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Community Called to the Polls

By Marysia Walcerz & Jeanne Kay

On Monday October 8th, roaming ballots will cross campus to allow Antioch College students, faculty and staff to vote on a double-referendum.

The student-initiated community referendum was first presented during September 25th Community Meeting by ComCil member Erin-Aja Grant and AdCil member Julian Sharp. They insisted that the drafts were temporary, and open to everyone's input. "The process of holding a community referendum shall be transparent, collaborative, and efficient" read the Referendum Schedule published soon thereafter.

The documents were made freely available for community members to edit and offer suggestions for revisions. A schedule was produced specifying the timeline and process of the action and giving deadlines for editing suggestions. Throughout the past week, there have been regular updates on FirstClass Announcements as new drafts of the referendums emerged. On Tuesday October 2nd, the final referendum language has been presented to both governance councils and moved forward by JointCil.

First Year Student Ben Horlacher was part of the language committee that was formed to facilitate the editing process. "We looked at every single edit and talked about it, though there wasn't a whole lot" he recounted, "We

proceeded by group consensus."

On Monday, the community will have two questions to answer. "A vote of no confidence in Antioch University Chancellor Tullisse Murdock," and a "Vote in favor of the future of Antioch College as an independent

and self-governing institution, no longer under the auspices of Antioch University." "Issue number one is to make Toni Murdock accountable for her actions of August 31st and others throughout her 'reign' as chancellor—her cumulative effect on the college over the years," explained Sharp, "Issue two is for the Antioch Community to set its direction for the future."

A referendum working group will be coordinating the logistics of the Monday election. Maximum turnout is, if not expected, hoped for. "There were



The language of the referendum was open to editing by every community member

Photo Alex Borowicz

so many students leading this process," commented Sharp, "It was beautiful how people stepped up to leadership in such a collaborative spirit. Our community is fiery and strong."

The second issue of the referendum states as an introduction: "Today Antioch College finds itself at the crossroads of its existence." If so, then in initiating the community referendum students are taking the lead and choosing their path.

Read the full text of the referendum on p.4

YS Town Council Hears Plan on Development Alliance

By Kim-Jenna Jurriaans

The Yellow Springs Chamber of Commerce, together with the Community Resources board and the soon to be dissolved Community Information Project, plan to establish an umbrella organization to become "the new economic authority in the area" by January 1st, 2008. This is the bottom line of a proposal that Community Resources member, Dan Young, presented on behalf of the three boards at a Village Council meeting on Tuesday.

In addition to seeking approval to establishment the Alliance by 2008, Young and co-signers to the Alliance proposal, CoC vice president Ellen Hoover and CIP representative Ron Schmidt, ask the council to allocate recently raised economic development funds to the amount of \$250,000.

"It's multi-year spending. And its primary purpose is finding someone who can spend half time, maybe full time, promoting economic development in the village," commented, Glenn Watts, member of CR on Wednesday... Continued on p.5

University Files Motion to Dismiss Faculty Lawsuit

By Alex Borowicz

Calling on precedents spanning the last half-century, Antioch University formally filed a motion to dismiss in response to a lawsuit collective brought forward by tenured faculty of Antioch College.

Filed 15 days before a deadline set by the Green County Court of Pleas, the motion demonstrates the university's alacrity for a fight, presenting the first, if preliminary, obstacle to the faculty's bid for an injunction to force the university to follow faculty employment contracts. As a second point of contention, the injunction seeks to prevent the university from liquidating assets the college currently uses.

The class action, filed in mid-August, would require the university to keep the college open by "implementing the least drastic means" of dealing with the current financial crisis.

Professor Peter Townsend, a leader in the faculty effort, said the motion to dismiss was a normal step to take.

The memorandum supporting the motion maintains that even if the court views the Faculty Personnel Policies and Procedures as an employment contract, as the faculty claim, the potential "breach of contract" is not a matter

within the Court's jurisdiction.

Drawing ties between the present and past financial crises involving Antioch College, the university cites a case from 1975 between Daniel Sokolowsky, a then-tenured faculty member and the college. Professor Sokolowsky did not have his contract renewed during a period of "bad financial conditions and certain program changes at the college." He responded by filing suit against the College, seeking an injunction to retain his employment. The Court of Appeals of Greene County subsequently dismissed the complaint on the basis that it is not the duty of the court to enforce contracts for "personal services."

In 1940, the American Association of University Professors (AAUP) created a revised Statement of Principles on Academic Freedom and Tenure, which in part states that a tenured faculty member's termination "because of financial exigency should be demonstrably bona fide." The faculty of the college, with the support of the AAUP, have voiced their dismay at the alleged failure of the university to consider alternative and less drastic measures than filing financial exigency for the college and suspending operations by July 2008.



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Why aren't you at the library?

By Natalie Martin

At the beginning of this term, there was considerable outcry over the cuts to the library budget, which had eliminated evening and Sunday hours. After the ups and downs of the first few weeks, money was finally appropriated from somewhere else to hire another research librarian. An incredibly quick hiring process ensued, and we now have another part-time, degree holding employee. The library extended its hours into the evening and again opened on Sundays, traditionally a busy day at the Antioch College library.

Given the amount of concern vocalized by students over the lack of evening and weekend hours, people writing their senior projects this fall and the infamous Research Methods being taught, one would assume the library is brimming at night.

“No matter what you’re studying, if you’re doing exclusively online research, you’re doing bad research.”

And yet, at seven o’clock on Tuesday, there are a grand total of six people in the library. Two of them are librarians, and one of them is me, the work-study library clerk. Every one of the three people who aren’t being paid to be here is working on a computer. By eight o’clock, two people have come in for a Research Methods reserve reading, and two more people have come to use a computer.

This particularly scene is not uncommon. Every evening but Sunday is a virtual graveyard, and most of the people who do come in are here to use a computer. There’s nothing wrong with coming to the library to use a computer, but that function could be provided by a computer lab. We don’t need thousands of books, hundreds of bound periodicals, microfilm, three reference librarians and OhioLink if the only thing students need to do is check their email. There is a core group of people that are here practically every day, but it’s no more than ten people.

It’s possible that this is simply a reflection of the ascendancy of the Internet as a research tool. Certainly many fine sources of informa-

tion are available online, and some are even available for free. Many libraries have gone so far as to start digitizing their collections, although these generally are only available to members of that particular library system.

“I have seen touring families come into the library, walk around, marvel at the emptiness, and then come to the circulation desk and ask where everyone is.”

Considering, though, that Antioch does not subscribe to JSTOR, Lexis-Nexis, or similar services, anyone doing all of their research online, from their dorm room, doesn’t have access to very good sources. No matter what you’re studying, if you’re doing exclusively online research, you’re doing bad research. The Internet has its own systemic biases, just like any other information system, and the easiest way to compensate for those biases is to get into a library.

Perhaps you’re thinking that the Olive Kettering Library doesn’t have that much to offer. Some elementary school libraries have more square footage, and most college libraries are in nicer buildings, with newer computers. You may also wonder why the library needs to open late, when all you do is check reserve readings out and then bring them back. Or maybe you, like many of our patrons, think the library is just plain creepy. Especially the basement.

Contrary to popular belief, the library does have quite a bit to offer. It’s true that it doesn’t always have the popular stuff, but where the Olive lacks in quantity it makes up for in quality. The library has amazing periodicals, covering an enormous and sometimes ridiculous set of topics and including some rare gems you quite literally won’t find anywhere else. We have dozens of journals on physics alone, and I have photocopied more thirty-year old articles from mechanical engineering volumes than I could ever want to. Practically every magazine we have ever subscribed to was collected, bound and put in the basement for future scholars.

In the bound periodicals section, you can find the entire press run of Z Magazine, the lefty political and cultural journal. Okay, maybe that’s not so impressive, considering much of their archive is online for free. But we also have every issue of Sewanee Review, a promi-

nent literary magazine, from their first printing in 1892 to the latest issue. The library has also subscribed to magazines that turned out to be less long lived than Sewanee, like Plain Talk, an anti-Communist political journal that only published from 1946 to 1950. Or you could thumb through the official League of Nations journal if you’re interested in how the precursor to the United Nations did business, and perhaps how they turned into the United Nations.

The Internet can’t provide the information gathering skills of a trained reference librarian. At the beginning of the term, and during the budget cuts of last term, there was a lot of talk about student volunteers to run the library. Obviously student employees are awesome, but we aren’t librarians and we just don’t have the same skills reference librarians have. Google doesn’t have these kinds of skills either.

Three of our five non-student employees have a Master’s in either library science or information science, which is the terminal degree in that field. Basically, they are incredibly skilled at what they do and certainly more skilled than us students, library clerks or no. We are here to check your books in and out and answer the phone. They are here to track down obscure publication statistics for a book or teach you the many layers of nuance in a search term.

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An empty library reflects poorly on this school, no matter what time of day it is. I have seen touring families come into the library, walk around, marvel at the emptiness, and then come to the circulation desk and ask where everyone is. This should not be, not at a college that claims strong academics in spite of a small student body and even smaller budget. Not at a college that requires undergraduates to do original research, a task usually left until graduate school.

So what are you doing reading this? Why aren’t you at the library? If you’re scared of the basement, I’ll show you where all the light switches are.

Community Referendum

Referendum Issue #1: *Vote of No Confidence in Antioch University Chancellor Tullisse Murdock*

Antioch College is grounded in values of democratic shared governance, the worth and dignity of every individual, and the pursuit of social justice. These values have withstood over 150 graduating classes, two world wars, and 21 College Presidents, but right now these values are being threatened more than ever before.

Tullisse Murdock, Chancellor of Antioch University, has violated long-standing Antioch College values, community standards, and the Civil Liberties Code. Line six of the Antioch College Civil Liberties Code states, "We regard these as fundamental necessities of genuine education, individual worth and dignity, and democratic government." Under Chancellor Murdock's leadership the Civil Liberties Code has been violated and democratic shared governance has been stifled. The College's financial stability and reputation have been repeatedly damaged over the past two years by Chancellor Murdock's administrative decisions, which in many cases also circumvented the College's shared governance policies. We acknowledge that problems have existed between the College and university long before Chancellor Murdock took office, however, Murdock has failed to bring the two institutions into right relationship and has never been an advocate for the College.

Chancellor Murdock's removal of President Steven Lawry and her formation of a new administrative team is cause for question. Both President Lawry's removal, and the formation of a new administrative team, occurred without the consultation of any of the College's structures of shared governance. Weeks after the fact, Chancellor Murdock came to a meeting of the Administrative Council to answer questions about the recent changes in College administration. We found her answers incomplete and unsatisfactory, and we have yet to receive a candid account of the events of August 31, 2007. The administrative shake-up has damaged the College's reputation and decision-making abilities at this critical juncture in Antioch's history.

Moreover, the dehumanizing treatment of the locked-out employees of the Office of Institutional Advancement speaks volumes to Chancellor Murdock's unprofessional leadership and lack of commitment to ethical standards. Furthermore, we believe the seizure of the Office of Institutional Advancement violated Antioch College's Statement on Community Standards. That document states, "The theft, seizure or destruction of private or Community property" is grounds for dismissal from the Antioch community. The seizure of the Office of Institutional Advancement on August 31, 2007 not only violated the Statement on Community Standards, but also the Civil Liberties Code in its reference to the individual dignity of those employed in the office. Seizing both the office and the FirstClass accounts of Institutional Advancement employees and going so far as to send illegitimate email replies fictitiously signed by locked-out employees may be illegal, and is a direct violation of the Statement on Community Standards. These activities were initiated without following College policies of democratic shared governance and have only further eroded our trust in the Antioch University Chancellor.

Therefore, in response to these flagrant violations of College policy we are called by our value of social justice to question the legitimacy of the current University administration. We state we have absolutely no confidence in the leadership of Antioch University Chancellor Tullisse Murdock.

Referendum Issue #2: *Vote in favor of the future of An- tioch College as an independent and self-governing institution, no longer under the auspices of An- tioch University*

Antioch College has maintained a proud tradition of educating progressive voices to counter oppression and to create just and sustainable communities for over 155 years. Antiochian leadership has benefited humanity in profound and transformative ways over the past century and a half, and the world needs Antioch now more than ever. Today Antioch College finds itself at the crossroads of its existence. The dedication and leadership shown by the Antioch College Alumni Association over the past few months is a testament to the possibility for institutional change. In order for the College to survive it must break free from University control.

Over the past several years, the University leadership and Board of Trustees have made decisions which have directly and indirectly damaged the College. Antioch University has removed financial decision-making authority from the College, and forced budget cuts which have reduced faculty, support staff, admissions, and development capabilities. The University imposed a "Renewal" curriculum on the College with minimal consultation with the Antioch College community, and then failed to financially support the drastic changes which it had mandated. The results of these poor business decisions have been exacerbated by the disconnected culture of secrecy under which the Board of Trustees and the University operate, culminating in the shocking decision to suspend Antioch College operations in June 2007.

We question the accuracy of the information used by the Board of Trustees to make its decision to suspend College operations in June, and we believe viable solutions to the College's financial troubles exist. The Alumni Association and College Faculty are developing promising solutions. Options that were not on the table in June of 2007 now seem viable.

Today we, the students, professional educators, and staff members of the Antioch College community, call for our independence from the detrimental governance of Antioch University. We support the formation of an autonomous College Board of Trustees, no longer under the auspices of Antioch University. We intend to continue building a movement that will realize the full potential of our beloved institution.

The alliance attempts to attract more businesses from out of town to Yellow Springs, as well as promote viability and growth opportunities for existing businesses, that would stop them from relocating elsewhere.

If approved by the council, the new board, under the name Yellow Springs Alliance, would solidify cooperation between the three existing boards, whose membership in the current situation partially overlaps. “If it would come together the way people suggested,” says Watts, “it would be an alliance rather than a consolidation,” At the Tuesday meeting, Village council member Judith Hempfling, welcomed the initiative, if opened up for discussion to a wider constituency. “This is the kind of proposal that could spark a creative discourse. If this is a draft document that is basically welcoming input, alternative ideas, additions, deletions...about how to spend \$250,000 of public monies over 5 years, then great,” she explained. “But if the view is that this is pretty much a finished proposal and that the council should quickly make a decision on giving money to it, then I’m not for that.”

Hempfling identified the Arts Committee, Smart Growth Task Force and Antioch College, amongst others as parties that should be included in “longer discussion.”

According to Young, representation had already been given to the arts and the college through alliance membership of Mary Campbell-Zopf of the Ohio Arts Council and Antioch University officials Glenn Watts and Toni Murdock, respectively.

Watts, a former CFO of Antioch university and current construction project coordinator, was co-founder of the Community Resources board in 1995. Murdock, though invited to join the planning of the alliance, is not guaranteed a seat on the new board that will be meeting four times a year.

In regard to the position of Antioch College within the village, Watts commented: “[The College’s] survival, whether it stays open at this point or re-opens in four or five years, it is critically important to the Yellow springs community, both economically and socially and culturally. So anyone that is concerned with economic development in Yellow Springs has to be concerned about the future of Antioch college.”

Though he said he could not speak for a Board that has not been formed yet, he personally would not oppose direct representation of the college on the Board a future Alliance.

“It seems right now that the college is so busy with him own survival that it seems like there isn’t anyone with the to involve in larger issues of the village, but once things stabilize for the college I would certainly favor having a representative of the college joining the board.”

Antioch Panel Speaks at Wittenberg

By Jessica Rapchik

“In my mind, Antioch has a soul,” mused Antioch College professor Scott Warren to a small audience gathered at Wittenberg University last Wednesday. Community members Jeanne Kay, Scott Warren, Scott Sanders, and Wittenberg professor and Yellow Springs resident Laurie Askland comprised the panel in order to openly discuss the circumstances regarding the closing of Antioch College.

The panel started off with college archivist Scott Sanders, presenting pieces of Antioch history to illuminate parallels between the college’s current financial situation and those of its past. According to Sanders, the year 1880 saw no graduates and concerned alumni and students met with the college’s Board of Trustees in order to prevent the closure of the college. Sanders also described the events of the summer that led to the announcement of closure as “surprising” and elaborated upon the efforts of friends and alumni of the College to prevent the suspension of operations that is planned for July 1, 2008.

Jeanne Kay, a second-year globalization major at the college, providing a student perspective to an intimate crowd in the Wittenberg auditorium, lamented the wave of “bad press” over the summer, following the announcement of suspension of operations. Kay stated her concerns about limited operations, facilities, and the number of students on campus, but she disputed the sentiment parlayed in newspapers across the country that campus culture has had a negative effect on the retention rate of the college. she pointed to the 100 percent retention rate of the incoming class and the fact that the second-year class has had half of its original students return to campus even after the news of suspension of operations as indicative of the environment of tolerance resplendent on campus.

Scott Warren reminded the audience of the economic implications of the college’s closure to the community of Yellow Springs and the Miami Valley. Laurie Askland, a town representative and professor of Women’s Studies at Wittenberg University described the college as the “heart” of the village. “It became clear to me how much the fabric the community I lived in was linked directly to the college,” she said.

Warren further described the measures currently undertaken by the campus community and Yellow Springs to prevent the suspension and panelists listed their favorite websites for news and background on everything Antioch.

A week after the event, it becomes evident the wave of direct action, generated by alumni and friends of Antioch college since this summer, has found its way to the Wittenberg community. Students that were present at the panel discussion have contacted Wittenberg faculty and facilitators to inquire after ways start campaigns to effective fundraise for Antioch College.

Whose Newsletter?

Alumni Relations and Public Relations Offices Come to Agreement on Authorship of Alumni Newsletter

By Jeanne Kay

“Good Newsletter” or “Damn Good Newsletter”? Two different bulletins have been brought out to the alumni for the past couple of weeks; one drafted by Special Assistant to the COO for Institutional Advancement and Public Relations Lynda Sirk, the other by Director of Alumni relations Aimee Maruyama. “I put together the first newsletter as part of the communications plan (...) and then there was a conflict which arose and needed to be negotiated,” explained Maruyama.

On Wednesday September 26th, Alumni Board Association Treasurer Rick Daily, Head of Governance Committee Ellen Borgersen, Head of Communications Committee Christian Feuerstein, and College COO Andrzej Bloch met with Sirk and Maruyama in Main Building conference room. “The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the authorship and origin of the newsletters that are going out to alums and also the process for getting these email bulletins approved,” said Borgersen.

The issue debated was whether the alumni relations office on behalf of the alumni board would be able to publish its own content and whether the alumni board could review the content that was initiated by the Public Relations Office.

The question remained unresolved at the end of the meeting. It was followed, on the following Friday, by a conference call; “What came out of that

phone call was that both the office of public relations office--Lynda Sirk’s office-- and the alumni relations office will be putting out a newsletter” recounted Borgersen. “Both of us will review each other’s newsletter, both of us have 24 hours to review each other’s newsletters and we can both write suggestions; these suggestions do not have to be followed,” explained Christian Feuerstein, “If I have huge concerns about Lynda’s newsletter, I can get upstairs to Rick and if Lynda has huge concerns about our newsletter she can get upstairs to Art Zucker (...) and we can get on from there.”

“We will be putting out the newsletter from our own domain, antiochians.org,” explained Feuerstein, who will be coordinating the Alumni Association newsletter from now on. She said that the bulletin would be put out once to twice a week depending on the level of commitment from volunteers and staff.

When asked whether she was concerned that the double-message might undermine the image of a common front shared by the the University and the Alumni Board, she responded in the negative. “We, the Alumni Board, feel it’s very important that we be able to speak to alums in our own voice and to send out a newsletter that is oriented to our campaign for the revival and survival of the college; and on the other hand, the university feels the need to communicate directly with its constituencies, which includes college alums and others, and they have news items that they want to put out that we don’t think are appropriate in the context of our campaign”

The Fantastic collaboration between America and Japan

By Miyuki Sese

On September 29th, Japanese jazz band SOFT sent their ethereal jazz sound out to cultural festival "WRIGHT NOW" at The Westcott House in Springfield, Ohio. As part of a three-day event funded by a grant from the Ohio Arts Council, spread out over the Dayton Art Institute, the Bar of Modern Art (BoMA) in Columbus, "WRIGHT NOW" closed off with a day of Japanese art and music.

At the center of the event were Japanese visual artist, Junko Yamamoto and Japanese instrumental group SOFT. Much like their name, SOFT play a pleasant, mellow mix of guitar, a base, drum and bongo. The band consists of four Japanese men from Kyoto who have been active for more than ten years within Japan. As a result of being recognized by producers, they were invited to this festival. People were kept fascinated with their attractive sounds.

In her paintings, Junko fuses pastel colors with a distinct Japanese touch that makes her art very lovely and makes the spectators feel comfortable. Junko has been painting since her childhood. Pursuing her artistic passion, in



Artist Junko Yamamoto with one of her paintings
Photo Miyuki Sese

1989, she came to attend University in Seattle to study painting and English. After that, she married, and now, she has her own studio and is flourishing orderly as a well-known Japanese visual artist.

"All I want you to do is to simply enjoy my paintings," she said. Surprisingly, at a dim setting in the South Gym Monday night for Antioch's-a-love with their Happenin'. Perform-ers and viewers - encompassing students, faculty, alumni, community members, and locals - casually

The festival conversed while the performers imagined to famous prospective move-ments to fill the space architect Frank between the sparse Lloyd Wright, pillars of structure.

The dancing that night was entirely non-traditional and 90 percent improvisational. In fact, the whole production only had about three hours of preparation. The oldest male dancer, a dance enthusiast from Columbus, learned of the event just a couple of days before and volunteered last second. The first dance, the wave dance, underwhelmed me at first because all it consisted of was performers walking, running, and crawling forward and backward on stage. I judged too soon; it wasn't too long before I witnessed a well-aged woman limbering quite elegantly throughout the space, followed by an interpretive vacuum duet dance, that for some unidentifiable reason made the entire audience giggle.

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1904, where he became interested in Japanese architecture. After returning to America, he decided to build the Westcott House, which perfectly fuses Japanese building style with the appeals of a carriage house. Now, the house is owned by the Westcott House Foundation, which decided to open its doors to performers and a small crowd of spectators of Japanese art.

if it were washed up and brushed on a canvas, but then there is so much tension with the different shades of detail in the insect's bodies. Then, you see two very detailed shrunken hands that speak of despair. Although her whole project was not exhibited, I definitely had a feeling of moods and ideas that she painted clearly.

Herndon gallery is most essential to the Antioch community in that it is a true expression of what Antioch is about. A cursory browsing through the gallery would prompt one to notice the depth and variety of forms of art that were created on the Antioch campus in the course the last two decades. Dennie's broad interests in different forms of photography allowed for these students to explore independently how they could express their experiences. One would also notice a great amount of energy in this informed fine art. These pieces are lively and engaging.

They express an elegant creativity that was achieved by the success of using a variety of alternative processes including experimentation with different types of cameras and hand applied emulations.

Although many of the photographs may have been printed digitally, only several were digitally reworked, as technology had progressed only recently. Work in this gallery also includes books that not only use image for expression, but text as well through the use of poetry and commentary. Over all, this gallery does the job of sharing stories, and what's more important is that they are stories of Antioch students undergoing important transformations. For Eagleson, the exhibition shows how

Dances With Vacuums

By Eva Erickson

"Giraffe or Oyster?" asks the masked dancer. "Tales," commands the sergeant, after flipping a coin. "No, Heads!" protests the dancer as she proceeds to assume the oyster position. At first glance, you may not think that this is dance. You may even feel a bit confused as to what on earth is going on. Then you realize: this is Antioch - organic, improvisational, and chaotic yet somehow as it should be.



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Other dance performances included a wind-structure dance where each dancer took turns communicating with one another by moving into a shape and making a face at the people in the shape.

All of the dance pieces were, of course, serenaded not by pianos and long violin notes, but by cowbells, Congo drums, and the oddest trombone noises you've ever heard. Despite the weird sounds, the event was a happenin'. With an ample number of dance lovers willing to pay the five or ten dollar entrance fee, and splurge on "Save Antioch" merchandise, the event brought together a total of 200 dollars for the College Revival Fund.

Collaborations at the Herndon Gallery

By Alaa Jahshan

A series of work collected from the past sixteen years hangs proudly in the photo show "Collaborations" at the Herndon Gallery. The show provides spectators with an overview of pieces by Professor of Photography Dennie Eagleson and her students, taken from larger projects.

There is an atmosphere of accomplishment in the gallery, as this work is what characterizes Eagleson's experience of teaching at Antioch College. It is the reviving of a complex form of art that does not hang lightly for the casual observer, and this is why it is essential to Antioch. "Nobody comes to Antioch and finishes casually," Eagleson says.

An Antioch experience is more than a sum of grades and credits. There is a heavy investment and connection to the artist's complicated lives, inspiring them to render meaningful art. One that was particularly touching to me was of Twyla Clark's "A Body of Artifacts." I was drawn to this piece because there was an additional work of pottery standing in front of it. They are gray-white hands connected to fingers by metal wires. It sits in front of an image of an insect case exhibit. As Eagleson explains, the piece reflects the artist's experience with medical problems and medical testing. I loved how real it felt since the image looked as



Professor of Photography Dennie Eagleson in the Herndon Gallery
Photo Alaa Jahshan

facility through camera benefits the community and it affirms her belief that in this period in Antioch's history, students should continue to put on notice and articulate what is important.

The gallery hours are from Thursday-Tuesday from 3:00-8:00 p.m. There will also be an opening reception on October 26, from 7:00-9:00.

Recent Cuts Hit Cafeteria Hard

By Robert Francis

Recent University budget cuts have the cafeteria facing a serious financial and labor crisis. Cutbacks have caused reduced hours, the elimination of hot breakfast, and problems meeting catering obligations.

Many departments on campus have also experienced budget cuts due to the declaration of financial exigency of the college, but the cafeteria's losses have been severe. Since the start of the fiscal year they have lost \$100,000 in funding, five part time staff, the cafeteria van and their discretionary fund.

These losses come on top of earlier position cuts, which eliminated FWSP positions, the Assistant Dining Services Manager Greg Frederick and Office Manager Anne Thomasson, and the elimination of the Grab-and-Go lunch program.

The budget reduction has caused a noticeable drop in the quantity of food. People that do not attend meals are subsidizing those that do attend. According to Marvin Bohn, Manager of Dining Services, if everyone with a meal plan attended the same meal, the cafeteria would not be able to feed them.

At this time last year, the cafeteria was staffed

by over a dozen hourly workers and three management-level employees. Since then, nine of these positions have been eliminated, leaving one manager and seven hourly workers. While the total number of students has dropped slightly, the proportion of students attending meals has remained constant. Staff cuts have mandated the end of hot breakfast on most weekdays and the occasional lack of staffing at the register. Bohn has been working twelve-hour-days, seven days a week, and has to accommodate staff taking vacation days or calling in sick with no backup.

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Less staff members also means less outside jobs for the cafeteria. Last year, the cafeteria increased its budget by offering catering services for various local events, which has not been possible with the staff reductions, furthering the budget problem. The cuts have also limited the existing staff's ability to attend to some cleaning chores. “The areas used daily like the stoves are just as clean, but other areas like the loading dock and the walk-in floors are being neglected,” said Bohn.

He has had to hire temps at various points and plans to hire temps for the weekend of the Board of Trustees meeting. “Due to being understaffed I have to rely more on outside help than ever before. That cost is being passed on to groups that hold events at

Antioch,” he said. The Board of Trustees meeting coincides with the annual Peak Oil Conference, for which the cafeteria provides catering. Additionally, the Board of Trustees receives the 10 percent discount given to University functions.

While the loss of the cafeteria van could seem minor, it can cause major problems. The lack of a designated van has meant that the cafeteria has had to eliminate all off-campus catering commitments, further lowering this year's revenue compared to previous years.

Similarly, the loss of the discretionary fund has caused problems. One important use of the discretionary fund is buying unexpectedly unavailable ingredients for meals, as meal schedules generally cannot be changed on short notice. Without it, Bohn has found himself with situations such as this last Monday night, when he had hot dogs on the menu, but no hot dog buns due to an incomplete delivery. Students ate their hot dogs on sandwich bread instead.

Both Bohn and his employees agree that the biggest hurdle for the cafeteria has been the lack of staff. “Right now... we could use a little more help,” said Virginia Garrette, UE Local 767 representative. She noted that the cafeteria has previously had FWSP employees, but lost those during the FWSP reorganization last spring. “If we could get some FWSP students just to help in the dish room that would ease up some of the stress that the Caf workers are feeling.”

Bohn feels that there has been some misunderstanding about what the cafeteria can feasibly do with the resources it has been provided. “The rest of the campus has experienced cuts and the same has happened here, which affects the end consumer – the student. That is not how I wanted this job to progress.”

Contracted Security to Alleviate Workload of Remaining College Guards

By Diana Starkweather

A year of continuing job cuts, following Board mandates in February and June, has accustomed the Antioch College community to seeing its resources drained.

This week, however, the school is contradicting this trend with the addition of six new security guards. Contracted guards Valeria Maskney, Damon Harris, Alexis Smith, Deena Pryor, Michael Grant and Maurice Henry, have joined the three remaining unionized security officers Paul Clemens, Tom Joseph and Mike Piper, to collectively fill the hours of an earlier cut position.

In February, one unionized officer was laid off due to budget cuts, leaving not only a great deal of slack for the other security guards to pick up, but also leaving them with no time for vacation or time to be sick, according to Milt Thompson. This cut also led to a lack of security coverage at night, leaving students to fend for themselves.

During the Board of Trustees meeting in Cincinnati in August, these issues came to light and it was deemed necessary to restore the security coverage that was lost when one of the fulltime security positions was eliminated, according to Thompson.

With the school currently operating without an officially approved budget in place, the school is contracting the new officers from a fully licensed security agency, to which they pay a flat fee for services, instead of a fulltime salary plus benefits.

The new security guards, employees of First National Security Incorporated, undergo a 20-hour training course that's equivalent to the training Ohio State Patrol and Deputy Sheriffs go through, said Thompson.

The six new guards, including two directors of the company, went through SOPP and RDPP seminars on September 26, and will continue their training until this Friday.

“We are replacing what used to be a fulltime person's position with a temporary service to get us through this year,” Thompson commented. Although only one additional guard will work during each new shift per day, six were hired. “With any security company you seldom get the same person all the time. ... [There is] a better chance of someone being here every night [instead of] depending on one person,” Thomson said. He also emphasized that the ad-



The new security team in front of Main Building on their first day on campus

Photo Alex Borowicz

-dition of these new guards will have no impact on the fulltime officer's Union contract since they are not being hired as fulltime employees. “What's been brought back is a temporary service to cover the hours, which are greatly reduced from the amount that the fulltime person would get paid with benefits.”

Weekends will be patrolled more heavily as shifts are added. On Friday, Saturday, and Sunday there will now be security working from 8 a.m. to 6 a.m.. Day coverage during the week continues to fall back on Head of Physical Plant Darryl Cook.

For now, the security office is concentrating on having additional coverage at least on these days, but will have other days covered if possible. “The goal is not to put security where we don't need it and that is Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday afternoon. After four o'clock, after classes in the evening, the later part of the week, that's historically when campuses need more presence,” Thompson explains.

Their main task is to return security to its operating capacity that was in place when there were four security guards. They will be performing the same duties that the officers are doing now, but they will also lighten the load of those who would have been working alone. They will enable security to assist students more promptly and to provide the community with additional help in general.

Community Events

Dispatches from Yellow Springs Save Antioch Group

A handful of townies, students, faculty and staff met in the Coretta Scott King Center on Thursday 27th September for what will now be a weekly meeting of organizing and information exchange. The two main items on the agenda were Founder's Day and Homecoming preparation. Students planning Founder's Day expressed their wish to have the Yellow Springs community participate to the event. "We wanted to make sure that everyone could participate so we made [the parade] start later in the afternoon" said Antioch student Molly Thornton, who helped organize the event. The parade will be leaving the stoop at 4:15 p.m. and its itinerary includes the main axes of Yellow Springs.

Group coordinator and alumna Judy Wohler-Maldonado expressed concern at the potential lack of lodging for Homecoming weekend. The Board of Trustees Meeting of the weekend of the 26th/27th of October will be heavily attended by alumni, and in parallel the Peak Oil conference will take place, thus overbooking accommodations around the town of Yellow Springs. Though talks of opening South Gym to alumni and their sleeping bags are in motion, Wohler-Maldonado called for all community members, especially college faculty and townspeople to open their homes to visiting alumni.

The next Yellow Springs organizing meeting will take place on Thurs. Oct. 4th at 7 p.m. in the CSKC and is open to all community members who want to make signs for the parade and discuss the referendum.

SOPP Office Hosts Conference on Public Policy and Women's Health

By Sally Bell Alper

Last Thursday the SOPP office hosted the third annual Women's Health Month Conference. This year's topic was "Understanding the Influence of Public Policy on Women's Health". Although the conference was not as well attended as in past years, there was a good assortment of health care providers and academics present.

The first presenter, Dr. Wendy Smooth, an Ohio State Women's Studies Professor, provided an overview of "Women as Policymakers". According to Dr. Smooth, Women, and especially women of color, carry some of the most progressive legislation and are more likely to list health care as one of their top priorities. Unfortunately, female politicians are still in a very small minority - only two percent of Congress. On the state level, women are more present with around 22 percent of all state legislator positions. Dr. Smooth also covered some power dynamics within political meetings that make it difficult for female politicians to get an equal voice.

Julie Piercey and Laurie Housmeyer from Planned Parenthood Southwest Ohio presented on public policy effecting sex education, contraceptive accessibility, and other women's health issues. In their synopsis, they compared the US with several European countries in numbers of teen pregnancy and numbers of sexual partners, amongst other factors, making it clear that our educational programs and cultural support systems are failing.

Our own Women's Studies professor, Isabella Winkler, gave a different perspective on women's health by looking at the interaction between public policy and the GLBTQ community. Winkler posed the question which part of a GLBTQ community would fit into the constraints of a woman's health conference and continued to challenge public health policy to expose in what ways construction of identity alters health and policy.

In an attempt to help attendees bring concerns into action, Ann Hembree rounded off with "A brief Training on How to Influence Public Policy," that included guidelines for talking to politicians and ways to become involved.

For more information on Women's health and how to get involved, the SOPP office can be reached at PBX 1128.

Popularity Planner

Starting October 12

FRIDAY

- >> **Founders's Day!**
- >> 11:15 a.m. in the Caf: **Meeting to Discuss Admissions and Enrollment for 2K8**
- >> 4:15 p.m. in the C-Shop: **RAB**
- >> 9:00 p.m. at Wellness Center : **Friday Night Events/ Chem Free Parties**
- >> 11:00 p.m. in the Dance Space: **Horace's Wake Party**

SATURDAY

- >> 6:00 p.m. in Mills Kitchen: **Vegan Potluck**

SUNDAY

- >> 1:00 p.m. in the Wellness Center: **Studying On a Lazy Afternoon**
- >> 6:00 p.m. in the Antioch Environmental Center: **AEG Meeting**
- >> 7:00 p.m. in Kelly Hall: **Piano Recital** with James Tocco

MONDAY

- >> All Day: **Referendum Voting**
- >> **Why We Stay** deadline
- >> 8:00 p.m. in McGregor 130: **Movies about and by Indignous People for Columbus Day**
- >> 8:00 p.m. in the Wellness Center: **The Icharus Project**
- >> 9:00 p.m. in the C-Shop: **Save Antioch!**

TUESDAY

- >> 8:00 a.m. in Main Building Conference Room: **AdCil**
- >> 3:00 p.m. in McGregor 113: **Community Meeting**
- >> 7:00 p.m. in the Philosophy Lounge in Main Building: **Dialogia**
- >> 7:00 p.m. in the Wellness Center: **Radical Crafting**
- >> 10:00 p.m. in the Wellness Center: **Story Time**

WEDNESDAY

- >> 12:00 p.m. in the McPhaden Room, Antioch Inn: **Campus Greening Committee**
- >> 8:30 p.m. in the Wellness Center: **Survivor's Group**

THURSDAY

- >> 3:00 p.m. in the Main Building Conference Room: **ComCil**
- >> 7:00 p.m. in the Wellness Center: **Dream Group**
- >> 7:00 p.m. in the CSKC: **YS Organizing Meeting for Adhoc Save Antioch Group**

Dispatches From Community Meeting

By Billy Joyce

Community Meeting galloped hard down the stretch. McGregor 113 was packed by a quarter past and the agenda was front-loaded with guest speakers, the revelation of Community Member of the Week (CMOTW), Beth's Trivia, and a sluggish announcements segment. A quickly dissembled pulse discussion dismissed attendees by 4:03 p.m..



Peter Zummo talks about the New York Arts Program
Photo Alex Borowicz

Manager of Dining Services, Marvin Bohn, snagged Community Member of the Week. Bohn was lauded by the venerable CCR CMs (Chelsea, Corry and Rory) for his service on CafCil and the Campus Greening Committee. A little field research yielded that the apples in the meeting's fruit bowl were firm this week. Coincidence?

Exiled Clevelander Peter Zummo, a professor from the New York Arts Program, made an appeal to students to join his program. The New York Arts Program offers a 16 credit semester with 12 of those credits coming from an arts apprenticeship.

The irascible Bill Whitesell couldn't help but inquire as to the big city's safety reputation. Recounting his experience in the city 30 years ago, he wondered in earnest if students would get mugged if they traveled to New York.

Zummo, a noted trombonist, regaled the community with anecdotal evidence to attest to the city's current high safety level. Using an epithet in sheep's clothing, Zummo recalled his personal run-in with a Good Samaritan on the subway. He was promptly clapped for and thanked for coming.

What's funnier: that CFB funds were reduced by \$2,000 or that Horace Mann died of milk poisoning?

The latest CG budget reduced CFB funds to a total \$5,600. To request funds, propose your request at Community Meeting. Fill out a CFB request and turn them in to CG by 12:00 p.m. the next day, forms can be found in CG. Then bring your request to CFB at 4:45 p.m. on Wednesday in the main building conference room.

Trivia with Beth was a joke. Winners this week get first dibs on that big cake for Founder's Day. Whitesell correctly answered that great American novelist, Nathaniel Hawthorne was Mann's brother-in-law. Natalie Martin won big by explaining that old cows who ate bad grass produced bad milk. Mann drank bad milk, which explains that bad milk in the Caf is a tradition, not a mistake.

In pulse, student AdCil representative Julian Sharp announced that a press conference will be held at Antioch next Tuesday, October 8, at 3 p.m. --in place of community meeting-- to produce the community referendum vote to the media. A debriefing about this event will be held, per the Legislative Code, next Monday evening. Look for more announcements around this event.

Rowan Kaiser '05, shared his observation that the university structure was approved at a BoT meeting on October 16th, 1977. This means, he said, the university will be celebrating its 30th birthday on college's community day on October 16th. He recommended the college throw its ill-conceived experiment a party.

JointCil Moves to Present Referendum to Community

By Jeanne Kay

"Unanimous." AdCil chair Andrzej Bloch thus took note of the result of the vote taken by AdCil and ComCil members, united around the table of Main Building's conference room on Tuesday morning. A special session of JointCil had been called to approve the submission of a referendum to the Antioch college community; a course of action not required by the Legislative Code, but that would add extra legitimacy to the process according to ComCil student member Sarah Buckingham. "We're here out of good faith asking you to please be a part of this."

Before bulking up into JointCil, the heavily agendized meeting had started as a traditional Administrative Council. Director of Business Operations Deb Caraway presented its members with the budget for the current academic year. College COO Andrzej Bloch specified that the budget had been drafted under the auspices of the suspension of operations, and that, in the case of a reversal of the board's decision in late October, another budget would promptly be presented to AdCil. Union member Carol Braun asked why the budget was presented to AdCil so late, "It seems like it was postponed even before the decision to suspend operations," she said.

Bloch responded that college president Steve Lawry had been working on the budget until the last minute--the end of April-- because of the uncertainty in enrollment numbers for the upcoming year. "It was a moving target," he commented.

Several issues were raised in regards to the proposed budget. AdCil faculty member Hassan Rahmanian questioned the process of "eating the endowment," a decision which, according to him, was not taken in consultation with AdCil. Several members also expressed concern at the consequences of the restructuring

of the IT department. Faculty member Patricia Mische suggested that, if the college stayed open, it might be cheaper and more efficient to have an independent IT department rather than sharing it with the University. Finally, the question was raised as to whether it was fair to integrate depreciation into the budget under the assumption that the college would suspend its operations the following year; the deficit might be exaggerated if depreciation was not reassessed.

As no definitive answers were brought to these questions, AdCil resolved to postpone the vote to approve the budget to a subsequent meeting.

At 9:40 a.m. ComCil chair Fela Pierrelouis took over the chairing of the meeting as AdCil mutated into JointCil. The members were presented with the final drafts for a student-initiated community referendum to take place on Monday, October 8th. Two issues are addressed by the referendum; the first is a vote of no confidence against University Chancellor Toni Murdock; the second supports the independence of the college from the auspices of the University.

After the drafts were distributed around the table, a series of questions followed about the specifics of the documents; however ComCil member Sarah Buckingham, who was responsible for the language committee throughout the process of drafting the referendum, wished to make a clarification: "The initial draft was created by one student AdCil rep' and one student ComCil rep', and that initial draft went out in all faculty and staff mailboxes, it went out on FirstClass, and it was in the Caf' both at lunch and dinner on Thursday and Friday, trying to get edits from the entire community, and we received very little input; so I just want that to be out there when people make suggestions like this."

It was then clarified that JointCil would vote to support presenting the referendum to the community, not to support the actual content of the drafts.

Before voting on the motion to place the documents for a community-wide vote, Andrzej Bloch wished to elucidate who had authored the drafts. Community Events manager Rory Adams-Cheatham replied that the question was illegitimate, as the process involved was one of consensus; "It's a student initiated community referendum, very much in line with the theories that we're taught at Antioch," she said, "it belongs to everybody."

Emergency Community Meeting! Alumni present plan to save to college to BOT members

By Billy Joyce

On Thurs. Oct 4th at 3 p.m. at an emergency community meeting, Andrzej Bloch will report the outcome from the Weds., Oct 3 Board of Trustees/Alumni Board meeting in Denver. At the meeting, representatives from the Alumni Board will present trustees with their proposal for the continuation of the college's operations.

This Denver meeting carries major weight, says Ellen Borgersen in an email. Borgersen is one of the alumni representatives making the presentation, "It's the Trustees' first look at our plan, and our first look at their reaction. We're hoping for constructive feedback and help in presenting a plan that will persuade the Board of Trustees to lift the suspension."

To find out what happens next come to McGregor 113. Full coverage of the meeting and analysis in next week's Record.

Emergency Community Meeting!
BOT Reaction to Alumni Proposal
Thurs, Oct, 4th, 3 p.m. McGregor 113

Independent Groups Fall '07

Antioch Environmental Group



Coordinators- Jay Bear Casale, Carlin Esslinger, Jake Stockwell

The Antioch Environmental Group is an open space for people to hang out, work, or organize. Events are dependant on the interest and energy brought to meetings, every Sunday at six. A trip to Black Mesa, Arizona, to bring supplies is possible. Support is being considered as well as Do- It- Yourself training, along with other events and activities, but nothing is certain. There are some books that can be checked out as well as various quasi-environmental subjects. For further questions contact the coordinators.

BAMN - By Any Means Necessary



Coordinator- Erin-Aja Grant

BAMN's purpose is to establish a stable union of students, staff and faculty that represent a part of the African Diaspora: creating a union that enhances cultural awareness, political awareness, social events, educational opportunities, and provides support for the Antioch community.

Open hours: MWF 6-9

-1st official Meeting: Wednesday October 10th, 2007 8pm @ BAMN

Dialogia Philosophy Club



Coordinator- Drew Geckle

Dialogia has been, and shall continue to be a free and open-minded forum for the purpose of conducting civil and intellectual discourse upon an infinite variety of topics. From the start of the term until its conclusion, we shall strive to discuss and, occasionally, debate topics and issues that affect both the self and the collective, for the simple purpose of good conversation. The resulting environment provided therein, is a space where people of all mindsets and ideologies can congregate for the purpose of bettering their knowledge of the world that exists around them.

All are welcome to our discussions.

Fat Group



Coordinator- Mike Yates

Fat Group, the Biggest IG on Campus, will be working on a number of projects this term, including the Fat Friendly Closet, fat-positive artwork exhibitions on campus, a Big Cookbook of Big Recipes for Big Eaters, and collaboration with the Queer Center coordinators for Sex Week. Due to the small nature of the office, and the large nature of our members, meetings will be held at the C-Shop from now on. I will be announcing those meetings at Community Meeting and in the Caf from now on, and I hope lots of our community members will come. Also the office will be open Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 4:00pm to 7:00pm and on Saturday from 5:00pm to 7:00pm. The Fat Group meetings and office are open to all members of the community regardless of size and shape.

Human Rights Group



Coordinator- Aimee Keener

Human Rights IG is an advocacy group. Last year, Human Rights hosted Amnesty International which participated in many campaigns mostly pertaining to Darfur. Human Rights started up Amnesty International again this year with the hopes of joining the "Stop Violence Against Women" campaign, but there was no interest. I was forced to cancel this event. If anyone is interested in having Amnesty International, joining the campaign, please come and talk to me. As it stands, we have no planned events and no open hours.

Jew Crew/ Kehilla



Coordinator- Bryan Utley

My vision for Jew crew is to have a safe place for Jews and their allies to come and celebrate their history with other Jews. When I first got to campus Jew Crew/ Kahilla was very visible and active. Unfortunately for the past two years it hasn't been as visible as some of us wanted it to be. My hope is for Jew crew to be more visible and to be a venue where students can have free and open dialogue surrounding their Jewness. Along with religious related outings. I want to have more serious events like parties because Jews like to party. And beyond popular belief, we can fucking dance.

Independent Groups Fall '07

Queer Center



Coordinators- James Kutil, Kari Thompson, Mariel Traiman

QC is throwing the Queers only party, Genderfuck, and we will continue to meet sporadically and have discussion groups. We will keep the community up to date on our activities. Our space will be open for anyone who wants it at anytime; please contact queer center coordinators on specifics.

Q.O.C.- Queers of Color



Coordinator- Jasmine Stokes

The Queers of color I.G. will hopefully be sponsoring many exciting events this term. Q.O.C. will also be collaborating with other I.G.'s to enhance the quality of events to encourage social activity. The Q.O.C office will be open for hanging out or working, it will also be the location for meetings, discussions, and some events. Look forward to some awesome events this term from the Queers of Color.

Sword Club



Coordinator- Ryan Boasi

Sword Club is dedicated to community building in the context of consensual, controlled, and safe sparring both with practice weapons and with bare hands.

Sword Club does not have an IG space, and therefore has no open hours; however, feel free to talk with any of our members to learn more about our club. We're a pretty friendly bunch, and always try and be as welcoming and patient with new members as we can. We meet at 3 PM on Fridays either in the upper gym on the mats, or directly outside the gym. Feel free to stop by and participate or just watch. This term we will be trying to get in a small variety of guests to teach us how to use some of our equipment more effectively.

T.W.A.- Third World Alliance



Coordinator- Jamila Hunter

In the interest of organizing and serving the racially oppressed students of Antioch College, the Third World Alliance has been established by and for these students. T.W.A. will be holding bi-weekly meetings in support of the third world community.

Open hours Monday 7-10, Wednesday 7-12, Friday 10-12

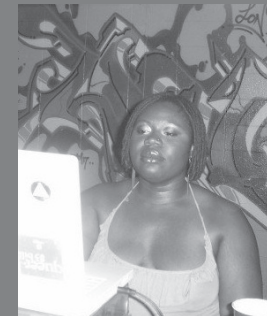
Unidad



Coordinators- Cecily Cheaney and Gabby Sibrian

Unidad is the Independent group for Latino and Indigenous identified community members. We organize events and will soon update our open hours. We want to create a safe space for Latino and indigenous people whether they are first generation, 2nd generation, biracial, multiracial, whatever. It is difficult being at a predominantly white institution with very few latin@s, indigenous, and people of color in general, so we hope to create some form of solidarity within the indigenous/latin@ community here at Antioch and a space where we are able to dialogue, have fun, and create together. We also want to hook up and collaborate with the other POC groups on campus. Our first event is going to be the Tequila Social that's going down Friday October 5th @9pm after Cabaret Horace in the Unidad Space in the Union.

Women's Center



Coordinators- Fela Pierrelouis and Caroline Debevec

Events- Women's Art Party, Mural Painting, Love Your Body Night, Herb Night/ Reproductive Health, Discussion Groups, Abortion Events, Movies, Women's Holiday Parties, Cocktail Party, Classy Dinner Party, Sister Circle.

Open hours Monday and Tuesday 6-10 Wednesday and Thursday 8:30 to Whenever

Protests in Myanmar

By Carl Reeverts

For several weeks, hundreds of thousands of people have been involved in Pro-Democracy rallies in Myanmar amid brutal violence and bloodshed. Over 200 have been reportedly killed. International organizations like the UN and the United States are watching the situation closely, weary of any escalating violence that could be reminiscent of rallies held in 1988 and 1990, where thousands were killed in the streets.

Myanmar's military run government, known as the junta, sparked the protests by taking guidance from the International Monetary Fund to ween off subsidized fuel. Instead of working the change slowly, however, the junta decided to increase rates suddenly, consequently raising the cost of food and causing severe economic turmoil. The nation's poor faced destitution as they were already strapped from decades of mismanaged economic policy and from sanctions imposed by the US and UN. Myanmar's religious monks, often a barometer for the country's financial state, were the first to take to the streets in protest, later many thousands more joined in concert.

In what ABC is calling an internet revolution, people are using blogs and other services to distribute photos and video of the violent clampdown on dissent. Many first hand accounts are pouring around the world and casting a spotlight on this south Asian country. In the late eighties and early nineties, it would sometimes take months to get footage and film out of the country and onto the airwaves, thus making it easier for governments to repress dissent without immediate world-wide knowledge of their actions. The current trend of utilizing the web is manifesting itself in potentially less bloodshed and lending international support to the people protesting the junta.

UN Envoy Ibrahim Gambari has been dispatched to the country in an effort to curtail the mass arrests and stop the attempts to silence oppositional voices. Gambari will be reporting on any progress made in his negotiations with junta Chief Than Shwe. The contents of the report could bring international force to quell the bloodshed.

China may be called on to intervene as the country frequently trades with Myanmar and is fighting its own public relations battle with accusations of human rights violations. The country is attempting to host the next Olympic summer games and would need to win many hearts and minds in order to bring this economic boom to its land.

Sources: BBC, the Economist, ABC, Washington Post, Reuters, AP.

By Carl Reeverts

House Votes for Iraq Pullout

Members of the the House of Representatives voted to force the White House to present a plan for the withdrawal for US Troops in Iraq within two months. The bill passed with strong support from both Democrats and Republicans but drew sharp criticism from the anti-war advocates in the House. Minority Leader John A. Boehner (R-Ohio) said that this measure will not force the defense departments hand in bringing the troops home, and allow the option of drafting non-binding contingencies for any planned drawdown.

Sources: Washington Post, AP

Iranian University invites bush to speak

After Iranian President Ahmadinejad spoke at Columbia University last week, Ferdowsi University invited President Bush to speak about the Holocaust, terrorism, human rights and U.S. foreign policy. The University is located in Mashhad, a northeastern city in Iran. The White House has largely ignored the request.

Sources: Washington Post, Huffington Post

Former presidents can't withhold records

District Judge Colleen Kollar-Kotelly ruled that once U.S. presidents leave office, they no longer have the power to decide which documents become available to the public. In the lawsuit brought by the American Historical Association and others, they called the executive order issued by President Bush an "impermissible exercise of the executive power." Currently, documents that are cherry picked for presidential review before release are held at least six months.

Sources: Washington Post, New York Times

Hail the Green Revolution

By Carl Reeverts

On Sept. 20-22 in downtown San Francisco, 10,000 people attended what prominent environmentalists believe is the next industrial revolution: the green movement. Geared towards architects and contractors, West Coast Green is an annual three days of lectures and presentations, showcasing the latest green technologies and ideas.

'Green' is a catch-all phrase including concepts like sustainability, permaculture and carbon-neutrality, along with many 'no-brainer' insights like not using formaldehyde in kitchen cabinets, or painting your children's bedroom with toxic paints containing VOC's (Volatile Organic Compounds).

The conference brimmed with optimism for the future. Though many of the speakers would not skimp on the foreboding and imminent doom anecdotes, they sensed that things were moving their way. With new technologies taking the 'green premium' down to earth, and a consumer frenzy for anything labeled organic or earth-friendly - a 230 billion dollar business- they may be on to something.

But the ultimate goal, the cause supreme, is to make the green movement irrelevant, by folding it into the mainstream and making it status quo. "we want it to become as much a part of everyday building culture as other past improvements," said Jake Wegmann, of the citizens Housing Corporation, "like accessibility for wheelchairs, that went from being an exceptional feature to something that's just required in the code . . . we are hoping that will extend to green building." In what seems a first step in that direction, great American cities like Chicago and San Francisco are now changing building code so that all new municipal and governmental buildings have to be certified green.

The coveted benchmark for green certification, LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design), bases a buildings performance on five areas that are important to the health of humans and their environment: sustainable site development, water

savings, energy efficiency, materials selection, and indoor environmental quality. Considering that operations of buildings make up about 50 percent of the US energy usage and produce 40 percent of the US's waste, subjecting new, retrofit and remodeled buildings to these standards would do more to protect the environment than any other single factor.

There are two parties here at WCG that focus on ways to apply green theory to the construction industry: the permaculturists and the green capitalists. Both share the 'spear in the chest,' lightbulb realizations that the environmental challenges we face can be solved through design - these are architects, after all - but they differ significantly in their approach. Permacultureists work local, and tend to have longer term commitments to their community. In their focus on sustainability, they work towards making communities capable of producing everything they need within their borders while increasing quality of life.

Green capitalists, in contrast, emphasize on a large distribution network and seek to change industry as a whole. Rather than being the vanguards of the green movement, they tend to be converted industrialists that have realized the potential of making money by being green. Banking on ecological and financial consciousness of their clients, architects now have a whole-systems approach to the way they run their business, by factoring environmental effects and savings into their design.

Three days of statistics, numbers and diagrams presented at West Coast Green have crystallized the idea that consuming less, by itself, will only delay the inevitable. That means recycling, composting, buying new lightbulbs and driving less is not

enough. Without systemic change on a national and global level, they are all but sticks in a fast moving river, noble but not enough to stem the flow.

While fuel for production of energy is an easy target, oil is not the big problem. Ed Mazria, co-author of "The 2030 Challenge," says dirty coal is the only energy source that has the potential to bring us to the brink. All known oil and natural gas reserves in the world can not exude enough greenhouse gas emissions to reach the tipping point at 445 parts per million - we are at 335 now. The problem, according to Mazria, is that we have enough coal to last us hundreds of years. There are carbon sequestering technologies available, called 'clean coal,' but it's still too expensive and may be ten to twenty years from being widely available. By that time more effort will have to be made than if we work for prevention. Without a doubt there will be a wide variety of methods to reduce waste and halt global warming but the faster you get to carbon neutrality the better off you will be, be it human or business.

Climate Change is measurable and human factors are the root cause. We will see the effects of our negligence within our lifetimes with an irreversible tipping point in less than 20 years. This is no longer a problem you can throw onto the next generation, but "guilt is no way to sell environmentalism," says Eric Corry Freed.

We can look at this challenge in many ways, and while we solve it, we have an fresh opportunity to build community, educate and make people healthier, while healing the environment and ensuring our species survival into the next century.

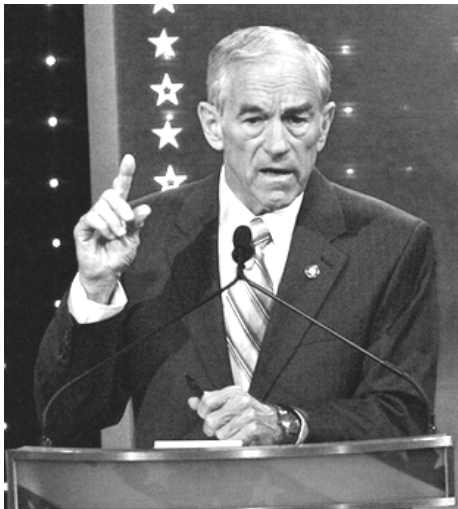
West Coast Green is one of many green-themed conferences taking place in the US and the world. Conferences like this one are growing in popularity as more people are looking for advice on how to be green, and there are people who are looking to make sure that the transition is as easy as can be.



Ron Paul: The Last Real Texan

By Bryan Utley

U.S. Congressman Ron Paul is the Dennis Kucinich of the Republican Party. He is seen by most media sources and people as having little to no chance of winning the Republican nomination. Congressman Paul represents the 14th district in the great state of Texas. This would be the second time Ron Paul has run for president. In 1988 he placed third running as an independent while still registered as a Republican. Paul first entered congress during a special election in 1976 to fill the seat of former congressman Bob Casey. During the 1970s, Paul was the first congressman to introduce legislation that would impose term limits in congress. In 1984, Paul decided not to run for re-election and instead decided to run for the Texas Republican Senate nomination, but he lost and his house seat was filled by then newcomer Tom Delay.



In a farewell address on the House floor, Paul said "Special interests have replaced the concern that the Founders had for general welfare. Vote trading is seen as good politics. The errand-boy mentality is ordinary; the defender of liberty is seen as bizarre. It's difficult for one who loves true liberty and utterly detests the power of the state to come to Washington for a period of time and not leave a true cynic."

It wasn't until the 1988 presidential election that Paul was in the spotlight once again. Although he was an early supporter of then President Ronald Reagan, he was outraged at the deficits that Reagan built up during his tenure. He won the nomination of the Libertarian party and placed third behind George H.W. Bush and Michael Dukakis, with over 450,000 votes in 45 states.

Texas is a fiercely independent state and Ron Paul is no exception. He is a politician that "walks the walk"; this is proven by his voting record since he returned to the House in 1996. Congressman Paul has sponsored more bills than any other congressperson surrounding the elimination of income tax. He has also successfully thwarted efforts by the Department of Housing and Urban Development to acquire property in the state of New York using eminent domain. In March of 2001 he introduced the "Constitutional War Powers Resolution of 2001" which would have repealed the 1973 "War Powers Resolution" which would prevent the president from starting a war without an official declaration of war from congress. In order to prevent Congress from yielding its Constitutional authority to declare war to the executive branch, which does not constitutionally hold that power, Paul introduced legislation in October 2002. The legislation gave Congress the opportunity to declare war on Iraq rather than merely "authorizing" the president to deploy forces without a declaration of war. According to a 2002 Houston Chronicle article Congressman Paul said he would not vote for his own bill, but if his fellow members of Congress wished to go to war in Iraq, they should follow the Constitution and declare war. As one of only six Republicans to vote against the war in Iraq, in February 2003 Paul and Oregon Representative Peter DeFazio formed a group called the National Peace Lobby Project, to support the repeal of the war authorization. Throughout his years in Washington D.C. he has stayed true to his independent roots and lived by the proud independent beliefs most revered by Texans.

John Edwards: The Best Individual For The Job?

By Zach Gallant

Blond hair, fair skin. Perfect smile. He's beautiful. He's got that kind of soothing voice that tells us everything is ok. He's utterly electable. John Edwards is every political strategist's perfect candidate. A White Male from the South with preexisting legislative experience. A true family man, John Edwards has been faithfully married to his wife Elizabeth for 30 years. Over that time, the Edwards' have been no strangers to tragedy. They lost their first son in a car accident in 1996 at the age of 16. The day after the Kerry-Edwards ticket lost to Bush in 2004, Elizabeth announced that she had been diagnosed with Breast Cancer. In March of 2007, she announced it had spread to her bones and lungs.

Clintonesque Charisma and the features of a Ken Doll, a life marked by success and tragedy, a long-lasting and undisturbed marriage. Of the Democratic Candidates for President, John Edwards is honestly the most electable simply based on America's preexisting prejudices.

What makes John Edwards so interesting, though, is the surreality of this race. The most liberal of the frontrunners, Senator Edwards was the first to put out a Universal Health Care plan. During his term in the Senate, he led the fight for the Patient's Bill of Rights and sponsored legislation banning television advertising for prescription drugs. Unlike Hillary Clinton, Senator Edwards has apologized profusely and repeatedly for his vote to authorize the Iraq War. Everyone makes mistakes, and though not forgiven, too many made the same mistake to hold that grudge as the deciding factor.

While every campaign has found a tight grasp on the War, on Gay Marriage, on Abortion, Edwards has been the only candidate focusing not on the wedge issues, but on the issues that truly effect our country on a more substantial, long-term basis, and has been the first (and often only)

candidate to put forth real solutions to these issues. John Edwards' campaign was the first to focus on Health Care and is honestly the only campaign focusing on the issue of poverty. The only candidate to do a "Poverty Tour" through America's most impoverished areas, Edwards announced his candidacy from a home in New Orleans destroyed by Hurricane Katrina.

The key theme in this race on the Democratic side is corruption and removing the money and lobbyists from politics. "Culture of Corruption" has become the big campaign phrase for the left. The other candidates have talked a good game,

but I'm waiting to see them put their money where their mouths are. Quite literally. When it comes right down to it, Edwards has led on this issue as well. He was the first to declare a candidacy free of PAC money and Lobbyist donations.

Most impressive, however, was Edwards' decision to take the first real step in getting the money out of politics.

This past week, he declared that his campaign was going to use Public Financing and leave the big money out of it.

All of this, and yet, when it comes to opinion polls, Edwards, realistically the most liberal of the candidates, consistently polls as the 3rd or 4th most liberal. In the most diverse Presidential race in American history, it's an easy misconception. Competing against the first viable Female candidate, the first viable African-American candidate, and the first viable Hispanic candidate, even with the more liberal views, The Straight White Male is doomed to be deemed conservative. And his aforementioned Southern drawl doesn't do much to help those misconceptions.

Simultaneously the most representative of liberal ideals and the most capable of winning the South and the Midwest, and thereby the Presidency, the only things standing between John Edwards and the nomination are money and our own liberal preconceptions. The Kennedyesque nature of both his style and his politics make him exactly what this country needs right now. The belief that a Person of Color or a Female, no matter their political leanings, is more representative of a liberal movement is all too common a misconception, and the most significant hurdle in John Edwards' way.



B R I E F S By Bryan Utley

Pennsylvania

Hate monger and former US Senator Rick Santorum has reportedly told the Pittsburgh-Tribune-Review the Matthew Shepard Act (formerly the Local Law Enforcement Hate Crimes Prevention Act) to move to the senate floor. The measure passed on a voice vote after clearing a cloture vote by a margin of 60-39. The Senate vote adds the hate crimes measure to the Department of Defense Authorization Bill. According to the Senate website nine Republicans voted to move the bill forward. Senator Gordon Smith (R-OR), co-sponsor of the bill, was joined by Senators Norm Coleman (R-MN), Judd Gregg (R-NH), John Warner (R-VA), Susan Collins (R-ME), Richard Lugar (R-IN), George Voinovich (R-OH), Olympia Snowe (R-ME), and Arlen Specter (R-PA).

National Coming out Day

To honor the upcoming national coming out day, here is a list of republican politicians/consultants who came out these past few months. Mark Foley, Former Florida US congressman. Ted Haggard, evangelical minister who had weekly meeting with President Bush on issues such as gay marriage. United States Senator Larry Craig, Senate liaison for Mitt Romney's presidential campaign. Bob Allen, Florida State Congressman and Senator John McCain's Campaign manager in Florida. Be gay and be proud.

FOUNDER'S DAY

SCHEDULE

Q: How Do I Best Celebrate Founder's Day?

A: By Going To These Super Fun Events!

12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. - James M. Malarkey, Ph.D, Professor of Humanities at Antioch University McGregor will give a talk on the history and impact of Antioch College. The presentation will take place in the Antioch Inn (next to the Antioch College cafeteria).

1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. - Bring your own t-shirt to silk-screen in a silk-screening workshop at the Silk Screen Room in Pennell House (Antioch College campus).

4:00 p.m. - Line up at the steps of the Antioch College Student Union building for the Founder's Day Parade.

4:15 p.m. - The parade starts from the Student Union steps and continues to cross Livermore Street, march down Xenia Avenue, turn onto Corry Street to return to the Student Union steps.

5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. - A community dinner, a carnival, a speech by "Horace Mann," a giant birthday cake and karaoke singing will take place at the steps of the Student Union (Carnival events will take place in the the Antioch College Gym in the case of rain).

8:00 p.m. - Cabaret Horace, a traditional Antioch College event in which community members perform songs, skits and display other theatrical talents, will take place at the Antioch College Theater Building.

Celebrate Founder's Day on
Friday, October 5th

Collaboration Kitchen
**Cooking Up
Cabaret Horace**

By Jacob Stockwell, on behalf of the
Creation, Collaboration, and Performance

The Creation, Collaboration, and Performance class has mixed together a few recipes for an event in the theater on Founders Day, Friday October, 5th. We want community participation and that is why we are being as transparent as possible. Transparency is a value worth including in planning for community events and worth salvaging from the Antioch dumpster and bake it into food we, as a community can all enjoy.

One recipe in the kitchen is the creation of parody that dramatizes the partition between the ethics of the current Antioch administration, the Board of Trustees included, and the founding values of Antioch College. Social justice, shared governance, and experiential education are just some of the ingredients our founders have added through the years. What do we have to add? If we are going to bake a cake lets make with multiple layers from the ground up. One layer our class has heated up is acting out Horace's Army by making Horace masks from a picture we are looking to find. Your favorite Horace quotes could be folded into the batter, read aloud, or performed in silence. To mix it up a bit we thought about adding in short improv from an array of topics like what would Horace do.

Don't know what Horace was about? Its cool. Neither do we. We are compiling a research team, which needs sugar and spice. So if you know or find spicy / sweet tidbits about our founders come cook with us. Stirring with a similar spoon to Trivia with Beth Goodney at Community Meeting we thought a "founders trivia special" would be the icing on the cake.

Another layer to the cake we had in mind is pouring in music of all sounds from y'all's talents and creative tendencies. There are a couple of musicians in the class that would love to join in with the cookin'. Food seems to taste better when hearing tunes while cooking up something great.

All the tasks and responsibilities that are beginning to pile up in mind, Cabaret Horace is a cook-in process that respects varied energy and levels of commitment. We are seeking a change in perception of Antioch culture. If you are interested in cookin' it up contact Tim Peyton or Shea Witzberger. Or just show up at 7:30 on Friday at the Antioch Theater to sign up for a slot to perform. Refreshments will be served!

Postcard from Co-Op

By Kelly Ahrens

I was undecided about going to a co-op community, after hearing rumors of the failed attempts in New Mexico with the Place of Text course. But I was convinced to take a job in Albuquerque, working at Channel 27, the public access television station.

News of the Board of Trustees' decision this summer to close Antioch made everyone second guess what they would do for the fall. I had made the decision to go on co-op, because that was one of the main reasons I had come to Antioch, but soon realized I had made it too early. After purchasing my plane ticket and committing to renting out a room, I realized it was too late to change my mind and return to Yellow Springs in the fall. I never contacted Antioch to assure them I was going on co-op, secretly hoping to sabotage the planning and end up back on campus. When I arrived in Albuquerque, however, unsure and hoping my job was unavailable, I saw they were understaffed and needed all the help they could get; my job was definitely still free for the taking.

So here I am, in Albuquerque, New Mexico, working at one of the last soap boxes in the country. Anyone can come off the street and put their opinion out on the air, in the form of a public service announcement (PSA) or just a fill in between shows. Those who have \$65 dollars can be certified as a producer, enabling them to have their own show and use our equipment. Every other show is about someone's different religion or faith, and in between, we might have

Don, who wears only boxers and a bow tie, talking about his lifestyle choices; or Hemp TV, where they bring out a 3-foot joint and explain why mari-juana should be legal. The producers are usually very opinionated and bold. Not many people have enough confidence to put their face out there and argue or to share their passions.

Mostly I sit at a desk in front of a computer, answering phone calls and checking out production equipment. They have trained me both in the studio and field department, so I know how to properly use the equipment on my own and I am able to help out the pro-ducers. I sometimes operate Master Control, which is the room that determines what goes on the air and how. I prefer the shows that bring on local bands and one with a group of retired men playing softball, so whenever there is an empty time slot, I fill it with those shows. I also will be making a few different PSA's while I'm here, and taping vari-ous events around the community. Everything has gone well at work, although I miss Antioch dearly and wish to be on campus this fall. I am constantly online checking up on my community. It's kind of obsessive really. I do hope everyone is enjoying their term and look forward to seeing you at the end of the month!



Mish's Movies Death at a Funeral

By Marysia Walcerz

Nobody does stark, painful, and above all, hilarious comedies like the Brits. *Death at a Funeral* is quite possibly the best example this year of exactly that type of comedy Britain is so adept at producing in spades. Frank Oz takes the formula for a traditional British farce- extreme stuffiness injected with irreverent absurdity- and puts it on acid. Literally.

Frank Oz starts the a case of mistaken identity, a comedy. In this mistaken iden- character's ceased, and to the wrong at a Funeral the way one seemle piece ing together of family. Then



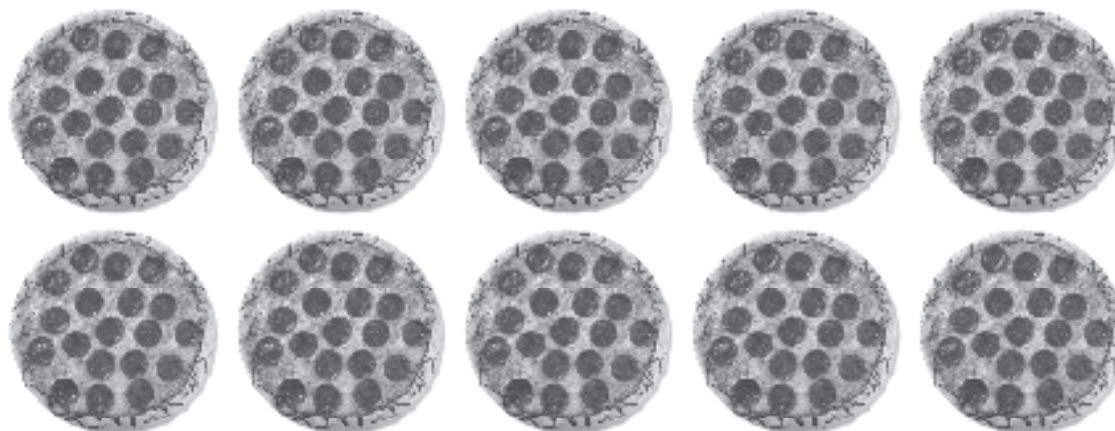
is a wild farce, of honor's still tortionist gay hallucinogens naked Welsh-dynamics of a wholly dysfunctional and highly proper clan. Oz orchestrates it masterfully, timing each explosion of circumstance to destroy the maximum amount of tact and decorum. The shrapnel of reputation and dignity that is left littering the scene just adds to the painful humor that guarantees knuckle-biting tear-jerking laughter.

The rest of the movie concerning the guest very much alive ex- lover, the effect of on tightly wound men, and the family

Possibly the only disappointment of *Death at a Funeral* is leaving the theater and remembering that we still live in the comedic world of Adam Sandler this side of the pond.

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Lust With Levi

Dear Levi B.,

I consider myself to be a queer man, but, for whatever reason, I've only ever dated straight women. I just got out of a long-term relationship, so I'm trying to put myself back on the market. Recently, I've been communicating with a woman online who I found through a Craigslist personal ad who identifies as queer. From some of the things she's told me, I'm starting to think that she might be a trans woman. We haven't met in person, yet, but I feel a little nervous and I'm wondering if I should bring it up with her.

Sincerely,

Crushin' and Questioning

Dear Crushin' and Questioning,

Don't be dismayed. It's always a little intimidating to try something new and when it comes to matters of love and lust and identity, it can be utterly overwhelming. But I have some suggestions for you to help you feel more at ease.

First, for others reading this column let me define "trans woman." A trans woman is a person assigned male at birth, who feels that the designation does not describe their internal gender identity and wish to identify as a woman instead, in order to live in a way that better reflects their understanding of themselves. They might also use the terms: tranny girl, tranny grrl, transwoman, t girl, transsexual or some variation of these terms. Now to your question...

You met someone online. She seems nice, you have some things in common, things are going well. Do you ask her if she's trans? I wouldn't. In the event that she isn't trans, she may be offended at the suggestion - though this would indicate her own transphobia, but, alas, it is a pervasive and often un-challenged -ism in our society. If she is trans, she will tell you



when she thinks the time is right. She is as unsure of you as you are of her at this point, and coming out as trans can be a difficult and painful process. I'm sure it's no shock to you that many people react in fear and disgust when they learn that a friend, partner, or family member is trans. She needs to know if you're worth the risk. Let her get to know you. Arrange a coffee date or two so that she can get to know you better and discover for herself that you are a sensitive, trustworthy guy. If she is trans, she will tell you when she is ready. Let her. It isn't yours to decide when and how that information is shared.

If she does come out to you as trans, take some time to search yourself for whether or not you are really interested in her and why. I'm sure it will seem new and unfamiliar, but remember that every person you date, regardless of their gender or body parts or hormones, is new and unfamiliar and unique. Even a non-trans woman has her own sexual preferences, body shape, genitalia variations, and physical responses. A trans woman, in that right, isn't so different from a non-trans woman. Personally, I think you should go for it. There's no good reason to write her off simply for being trans. That being said, no-

body wants to be someone's personal experiment. If you want to date her or have sex with her because you think it would be so cool to date a trans woman and then tell your friends about it later, or because you're just really curious about what she looks like between the legs, you really need to re-examine your motives. As with anyone, you should date her because you feel a connection, because you like and respect her, because you're attracted to her.

If you get to this point, and you've decided to pursue some form of relationship --and I hope you do-- you and she will probably start thinking about doin' it. Intimidated? Don't be. It all boils down to the same thing: communicate. Every trans woman - and everyone else, too-- has different needs, desires, and boundaries in bed. Talk to her about what she likes. She may have certain body parts she doesn't want touched or talked about, especially those that are "male" body parts, or she might celebrate those parts of her body and want them to be touched more than others. Or she might not really care one way or the other. Often trans people have special names for body parts they attribute to their assigned sex or their "former self." Ask if she has any names she prefers for her body parts. She may also be on hormones and/or be post-op, meaning she underwent "sex re-assignment surgery". Be aware that her body might look and feel different than what you're expecting.

On the subject of hormones and surgery: those are other topics that she will tell you about when she's ready, so as tempting as it is, don't ask.

To summarize: be yourself and let her learn to trust you, and communicate, communicate, communicate! Good luck!

Lusting for You,
Levi B.

They Too Were Once Young

Every week, an Antioch faculty member remembers their college years.

By James Thomas Robertson the Ninth

Bob Devine- Professor of CIS and Communications

Where were you when you were 20?

It was 1964, and I was here at Antioch College.

What were you studying?

I was into literature, and some education. I wanted to teach English.

What changed your interest from literature to media arts?

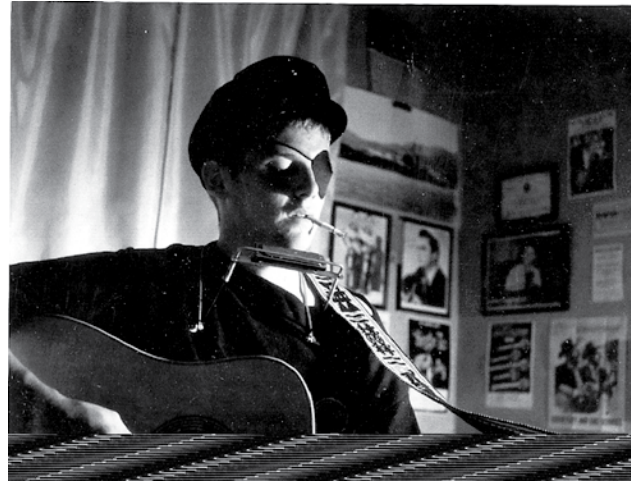
Here at Antioch I was exposed to some incredible films, and there were also many filmmakers here. Seeing all of this, I realized film is a lot more interesting than literature.

What did you want for your future?

I had very little idea, aside from wanting to be an English teacher. I knew I wanted to be a teacher since I was ten, don't ask me why. I just didn't know what I wanted to teach, and college solved that for me. Part of that was [through] co-op and academic classes. You get exposed to something amazing here that really helps you decide what to do with your life.

What was going on politically in 1964?

Well, the Cuban missile crisis happened during my first year, and we really thought the world was going to end. Some of us went to Columbus to protest. Civil rights was going on; the reintegration of the barbershop downtown in Yellow Springs was a big deal. My roommate was arrested - actually a lot of people were arrested. There are pictures and the entire downtown is filled with people, all there for this barbershop. So it was a lot of cold war stuff with civil



rights and British pop music.

What types of music did you listen to?

Lightning Hopkins, Sunny Boy Williamson, Howling Wolf, Muddy Waters. I was heavily into blues and stuff that was totally off the beaten path. It was not popular music that I listened to and people told me that frequently. Robert Johnson sings blues, but has a loud whinny howl. People used ask if I had an owl wrapped in barbwire in my room.

What type of student were you?

I was a terrible student. I could find a tree and read for two days and no one would know I was gone, but I was never good at actually writing the papers. College was a big exposure to books for me.

Pillow Talk at Antioch

Amorous Antioch Alumni tell their tale

HER SMILE, that's what cued me in.

Was it a smile that was specifically targeted for me or was it a smile she prepared for all customers? After all, I dropped by Current Cuisine just for the soup.

It was the summer that I graduated from Antioch and I was basically extending a co-op in Yellow Springs. I was living in a shack on High Street. An extension cord from the main house brought me heat and entertainment from a radio. Water was heated on the oven and brought back to me in a deep pot for my daily bird baths. It wasn't a sexy existence, but it allowed me to embrace the town of Yellow Springs that I found rather elusive during my three year Antioch stint. I was helping a guy build a house and I was, oh-so occasionally, writing articles for the Yellow Springs News under the wise tutelage of Amy Harper, then editor of the News.

So when I left Current Cuisine with a hot cup of bisque in hand, heading for the YSN for my next assignment, I pondered; was that smile from the tall, incredibly gorgeous young woman, who served my aforementioned soup, equivalent to some kind of coquettish provocation? In her mind - I can tell you now since she is my wife- she thought I was gay. Not knowing this, I waited outside the store and watched her closely interact with other costumers. Her smiles were not as large or as sincere.

Sitting in Amy Harper's office as she read off a list of possible stories for me to do the following week, an idea was hatched. "Hey, Amy, why don't I write a feature about people in their twenties living in Yellow Springs?" Amy's eyes blinked, caught off guard. I explained that people in their twenties living in the village, other than Antioch students finishing their degrees, was pretty rare. Most young people flee the town only to return a decade later or so to start families. Of course, my primary motive was unrevealed to her. This story idea could achieve great things and I could get paid as well. First, I would be able to ask out the gorgeous woman at Current Cuisine disguised as an informal interview, and I could also be sure that she was in her twenties. I was a little worried about that because her parents picked her up after work one afternoon. I was borderline stalking this young lady and that

type of obsession had to end. Amy loved the idea and gave me a list of people I could interview. I shoved the list in my back pocket where it remained for the rest of the summer.

I strolled into Current Cuisine the following day. By the way, they catered our wedding eight years later and gave us a 100 dollar gift certificate for a wedding present. I told cute, tall, gorgeous girl, whose radiant reception put me on edge in a giddy, playful way, that I was from the Yellow Springs News and that I was doing a story about people in their twenties. I was waiting for the verbal slap, "But I'm only 18."



I walked out of Current Cuisines with a pretty impressive smile myself and I wasn't carrying a steaming cup of soup this time, but something more delicious and hot: her phone number. She was 23 years old and her name was Heidi Hoover. Our interview was the following night at Young's Dairy. Within 15 minutes I told her that this interview was just a ruse and that I just wanted to get to know her better. I looked down at my milkshake and stirred it. Her answer couldn't have been any better: "I'm house sitting tonight. Would like to get a six pack and come over." I stopped stirring my milkshake.

It was a romantic tryst that lasted for a couple of weeks. Heidi was home from Ohio University where she just graduated and was working in town, living with her parents. She had other plans. She spent the next fall traveling South America and then did an internship at a bird sanctuary in New Mexico. I stayed in town and became a substitute

teacher. We both thought that we would never see each other again.

At this point I was looking to get out of Yellow Springs but something always kept me here. I befriended a film director who was about to create his life-long dream of a movie. He asked me to join him so I stayed in Yellow Springs for another year. Heidi came back from New Mexico and was applying to the Peace Corps. We ran into each other in town. She tried to get away from me. I was her summer fling and there was no reason to taint that memory. I told her there were other seasons to explore. We eventually explored them all.

She left for the Dominican Republic to start her two years in the Peace Corps. We had been dating for five months: just long enough to fall in love but making commitments were conveniently side-lined by both of us. As Heidi went to save the world, I continued doing theatre, writing and selling plasma.

Then I hit it big. Al Denman, retired Antioch Professor, hired me to paint his barn. With mineral water still in my skin and paint flecks in my hair, I flew to the Dominican Republic the next week.

We were still years away from matrimony which took place on a rainy august day in the pine forest, 2005, yet that trip to the island of Hispaniola solidified a propensity of commitment for each other that lasted on and off for a handful of years.

When I went to New York City, she moved back to Yellow Springs. When New York City didn't offer strong programs in environmental education, she moved to Stevens Point, Wisconsin. We were both exhausted with this long distance dalliance that she cut the relationship off in the winter of 2001.

I spent three days drinking HBO and watching bourbon.

The only positive result I can say about the tragic day of 9/11 is that Heidi feared for my life and realized how much I meant to her. She moved to New York City the following year where we both taught in the New York City School System for the following three years.

Since Heidi made the sacrifice to come to New York for three years, I agreed to come to Yellow Springs for the rest of my life. A pretty good deal; after all, I really just came for the soup.

Jonathan Platt '96

Still with your Antioch sweetheart? Met your soulmate in Yellow Springs? Tell us your story at recordnews.info@gmail.com

Declassifieds

Who's got the drugs WTF

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Not HOrace

Sarah Buckingham so
majestic & elusive

Myles, you're so cool
:)

Caroline Are you ready
to date? Many people
are waiting.

Darn Cat, No more pity
parties! THanks for ev-
erything though, in-
cluding the hoodie.
-Broken Fairie

Most Antiochians want
to smoke out. Please be
more specific when you
leave declassifieds :)

Salbee-I love sharing
100 pounds of food with
you in the middle of
the nighgt. -Your Eater

Asia, you have a friend
crush -ich-

Hey Cody! I'm glad
we're friends!

JP-Sorry I made you
cry. You're my favou-
rite person to feed.
-LC

If unconditional love
is possible, we need
basic human level un-
derstanding [heart]

Mariel Are you ready to
Date Again?

dela, I just can't get
enough of your lovin

I am a giraffe!
Not heads or tails; a
giraffe!
Sometimes an Oyster

To my North Hall fami-
ly: Your guys are AMAZ-
ING! -Cilla

Hey Rory you're fuckin
sweet-MT

Mariel- you light up
my light meter. Love,
-Dangerous Person

Meet me in the court-
yard at 3:30 when the
sun shines on your me-
lodidic bubbles... Twee-
zers are my friend
-[heart] Skippy

Gina, thanks for being
the best person ever.
I love you so much my
life would be qn empty
dqrk hole without your
shining light in my
life. -me

It is amazing how a
person from outside can
make a comment about
"a person of color who
looks like a 'hoodlum'"
in community meeting in
regards to the New York
Arts Program. And that
no one in the community
adress it. Why? Pro-
gressive Community?

Bryan- want to take
a spin in my lexsus?
[heart] Rory

Niko, Thank you for be-
ing so amazing! Oh and
Friday night was oh so
much fun! -your secret
lover :)

Dear Stacey, Juliet,
Amanda, Ashley
Naked time was fun,
let's do it again some-
time. -Jasmine

Shea & Molly, thanks
for being moldy. you
guys are amazing. -Car-
men

THank you Fela for all
your beautiful outfits,
they brighten my day.

Hey ex-girlfirend,
Breaking up with you is
the best, Fuck you for-
ever, -Ex

GREER-Glad we are
friends. Think you are
lovely [heart] Rory

Uptown-you are one of
the few people I would
no shank [heart] Zebra

So when did James be-
come cool again?

Jolly Green Giant:
Thanks for always be-
ing there. Even all the
aggravating door-hold-
ing. ~The Quiet One

Mariel, you kindof
suck.

James ever thought
about privelge?
[From the editor: Hey,
ever thought about
spelling?]

I love Angy! I spelled
your nname wrong! I
love you-Emma

Caroline, You're like,
my favorite person
here.

you're the best across
the hall buddy ever!
Hugs!
-the girl in Birch 313

Dear Son,
Happy Birthday,
Wszystkiego Najlep-
szego, Feliz Cumplea-
nos,
-Your Suns-

Nicole & Meghan- Do
your homework so we can
hang out! I miss you
[heart] Rory

Kim-Jenna Ich liebe
dich! -Jungfrau-

Mariel- you are super.
Lets be friends forev-
er. [heart] Rory

Jamila Fela & Erin-Aja
for CG? Something to
think about.

So Gina, if you could
just declare your love
things could be MUCH
easier. But there is no
pressure. Ok thanx

P, thanks so much for
listening, you're the
best. You know youre
secrets are always safe
with me. [heart] C

Is it sad that I enjoy
declassifieds most of
all?

Vegan Recipe of the Week

By Sally Bell Alper

*This recipe would win any cookie
competition.*

Cody's Bestest Cookies

Ingredients:

2/3 cup brown sugar
1/2 cup vegan butter (my favor-
ite is earth balance)
1 egg equivalent (powdered
egg replacer or other substi-
tute)
1 tsp vanilla extract
1 tbsp vegan milk (soy, rice,
etc.)
1 1/3 cup flour
1/2 tsp baking soda
1/2 tsp salt
1/2 tsp baking powder
1/8 cup chocolate chips
1/8 cup coconut flakes
1/8 cup crusher walnuts
1/8 cup raisins

Preparation:

First preheat oven to 350. Then
mix together all of the wet in-
gredients followed by the dry
ones. Then add your "chunky"
ingredients. If you do not like
or have chocolate chips, co-
conut, walnuts, or raisins, you
can alter to your liking. Place
small balls of dough on an
oiled cookie sheet and bake
until done. If you can handle
it, allow them to cool before
eating so then don't fall apart.

*If you have a recipe to share,
please email it to [salper@an-
tioch-college.edu](mailto:salper@antioch-college.edu)*

Horascopes

by MARYSIA WALCERZ

Aries - You will be visited by the spirits of three ghosts this week. None of them will be accepted as valid excuses for not having your homework done.

Taurus - You're in a good place to deal with all those feeling that are piling up inside this week. The same could be said of all those bodies in the Glen.

Gemini - You will come to the awkward realization during Cabaret Horace this week that the cure for your fever is not, in fact, more cowbell.

Cancer - Don't deny your emotions! That unnatural love you harbor for peanut butter is a healthy part of who you are.

Leo - You will fall madly, desperately in love on Founder's Day. The 155 year age gap might complicate matters, though.

Virgo - Keep in mind that while you can't solve other people's problem for them, you can always publicize them anonymously on social networking sites.

Libra - A bird in the hand is worth two in the bush, but a squirrel in the hand is worth at least six stitches and a trip to the emergency room.

Scorpio - You will have a tragic silk screening accident this week, resulting in the words "I Heart Non-Stop Antioch" forever imprinted in neon green ink across your forehead. But hey, now you can save money on the tattoo.

Sagittarius - The stars suggest you avoid all social gatherings this week. They feel things are still too awkward for you both to be in the same room together.

Capricorn - That weakness for comically huge cakes may be tested in the near future. Stay alert.

Aquarius - Be aware of your feelings this week. They're probably out to get you.

Pisces - Laugh and the world laughs with you. Cry, and the world awkwardly offers you a Kleenex and a half-hearted pat on the back.

All horoscopes are guaranteed accurate to the fullest extent of the law. If you feel your horoscope is in error, please contact Mish in Mills 219 for a full refund.

Question of the Week

With James Tommy Robertson the Ninth
If he were alive today, what would Horace do?



"He would pound on the lid of his grave"
Chris, 2nd Year



"He would bring back munition of the week and burn the fucker down"
Raquel, Townie



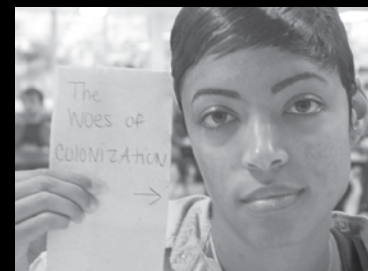
"Me"
Ben, 1st Year



"He would burn it all to the ground. Burn, burn, burn, burn it all down."
Dea, 4th Year



"He would say, 'Oh I remember when Bill Whitesell was a fourth year.'"
Michael, 2nd Year



"He would probably try to emancipate me."
Gabby, 4th Year



"He would be incredibly satisfied with the direction the university is taking the college."
John, 2nd Year

The Foundations of a College

With the ascendancy of Alan E. Guskin as the seventeenth president of Antioch, we have seen, and will continue to see, many changes. For the past year President Guskin has talked about rebuilding Antioch and reaffirming Antiochian values. But just what are those values and how are they formed?

Before one can understand any institution, one must first examine the foundations upon which it was built. In order for the community to better understand Antioch's foundations, and in order to stimulate discussion about the nature of Antiochian values, the Record sent second-year student Bobby Schrott to Antiochiana to uncover the spiritual groundwork beneath Main Building.

This article is the first in a series that will expose the substructure of Antioch University.

By Bobby Schrott

It is one o'clock in the afternoon on June 23, 1852. We find ourselves in the middle of a muddy field. It is raining, yet there seems to be quite a few people milling about. Today is the day Antioch's foundation is being laid - the cornerstone of Main Building is being put in place.

We are here a little early, so while we wait for the procession led by the Springfield Brass Band to make its way up from the Pennsylvania Railway Depot on Xenia Avenue, we have time to take a peek inside the cornerstone. The first thing we find is the *Holy Bible*. But wait, there is more. *The Christian Psalms*, *Freeses Christian Church History*, *The Herald of Gospel Liberty*, a copy of *Temperance Courier*, a photograph of A.M. Merrifield, architect and builder, and other artifacts deemed important by our founders.

Who were these people - these founders of Antioch? For the answer we must go back to 1850. This is the year in which 81 delegates of the Christian Church met for their general convention in Marion, N.Y. There, a resolution was passed which has come to affect each of our lives in many different ways. It reads:

"Our responsibility to the community and the advancement of our interests as a denomination, demand(s) of us the establishing of a college."

The college was to be located in the state contributing the most money and in the community which best met certain standards: healthfulness, accessibility by travel, inexpensive cost of living, and amount of money offered to secure the college. After some investigation Yellow Springs became Antioch's home.

When Judge William Mills, who described Yellow Springs as a town, "so full of health, that people had to leave to die," was willing to sell the group land for \$30,000 construction of the "Big three," Antioch Hall, Ladies Hall (North), and Gentleman's Hall (South) began. Imagine Antioch Hall at the time of its construction; the tallest building west of the Alleghenies sitting on the gateway to an only marginally explored America.

So now there is a charter, buildings, even the dream of an endowment. But, who would possibly consent to come here and take responsibility for it all? To quote Dan Hotaling, professor of Cooperative Education at Antioch, "there was this man, Mann, oh what a man." Horace Mann that is.

Horace Mann was an imposing figure in both body and spirit. He stood just under six feet tall, with piercing blue eyes and a full head of astonishingly white hair. He was a contemplative man, clear in thought as well as in speech. To some Antioch would become the diamond in his crown. To others the new school meant his premature death. Many have asked why, after such a distinguished career, would he end it all "in exile" in Ohio.

But to Mann himself, there was little doubt about the correctness of his decision to come to Yellow Springs. Antioch became his passion.

"I am engaged in a work worth more than a thousand such men that I am. And I must not lose that to save myself," he wrote. "...I was never more interested than in my present surroundings."

Mann goes to Congress

Born in 1756, the last year of George Washington's presidency, Mann was educated in the classics at Brown

University, Providence, R.I. He went on to Litchfield Law School in Litchfield, Conn.

A great reformer, he spent six years in the Massachusetts lower house, eventually moving to the upper house, where he served as its president. Mann then became secretary of the Massachusetts Board of Education bestowing upon him the title, "leading common school educator in America." It was during this time in which he made in-depth studies of the school systems of the newly industrializing European nations.

In 1848, Mann was elected to the U.S. Congress representing Massachusetts eighth district. At this time Mann held a wide range of interests: temperance, rights for the insane and the abolition of slavery among them. As the slavery issue was chief among problems in America, so too, was it one of Mann's major concerns. Finding slavery so abhorrent, Mann avoided shaking hands with President Millard Fillmore when the New Yorker signed the Fugitive Slave Law. It was during Mann's time in Congress that he became acquainted with many important national leaders: Horace Greeley, founder of the *New York*

Tribune in 1841, and an ardent opponent of slavery; Senator Charles Sumner, author of the Kansas-Nebraska Act, and a new liberal senator from Illinois, Abraham Lincoln.

In 1852, the year he was offered the Massachusetts gubernatorial nomination, Mann was asked by the Committee on the Plan for a College to become president of its new institution. Mann, on the condition that the school was to be non-sectarian, liberally endowed and to grant equal degrees to both men and women, accepted.

Inspiration and the Sahara

Horace Mann was inaugurated on August 5, 1853. He arrived that summer to the same muddy field mentioned earlier and was greeted by the scaffold-covered and as yet unfinished Main Building. Mann's inaugural address, containing over 27,000 words, was so awe-inspiring that it led the noted minister, Thomas Starr King to proclaim, "there is enough inspiration (here) to make a college flourish in the Sahara."

Without such inspiration Antioch might not have lasted. The battle over sectarianism raged for almost 40 years. Financial difficulties left Antioch in a precarious situation from Day One. At one point Mann was forced to take a cut in pay while at the same time putting \$5,000 of his own money into the institution.

Student self-motivation

Horace Mann's educational philosophy was simple and by our standards, contemporary. He believed in freedom for the student to educate himself at his own speed. Mann felt that students should start in familiar knowledge areas and move into previously uncharted areas at a self-motivated pace. The instructor was there solely for the purpose of guidance, fostering of motivation and checking for errors. Mann distrusted indoctrination and had no tolerance for such at Antioch. He foresaw the need for leaders in the industrial and cultural worlds and did his utmost to further the development of such leaders.

Mann was also a believer in proper hygiene. In fact, cleanliness and daily exercise were early requirement at this institution. Mann was also a great moralist and disciplinarian. He abhorred the use of tobacco, and its use was strictly forbidden on campus. The consumption of alcoholic beverage was also regulated - use was only allowed if prescribed by a doctor. Gambling and pranking were frowned upon and involvement in such activities could lead to expulsion.

During his reign, Mann instituted a strict schedule regulating the student's day, which included a mandatory Chapel visit, exercise and rigidly enforced study times.

Academic standards were high. Out of 1,000 applicants for the school's first year, only eight were accepted.

With these eight, on that muddy lawn, and the leadership of "that man, Mann, oh, what a man," the ground roots of the moral and educational traditions we still uphold today came to their fruition.

