about.

Others feel that the mere consumption of the drink makes you worthless, a clown, a brute, a whore, and a goddamn pinko.

I say that the Community Parties offered here are integral and vital to the life of Antioch College. The selling of alcohol

at parties has allowed for intermingling that, being in a public space filled with many people, is safe for those who do choose to indulge in spirits, regardless of Antioch College hosting their own parties.

The consumption of alcohol will take place except under the most inhumane of circumstances, if it is desired. Though there may not be equal access to alcohol on a Friday night, those who want it will get it. And where they drink it might be in alley shooting craps with Machine Gun Gene, the local PCP dealer.

The fact is: alcohol has become a staple in society. Just look, just try and look at these cold, hard facts about beer from www.beer-soaksamerica.org :

-Beer made up 87% of all beverage alcohol consumption in 2002.1

- Americans consumed 6.4 billion gallons of beer in 2002.1
- In 2000, Americans consumed an average of 27.1 gallons of beer per capita.2
- Although on-premise beer consumption makes up 25% of the beer market, that category collects almost half of the retail sales dollars.1
- A large portion of the beer consumed in the U.S. is concentrated in a small group: the top 10% of beer drinkers consume 43% of total reported beer consumption.3
- Beer consumption accounts for 81% of all the alcohol consumed in hazardous amounts (defined as five or more drinks per day) in the U.S.4
- Three U.S. beer companies dominate the domestic beer market, selling 81.9% of all the beer consumed in 2003:5
 - ☐ Anheuser-Busch -- 51.9%
 - ☐ Miller Brewing Company --

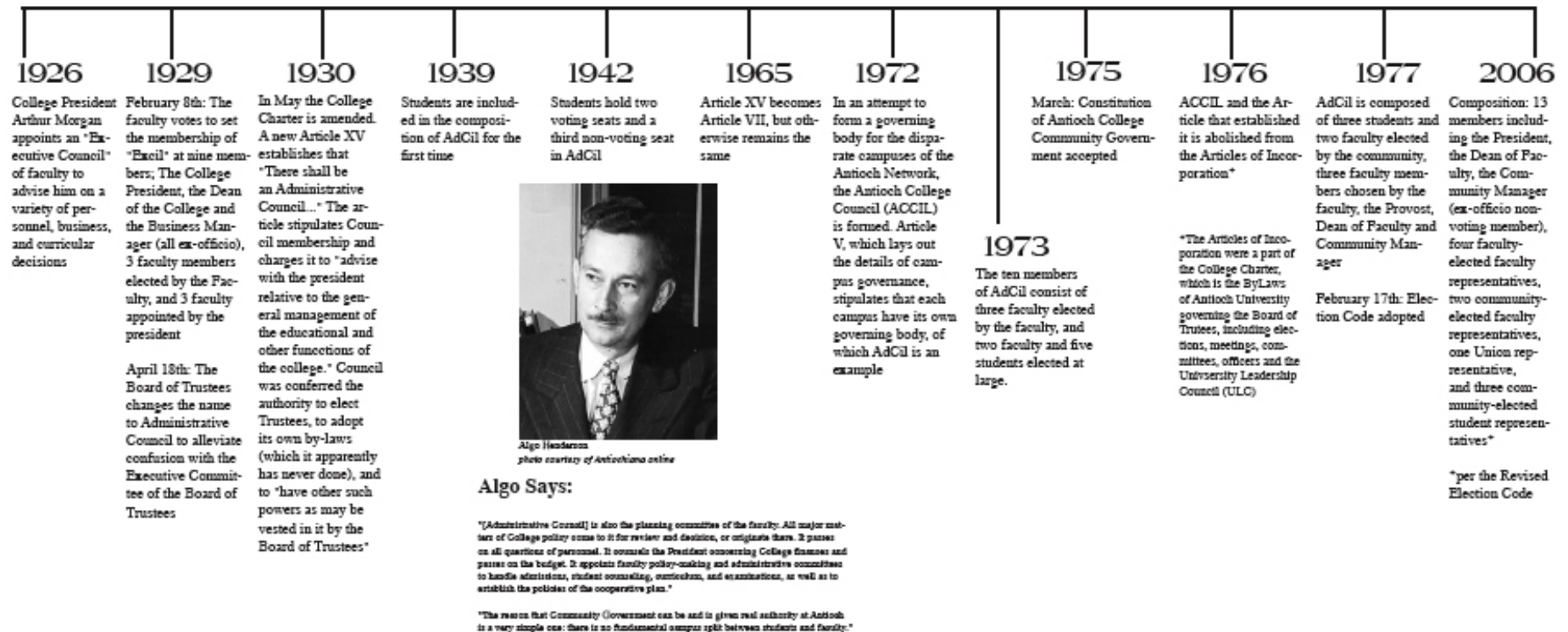


HOW THINGS WORK OR ANTIOCH 101

A Brief History of AdCil

Compiled by Marjorie Jensen

"The significant fact about Antioch's community organization is that it has always grown up from the bottom and never been imposed from the top. Vitality and enthusiasm are its most characteristic qualities." -Algo Henderson, 1946



Algo Henderson
photo courtesy of Antiochiana online

Algo Says:

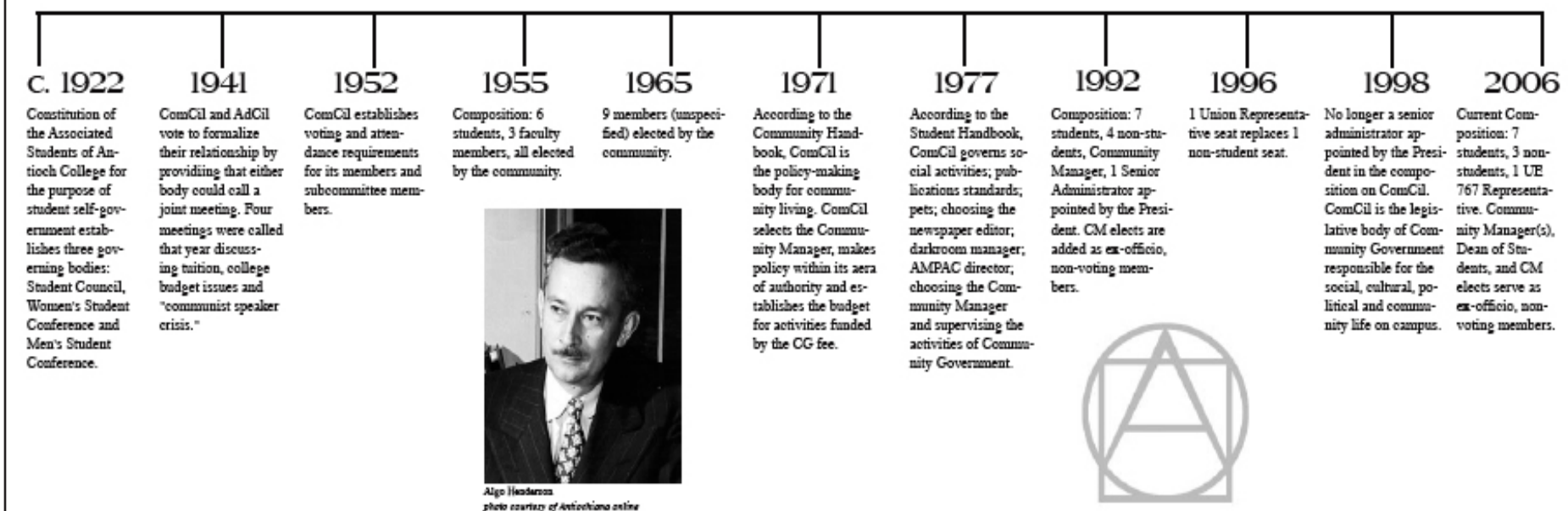
"[Administrative Council] is also the planning committee of the faculty. All major matters of College policy come to it for review and decision, or originate there. It passes on all questions of personnel. It consults the President concerning College finances and passes on the budget. It appoints faculty policy-making and administrative committees to handle admissions, student counseling, curriculum, and examinations, as well as to establish the policies of the cooperative plan."

"The reason that Community Government can be and is given real authority at Antioch is a very simple one: there is no fundamental campus split between students and faculty."

A Brief History of ComCil

Compiled by Marjorie Jensen
and William Parke-Sutherland

"Community Council earns the right to govern by the enactment of good legislation and action as interpretation by the above authorities and through its maintaining a position of esteem in the eyes of the community" -Memo: "Statement of the Authoritative Relationships Between the Antioch Community and its Government."



Algo Henderson
photo courtesy of Antiochiana online

Algo Says:

"Community Government is that part of the College program which probably comes nearest to being Antioch's own invention."

"Ideologically the source of authority of Community Government lies in the will of the citizens of the community- students, faculty and staff."



Thank you to Scott and Nina at Antiochiana

Queer Center Hosts Shabbat

By Kim-Jenna Jurriaans

Chandeliers, wine and religious chanting: a few of the most common associations with Shabbat. Many have heard of it, only few have been able to experienced it first hand. Last friday night CG called for some out of the box spirituality and Antioch students came to take part in an 'open to all religions' -ceremony to celebrate the jewish day of rest.

Under the guardian gaze of four naked men, looking down from the walls of the queer centre, twelve jewish, christian, atheist and agnostic Antiochians sat down in the Union to take in a bit of the devine light that trained spiritual director and Antioch Alumni Karen Lee Erlichman had to share.

The campus jew crew had previously celebrated Friday night shabbats, but so far only amongst themselves. This time the service was organized by CG and open to all who were genuinely interested.

All in line with the Antioch spirit, Erlichman, who had flown in from the bay area for the occasion, handled a less traditional approach to the ceremony. With people all sitting on couches in a circle around her, she was wearing a yarmulka for the occasion, entering the room indeed felt more like stepping into a workshop than being on the verge of a religious experience.

The service started off with a small introduction and some chanting, which seemed to have a calming effect on all in the room. Even for those who couldn't quite grasp the religious connotation of it yet, the chanting nevertheless seemed to bring some tranquility after a day of classes and an otherwise eventful week.

As the service progressed, it became clear that the Antioch spirit had infiltrated into more aspects of the ceremony. Epic chandeliers were traded in for tea candles, wine was miraculously transformed into non-alcoholic grape juice and a minute of self-reflection became a guided meditation tour to a safe place of your choosing.

From the start it was clear who had done this before and who was exposed to something new. The ceremonial lighting of the candles and the prayer ritual that came with it was clearly for the advanced (read: actually jewish) participants, to which the majority in the room didn't seem to belong. Although all prayers were presented on hand-outs, the non-jewish delegation, out of respect or because of plain shyness, chose an observer status and stayed silent throughout most of the ceremony. When it came down to Erlichman's more liberal approach to the old jewish tradition, however, part of the jew crew seemed as virginaly inexperienced as the rest of the observers. One member commented: "It was more of a mystical thing. I don't mind the fact that it was less traditional; there are different ways to celebrate shabbat, so, that in itself was fine. Apart from that whole meditation, hip, new-agy bullshit. I didn't really get what that was about. I've heard of some form of meditation being used in judaism, but I'm pretty sure that there is no such thing as guided meditation."

Those who had no religious frame of reference to compare the service to, seemed to enjoy it in a more general way, as a moment of peace and quiet, with the option to insert some spirituality of their own.

One student apparently didn't quite follow the directions to the save place he was looking for, as he was seen nodding off and eventually falling asleep about halfway down the road to his secret destination. Nevertheless, most students seemed to have made it there one way or another. Observing the room full of people, all having their eyes closed, every one of them seemed to experience the moment in their own way. For some, taking part seemed an act of intense concentration; others looked like all that was missing was a fuzzy dog and a remote control to complete the perfect "Al Bundy-mode", as they slowly slouched off in their couches. For about half a minute the silence was so loud that any sound felt like an intrusion. In the end, a cough was enough to permanently check people out of their bikini-beach save havens and bring them back into the real world.

Erlichman graduated from Antioch college in 1984 with a major in sociology and social work. Raised jewish, at the age of nine she decided she wanted to become a Rabbi. Unfortunately for Erlichman she was ahead of her time, since becoming a female rabbi at that time, 1971, was out of the question for a member of her congregation. She became a social worker instead, holding healing services on shabbat and teaching classes at community centres. Part of the reason for her less traditional approach to religious services is to make the ceremony more open to all those who wish to take part in it. "I remember times when Hebrew was a barrier for me", she recalled. "A lot of services tend to be not really welcoming, rather exclusive

even. That's not just that way for non-jews. There are also a lot of jewish people who didn't grow up learning Hebrew and all the rituals that are associated with the religion. In more traditional congregations it used to be just watching, instead of participating. In my services I'm trying to make the spirituality part more meaningful."

It was this open approach to shabbat that made at least one of the jewish students feel rather uncomfortable during last week's service: "I know this sounds really bad, but I was kind of displeased with the fact that non-jews were allowed", acknowledged the student, who liked to be quoted anonymously. "I didn't know about the open ceremony and I felt fairly uncomfortable to do it in my traditional way with all these people around who didn't know what they were doing. I don't see a shabbat service as the place to teach non-jews about judaism. That belongs in a workshop."

Event manager Melody had been organizing the meeting since May and was pleased that it finally got around to it: "I had heard of Karen through Jennifer Berman at the Co-op office, who was in touch with her. CG had never organized a religious event for the community before, so that was one thing, and since we have a large jewish community we kind of wanted to serve them as well. So this was an opportunity to do both."

First year Kaleigh Fultz was glad she got the opportunity to take part in the shabbat service: "There was a time that I considered converting to judaism and I was curious. I have been brought up christian, but judaism somehow seemed more appealing, more rooted and logic. More

accepting. My great grandparents were jewish and converting for me, I guess, would be a way to try to get back to that. But a lot of people don't think it thru. I feel like I have to assimilate myself into that culture before I take that dive."

The earlier mentioned student who wished to stay anonymous commented saying: "A lot of people seem to romanticize judaism. I've heard people talk at the meeting about wanting to convert and that kind of bothered me. They seem to forget that judaism is not just a religion, it's also ethnicity and culture. It just seems to have become extremely fashionable to convert to judaism. And I guess I don't believe in that. My family in Europe were non-practicing jews and they still got killed. One shouldn't be able to convert to that."

The ceremony was concluded with the traditional sharing of the bread, at which point all in the room laid their hands on the shoulder of the person sitting next to them, forming a human chain to be connected to the bread that was about to be broken. Pieces of bread then made their way around the circle while the person braking off a new piece first fed the person sitting next to them before going on to eat their own piece.

Between the religious "queerness" of the event and the slightly esoteric approach it can be said that although friday night's ceremony might not have been a religious experience for all, an experience it was nevertheless.



Nookie With Niko

This week I'm going to tackle the subject of BDSM. I'm going to try to give you a broad overview. I won't be able to hit every point, but I'll leave you with many suggestions for reading material. I hope you enjoy and please send me your questions.

We know the Antioch rumor mill is kind of amazing. I can be in New York City and still know what is going down back home. I'm going to do my best to provide some knowledge on BDSM and resources for further inquiry. I also took the time to speak with our Events Manager, Melody Mackowiak, and she said, "**The workshop will be**

able to happen but it has to be very educational and we must have professionals. The school wants to make sure we are giving people current information about a BDSM lifestyle."

I have to agree that education and safety are essential to BDSM. It's not enough to just exist in a sex positive community. We must talk about these issue and continue to educate ourselves. That's part of the SOPP; education and growth. Believe it or not many people around the world enjoy some sort of BDSM. Most people don't even know their behavior falls under the category of BDSM. So before I go into a deeper rant let's talk about BDSM. What does it mean? There are three main components.

- B&D - bondage and discipline
- D&S - dominance and submission
- S&M - sadism and masochism

These are not mutually exclusive; people enjoy some aspect s and not others. It's all about what you like. We have all probably taking part in some form of BDSM. Activities like biting, spanking, using ice cubes, hot wax, blindfolds, or tying someone up are BDSM. Many people into BDSM also use canes, floggers, nipple clamps, role-playing, gags, and much more. Not to mention sex and BDSM do not always go together. Remember BDSM is less about pain and more about experiencing all sorts of sensation. It is also an intimate and wonderful experience to share with someone. It takes a great deal of trust for two people to enter into a BDSM experience together.

The BDSM community advocates strongly for informed consent. Many say they only play SSC (safe, sane, and consensual), or RACK (risk aware consensual kink). Consent, communication, safety, and safe sex are guiding principles behind the practice.

Any nonconsensual activity is not welcomed. We must allow our community a space in which to learn about safe BDSM play. This way we are encouraging safe and sex positive behavior. Even the SOPP spells out the need for safety, consent, safe sex and communication. Seems like our own SOPP has a lot in common with the ideals of BDSM.

So what are the biggest problems for people who are interested in BDSM? They are a lack of experience, lack of education, and a lack of awareness. I feel strongly that if people are interested in engaging in BDSM play they should take it slowly, read, and learn as much as they can. Yes, you can really hurt someone during BDSM, but that is what happens when inexperienced player doesn't have a space to learn. Or worse, doesn't care to learn. These are people you should not play with. So many people don't take the time to learn. BDSM is a skill and an art. Playing without knowledge is risky behavior and not sex positive. It you want to beat your partner, great, but learn how to do it without hurting them. This may sound like an oxymoron, but anyone who is involved in proper practice of BDSM is not interested in injuring anyone. We kinky people need space so we can talk and learn from each other.; it's important and the only way we can grow.

Ok, so now we've talked about BDSM and what do you do when you think you might want to give it a try? Communicate with your partner. Find out what they are interested in, and which interests you share. Try doing a "yes, no, maybe" list of BDSM activities. Then educate yourself. Do not try anything without some knowledge of how to do it safely. Your best bet is to start with what you've got. Your hands are amazing tools and you know how to use them. Spanking is a wonderful entry way to the wide world of BDSM. It's how I got my start. Last but not least pick a safe word. It needs to be something you can both remember. This word will signify STOP during play. Also try to have realistic expectations and be willing to change plans. Good luck playing! Be safe, be consensual, and communicate.

Resources

(This is just a starter list. there are many good books out there depending on your particular interests)

SM 101 by Jay Wiseman

- One of the best and well loved by the BDSM community. It's written by a man with 20+ years of experience as both a top and bottom.

The Mistress Manual by Lorelei

The Topping Book/The Bottoming Book by Janet W. Hardy and Dossie Easton

Note These are great introduction books. Their language comes off *condescending in some places, but they are the best intro books you can find. Worth the read.

Babeland (www.babeland.com) is a great sex toy store that carries all the basic BDSM gear. For beyond basics you might want to take a trip to the Chamber in Columbus. They have everything you need, want, and desire. Plus their staff is in the know about BDSM.

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- 18.7%
- Coors Brewing Company -- 11.3%
- Twice as many adult men as women (over 21) drink domestic beer.1
- Beer and Income:1
- People earning \$49,999 or less consume 39.1% of the regular beer in the U.S., while those earning \$75,000 or more drink 41.1% of the regular beer.
- More than a third of upper-income people (those earning \$75,000 or more per year) drink regular, light, or imported beer. In contrast, lower-income people (those earning \$30,000 or less per year) are from 11% to 53% less likely than upper-income people to drink those types of beer.
- 60% of regular beer consumers earn incomes of \$50,000 or more.

Having a place where equal opportunity for consumption is offered, (thanks to CG's regular hooking up of alcohol) at a place where leaders of the community are present creates a safe space for drinking. This fits in perfectly with the open minded, intelligent, and progressive consciousness that exists occasionally on campus and that is touted in Antioch's seductive literature.

Alcohol politics are confusing and selfish. They change from person to person, government to government, but if there is one thing we know, it is that the Holy Bible can often enlighten those who are lost to the ways of the Greater He. Hear what He proclaims (thanks to <http://www.tektonics.org/lp/nowine.html>!!):

Genesis. 9:21 And he drank of the wine, and was drunken; and he was uncovered within

his tent.

Gen. 14:18 And Melchizedek king of Salem brought forth bread and wine: and he was the priest of the most high God.

Gen. 27:25, 28 And he said, Bring it near to me, and I will eat of my son's venison, that my soul may bless thee. And he brought it near to him, and he did eat: and he brought him wine, and he drank....Therefore God give thee of the dew of heaven, and the fatness of the earth, and plenty of corn and wine...

Gen. 49:10-11 The scepter shall not depart from Judah, nor a lawgiver from between his feet, until Shiloh come; and unto him shall the gathering of the people be. Binding his foal unto the vine, and his ass's colt unto the choice vine; he washed his garments in wine, and his clothes in the blood of grapes

Proverbs. 3:10 So shall thy barns be filled with plenty, and thy presses shall burst out with new wine.

Prov. 9:1-5 Wisdom hath builded her house, she hath hewn out her seven pillars: She hath killed her beasts; she hath mingled her wine; she hath also furnished her table. She hath sent forth her maidens: she crieth upon the highest places of the city, Whoso is simple, let him turn in hither: as for him that wanteth understanding, she saith to him, Come, eat of my bread, and drink of the wine which I have mingled.

Prov. 20:1 Wine is a mocker; strong drink is raging: and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise.

Prov. 21:17 He that loveth pleasure shall be a poor man: he that loveth wine and oil shall not be rich.

Prov. 31:4-6 It is not for kings, O Lemuel, it is not for kings to drink wine; nor for princes strong drink: Lest they drink, and forget the law, and pervert the judgment of any of the afflicted. Give strong drink unto him that is ready to perish, and wine unto those that be of heavy hearts.

Isaiha 55:1 Ho, every one that thirsteth, come ye to the waters, and he that hath no money; come ye, buy, and eat; yea, come, buy wine and milk without money and without price.

The Lord Hath Spoken. Will we remain the open minded, safe, tolerant, and caring college of yore, or give in to the pressures of a "Civilized" society afraid of one its own most beautiful creations? The choice is ours, Antioch Community At-Large.



I, Woman

By Marjorie Jensen

Since I left you, dear reader, I have spent an appalling amount of time in the Newberry Library working on my research paper about cross-dressing and gender roles in the English Renaissance. This entails reading 17th century pamphlets where the printing makes “s” look like “f,” Shakespeare’s plays; and speeches and letters of Queen Elizabeth I looking for gendered commentary.

Throughout this search, have I found that the concept of gender has progressed tremendously? 21st century America still faces some Elizabethan challenges. While compiling a mailing list of the Gala Committee at my Development job, I found more than one woman referred to as Mrs. Someone-or-rather. I thoroughly searched our database, but these women remained nameless.

Do modern women still only identify themselves as someone’s wife? Does the heteronormative title overshadow any other designation? A noteworthy reprieve from the wealthy straight couples was one Sister Ida Ann, a Life Trustee, which puts her in the highest donor category (read extremely rich nun). I puzzled over how a woman married to the

church amassed so much money.

At lunch, I mused this over with my fellow Fellows and eventually the topic turned to bashing Ann Coulter. Last month, she spoke at Denison and Mike managed to weasel his way past the college republicans and into the auditorium. He posed a reasonable question about her preaching morality in an unreasonably short skirt. She countered his charge of hypocrisy with:

“Are you a Democrat, baby-cakes?” A college republican confiscated the Q and A mike; Mike was unable to counter. He decided Ann was a coke-head slut (to put it mildly). She claimed to be “friends” with Bill Maher and Jon Steward, the media heroes of the left. Bill Maher also referenced their “relationship” when she appeared on an episode of *Real Time*.

While I didn’t dispute the argument about Ann’s habits, I wondered why we were categorizing her in terms of who she fucked. She was still property, in a community bike sort of way (everyone gets a ride). Does a woman really have to belong to someone? Why do our most esteemed insults for women reference their sexuality (not that Ann doesn’t deserve the worst we can dish out)?

These questions persisted when we watched *How To Marry a Millionaire* later that night. While Marilyn Monroe looked

stunning while stumbling around without her glasses, I couldn’t escape my horror at the ending. The three lead characters (Bacall, Monroe, and Grable) didn’t get the last line. Instead, their newly gained husbands toasted them, reducing them to “our wives.”

Certainly we have transcended the 50’s mentality that subjugates women. This is post-feminist America, right? We’ve had three waves of feminism, in fact. But the beach seems untouched in some places. The place to discuss this was the now-infamous Zebra Lounge. Caitlin joined Becky, Jason and I while the piano player took a break between sets.

Two Brians approached our table. Both were old and sketchy-typical patrons of the Zebra. I would have ignored them, but I smoked my last cigarette. At a loss, I asked the Brian with a ponytail for one. An agreement was reached: a joke for a smoke. Why did the condom hit the wall? It was pissed off. This earned me a Camel light. The other hit on Caitlin: “So, I play guitar.”

“That’s nice.” Caitlin forced a smile. “My girlfriend plays bass.” “That’s hot.”

Jason stopped twirling Becky to the stereo’s rendition of Stevie Wonder’s *Superstition*, pretended to get a call and pulled us out of the uncomfortable situation. Apparently ownership does

not extend to women. Women who belong to each other aren’t enough to keep creepy bar patrons away. Caitlin and Jason went to bed while Becky and I tried our luck hopping to another location.

Finding another bar wasn’t difficult. Along our street bouncers called to potential customers (women without male escorts of any type, that is). I never thought that “ladies” could be such a sleazy term. Perhaps there is a certain kind of validation in having strange preppy men judge you and deem you acceptable to harass. Perhaps not.

We ended up at the Bar Chicago, whose uninspired name matched the clientele, begged for the ‘how high can we get’ game. We ascended stairs for a view of the dance floor, which was little more than a dirty warehouse. Finding no potential dance partners, we pushed our way to dance on the DJ booth. He announced that any girls dancing on the bar got free shots. Time to move.

A midget stood on the bar, tipping a bottle down girls’ throats and offering them a hand up. We managed to make something out of the night with him and his cherry-flavored liquor. Was this empowering? We were trapped on a pedestal (of sorts) reminiscent of Elizabeth’s medieval revival. At least our subjugation came with free alcohol.

Urban Nights, Aesthetic Sights...

By the cooperative council for a non-wack social scene

The C2 gallery sits on the top floor in the first building of the Front Street Warehouses. “A Bicycle For Two” was the themed show held in the last week of August. It was the first in a series to be presented by the Powerthroughmetal co. and the Zeroworker Council. Two closely related local artist operated groups. No admission charge, free food and drink make the whole thing quite convenient. Fifteen artists displayed a unique collection of work. The night was a success for all involved and a hopeful glimpse of what to expect from future events, such as the “Masters of the Universe” show scheduled for the end of November. The C2 gallery sat in a central location for Urban Nights, the event that took place over the weekend.

A dozen or so Antioch students made their way downtown to participate and support the most extensive, city-wide, art walk to date. The fourth annual Urban Nights. The Downtown Dayton Partnership and the Dayton Arts Community together provide the Miami Valley with an opportunity to receive a more intimate look at the urban

art culture that exists just below the surface. Bringing attention to the, often overlooked character that permeates the streets of Dayton by inviting the public to better get to know the downtown area. A variety of galleries, restaurants, and retailers participate in showcasing local artists and musicians. Many performances took place on Courthouse Square on Friday, September 15th. There were also numerous stages scattered all around town, along with a myriad of street performers.

In comparison to years past, I was personally impressed by how much effort went in to making the event an uplifting occasion.

The co-operative intensive climate and lack of pretension provided a very comfortable atmosphere. Having access to the personal workspaces of many of the people participating gave a more intimate portrayal of how the pieces came together.

Sculptures, paintings, and live graffiti were a few of the various mediums represented in and around the galleries. In addition to the exhibitions, an elaborate array of performers aroused

dancing throughout parking lots and ally ways. With all the people and energy in the streets it was practically impossible not to have a good time. The culmination of the night brought a few of us to a highly crowded Fifth St., where interacting and conversing with a wide variety of interesting individuals gave a breath of fresh air to everyone. We made our way into the Nite Owl to catch the performances of local anomaly Romance of Young Tigers, whose layered atmospheric instrumental noise gives the packed bar a wall of sound to digest, followed by the Early Day Minors who cap the stirring night off on a perfect note. Urban Nights is the cities attempt to bring people downtown more often and with more enthusiasm. In the creation of this kind of environment, I think the attempt to broaden our attention has worked, and one can only hope for similar activities on a regular basis. So keep an eye out for flyers for future shows at the Front Street gallery spaces, specifically C2.

“Hip Hop: The Antioch Influence”

My name is Charles Arthur Williams. First things first, I'd like to thank the students of Antioch for the unconditional support given to me personally and for the respect, acceptance, and embrace to all walks of race, culture, and creed. I'd also like to thank Luke for asking me to write this article.

As most of us are well aware, the magnetic essence of Erykah Badu, one magnificent singer expressing every ounce of her manifestation of soul, performed at the golf course of Antioch College. Now, a lot of students have seen me practice my B-Boy skills around the campus. It started in the Common Room of Fess (Fesbop). Jennifer Parnel would often practice with me. She surprised me because she could do stuff I couldn't do and do it well. What else surprised me was I didn't expect anyone to consider break dancing at Antioch. I mean really, I just didn't expect it. Years went by, Katie Andrews would film my progress. Not too long after that dance battles intrigued me, taking me to places such as Atlanta Georgia, Washington D.C., Portland Oregon, Seattle Washington, Dayton Ohio, and many other places. OK, what does this have to do with Erykah Badu? Well, that same night when she performed, I was blessed to grace the same stage alongside her. And I was able to present my B-Boy display in front of my people at Antioch College, where it all began. Big ups to School For the Def and Universal Spectrum. For those that don't know, Universal Spectrum was and still is crew, a crew I use to do hip-hop shows with. School For the Def was a crew that did hip-hop shows such as the hip-hop convergence, and mad shows in general. See, Antioch students have in a way,

pushed me to continue my way of expressing hip-hop culture. Its been a blessing to have the likes of Jen, David Eagle, and now Tony, as well as a physical work

My point is now this. Sept. 9, 2006, those same students that give nothing but a helping hand to me were able to witness hip-hop in its truest and most humble, yet expressive form. Visions of the faces I knew, which were a lot mind you, helped to enable me to live hip-hop on stage next to Erykah Badu. Antioch students are an influence on hip-hop culture because they are an influence to me – and I am hip-hop! I am hip-hop!

because hip-hop is a culture that influences people to search themselves, test themselves and find themselves. Hip-hop is education outside education grades K-12. Hip-hop is study; it's a particular path of life you walk on if it's meant for you to walk on. Hip-hop is generations old. And, it needs to be respected. Hip-hop has been performed inside Antioch, has been known to many graduates from Antioch, and has been extended from the birthplace in South Bronx to the village university called Antioch College.

-Chuck



the Dried Baby Organ Dispensary

By Wood Pipes

Welcome to the Dried Baby Organ Dispensary. Here at the D.B.O.D. we pride ourselves on collecting and recommending only the freshest of jams to smoke your babies to.

So much good music, so little time..... Once again I must ask you to please bear with as I continue to envision what exactly this column will consist of so that there can be some sort of continuity in terms of layout. Ok, less bullshit more music. **Smoke Babies.**



Album Of The Week

Yo La Tengo- I'm Not Afraid Of You And I Will Beat Your Ass [[Matador; 2006]]

Ok, I'm just gonna come right out and say it. Yo La Tengo are the hardest working band in indie rock. Go ahead, ask them, they're not afraid of you and they will beat your ass.

I last saw Yo La Tengo about a month or two ago at the Pitchfork Music Festival in Chicago. As the set progressed, I realized that I wasn't recognizing any of the songs that they were playing, and the musical stylings were so diverse from one song to the next that I just assumed that they were playing covers. How wrong I was. After maybe the third or fourth song Ira announced that that they had devoted the entire set to debuting music from this album. As you can imagine, I nearly shat myself where I stood.

Amazing show, I was moved to tears on more than one occasion, blah blah blah, anyways.

This is a Yo La Tengo album. No matter what they might be exploring stylistically on any given release, there always remains a sound that is characteristically Yo La Tengo, like different tunes played on the same guitar or some dumb shit like that. And I don't mean that in a bad way. If you are familiar with YLT and dig their

previous releases then you will love this record, go buy it now. If you are familiar with their previous work but you just can't get down, then you most likely won't find anything new here. There's also probably something wrong with you. If you have no idea what the fuck I'm talking about, I'm sorry, I really don't know what to say. Yo La Tengo have made some of the most heart-breakingly honest music that I've ever heard, as well as some of the most energetic and passionate. To try to use words to describe the feelings that this music evokes would be a preposterous and futile effort. Just imagine a well-worn, wind swept street corner in Hoboken, NJ crafting some tear drenched psychedelic elegy to living and loving, and everything in between. If that sounds at all interesting to you, then I suggest that you go and talk to that street corner. Or check out this record.



Mew- And The Glass Handed Kites [[Sony; 2006]]

Epic. A veritable progressive rock frankenstein, hipster style. The most rocking rock opera that has ever been, Pete Townshend wishes that he could take notes on this album posthumously. This album is the shit. They obviously spawned this record in some far away, fantastical land of flying unicorns and only the tightest of math rock breakdowns. The Netherlands? No silly.... but yes, actually, they are from the Netherlands.



Excepter- Alternation [[SRC; 2006]]

Putting the funk back into haunting mother-fuckers. Some people might not consider this music. My father, for instance,

would probably not consider this music. That said, it's my feeling that this is Excepter's most musical effort to date. The entity known as Excepter has undergone a radical evolution since its original conception. The first release, KA, was an expansive collage of ghostly howls reverberating and being refracted between rooms, sharp echoes of distant rhythms. That album set a vague precedent for the various flavors of organic improvised sonic assault yet to come. From incoherent deconstructionist synthesizer and vocal experimentation reminiscent of a dying animal to eerie, maniacal droning of noise and distorted whispers, Excepter has managed to conjure some uncommonly disturbing and beautiful soundscapes. But this latest recording actually has a particularly warm and even inviting feel to it. Warm like the radiator that you huddle next to in a corner when you're listening to an Excepter album, so a kind of morbid sort way, but warm nonetheless. This is also by far their funkier and most rhythm oriented release thus far. One might even catch subtle traces of dub or some masticated, deformed semblance of house groove craftily woven into the fabric of particular pieces. So, that said, I love this band, I think that they are brilliant individuals, and I am all about this new record. Not for the faint of heart or short of attention span.

If you like Excepter, I'd also recommend: Anir Collective, Ariel Pink's Haunted Graffiti, Bablic Battles, Black Dice, Dead Machines, Dou Leopards, Mouthus, Gang Gang Dance, Fenne Hair Police, Lovesliescrushing, Nurse With Wound, Matmos, Tortoise, William Basinski, Wolf Eyes.

“Smokin babies like FDR d
-Wood Pipes

Teach-In Series at Antioch College: Human Rights and Wrongs in the War on Terror

Has torture been widespread in US detention facilities abroad?

If so, why have these extreme measures been used and to what effect?

What is known about the detainees themselves?

In what way has the law been used to justify unlimited detention and harsh treatment?

How have medical and military personnel, journalists and religious leaders responded?

How have these prisons been viewed internationally and what are the implications?

What is the responsibility of American citizens in these matters?

These are some of the tough questions addressed in a series comprised of a film, a cybercast, and a forum sponsored by Antioch College and Antioch University. These activities are designed to provide concerned citizens with the most recent information about U.S. Government detention policies and practices and to offer an opportunity for discussion and action. The organizers of this series believe that the way we conduct ourselves in times of war as well as in times of peace represents our deepest values and shapes how the world perceives and responds to us. As Colin Powell recently stated, “*Watch America. Watch how we deal with this. Watch how America will do the right thing*”(May, 2004).

1. The film, *The Torture Question*, will be shown twice:

Wednesday, 27 September, 7:00-9:00 pm, 113 McGregor Hall

and Saturday 30 September, 2:00-4:00 pm, 126 McGregor Hall.

This hard-hitting *Frontline* documentary (written,

directed, and produced by Michael Kirk in 2005) explores the controversial policies and practices regarding U.S. detention facilities at Guantánamo Bay, Abu Ghraib, and Baghram AFB, as well as in secret rendition sites. When this ninety-minute program was first aired in fall of 2005 few people saw it and the press ignored it. We think it is important to bring it back in the context of recent disclosures in order to promote further discussion on U.S. foreign and domestic policy. A 30-minute discussion will follow each showing.

2. National Cybercast: *A Prison Beyond the Law: How Should We Respond to the Problem of Guantánamo Bay?* Will be presented on

Thursday, 5 October, 10:00 am to 7:00 pm Room 113, McGregor Hall.

On this day, Seton Hall University will host an all-day conference cybercast to over 200 academic institutions across the United States to study the national and international implications of indefinitely detaining hundreds of individuals defined as “enemy combatants.” A wide variety of experts will speak from military, legal, medical, and religious perspectives. For the annotated program of the cybercast check the website: <http://law.shu.edu/guantanamoteachin>

3. A Local Forum on Terror, Torture, and Imprisonment: The Long Road to Guantánamo will take place on Thursday, October 5, 8:00-10:00pm, McGregor Hall Room 113.

This forum features four main speakers:

William F. O’Brien, Ph.D.: Manager, Mental Health Care Unit, Veterans Medical Center, Dayton, Ohio. As a psychologist Dr. O’Brien has worked with Prisoners of War and survivors of torture for 33 yrs, spanning the conflicts in WWII, Korea, and Vietnam.

King Castor: Past State Commander of Former POWs of the State of Ohio. Mr. Castor is a veteran of the Second World War, during which time he was a POW in Germany for 26 months.

Dr Julie Gallagher: Assistant Professor of History, Antioch College, and Amnesty International Legislative Coordinator, The State of Ohio. Dr. Gallagher also monitors elections for the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe, and has recently overseen elections in Belarus, Ukraine, Armenia, and Kazakhstan.

Dr Hassan Nejad: Professor of Political Science and International Law, Antioch College. Dr Nejad has published numerous articles and spoken widely on Middle Eastern history and politics, the United Nations, the World Court, the Geneva Conventions, and developments in international humanitarian law.

We believe that, ultimately, much will be gained by open inquiry and dialogue. Handouts will be furnished at the sessions and recent books on the subject will be available for purchase from the Antioch Bookstore.

You may send questions and comments to the organizers at any time during the period of 20 September through 10 October. The shared address for this purpose is:

rightsinwar@antioch.edu

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Wet Events for a Dry Campus

By Jon Wohlfer

This past Saturday marked the first of many Beer-related festivals in Columbus this season. The North Market hosted the Columbus Microbrew Festival, where six Columbus-area breweries poured half-pint glasses of ales and lagers all afternoon. Admission was \$10 (two less than advertised), based on the fact that \$10 is an easier

amount to make change for that \$12. This included eight tickets (two more than advertised), a wristband, and a commemorative pint glass.

My instinct was to start with wheats and lagers before heading into stout country, so I made a beeline to Barley’s. I had eaten dinner at their brewpub before a gallery hop once, so I had already tried a couple of their

offerings. They were busy refilling their Raspberry Wheat, which was what I was after, and having trouble with the Scottish Ale keg, I had the Ivan Porter. For a porter, it was fairly hop-y, but still retained the rich malt aromas and finish that make for a good lunch.

Among the best beers on tap were from the Elevator Brewing Co. and Gordon Biersch Restaurant, though the latter isn’t necessarily native to Columbus. Elevator featured some of the heaviest contenders; their Doppelbock was as dark as any stout and an even match with Bell’s Consecrator. Their Barley Wine was also hoped-up and stronger than any other ale present. Gordon Biersch featured many German favorites, among them a Marzen, Dunkles, Hefeweizen, and Roggenbier (an anomaly to the Antiochians in attendance).

In October, Columbus will hold the Ale Fest in the Greater Columbus Convention Center. This fest will feature over 200 beers from 50 breweries; from Avery to Rogue and beyond. This time around \$30 will get you 20 tasting tickets, a tasting glass, a sampling guide and brew chart, a food voucher, and a bottle of water (as you exit).

An identical event happened in Dayton last month, and according to the brewmaster of Belmont Party Supply, 200 beers are a lot to fit in one afternoon. He mentioned Dogfish Head’s hop-infusing delivery system, where kegged ale went through a crazy-straw like device filled with fresh hops...and the fact that he lost his car...and his friends truck.

So for those planning on attending, please taste responsibly, and until then, hands off our commemorative pints.



Dispatches from Community Meeting

By Kathryn Leahey

The term’s second regularly scheduled community meeting proved to be less exciting than the first. To begin, Beth Jones and Meredith Root (or Be-Root, collectively), the masterminds behind the Womyn’s Center, were named Community Members of the Week. A string of thankfulness involving organized events then ensued. Hope thanked Robin for providing the meeting with refreshments, and Ivan Dihoff thanked all those who had attended the previous emergency community meeting, the organization of which prompted Amanda to offer her gratitude to Levi. Caitlin thanked Jimmy Williams for the Constitution Day festivities while Kaleigh lauded Melody for the Shabbat and workshop she organized this past weekend. CG as a whole was also recognized for bringing Swan Island to campus. Chelsea and Jenna both thanked the women’s rugby team as well as the Cincinnati Women’s Rugby Team. Jenna also extended her thanks to her friends for their assistance during her period of limited mobility. Finally, Luke thanked all Record readers who complimented the first issue of the term.

When the entire community’s gratitude was exhausted, we proceeded with the candidate’s forum. Six students have decided to run for ComCil, while only four students and one faculty member are making an attempt to be elected to AdCil. Those running for ComCil are nearly all third-years and seem to be overwhelmingly female. Brian Utley, the sole second-year male candidate, made it known that he feels his minority opinion would be an asset to the council. Others’ reasons for running differed. Nicole wanted to make sure that campus voices continue to be heard during the changes that are occurring at Antioch, and Meghan

Pergram felt as though her thorough understanding of the Leg Code would be an asset. Chelsea Martens and Julie Phillips both cited their previous community involvement as a reason for electing them while Sarah Buckingham banked on her sheer love for Antioch. Questioning began, and we discovered that, although all of the candidates are already exceedingly busy, they all believe that will have ample time to fulfill their ComCil duties if elected. When asked about specific policies, Meghan referenced a long-term guest policy that she would like to see devised and Brian mentioned an idea to support low-income students throughout the registration process, although exactly what he went by that was not made clear. Most candidates were found to have ideas for making meetings more efficient. Brian announced that he was a trained meeting facilitator while others presented ideas about preparation, redirection, and sub-committee use. Meghan, however, felt as though long conversations are often very useful. Chelsea and Meghan also both gave some ideas for strengthening the council’s presence on campus and its standing with the administration which centered around assuring timely progress.

Finally the interrogation of the prospective ComCil members ended and future AdCil members were up to bat. Hassan Rahmanian., the only faculty member who came forth, has been on AdCil for 10 years, but this is his first instance of running on the community side. Two prospective council members, Erin Winter and Ryan Boasi, decided on the spot to run. Both cited frustration with the state of the school as the reason for their decisions. Erin is also, apparently, a morning person, a statement that cannot be truthfully made about most

college students. Corri Frohlich, another candidate, is trying to make the big move between ComCil and AdCil. Chris McKinless, the final student hopeful, is most concerned about AdCil’s advisory board status, a concern that he say is his reason for running. When asked by Caitlin how he plans to handle that concern, he mentioned “creative methods”, although he didn’t explain what he meant by that. Ryan and Erin responded to the question by saying that AdCil needs to improve the student body’s relationship with the administration by acting in a strong but respectful manner. However, Corri, as opposed to Chris, sees nothing wrong with AdCil’s status as an advisory board. Although some of the questioning by the community devolved into statements rather than inquiries, Amanda’s question about AdCil taking action had all five candidates poised to show their passion for actually getting things done.

Many of the announcements made after the candidates’ forum involved help being requested in one form or another. The Phone-a-thon still needs workers, as does the Coretta Scott King Center, Events, and the Tecumseh Land Trust. Volunteers were called for by Jelesia for Make-A-Difference day as well as the CG office, the community garden to build a scarecrow on Saturday, and the SOPP office for a poster campaign. Despite all the help that is apparently needed, only one organization asked for any money. One hundred dollars was requested for the Queers Only Party on Friday, about which we were told to “be there or be straight.” The Womyn’s Center is holding an event entitled “Love Your Body Night” on the 29th and a Planned Parenthood Potluck on October 6th. Everyone should also check posts around campus about upcoming Wellness

Center activities.

The most anticipated part of the meeting, clarification from Robin Heise, shared little new information and left some with a bad taste in their mouths. Robin read from a statement that she had posted to First Class, reinforcing basic ideas repeatedly. John Minter apologized for any misinformation that he may have taken part in, and Meghan thanked him on behalf of all of the students for being so available; Robin followed up his statement by saying that John had not been working in financial aid long enough to truly understand it. The statement was likely well-intended, although some felt as though Robin was more chastising John than coming to his aid. After the financial aid talk, Melody led a brief party etiquette refresher course. The wisdom imparted? 1) Don’t break anything! 2) Clean up after yourselves! 3) The SOPP still applies, even if you are drunk.

The final major topic brought up at Pulse was a discussion over the appropriateness of last week’s Question of the Week. Most saw no harm in the topic, although some felt that it was possibly exacerbating a standing problem. The misunderstanding related to the Record feature was determined to be due to the difficulty of judging a person’s tone in print without the use of the dreaded emoticon. Noam Chomsky and Voltaire were quoted and ideas about personal rights and discretion were discussed, but no real conclusion was reached except that the article was provocative. Tune in next week for more information about union workers on campus having to submit to drug testing.

Rugby...continued from page 1

as the women encourage each other to “watch the kitty,” a rugby term for the spot right below the belly button and above the ‘cooch’. Never before have we seen a group of dykes so reticent to bury their faces in each other’s crotches. “It really is a lot scarier when you’re running at it full speed...and it’s harder to ask for consent!” says one team member.

We, the reporters are convinced this game was created by a group of drunk sexually repressed homosexuals who needed an excuse to touch each other, and being to scared to outwardly ask for consent, created a system of running, tackling, and crotch grabbing and named it rugby. The scrum, for example, consists of nine, sweaty, hard-bodied athletes, who alternate between putting hands down each other’s shorts and wedging their heads between the thighs of their teammates. Before the game can start, the referee inspects the fingernails of the players making sure they are regulation length...meaning short

enough to not cause any pain. After the games, you can find ruggers chanting about pussy and engaging in binge drinking in between nursing their injuries.

It is common thought that after a strenuous training period which will probably involve many montages of the Radicals being whipped into shape, and coming together as a team to overcome anonymously evil adversaries they will pull out some form of wacky trick play which will be used to defeat their opponents. This defeat will serve to unite the Antioch student population who will be inspired to overthrow the current administration and prove once and for all they truly are the Antioch Radicals. So in closing we urge you to come out and watch these star athletes in training play, we promise sweat, blood, humility, and hilarity.

Photo by Kari Thompson



by dylan

VS.

Ok, monday was international talk like a pirate day, so this is a special episode--drunk chum eating buccaneers vs. Rogue Samurai

PIRATES VS. ROGUE SAMURAI

"pirates-cause their grimy;
and they got parrots."
—Siavash, transfer

"rogue samurai. cause seven samurai is a good movie."

—Mahina 4th year

"pirates cause they're grimy and
they'd just shoot those motha
fuckers. but tha's alright cause im a
pirate and im just talking shit."

— Dave, 3rd year

"samurai would totally kill
pirates, because pirates are
just outlaws, samurai are
trained their whole life."

—Paul, 1st year

"Rogue samurai's because they
would have time to hide out in
secret and whittle their skills to
the max. (cause their rogues)"

—Charlie

"well, i feel like samurai can take on many forms,
because of ghost dog. but i think that the pirates are
more locked into their role. i think in a more tradi-
tional sense, samurai would win."

"samurai would fucking woop
pirates ass. i am so drunk."

—Steve McQueen

"pirates. cause i like them better and they
dress better."

—Val, 1st year

"it's inapplicable. its historically innac-
curate. i just cant say."

—Andy 4th year

"Pirates. i dig pirates."

—Taylor plas, 1st year

"The Narc. Birch kitchen is disgusting."

—Max, 4th year narcotics agent (undercover)

Pirates: 5

Narc-ing: 1

Historical Inaccuracy: 1

Dressing sharply: 1

Rogue Samurai: 6

Birch kitchen: 2

LOSERS

WINNERS!

ACROSS

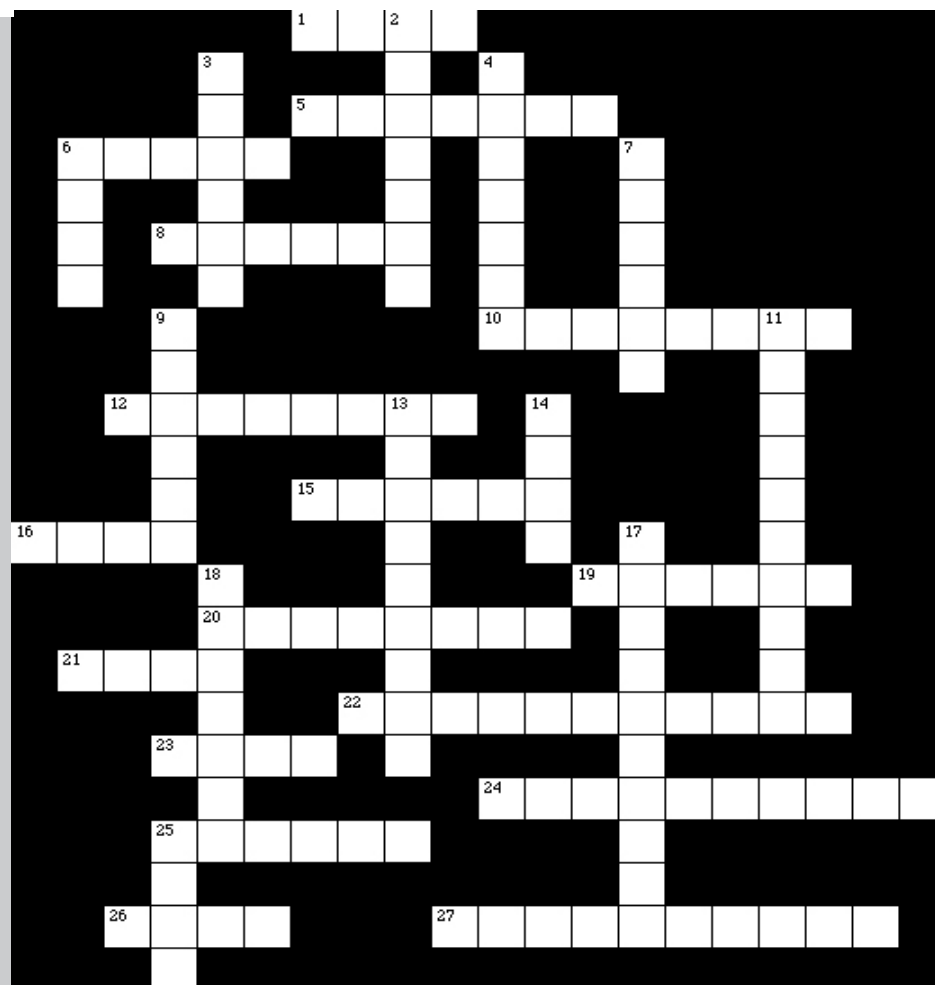
- 1 What's up ____?
- 5 Does it and does it and does it
well
- 6 Do it like Salt-n-Pepa
- 8 Wear while doin' it
- 10 Band that released "dookie"
- 12 "Ain't nobody's _____ if I
do" Holiday song
- 15 Illegal to twist one
- 16 Sci-fi book or pile of sand
- 19 Do them after cooking
- 20 Melon
- 21 To deliberately confuse
- 22 Yellow green soda
- 23 do it. (slogan)
- 24 Garry Trudeau comic
- 25 Saggy throat skin
- 26 "stick a ____ in me, I'm
done."
- 27 How Snoop might do it

DOWN

- 2 Urinal artist
- 3 Musical genre
- 4 The _____ dew
- 6 Policy about doin' it
- 7 Occasional consequences of
doin' it
- 9 Vaginal cleaning process
- 11 Not doin' it on purpose
- 13 Cartoon dog
- 14 Glove slap challenge
- 17 Religious position
- 18 John Wayne's nickname
- 25 That impending feeling

Visions of Bolivia

A Photoessay by Co-Op Student Quincy Gow





Brought to you by
Morgan Realegeno

What vices have you turned to
now there is no booze at parties?

Religion
-Chris



Homicide
- Dan Missale



No booze + wood pipes
= babysmoking...
-Dave Bishkoff



More booze at parties
- Shea Witzbergr

Now I have to buy
twice as much
herb from first
years?
-Bill



Sporty Vice
-Alex Mette



Hate. 100% Pure Fucking
Hate!!!!
-Devin Ross



Mayonnaise
-Lauren Hind



Buying alcohol for minors
-Marina Weisz



Dressing Slutty
-Marissa Rose



Talking to Foster
-Whitney Stark



Full-contact Origami
- Ryan Boasi



Robbing the B.P.
-Nina Magiliocchetti



Taking pills before the party
-Perry Shoar



Car Bomb Explodes Outside Somali ‘Parliament’, War Appears Imminent

By Edward Perkins

A recent car bombing outside the Somali ‘parliament’ in Baidoa highlighted growing tensions between rival factions in the fragmented nation. The bomb killed eleven people, including members of Somalia’s ‘ruling body’, the Transitional Federal Government. One of the dead was the brother of Somali ‘President’ Abdullahi Yusuf. The TGF said that two arrests have been made, but no other information was given.

The United States quickly blamed the Union of Islamic Courts (UIC) for the bombing. The UIC is a populist Islamic movement that started as a confederation of Islamic courts. They have risen to become the biggest power in the turbulent nation since capturing the capital, Mogadishu, earlier this year. In addition to controlling Mogadishu, the UIC hold virtually all of southern Somalia with the exception of the city of Baidoa. The UIC has denied any involvement with the bombing, and is not the only group with interests tied to the TGF.

The Intergovernmental Authority on Development (IGAD), a regional group, and the African Union (AU), recently announced a planned ‘peacekeeping’ incursion into

southern Somalia. This 8,000-man force is intended to support the weak TFG, and is scheduled to enter Somalia by the end of the month. Uganda has pledged 3,000 troops, but there is no indication that it will shoulder the rest of the burden. The remaining troops would likely come from Kenya, which also borders Somalia and supports the TFG. The TFG exercises no material control over Somalia outside Baidoa, but are internationally recognized as the Somali government. The UIC has challenged their authority recently. Since capturing Mogadishu ear-

lier this year, the UIC rapidly expanded its territory and now controls almost all of southern Somalia, stabilizing parts of the country which have been ruled by various violent warlords since Somalia’s government collapsed in 1991. The UIC has begun mobilizing its troops, and vows to fight IGAD or AU forces should they enter the country.

Ethiopia, which borders Somalia, has a long history of conflict with the war-torn nation. Ethiopia backs the TFG and accuses the UIC of sheltering ‘terrorists’. Unconfirmed reports say that as many as

500 Ethiopian troops recently entered Somalia. The troops are believed to be positioned just east of the southern city of Baidoa, where the TFG is based. The UIC controls the area around Baidoa and could occupy the city virtually at will, although Ethiopia has strongly cautioned against such action. A tentative truce also exists between the TFG and UIC. The secular Ethiopian government fears the rise of an Islamic government in the region, as well as growing Islamic fundamentalism within its own borders. A United Nations report has named Eritrea, a small nation that won its independence from Ethiopia following a long and bloody war, as one of the UIC’s backers, providing guns and money to the group. Inside Somalia, the UIC has widespread support. Most Somalis are Muslim and welcome the rule of Islamic law after 15 years of anarchy and violence. A UIC spokesman recently blamed Ethiopia for the car bombing in Baidoa. The United States is also closely monitoring the situation in Somalia. The UIC denies any links to Al-Qaeda and insists that there are no terrorists training in their territory. The US believes small groups of Al-Qaeda fighters are already in the

nation, and thinks their numbers will increase. In the past few years, several terrorist attacks on US targets in east Africa have been somehow linked to Somalia. Somewhat not surprisingly, a US corporation has been accused of being involved in plans to carry out secret illegal covert mercenary operations in Somalia. The UK paper The Observer ran an article on September 10th accusing Select Armor, a Virginia corporation, of planning operations against the UIC on behalf of the TGF. The report quotes emails from June of this year that allegedly prove the CIA knew about the plans, and had given the OK. Select Armor is a private security firm that engages in security and mercenary operations worldwide. The observer accuses them of meeting with President Yusuf and key Ugandan officials. The email quotes Select Amour CEO Michelle Ballarin talking about personally meeting Mr. Yusuf and boasting that her company had been granted the use of three military and air bases in the region. Select Armor operates an office in Austria, and was recently the target of an investigation by Austrian prosecutors. They have denied any operations in Somalia, and Mrs. Ballarin

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Shadow Government Formed in Mexico in Wake of Disputed Election

By Daniel McCurdy

After six years of a U.S. right-wing friendly government in Mexico under President Vicente Fox, elections were held July 2nd to determine Fox’s successor. Felipe Calderon, said to be the ideological continuation of Fox, will keep conservative policies up and running. On the other hand, Manuel Lopez Obrador, former mayor of Mexico City, represents the other side of the political spectrum, with a form of government emphasizing social welfare and reform.

Two weeks after the elections, authorities announced Felipe Calderon to be the winner, defeating Manuel Lopez Obrador by the smallest margin in Mexican history, just over half a percentage point. After the recount, Calderon still won but Obrador refused to accept defeat, declaring that the elections were fraudulent and of no legitimacy.

Throughout the ongoing weeks Obrador and his supporters have pressed for a vote by vote recount of the elections, and Calderon was a on a nation wide tour

around Mexico in celebration of his victory. Furthermore, news reports came out that there had been intensive ballot stuffing in rural precincts which are the ones with least security. Some footage showed a Calderon supporter actually stuffing a ballot box. This, together with other voting irregularities still did not stop the electoral commission from announcing Calderon as the winner.

As in Florida, the government sponsored Electoral Commission did not let a full recount take place. One thing that stood out was the high number (about one million) of unreadable ballots. The Electoral commission agreed to open one percent of the blank ballots, which mostly turned out to be votes for Obrador. Statistically, if a major recount of the all the ballots took place, Obrador would definitively be the victor.

Investigative reporter Greg Palast, author of “The Best Democracy Money Can Buy” about the fraudulent Florida elections, was in Mexico City right after the elections took place. He recounts on “democracy now!” (radio and television station) how the Mexican elections are parallel

to that of the U.S.’s in 2000 and 2004. In both instances, the Democrats led the Republican in the exit polls. In the end though, the Republican won, as did Calderon.

Another similarity between Mexico and Florida was the involvement of ChoicePoint. This is the company that helped Catherine Harris take out many African Americans from voting in the 2000 elections. The Bush administration sent ChoicePoint to do some work in Mexico for the elections and it did exactly as it was told. Many Obrador supporters were barred from voting for some reason or another and sometimes spent hours waiting for a response from the government as to why they were not eligible to vote. Greg Palast interviewed a Mexican that was not on the voting list that said “I wasn’t able to vote. I wasn’t on the list. I waited seven hours here for nothing, seven hours in the rain, seven hours hungry, just so the electoral representatives could laugh at me. The Electoral Commission is a real fraud. I tell you that as a Mexican.”

Obrador thinks he has the true support of the people.

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POPULARITY PLANNER

FRI	SAT	SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS
Queers Only Party Queer Center 10 P.M. Of Montreal FREE show UK Grand Student Ballroom Lexington KY 8 P.M.	Amazing and Disgusting Party Dance Space 11 P.M. Rugby Game Akron OH	Reza Aslan Heidelberg 7 P.M. Talk to Jelesia Clyburn \$3 pitcher night Peach's Grill	\$3 pitcher night Peach's Grill	Community Meeting McGregor 113 3 P.M.		ComCil Meeting MBCR 3 pm

DeClassifieds*

*Declassifieds are not edited

Dear emo kid, your hair is so emo it cuts itself! Keep it real! – Wood Pipes

Virginia – I hope your birthday on Monday was fab! You rock! Love, Your Hall Advisor

Racism is letting a man of color go down for your mistakes.

I've been sleeping under your bed at night...

Keep on healing.

2nd year girl co-oping in the library – Your beautiful. I'm glad your back.

Erin Winter..You are amazing. Thank you for building an art community and encouraging art.

Val, you are fucking awesome!

To The Person Sending Themselves Declassified: I know who you are and if you leave \$5000 in unmarked bills in the Birch trashcan on Friday night, your identity will remain secret. Sincerely, Painfully Informed

Tessicle – I loooooove you!!! – Dave

Bring on the Blaze!

Please take extra care to involve our huge first class in directionalizing our community. Reach out. We want to be involved and we want to be at a school we love.

I (heart) the new Record editors.

Lying is not sexy. Honesty, try it.

Who said anything about "Liberals Gone Naked?" Put your clothes on. – M

KT – I DO miss you!

Hey you, with the airhorn, next time the fire alarm goes off in the middle of the night, could you please on use it if there is an actual emergency. Some of us don't think it's funny to be woken up to be harassed by fire alarms AND on airhorn. Thanks.

Dave, Chelsea, Phillip & Luke – Thanks for being fantastic friends & supporting me when everyone else sucks. (heart) Kari

Dennie Eaglson – Thank you for catching my mind when I lose it.

I like cheese!
Erin Winter: I think you are the cat's meow. Whatever that means. Well, you're cool, okay? (heart) Tess

Tom – Thanks for being my friend. Sincerely, Carrie Gabella

Now what am I gonna do?

Perry – Let's steal the RX-7 – L

Pennell House Lady – No boots this week but that booty is out of control. Can I get some fries w/ that shake? (heart) A Secret Admirer

Brendan: You are an incredible human. Love, that Silly Bubble Fairy friend of yours.

To my favorite Alternative Librarian – I had fun photographing in the Glen. Love, Snowflake.

If you find the integrity of this institution could you return it to the Administration please VIA #1290

To my beautiful Girlfriend - I can't help falling love with you. Love always, Your

Bo.

To Katrina and Robin: Thank you for always going that extra mile. XOXO SA

Maddy, Alex, Abbey, and Sophia – Yall are wonderful (heart) Kelly

This newspaper will now self-destruct.

Freshface – much bulldozer love (heart) L

Antioch Environmental Group rocks! Want to be on the listserv and hear about what we're working on? Send my an email. Afletcher@antioch-college.edu

Thanks Phil. You are beautiful and I love you.

I love the organic garden! – K

Rugby Team – You rock. We ruck, we mall, we drink 'til we fall.

Here's to blueberries and grapes.

Why are we the same person?!?

Communication from Free America: The chair is against the door. John has a long mustache.

Man I love Frito Casserole. I'm bringing Sexy back.

Dear Antioch Students: How are you going to dis Frito Casserole then go back for seconds? Love a person who loves Frito Casserole.

Dear first years: Just wait, you'll be exclusive too, when you are fourth years. Love, the fourth years.

Dear Fourth Years: Just wait, you'll graduate and miss Antioch.

Dear Kenlan: I know you don't go to this school anymore, but I still think you're the best darn community member. No politics allowed. Love, Anne

CG: I want you all to have my babies – Your secret admirer

Dearest Anonymous Fourth Year – Do not, I repeat, do not touch your basement. Love, Anonymous Third Year

Clothes are good. Don't eel shy about wearing them to parties! – K

Tess: We love love love you. Thanks for being an amazing Banger. – Bingle Bangers

T. Lindsay – You are my sunshine. Not my only one but you do make me happy.

I don't want to be a chicken (or Marina).

Dear Ryan: Someday you will hold the illustrious title of Fourth Year. If you're lucky... Love, the fourth years

L-train – We raised you better than that!

Corri – You are the platonic love of my life. Thanks for your strength and wit. (heart) Chelsea

Dearest First Years: Some day you too, may become a third year. That is, if you work hard, perservere, eat well and don't transfer. Love, The Third Years

Chicken bean? CHICKEN BEAN!

Dear Rory, you suck. Love, Sam

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