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By Billy Joyce

A year after the MAN collective and the CCR collective created Facebook groups, filed applications, took pictures and put up posters, the community is again under siege.

Before, it was Marjorie Jensen, Anne Fletcher and Niko Kowell and Corri Frohlich, Chelsea Martens, and Rory Adams-Cheatham who stood in front of the community in McGregor 113. On Tues. it was a different group of students who humbly introduced themselves to the community.

The collectives, as they stand now, don't have catchy nicknames: Jamila Hunter, Meghan Pergrem, Fela Pierrelouis, and for an encore Niko Kowell are running up against Nicole Bayani, Micah Canal, Sarah Buckingham, and Julian Sharp.

The news out of this forum is that each collective running for CG has four candidates. This is abnormal since there are only job descriptions and funding enough for three people. ComCil last week, as reported by CM/OM Corri Frohlich, deliberated for hours to accept the collectives' proposals for a fourth member.

From that ComCil discussion it was decided that if not enough funds are raised to support a fourth position, then one of the members of the collective must abdicate their position. Through what must have been a Survivor-influenced process, Kowell and Sharp agreed to be kicked off if their collective wins and there isn't enough money to fund their position.

Both collectives plan on soliciting donations from alumni to gather enough money for salary.

In this year's CG there are three positions: the community manager, the events manager, and the operations manager. The operations manager is a consolidated position that is comprised of the two former positions of budget



Julian Sharp, Micah Canal, Sarah Buckingham, Nicole Bayani
Meghan Pergrem, Fela Pierrelouis, Jamila Hunter, Niko Kowell

manager and office manager. The fourth position that these collectives are running with is still to be defined.

Kowell's collective wants a participatory process with an emphasis on transparency to decide the purpose of the fourth position. Sharp's collective decided that the fourth position would be for alumni relations and governance. Each member of these collectives has a relevant resume a mile long and ample reasons to be given the green light to take the reins. Look forward for more opportunities to hear these candidates speak.

Other parts of community meeting featured cil-updates, CMOTW, a grad student, the caf won't be open over the break, and btw it's genderfuck week.

AdCil was a mess, said Sharp. When talking about the decision to lift the suspension of operations he said, "This plan is a death sentence."

Jen-E Johnson, a representative from CafCil, let the community know that the cafeteria will be closed from Weds. until Sun. Marvin Bohn, director of caf services, cited the low number of students who have historically utilized the caf over Thanksgiving breaks of the past few years. He also said that he'd have to pay union employees triple time on Thanksgiving and the budget couldn't afford it. Foreshadowing?

SOPP Advocate Ann Hembree won community member of the week for her work that proves this institution can define and defend its values.

A graduate student from McGregor will be conducting a photography project on campus. She introduced herself. Alumnus agitator Rowan Kaiser read a letter from old CMs and concerned persons reiterating their confidence in current community members.

Next week, same thing.

The Future of Admissions at Antioch

By Sarah Buckingham

"Its my understanding that we cannot currently accept applications for any students until the Ohio Board of Regents comes back with a decision," said Robin Heise, Director of Financial Aid, this week. "We do have a few students who deferred their applications, so there will be new students in the spring, but just a handful, less than six."

When the Antioch University Board of Trustees announced this summer it would suspend operations at the College, it also told the Ohio Board of Regents (OBR) that the College would cease awarding credits and conferring degrees at the end of December 2008. Now that the suspension has been lifted, the College needs permission from the OBR to continue granting degrees and credits beyond that date before ad-

missions and recruitment efforts can begin.

As part of it's efforts to keep the College open, the Alumni Board formed an Admissions Committee this summer to develop a recruitment plan and implement it once the OBR gives the green light. The committee is made up of college staff, Alumni Board members, and alumni, as well as faculty and student liaisons. "A few of us have direct experience in the profession, past and/or present," said Kristin Pett, a lead organizer on the Alumni Board Admissions Committee, "some of us have had extensive experience volunteering for admissions in the past; some of us are simply in education and some of us simply want to help bring in a new class for Antioch. We have had a few conference calls as needed since August,

developed the Emergency Recruitment and Enrollment Plan, have gone through an admissions training, and are now in the process of implementing phases of the plan. The group will implement more phases of the plan as the college becomes more operational, Pett explained. "Most importantly, we see ourselves as being a support for the admissions and financial aid office," saying 'it doesn't f**ing matter, it's got to stay open.'" Currently, however, there are no paid admissions staffers and Weston Hall, the building that used to house Admissions and Financial Aid, is now home to the Office of Institutional Advancement.

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Sink the Captain Save the Ship

"I did not get this college into this mess, it's been going on for 30 years, I'm here to get it out of the mess." –Toni Murdock

If one thing has become evident this week, then it is that Toni Murdock is not the person to get Antioch out of this mess. While holding on to the claim that she did not build the sinking ship, she is not using the wisdom of the crew that sailed it for years. Meanwhile, she does not have the expertise to address the needs of the college, nor the willingness to learn about its history in order to tackle the systemic problems that prevent it from flourishing.

Her appearance in AdCil on Tuesday has once again made that clear.

Murdock's interpretation of the joined resolution, two weeks ago, goes straight against that of the Alumni Board. Good faith indeed seems to be lost when seeing members of the AB shake their head in disbelief this week when hearing the chancellor convey her outline for the road ahead.

Following Toni's vision, we cannot recruit students until "financially stable" another two years from now. Financial exigency, meanwhile, continues to be used as a means to terminate faculty and staff contracts, setting off an avalanche of insecurity across campus.

Current students fear their departments and community disappearing, and accepting new students in the near future does not seem to be part of the Murdock strategy for success.

Neither does PR for the college. At a time that the OBR is assessing our continued accreditation, University officials on the chancellor's pay roll bring out hurtful statements about the College, to the point that I'm almost glad our own inadequate PR person takes regular vacations from her responsibilities. Instead of saying she will do everything in her power to promote the college and prevent similar mistakes from happening in the future, Murdock freed herself from blame and refused to even look at the highlighted quote that was passed to her from across the table.

As difficult as it is to make her address the problems right in front of her, it seems impossible to even make her look

at that which lies beneath.

It is interesting to see how Murdock acknowledges the college's problems began with the creation of the University 30 years ago, yet she fails to see its current situation as an outcome of that. Instead, the essential issue in her view is "The college needs to stop blaming the University."

In all of this, it is her tone of voice that gives her sentiments away most. The contempt for the college that continuously failed to balance its budget shows her failure to see and address the structural problems at the heart of the college's financial failure. And they are numerous.

It is exactly this tone of voice that shows why red flags in conversation, like "depreciation," matter so much, funded or not.

It is university measures like these, imposed on an institution already drained of its resources, that perpetuate the idea that we are not worthy of real, grown-up, collaboration -- let alone autonomy over our own finances and future.

Depreciation, for one, made sense when it was carried centrally and the college's endowment growth was used to offset that cost. It stopped making sense when the charge was booked to the college and the majority of the growth still went to the university.

But attempts to make Murdock see these points as valid, or even remotely interesting, fall on deaf ears, whether it be presented by a long term Economics Professor or former Dean with five decades of experience at the college. Toni continues to see the college through the eyes of the president of a revenue driven, Graduate campus within the University. Her body language oozes a self-righteous belief in her own paradigm of a limpid educational institution and a false sense of sympathy for the situation of the college.

This leads me to believe she will never be able to make the tough decisions, tough for the University, necessary for the rejuvenation of the mother college with all its intricacies.

It is time for a leader that is willing to make hard cuts, break the structure and incorporate the wisdom of a community that has overcome many storms before.

-KJ

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Dear Antioch Students,

During these last difficult months, we have watched many of you hard-working, intelligent, courageous young people with delight and pride. We want you to know that you are not alone in your struggle. We, members of the Yellow Springs community, are also working in good faith (sometimes to exhaustion) to save our beloved Antioch College. Our commitment is strong, for our lives are deeply intertwined with the College. We, or our family members, have worked at the College; faculty and staff and their families are our friends; we, ourselves, are Antiochians or could have been, as we, like you, have a commitment to the historic vision and values of Antioch College.

We know in these last months you have found valuable friends and found from faculty and staff deep concern and inspiration. Many good and brave things have occurred even during this time of great duress. So we ask you, if you are able, to please hold on.

While it would be prudent to develop a backup plan, we want you to know that this important fight for the College is not yet over and that the struggle for its survival is dependent on many of you choos-

ing to stay. By staying, you will not only learn in your area of study, you will also continue to learn what is possible when people work together towards a good and powerful vision. You must know how very important an Antioch College education is. Author Rita Mae Brown, when she spoke at an Antioch Commencement, called Antioch College the “point of the arrow” among progressive institutions of higher learning. To quote Antioch alumni, Dan Shoemaker, whose recent email is making wide circulation, “Antioch’s traditional educational model (based on the three pillars of community, academics, and co-op) has among the most robust and enviable outcomes of any college in the country.”

Now at Antioch, as you learn about the ugly side of human power—power which is wielded carelessly, the destructive side of faceless, isolated, lonely, ferocious power—you will participate in an Antioch education at its best: that engagement between the academic and real life experience. You have been given this opportunity to shape not only to your own lives, but the life of this extraordinary institution.

Because so much is required of us, it is not the time to lose hope. As Arthur Morgan said, “The chief limitations of humanity are in its vision, not in its powers of achievement.” The struggle is not

over until it’s over, and we—all of us working together—are essential for victory!

“We pledge to do all we can to support you, the students, and to support the Antioch College faculty and staff. When you need to focus on academic work, we will protect your back”

We, community members of Yellow Springs, pledge to continue our part in this struggle to save Antioch College. We pledge to do all we can to support you, the students, and to support the Antioch College faculty and staff. When you need to focus on academic work, we will protect your back. We need to stick together!

Therefore, we ask again, that you, and all who care about Antioch College, to do as the Civil Rights song entreats us: “Keep your eyes on the prize (and) hold on!”

Sincerely,

Yellow Springs Citizens in Support of Antioch College

The Antioch College Alumni Board is calling for the retraction of the November 9th letter from Andrzej Bloch, Interim President of Antioch College, to the Antioch College faculty. This combative approach to academics is anathema to all of us; shared governance and faculty tenure were two main points of our Resolution of June 2007, and we continue to champion those ideals. A letter that hides behind financial exigency to declare that most of the faculty “won’t be rehired past June 2008” is in no way collaborative, accurate, respectful of tenure, nor in any way a part of the shared vision for Antioch College.

The misstatements and miscommunications have challenged our efforts for Antioch College. Part of our agreement in principle with the Board of Trustees was that the Alumni Board will be part of the College planning process going forward. This letter from the Interim President does not convey the spirit of our agreement, and indeed, was not shared with us ahead of time. We are calling on the University Trustees and administration to live up to the letter and spirit of our agreement.

Antioch College is a vibrant institution with a world-class faculty. The Alumni Board fully supports the gifted Antioch College faculty, and has nothing but admiration for the spirited and committed student body and the dedicated staff as well. Our plan going forward calls for recruiting transfer students now, and first-year students as soon as the Ohio Board of Regents extends the College’s authority to grant credits and degrees.

We are still ashamed to let it die!

--Nancy Crow, President, Antioch College Alumni Board

The statement below is supported by the majority of the Antioch College Alumni Board.

Since there have been different interpretations of what the Alumni Board intended in approving the agreement with the University Board of Trustees on November 3, 2007, and since recent actions by administrators contradict both the spirit and specifics of our understanding of how that collaboration should proceed, we hereby clarify our understanding of the terms of the agreement.

“We particularly call for immediate restoration of an orderly process for recruiting and admitting applicants to Antioch College”

We do so by indicating specific initiatives that fulfill our understanding. These understandings will guide our contributions to keeping Antioch College moving forward in the direction we all desire.

1. Immediate retraction of Andrzej Bloch’s letter of November 9, 2007, to the faculty. On November 9 the faculty withdrew its lawsuit in an attempt to encourage a more collaborative process—a gesture that should be welcomed, not dismissed. We believe that faculty employment should be assumed to be continuing, not terminated, with the understanding that a genuinely collaborative process may indeed recognize that some faculty positions need to be eliminated and that such a process will benefit the Antioch community much more fully if faculty are encouraged to suggest means

for making such adjustments.

2. Lift the suspension fully so that routine activities of Antioch College will truly continue. Since the capacity to recruit and admit students at all levels is essential for the survival of Antioch College we particularly call for immediate restoration of an orderly process for recruiting and admitting applicants to Antioch College. We affirm the position of the Alumni Board’s business plan that Antioch College can and should offer a solid curriculum consistent with its traditional educational approach which will require no less than the equivalent of 25 F. T. E. classroom faculty and a total of 32.5 F. T. E.(including co-op) faculty. Since a library is a crucial feature of a residential liberal arts college it must remain open.

3. Establishment as an urgent priority of an interim governing board for Antioch College with real powers (including power over hiring and firing staff, faculty, and participation in the search for a president, and establishment and recruitment of the College Board of Trustees, as well as approval of the curriculum).

4. Immediate collaboration with AdCil to identify and address any concerns from the Ohio Board of Regents and North Central Association that limit Antioch College’s capacity to admit students and grant them degrees.

5. Pursue the initiative of meaningful collaboration between administration and AdCil in developing curriculum and budget. We believe the initiative for developing a curriculum must begin with the faculty. As a starting place for such collaboration we recommend the College Academic Plan developed in collaboration between faculty and alums.

Hell, High Water and Hope

By Linda Sattlem

It is hard to accept that Antioch College is in bad shape when daily we work with such wonderful students. The following are comments and feelings I have had since the closing announcement this summer that I don't often have a chance to share.

Hell

This summer was very hard with the second round of layoff of staff. Then when I offered requested programming about grief, loss, searching for jobs, etc., there were complaints that I was "giving up" on Antioch, that I was undermining the good fight.

In fact we were acknowledging what had already begun to occur. We were both mourning the loss of friends and colleagues while still trying to prepare for a difficult year with a skeleton staff.

It is difficult to work, with ever increasing workloads for Student Affairs staff, especially with the criticism that we are not working to save the college. We all care deeply about the college and we are working to support the students still here.

High Water

This term has been equally hard. We are watching students struggle with their course work and organizing. They are struggling with decisions most people never face.

Many are struggling to keep their heads above the rising tide of fatigue, anger, hopelessness and feeling powerless. How do you feel good when you have done all you can, and it still is not enough?

As we work with students we have to help them figure out what is best for them. Maybe they have to leave, so that they continue to be strong and balanced. Only then will they ever be able to come back, as alumni, as faculty, as staff, as parents sending their children to Antioch College.

Hope

The recent efforts of alumni/staff/students/faculty and the faculty lawsuit are where I receive hope. There was genuine shock over the uproar about the closing. (And I firmly believe that the end game was to never reopen.)

At a church I once saw a hand printed sign that read:

The church is what is left after the building burns down and the minister leaves town.

They can tear down as many buildings as they want, send away as many people as they can, and Antioch will still be here. When we reopen it will be with residential students and tenured faculty.

All staff in the various student services feel privileged to work with students day in and day out, in the dorms, in the café, in the ASC, in the gym, the library, Main Building, in counseling and wellness. For our amazing students -- present, past and future -- who are brilliant, compassionate activists, will not let us die.

Imagine...

By Matt Baya

I'm an Antiochian and one of the side effects of this affliction is that I have a pretty big imagination. This is a blessing and a curse. The curse in this instance is I can imagine how exponentially better the current situation could be with just a few small changes. Is this worth pondering in this time of crisis, anger, distrust and panic? I'm not sure, but my imagination isn't bound to what's logical or prudent, so I want to share what's been eating at me for the past few weeks.

"Based on this lack of public support for the college since June I am convinced that they all believe the Antioch College of today is already 'dead to them'"

First off, a small rant about how I currently perceive the Antioch University Board of Trustees. This may be based on erroneous information and poor assumptions, so I am including this in hopes someone 'in the know' can correct me and tell me I'm wrong. For the record I did just receive a note from Nancy Crow where she mentions some Board of Trustees members are pledging to begin working with us. This is great. Why they didn't do this in June, or at least August, still escapes me.

"If the November 3rd announcement wasn't a vague confusing mess of legalistic documents with catches, conditions and hidden assumptions but was rather an unequivocal 'YES! WE'RE BACK!'"

Along those lines, Art Zucker keeps reminding us that a majority of the board are Antioch College alumni but I've yet to see any of them writing a passionate letter about how they care about the Antioch College of today. Based on this lack of public support for the college since June I am convinced that they all believe the Antioch College of today is already 'dead to them' perhaps since they believe the Antioch that they cared about died years ago. If this isn't the case then I don't understand why they haven't stepped up and been working actively alongside to help us organize, raise funds and make a difference.

These are the trustees of the college, they are supposed to be the penultimate stewards with the experience, skills and ability to steer the college. Yet all I've seen them do since June has been apathetic at best. I have been told in the past by friends and family with experience with various Boards of Trustees of different non-profit ventures that the role of a board member is to "GIVE, GET, or GET OUT". I haven't heard of any trustee donating to the college recently and cer-

tainly there's been no public support made towards our fund raising goals, and until the agreement a few weeks ago certainly none of them have been helping us GET any money from others so then this just leaves them the third option to GET OUT and open up space for those with vision and ability to accomplish one or both of the first two roles.

Based on the above assumptions I began to imagine ...

Imagine ...

... if the Board of Trustees, or even a few members of the board, had stepped up to work 'with us' who during these past few months had stepped forward to aid us in our effort in coming up with plans and solutions.

"I don't want to worry about giving money to the college or the alumni board"

... if we had an Antioch University Board Of Trustees with vision and passion for Antioch College NOW, not just nostalgia of the Antioch of their time and some vague vision of a repackaged Antioch University Yellow Springs.

... if on June 12 .. or heck even at the August meetings if they had clearly spelled out conditions under which they'd reverse their decision.

... if the November 3rd announcement wasn't a vague confusing mess of legalistic documents with catches, conditions and hidden assumptions but was rather an unequivocal 'YES! WE'RE BACK!'

... if in recent AdCil meetings if Andrzej acted as a representative of the Antioch College Community and stood with AdCil & the Faculty in demanding the faculty contract issues were reversed immediately.

... if this was a team effort between the campus community, Yellow Springs, the Board of Trustees and the alumni instead of a seemingly never ending fight internally.

... if the recent arrival of cash raised by the Alumni Board meant that people were being hired and things were looking up on campus instead of the current death spiral.

... if I was happy and excited and eager to promote Antioch to every teenager I hear talking about college choices.

... if our only problems were money and marketing (and accreditation)

I don't want to be angry anymore.

I don't want to have to worry about Antioch.

I don't want to worry about giving money to the college or the alumni board.

I want to love Antioch again.

I want to be proud of it again.

I want those that lack imagination and vision and faith in what we can do if we're given a chance, to go elsewhere... NOW.

-Matthew Baya '92

**Karen Mulhauser on behalf DC area
Alums meeting on November 11, 2007**

Resolution of DC Antioch Alumni Group Meeting on November 11

Over 30 Washington area Antioch College alums met yesterday, November 11 to discuss recent events and plan future activities that can help Antioch College in this transitional period. An almost unanimous vote of the 33 people in attendance agreed with the list below of concerns resulting from the recent Agreement in Principle between the Antioch University Board of Trustees and the Antioch College Alumni Association Board of Directors and the 11.2.07:2 Resolution of the University Board of Trustees.

As individuals, we will not give money to the College Revival Fund, Antioch College, or Antioch University, nor do we believe other large donors will fulfill their pledges, without the following conditions being created.

1. **The AUBoT will establish a short time table for establishing an Interim Board of Trustees for Antioch College and will review for approval a selection of individuals already vetted by the Alumni Board to serve on this Interim Board of Trustees.** We believe that the authority of an advisory body is not sufficient to demonstrate appropriate oversight of College management separate from University operations.

This Interim Board and its successor, a formal Board of Trustees, will work collaboratively with the Chancellor, the AUBoT and the Alumni Board, but will have authority to:

- o Create a search committee for the purposes of hiring a new College President.
- o Select a new College President.
- o Develop a comprehensive governance plan.
- o Determine how the monies raised by the Alumni Board for its College Revival Fund will be spent.
- o Oversee future fundraising and institutional development work.
- o Determine if the criteria for keeping the College open as stated in AUBot Resolution 11.2.07:1 are being met.

2. **The faculty should be assured employment for at least the 12 months.**

3. **There must be a timetable agreed upon for lifting the State of Financial Exigency that currently limits the degree granting powers of the College to December 2008.**

4. **This Alumni group does not believe the College owes any money to the University, which was founded with money originally intended for the College.** Any debt claimed by the University must be explained, the amount stated and the specifics of the debt described. Credits must be given to the College for jointly used facilities (such as the library) that have so far been disallowed by the AUBoT. The debt question must be resolved by an independent audit using GAAP.

5. **Item 3.d. in the Agreements in Principle says that the operation of the College must not cause a "default in any bond, lease or other legal obligations of the University."** These bonds, leases and other obligations must be explained and described, and must not include any of the \$13 million bond that built the new McGregor campus. An independent audit using GAAP (which includes an explanation of how the University could allow a \$1 million mistake in addition to inflate the financial crisis it has claimed) must be performed soon. The University should pay for this audit.

6. **AU staff must not issue public statements about the College or the negotiations that have not been seen by designated members of the AB and the College Office of Institutional Advancement.** We believe that University spokesperson has been purposely denigrating the College, thus making the job of revitalization harder.

Why I allow Antioch College to drag me across the floor on a daily basis

By Molly Thornton

At this point in time, we are all coming to the realization that the rollercoaster of the last three months is still rolling, and there is no end in sight. We are all at wits ends, and reaching dates in the timelines of our lives at which decision making can not be prolonged. In this time, the fight for Antioch can feel futile and exhausting, and better left abandoned than lived through for another moment. In this time of great struggle, and want to give up hope, the only thing I can think to do is to share with you some of the thoughts I sort through when in extreme doubt, which give me the strength to fight for one more day. I apologize now for the disorganized, self-indulgent and rambling document you will find following this introduction.

Yours,
Molly B. Thornton (2nd Year Student)

Do I only protest higher education because it's not accessible to all? No, I think there's more to it.

It's more about the worries I have about privilege, not fully understanding the purpose of all this knowledge, and wondering if it is fully utilized. It's a fear of waste. Of wasted time, and knowledge. Of money, and of other resources. I have a fear of knowledge with inaction. I guess I think knowledge that goes unused is wasted. And by used, I'm not sure what I mean.

Is knowledge power? I can't decide. And I wonder things like, should I be in college? I don't know what I'm studying for. My classes cover entirely separate areas of knowledge, and I fear that I am neither getting everything out of school that I could be, nor that I will now or ever use it all. But what is use?

A big fear of mine, which may or may not be based entirely in fact, is an idea I have that many students stay in school too long, that intellectuals, and those who study above and beyond college, and even graduate school, do no service with their knowledge. So I suppose that by use I mean that students are obligated to use their knowledge by putting it into action in the real world, by giving back to their community, locally or globally.

I am fearful that there are groups of people who have gone through years and years of higher education, but the only use their knowledge is put to, is sitting in their parlor with like-minded people, chit-chatting, politicking, maybe discussing science, or history, or sociology.

The ONLY use.

It is important to talk about such things among peers. Not only Antiochians need to process. But if this is the only use we put to our knowledge, why then, a large sum of money, resources, energy, and opportunities have been entirely wasted. This thought is so devastating, I can hardly stand to think it.

But as I finish the thought, I have a revelation

as to why it is that despite my uncertainties about the system of higher education, I am spending days and nights committed to the truth that Antioch College must not close.

"We demand transparency and a role in our own governance because these are tokens of respect. And in our personal relationships we ask if our friend wants a hug or not and converse with our lovers over how we want to be touched and what we can do for them, because these conversations lead to a greater understanding, because we have respect"

Because students at Antioch College do not grow up to be the dallying intellectuals I fear. We do not put our educations to waste, nor do we become so high on higher education that we lose sight of the ground, and the gooey grimy world in which real people toil.

That is because this is no ordinary education. I've been told this time and time again, but now, I feel it in my whole self, an extraordinary truth. Although Horace Mann had his wicked downfalls, as all humans do, we are right to live by his lasting quote that we are to win a victory for humanity, or die in shame.

We stay down to earth, because of our commitment to cooperative education. We alternate between the elite life of college studies, and the working world to keep it real. We learn that literature, psychology, and international studies have no meaning if we do not figure out how to apply them outside of the classroom.

We have specific understandings of respect, and expect a high level of it from ourselves and each other. We expect a high level of communication about academic issues, governance structure, and in bed. We practice and test each other while we're at school with a "culture of confrontation" which allows us to challenge each others thoughts and understandings in a constructive way and helps us challenge ourselves as well. These confrontations are one of the greatest sources of growth (contrary to the beliefs of our administration). We demand transparency and a role in our own governance because these are tokens of respect. And in our personal relationships we ask if our friend wants a hug or not and converse with our lovers over how we want to be touched and what we can do for them, because these conversations lead to a greater understanding, because we have respect.

These are some of our values.

Communication and respect. And our education in these values also must be taken out of Antioch in order to be put to use.

And we take them there. We take them with us every where we go, and we use them. When approached at parties outside of our school we say, "Please ask before you touch me," and when our bosses say, "because I said so, and I'm in charge," we keep asking, "Why?" and with this, we challenge others to question the structure of their workplace. And when we encounter situations of injustice, we do not shy away. We confront them with intelligence and RESPECT, because we transcend the limits of higher education, because we are Antiochians.

Letter to AdCil and Q&A from Toni Murdock

November 13, 2007

When will the College recruit?

Dear AdCil,

When I first met with you several months ago, I told you I would come across the street and spend more time with you. I have not done that as much as I have wanted. Instead we've sat across from each other and walls and barriers have grown between us. Now, I want to sit with you and solve problems together and I hope you will welcome me to do that. This morning, I hope, will serve as a first step.

As you read this and as we talk, I want to appeal to you to suspend a little bit of your disbelief that we can overcome our problems together. I know this process has been painful and frustrating - for all of us. I am sorry for my mistakes and limitations. I do want to build, or rebuild, your trust and confidence in me. I know that things have happened that have led us to deeply diverge in our views and approaches. Now is the time for us to figure out how to work together again.

I view this note and our conversation this morning as a discussion starter. I have addressed some of the most pressing problem's. Please send me a list of other problems as soon as you can. Important decisions--important for you, students, and staff, the College, University and Village--need to be made soon. If we work together, I believe we will make sounder decisions and develop more successful processes. I will arrange to meet with you at your request whenever I possibly can.

Respectfully yours,
Toni

What is the College Advisory Body, when will it be established and how?

It is an interim body. It should be established within a month to help us transition the College through difficult months ahead. It will be charged with helping to design and establish a permanent College Board of Trustees. Also, it will help to design and launch a process for recruiting a new President. It will take on a significant role in fund-raising. The President of the Alumni Board and the Chairman of the Board of Trustees will appoint the body.

Is there a College debt to the University, what will be done about it and when?

The college has a debt of approximately 4 million to the University. Of this, 2 million will be paid back by summer of 2008. The remaining 2 million will be paid over a several year period. To affirm these amounts and build trust, designees of the Alumni board will review books and records.

Nothing from the immediate \$6.6 million that is to be transferred to the college before the New Year will be used to repay debts.

i. Transfer students - The College will recruit transfer students as soon as possible. We are talking this week to OBR for permission to extend our accreditation for current and transfer students to at least until 2010. When this happens, and we are hopeful it will be very soon, we will start actively recruiting transfer students.

ii. First year students - The College will recruit first year students again when the College is in better financial condition. Specifically, if we the alumni, the University leadership and the College Advisory Body, working together, are indeed successful in raising 18 million this coming fiscal year (from now until June), and we are assured of success in achieving the target of an additional 25 million next year, with the approval of OBR, the College should be able to start recruiting new students at that time. However, there is much to do regarding our facilities and learning environment before accrediting agencies will be convinced of our sustainability.

What Faculty and staff positions will be retained?

You have my commitment: I will work with you, the members of AdCil, Andrzej, the Interim President, and the new College Advisory Body to try to keep as many faculty and staff positions as possible. Until we know about our student body - those who will stay and those who will join us ~ and our fund-raising success, we just don't know what is necessary and realistic.

I know this uncertainty is extremely painful. My heart does truly go out to you all. I look forward to working with Andrzej and you as soon as possible to collaboratively figure out a sound process to determine needs and feasibility and then a process for determining who will be asked to stay.

For those faculty and staff members who will not be asked to stay, we know how excruciating this will be, even more so given how late in the year these decisions may be taken - perhaps as long as two or three months from now. We are currently looking in to various ways and options for assisting with transitions.

What Facilities will be available next year?

We are still unsure. As we all agree our campus needs nearly a complete overhaul. With adequate funding that we very hopeful will be forthcoming, this can become a marvelous opportunity. I look forward to working with the office of the President, the Alumni Board and other appropriate stakeholders (for example the students and faculty group that has been studying the Greening of Antioch) to develop and implement a facilities plan that will help us transform this campus. In the transition time, we are going to need to be imaginative and creative about transforming classrooms, library, gym, office and living, eating and socializing spaces while still running our college.

AEA Digest: Pick your Destination

By Eva Erickson and Stacey Johnson

If you followed the many colorful flyers plastered around campus, you would find yourself in the Antioch Education Abroad (AEA) office, surrounded by foreign food, information, and a crowd of advisors and students sharing their stories from far-away places. This gathering at least shows that AEA, even in the face of the college's instability, is thriving as usual.

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A total of five Fall 2008 programs and two Spring 2008 programs are currently available, each offering the potential for a full and inviting experience. For example, with the Buddhist Studies in Japan program, students stay in Kyoto, a mystical 1200-year-old city encircled by soaring trees. For a total of sixteen credits, students are expected to complete an independent research project, choose between three Buddhism courses, and can add a language course. The five Buddhist precepts (abstaining from taking lives, theft, sexual misconduct, lying, and intoxicants) are strictly followed in order to have the mind necessary for full participation in the intensive program. “I learned a lot about myself and had a lot of fun. It was very beneficial to the rest of my academic experience,” expressed Julian Sharp, a fourth year student who partook in this program in 2006.

The Buddhist studies in India have the same basic principles as the Japan program, yet the course

offerings are different, with two language classes (Hindi and Tibetan), and a course on meditation rounding out the curriculum. Located in Bodh Gaya, a 2500-year-old “magnet for pilgrims from all Buddhist cultures” according to the brochure, the program focuses on the philosophy, culture and history of Buddhism in the South Asian area.

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Another fall study-abroad program is Arts and Culture in Mali, West Africa, in which students use visual and performance art to create a cross-cultural understanding and develop critical thinking while expanding their creative facilities. Traveling throughout Mali, students take courses on the culture of Mali, apprenticeships, and a French intensive.

Comparative Women's and Gender Studies involves traveling through five European countries, exploring feminist theory. Students will attend lectures in Berlin, Krakow and Warsaw, Utrecht and Amsterdam, Brussels, and London and conduct their own original field research. Some of the courses include: Issues in Feminist Methodologies, Comparative Feminist Theories, and Situated Feminisms: Socio-political Systems and Women's Lives. There are eight books on the required reading list.

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Czech Republic and Hungary, it is now in Turkey (along with Poland and Germany, as before) due to Turkey's move to become a part of the European Union. The program focuses on “challenges of transitions from industrial to post-industrial societies, integration and enlargement of the European Union, and the implications of migration from national and European politics and societies,” as stated in the AEA brochure. “It was based not in experience but in bending to a professor's whims, academically rigorous, in an un-Antiochian way. I was offered Zyclon-B in my coffee by my host family, who were not an accurate representation of the Polish populace,” says Zachary Gallant, who had an unfortunate experience on this particular program.

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The last of the Education Abroad programs is the Brazilian Ecosystems program that focuses on ecology, field methodology and natural resource management in Brazil. In three months, students attend lectures and seminars on restoration ecology and policy, and have the opportunity to meet with indigenous people in order to give a “complete overview of complex issues involved in conservation and natural resource management,” pronounces the program description of the brochure. The program goes through nine sites, including São Paulo and Salvador, Bahia.

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If you're interested in Education Abroad or have any questions or problems, the AEA office is located in the North side of the Main Building, third floor. The deadline for Spring 2008 programs was October 1, and the deadline for Fall 2008 programs is March 1.

Faculty Lawsuit Dropped, Others “in our Pockets”

By Kim-Jenna Jurriaans & Alex Borowicz

Only a week after the Antioch University Board of Trustees announced the rescision of the resolution suspending the operations of Antioch college, a lawsuit filed by members of the college's faculty was dismissed without prejudice.

But the legal battle may not be over. Dismissing the lawsuit “without prejudice” gives the faculty

the option of refiling the same claim at a later date and this is but one of the legal cards that the college faculty now hold.

Professor Peter Townsend, lead plaintiff in the faculty lawsuit, stressed the need for collaboration between the university and the college faculty. “It's really important that the university start negotiating in a functional way with all the parties,” Townsend said. He noted that the faculty would be willing to reinstate the lawsuit, but that the main point of the lawsuit was simply to keep the college open.

Other lawsuits may still be options for the college faculty, and these options have already been reviewed. “We're holding them in our pockets and we're hoping to get some collaborative behaviour from the administration of both the university and the college,” he said. “If we do, then we won't need

these suits, and we'll be working together, which is what we'd like to do.”

The faculty are more than willing to begin collaborative negotiations, as they feel that the faculty contract they hold is still being violated. A letter was sent to the legal team of the college stating that the lawsuit was to be dropped and that fair negotiations were expected by the faculty.

Townsend admitted it was unlikely that the previous lawsuit would be reinstated, but contended that “there are other lawsuits that are options with the faculty that we could file.” But the weeks to come remain unclear, and the faculty are uncertain if further legal action will be necessary. “The current situation changes minute to minute now,” Townsend said. “Predicting two weeks is nearly impossible.”

"There's no one in admissions," Heise said, "There's no one. That's why I'm unofficially assuming other duties. I know there have been discussions to possibly bring in a part-time admissions counselor, depending on the Board of Regents, and I assume we'll have a full-time person in six months." Until then, it is up to Heise, Pett, and other volunteers to carry out the emergency plan. When they can start doing so is another matter. It is Heise's belief that the OBR will come back with a positive decision within weeks. "I'm working with the admissions committee of the Alumni Board and we're trying to unofficially plan visit days. We need help from students with all kinds of things so that when we get that green light we're ready to hit the road running."

We are unofficially thinking about what needs to happen and putting a plan in place," she said, "so that once the OBR gives us the okay we'll be much further ahead than we would be."

University Chancellor Toni Murdock and Interim

President Andrzej Bloch have been in contact with the OBR and, by press time, will have informally met with a representative of that organization. College administrators and alumni are optimistic that recruitment will begin soon, but it is still unclear whether Antioch College will see a freshman class enter next fall. The Alumni Board Admissions Committee's Emergency Recruitment and Enrollment Plan does not identify first year students as a primary target population for Fall 2008 and focuses instead on transfer and international students, legacies, and re-admissions. The rationale is that it is simply "too late in the season to launch a large-scale traditional recruitment campaign for first-year students." The emergency plan outlines ways to "simultaneously recruit the entering class of Fall '08 and '09."

In contrast, Chancellor Murdock stated in a letter to AdCil, "The College will recruit transfer students as soon as possible. We are talking this week to OBR for permission to extend our accreditation for current and transfer students to at least 2010... The College will recruit first year students again when the College is in better financial condition."

Specifically, the letter continues, if 18 million is raised this year and if, "we are assured of success in achieving the target of an additional 25 million next year."

"Right now we are getting ready for the recruitment of transfer students," said Pett, "Using alumni as tele-counselors will be key to help qualify the inquiry pool for admissions. For example, alumni will help call prospective students, attend college fairs, conduct Interview Days, and host events such as, The Value of an Antioch Education, through their chapters. We will also host transfer events on campus. That's an event to transfer in, not out!"

"It's going to be tough, no question," Pett continued, "but we are more than ready for a full-on grass roots effort. Just look at what we've accomplished over the last four months as a community. We were raised on this kind of experience over the last 155 years, throw in a co-op experience or two, and there is no doubt in my mind that we can do this. If there were ever a college to make this work, it is Antioch."

Brainstorm ways to Reach out to prospective students!

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Chancellor Murdock Visits AdCil Again

By Jeanne Kay

Andrzej Bloch opened AdCil on Tuesday morning by apologizing for the tone of the letter that was sent to the faculty on November 9th, confirming the fact that they would all be fired on June 30th, 2008. “It may have come through in a very harsh manner,” he said, “But the reality is quite harsh and the letter reflects this reality.” The letter would be retracted and redrafted, but, he specified, the content

because it was the Board of Trustees prerogative. Faculty Member David Kammler argued that the interim president should be advocating for their withdrawal. Faculty Member Patricia Mische expressed the wish that the Faculty Personnel Policy guidelines be followed. She also asked for a written statement assuring the faculty that tenure would be maintained.

Faculty Member Hassan Nejad and Student member Julian Sharp both emphasized the urgency of the situation and the necessity to adapt a more radical course of action in order to prevent mass attrition in the following months. “This ship is going down,” professed Sharp, “and if you don’t understand that, I’m sorry.” “If the future is in the hands of this community,” said Nejad, “We need to act now.”

Several faculty members advocated to have faculty representatives join Bloch in the negotiations

some of the misconceptions,” she declared. Some of the points in the document were the subjects of much indignation in the room. The possibility that no first year students would be recruited until the \$25million dollars benchmark was met in 2009 was, in particular, subject to sever condemnation. “This is not a plan to keep Antioch College open,” declared Nejad, who pointed out that faculty and staff were already so small that reducing their size would mean that “students are not going to come back.”

“It is a conundrum,” replied Murdock, who further explained that it was “a whole issue of finances,” and that there simply wasn’t enough money to support students and services at the current level of operations. “I cannot pull a rabbit out of a hat here,” she concluded, pointing out that she “did not put the college into this mess.”

Former Dean of Faculty and Alumni Board member Steve Schwerner, speaking in the name of the Alumni Board, declared that the Alumni Board’s understanding of the agreement in regards to recruitment was not in concord with Murdock’s view. He quoted the Agreement in Principle, according to which the college shall “resume recruitment when fiscally and academically feasible.” He then declared that it was already academically feasible, and that “nothing would prevent the college from opening an admissions office this afternoon.”

Schwerner also underlined the fact that the University was not giving subsidies to the college, but royalties, for using the brand name Antioch as well as profiteering from Antioch’s stellar history and reputation. Murdock replied that if that attitude remained, “we’re never going to work together, it’s always going to be us



would remain the same.

In the conversation that ensued about the possibility that the letters interrupting faculty’s employment could be withdrawn, the arguments expressed the previous week were reiterated. Bloch maintained that he had no power to withdraw the letters,

with the Ohio Board of Regents. Nothing was officially resolved in this regard.

At 10 a.m. Antioch University Chancellor Toni Murdock joined AdCil. She presented the assembly with a document (see p.) composed of a letter to AdCil followed by a series of Q&As, to “clear out

and them.”

“It looks like we can make it,” concluded Bloch, before scheduling an additional AdCil closed meeting for committee appointments, “It’s not going to be easy but it looks like we can make it.”

Uncertainty about Co-op Program Next Year

By Ben Horlacher

The Co-op program has gotten used to change. In 1921 Arthur E. Morgan (the then president of Antioch College) began what is known as a trademark of Antioch, the Co-op program. During the last few years the Co-op program has seen many changes: the implementation of Co-op communities, the concept of “list jobs” enter into the vocabulary of Co-op, and the shift in required Co-ops from five

to three. These changes were part of the much bemoaned renewal plan, which is often blamed for the College’s current financial straits.

Now the fate of the Co-op program is in the hands of a Co-op program, and of the academic program as a whole. In an e-mail from Associate Dean of Faculty Eli Nettles the following was stated about the Academic Program and Resources Review Committee:

“The Academic Program and Resources Review Committee as appointed by AdCil will review the current academic program in the context of the State of Exigency and will propose adjustments in the program effective Fall 2008. The committee will recommend criteria for staffing and allocation of required resources for implementation of the above program.”

“The committee will consult with faculty, students, staff, alumni and other stakeholders. The committee will make regular reports to AdCil and will submit their final report in June 2008.”

At this point, very little is known about the make-up of this committee, the membership has not been publicly announced, at this time Andrzej Bloch has not responded to an e-mail requesting the date which this list will be made public. Until such time as more information is released, “students [should] work individually with their academic and co-op advisors to talk about achieving graduation goals,” Nettles advises, “there is not going to be a single answer that will work for every student until we know more.”

Culture Shock for Polish Students in the United States

By Miyuki Sese

Antioch College has partnerships with several international universities. In this first term, not only Japanese students but also some Polish students came all the way to Antioch: Joanna Grabski, Ewa Niezgoda, Zuzia Drozdak, Joanna Strozik, Dorotia Tombinska, Alicja Piekarska.

Joanna Grabski has visited in the United States before, but it is for the first visit to America for most of the Polish students. Needless to say,



they have been surprised by the different American styles. According to them, the biggest surprising thing was the American friendly attitude. Even though people who go through are strangers, American always greets them on the street. “America delivered nice atmosphere,” said Zuzia. The approach to the education seems to be different between Poland and

America. In Poland, education is conducted relatively traditionally, while Americans conduct a progressive education. Now, they are learning a lot of from the liberal education at Antioch. “As for Antioch, all facilities are crowded in one place, but Polish universities usually have their facilities in various area including the town,” Joanna Strozik said. Poland also doesn’t have any colleges, only universities.

Besides these culture shocks, they have been surprised by the parties held at Antioch. Poles usually have parties in their university, but they don’t dress up for the party. When they go to the club, bar and disco, they usually dress up. So, they saw a difference when they saw the students dressing up for the party in Antioch.

Food style seems to be the most important topic in culture shock. In Poland,

the potato is the staple diet and necessary, but “American formula for potato seems different from Polish.” said Dorotia. Architecture everywhere in America also seems different from Polish. Most interestingly, “American air is different from Polish.” said Joanna Grabski. They finished by saying “We like Antioch. Antioch students are so active.”

Students Fund-raise to Support Black Mesa

By Carl Reeverts

The Antioch Environmental Group held a potluck and fundraiser at the Antioch Inn Saturday to help pay for a trip to the Black Mesa Reservation in Arizona. Students wish to travel during the winter break to offer support to the elders of the Dineh tribe, which has been affected by large scale strip mining and relocation ordinances.

Antioch has a long history of collaboration with the tribe, that has throughout the years welcomed students to its community. At one time there was even a formal Co-op List Job that was filled on a regular basis. This time, homemade cuisine and good conversation had to bring in the necessary funds to cover the travel costs for a hand full of students to help, elders, many of which live alone, with household chores and repairs around the house.

There was plenty of food for the forty-odd Antioch students that participated. Most of the food for the event was produced locally and organically, with a good portion donated by local farms. The meal consisted of a variety of stews, vegetable dishes, corn breads and roasted duck. The ducks were killed humanely and cleaned at a local farm named Terry’s Farm, with the active participation of several Antioch students, myself included. I am a meat eater and the experience proved

to be eyeopening, as it’s so easy to forget just how your food is made. Terry has been making the move towards self-sustainability since the 1970’s oil crisis and is a capable teacher of the dangers Peak Oil poses to a society that is so dependent on an unsustainable way of life.

Jake Stockwell gave a presentation about the struggle of the Dineh peoples at the Black Mesa reservation in Arizona. The reservation is comprised of a large area of shrub-land in Arizona, the ancestral homes of both the Navajo and Hopi. that holds the largest deposit of coal in the United States. The estimated 21 billion tons

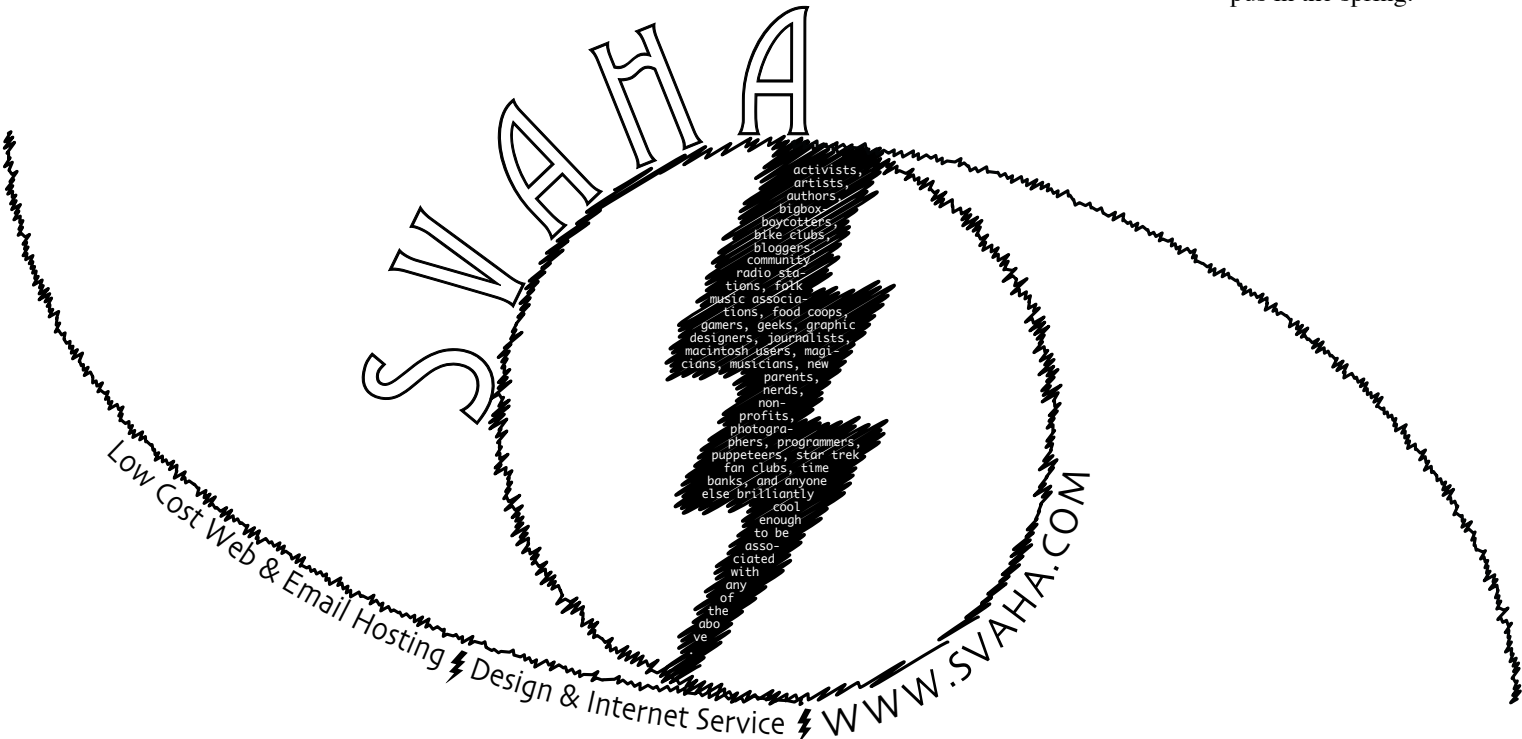


of coal is close to the surface, making it easy to extract via strip-mining. In 1966, a strip-mining lease was signed by both the Navajo and the Hopi to a coal company, now called Peabody Western, but compensation has yet to be received by the people living on the land. In fact, the treatment on the part of the coal companies, with support from the Bureau of Indian Affairs has been anything but fair. A forced relocation ordinance has crippled thousands of families and has maliciously destroyed the native culture

since the 1970s. The mining operation is set to expand after the land is cleared. What is holding them back is the thousands of native people leading a thirty-plus year resistance to the destruction of their land and way of life.

After the dinner, a movie illustrated the struggle of the Dineh people that was made in the early nineties as a senior project.

The students that will make the trip to Arizona will likely spend two to three weeks of their Christmas break in the reservation before returning to campus in the spring.



Meet Your CG Candidates



Fela Pierrelouis
Community Manager



Meghan Pergrem
Operations Manager



Jamila Hunter
Events Manager



Niko Kowell
4th position to be defined

Over the past four collective years at Antioch College we have seen change in almost every facet of the campus. From the Renewal Plan, to the departure and arrival of a variety of community members, to the implementation of the Racial Discrimination Prevention Policy, and much, much more our community has been in a constant flux that begs strong dedication and cooperation from its members. As a collective team of passionate and devoted community members we intend to provide the Antioch College Community with leadership that will encourage sustainable education and progressive activism.

After endless hours of participation in community discussion and deep reflection, we believe that in order to provide the campus with the leadership it needs, we must seek to advance and empower our community by rebuilding and upholding our Shared Governance structure. This can be accomplished by working with administration, alumni, and the new

Advisory Board to ensure positive collaboration with the community. We will also work to legitimize our legislative codes and bodies by encouraging community wide participation in Cils, Boards, Committees, and other aspects of Community Government.

In this coming year, we recognize that it will be vital to strengthen relationships with the Office of Admissions and the Office of Institutional Advancement as recruitment of prospective students and maintained relationships with alumni will be an integral piece in revitalizing the college. We anticipate the need for Community Government Officers to be very present in these movements. We believe this task will be successfully carried out by a rare, but most certainly not unheard off, fourth officer position. Our goal for this position will be to fulfill the voids in the community during what is now being referred to as the 'dim period' by the Alumni Board.

In the past few years Community Government has operated with three key officers; Community Manager, Events Manager, and Operations Manager. We sincerely believe a fourth position will make the revitalizing and transformation process we are inevitably about to experience more practical.

If elected, we are committed to being innovative in developing options that are responsive to the differing needs of the community. We have faith in each others work, and are convinced that we can perform the task of community management with great success. Our strengths are diversity, responsibility, and dedication to bringing out the best in what Community Governance has to offer; a voice to its all members. Through consistent community organizing we have obtained the institutional knowledge and memory that is necessary for leadership in this time of change. We look forward, with great enthusiasm, to continue serving our community.



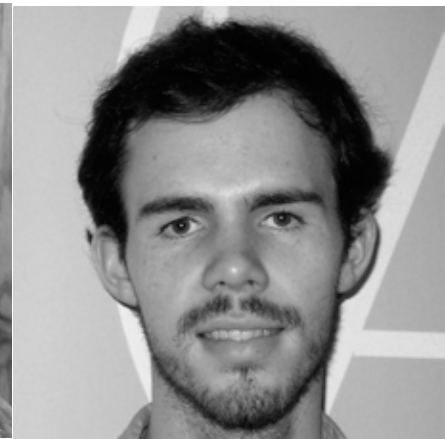
Sarah Buckingham
Community Manager



Micah Canal
Operations Manager



Nicole Bayani
Events Manager



Julian Sharp
Governance & Development Manager

Antioch College has entered a period of major transformation, a renaissance. This period will lay the foundation for the next 155 years. In order to successfully rebuild the college, a strong, growing, and robust Community Government is required. Meeting the challenges of rebuilding requires that Community Government have the leadership, resources and commitment necessary for success.

The Antioch College community has worked tirelessly over the past six months to keep the college open and we are now at the beginning of the process to re-vision and revitalize. The future is bright but hard work remains. Our collective is committed to ensuring community wide decision making in the rebuilding process. We will advocate for the values we all cherish as Antiochians: free and open inquiry, democracy embodied by the practice of shared governance, and a vibrant and inclusive community where freedom is matched with responsibility.

New challenges bring with them new opportunities. Our leadership brings a new level of discourse and a renewed energy to our community. We are committed

to continuing the Antioch legacy. Much structural change is ahead, and we are committed to getting everyone involved in the revitalization process; hearing every voice; considering every possibility. Understanding that our institution is grounded in a rich tradition of revolutionary change and activism, we believe in community wide collaboration and growth, the development of young leadership, and a life long commitment to learning. Our collective strongly believes that if we are to be successful in our endeavors we must continuously address, socially and structurally, issues of privilege and oppression in our community.

This institution has weathers hard storms before and we will do so again. The College faced financial difficulty almost immediately upon its creation, closing from 1862 until 1865. Under Arthur Morgan, in the early 20's, we created the first cooperative education program in the world and Antioch was once again an important center for revolutionary thought. In the 1950's we faced pressure from the House Unamerican Activities Committee to

suppress radical discourse on communism. Those before us refused to stifle the conversation, insisting that freedom begins not in suppressing unpopular ideas, but in holding all ideas up to the light. We, the current generation of Antiochians, now stand at a pivotal time in our institution's history; together we will face new hardships, and together we will rise to the challenge. We stand at the beginning, not of a new tradition, but rather poised to take the next step on the path of a continuing legacy.

Our collective stands committed to ensuring that Antioch College remains a vital institution. In order to meet the new challenges before us the creation of a fourth position, a Governance and Development Manager to focus on revitalization, is essential to our success as an institution. As a collective, we intend to strengthen and revitalize Antioch College by facilitating community collaboration, finding creative solutions and meeting the needs of our community in challenging and exciting times.

Antioch Students Attend Powershift Conference

By Carl Reeverts

The Powershift Youth Summit at the University of Maryland campus drew a record attendance of over five thousand



college students from across the United States last weekend. This first conference of its type looks to annually inspire and train new generations of college students and high school seniors about key issues from the green movement, such as climate change and environmental justice. A large component focused on building national student-led environmental initiatives on college campuses.

The student organized conference brought in maybe two thousand more people than it expected, a sign that there is a growing interest in student organizing around green ideas on a national level. It is being called the world's largest student conference on Climate Change.

Powershift brought dozens of high profile speakers like Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi, Van Jones, founder of the Ella Baker Center for Human Rights in Oakland, and author Bill McKibben.

Two carloads of Antioch students traveled to Maryland in a trip sponsored by

the Antioch Environmental Group. There were hundreds of workshops and panels around the campus, with most not being too crowded.

On Saturday November 3rd, Step It Up, an organization hosting the National Day of Climate Action, had their local event in downtown Washington D.C. Step It Up organizes groups around the country to gather and demonstrate the need for stronger legislation on climate change, with the D.C. group meeting at the Lincoln Memorial. Under a clear sky on the steps of the memorial, Van Jones addressed a crowd of over a hundred, and described how the prison system in the United States, which incarcerates a high percentage of Americans, is inextricably tied to global climate change. He also invoked a dream that he had years ago, which he sees coming to fruition, that the environmentalist movements also join forces with the environmental justice movements. He goes on to say that all boats need to rise

together in unity or any global initiative on curbing climate change would not be successful.

The last day of the conference brought the thousands-strong Powershift attendees to the steps of the nation's capital, demanding Congress act now to cut carbon emissions by 80 percent to below 1990-levels by 2050. A goal that is needed to be met, in order to avoid the worst of climate change, that being the catastrophic rise in ocean levels, the extinction of over half the world's species and the desertification of many areas of the planet.



COMMUNITY VOICES

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The conference has opened up a lot of opportunities to network with other colleges, which is something that has been hindered of late by the state of Antioch College, but potential intercollegiate climate change organizing has been made a little bit more accessible.



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I think that my personal experience overall was positive. I learned a lot and there were a lot of really amazing speakers, panelists and educators that taught me things that I didn't know already and really inspired and motivated me. It was a little weird to me, I keep calling it a glossy cover, that our registration fee went towards printing of full color, heavy duty paper schedules and bags and t-shirts and things that didn't seem necessary. It didn't seem very environmentally friendly. On the whole it was based around this concept that to be an environmentalist you need to join a mainstream environmentalist group, specifically a club on your campus or a group like Greenpeace or the Sierra Club.



Sally Bell Alper

I thought it was interesting that a lot of the people going to the conference, the students and youth were kind of mainstream, very environmentally focused but didn't have the broad perspective of environmental justice, but the panelists did. So I think that was good, it may have broadened some horizons.

NEWS BRIEFS

BY CARL REEVERTS

Pakistan Declares Emergency State to Silence Activists

General Musharraf has declared a national emergency on Saturday, effectively suspending the constitution and silencing all non-state controlled media sources. This is the General's second military takeover in a decade, the first, in 1999, was designed to restore order after widespread riots. This time, the takeover is being used to silence dissent and enforce what is being called an illegal government.

Sources: *The Economist*

Fifth Planet Discovered Around Distant Galaxy

Around a sun-like star in a neighboring galaxy, a fifth planet has been found. This ground-breaking discovery is lending credibility to the probable existence of many more earth-like planets than has been popularly thought. The location of the star, called 55 Cancri, is in a part of the galaxy where the temperature allows for water to form on its surface, an essential life-supporting feature.

Source: *National Geographic*

Hollywood Writers Go On Strike

Numerous primetime television shows have halted production due to a Hollywood writers strike. If you were looking for brand new episodes of 'Desperate Housewives,' 'The Daily Show with Jon Stewart' or 'Two and a Half Men,' then you're out of luck until the union organized strike is resolved. The issues at hand are mostly about pay related to content that is posted on the internet, shows that currently may not be subject to royalties or other restrictions. As of right now, there are no new negotiations scheduled.

Sources: *Houston Chronicle, LA Times*

Floods in Tabasco Mexico Force Hundreds of Thousands to Evacuate

Weekend rains that flooded the streets and caused mudslides have hit a town in the Mexican State of Tabasco, Villahermosa, hard. The waters are receding but the damage to structures and possessions has left around 400,000 people in need of aid. The estimated damage to the region has topped four billion dollars. Also the moist soil conditions from the retreating waters has heightened the risk of mosquito-borne illnesses like malaria and has prompted inoculations and sprayings.

Source: *New York Times*

Fred Thompson: Only Scary for the First 13 Weeks. Then it's Just Re-Runs

By Zachary Gallant

He was supposed to be this generation's Ronald Reagan. The problem is, this time they chose an actor with real experience and one of the most well-recognized men on TNT, not a B-List actor who co-starred with a monkey. A movie star with a trophy wife who happens to be a Republican strategist, he's not quite family values, but with the divorce rate on the Republican side, it no longer seems to matter. The truest Law and Order candidate, Fred Thompson was the darling of the Right... Before he was actually running.



An 86.1% lifetime rating from the American Conservative Union, Fred Thompson stands opposed to all aspects of the choice movement and called Roe v. Wade a "Bad Law and Bad Medical Science." He has voted to ban same-sex marriage and to allow discrimination by employers based on sexual orientation, and even voted against including sexual orientation to the definition of hate crimes. He voted to drill in ANWR and to terminate CAFÉ fuel efficiency standards. He opposes gun control and background checks, favors drug companies over patients' rights, and votes unequivocally pro-military. Basically, Fred Thompson stands for all that this institution opposes. I'd be afraid if he actually knew how to campaign.

Thompson has been rumored to be running for a very long time, and formally acknowledged the idea in March. He felt he could harness his own hype like Obama had by not running for a long time, but he just didn't have the energy for it. He waited until June to announce his exploratory committee, but it wasn't until September that he actually made his campaign official. By this time, what was supposed to be the one exciting campaign on the Republican side was described by news sources as "lack-luster" and "awkward". Before he had officially entered, he had 27% of the Republican vote locked. Last month, he was down to 19%. Thompson has been a true disappointment to everyone on both sides who were looking forward to an entertaining race this year.

The hype had no backing, and there is nothing left since the smoke cleared. He's down to 17% today. I'd be writing something funny if I didn't find his campaign as a whole so laughably pathetic as it is.

Whatever happens, we'll have the opportunity to see Fred Thompson's pretty face on television a good 25 hours a day.

Joe Biden The Man Who Knew Too Much

By Bryan Utley

Seniority isn't always a good thing and in the case of politics it can sometimes be detrimental. This seems to be the case for Senator Joe Biden (D,DE). Senator Biden is the utmost Senior in the race for the Democratic nomination. Senator Biden has been the senate since 1972, he was at the time the 5th youngest senator in American history entering at age 30. When Biden entered the Senate he was a bright eyed visionary and like most young newly elected politicians he had big plans. Being a newbie and being so young it was hard for Biden to get what he thought were important pieces of legislation passed and like many other visionaries before him he soon fell into the fold of Washington. It wasn't until the eighties when he gained more seniority and a little know how that he began to gain notoriety. In 1981 he became the ranking member of the powerful Senate Committee on the Judiciary he eventually went on to chair the committee from 1987 until 1995. Throughout his tenure as committee chairman he dealt with a plethora of issues ranging from drug issues, crime prevention and most importantly presidential judicial nominees. It was two historic supreme court nominee hearings when Biden became a household name. One of which was the nomination of Robert Bork by then President Ronald Reagan in 1987. Associate Justice Lewis Powell was retiring and seeing that Powell was a moderate democrats sent messages to President Reagan to replace Powell with a like minded jurist. Instead Reagan nominated Robert Bork a conservative. Within 45 minutes of Bork nomination Senator Ted Kennedy took to the senate floor and uttered these infamous words, "Robert Bork's America is a land in which women would be forced into back-alley abortions, blacks would sit at segregated lunch counters, rogue police could break down citizens' doors in midnight raids, schoolchildren could not be taught about evolution, writers and artists could be censored at the whim of government." Bork eventually lost all support in the senate and when the Senate threw out Bork's nomination he was replaced with Anthony Kennedy which appeased the Democrats.

The other incident that spark controversy during Bidens tenure was the 1991 nomination of Clarence Thomas to the supreme court. Thurgood Marshall who was the first African American to sit on the court decided to retire and pressure was put on then President George HW Bush to appoint another person of color to the bench. His answer in Clarence Thomas was not well received by liberal throughout the country. On



the get go many liberal organizations like the NAACP, the Urban League and the National Organization for Women opposed his nomination based on his opposition of Affirmative Action. The Thomas nomination went down in history as one of the most contested and heated nomination battles. Ultimately Thomas went on to sleek by and win nomination.

Crime prevention was another of Bidens issue taken up during his Chairmanship. In 1994 he introduced the Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act. One of its provision was the ban of 19 specific types of semi-automatic assault weapons as well as others defined by a combination of 5 features. Also in 1994 he introduced the historic Violence Against Women Act, which for the first time legislation contained measures to combat domestic violence and provided billions of dollars to address gender based crimes.

Biden has throughout his political career been against tort reform although many times he has sided with Senate Republican in support of stricter bankruptcy reform. Biden has been a long time member of the U.S. Senate Committee of Foreign Relations. After September the 11th, Biden came out in support of President Bush to place ground troops within Afghanistan. He also again sided with Bush when it came to the elimination of Saddam Hussein. In 2002 Biden along with Senator Chuck Lugar passed a resolution to exhaust all diplomatic efforts before invasion. The resolution was quickly thrown out by the bush administration. Ultimately Biden voted to invade Iraq a decision he regretted later. No matter what you say about Joe Biden you cannot say he isn't qualified. He has seen a lot these past thirty years but that may comeback to bite him in the ass.

PRESIDENTIAL BRIEFS BY BRYAN UTLEY

Mayoral Races: Houston Mayor Bill White (D) cruised to an easy victory last night, as did Pittsburgh Mayor Luke Ravenstahl (D). Controversial Mayor Gavin Newsom (D) was easily elected to another term as San Francisco's mayor, along with Baltimore Mayor Sheila Dixon (D), who succeeded to office last January. Philadelphia has a new Mayor in former city councilman Michael Nutter (D) who had no trouble being elected. The only upset of the night was in the mayoral race in Indianapolis. There, unpopular Democratic Mayor Bart Peterson lost a narrow race to retired USMC officer Greg Ballard who ran for the Republicans.

Kentucky: It's Official. Last night Lieutenant Governor Steve Beshear (D) scored an 18- point landslide victory over embattled Governor Ernie Fletcher (R). The results were 59 percent to 41 percent in favor of Beshear. Despite Fletcher's use of homophobic tactics running up to the election this was an easy election for Democrats.

Gubernatorial Races: The only gubernatorial of interest last night was the race in the State of Mississippi. As expected incumbent governor Haley Barbour (R) won an easy election over attorney John Arthur Eaves Jr. Both men throughout the election painted themselves as social conservatives and only disagreed slightly when it came to issue like abortion and religion.

Ron Paul Breaks GOP Record: On Monday Congressman Ron Paul broke Mitt Romney's single day GOP fundraising record by raising \$4.7 million through internet fundraising. Although this smashed the GOP record, in total it didn't come close to Democratic Senators Clinton and Barack Obama's \$6 million record earlier this year. Regardless of the good news for Congressman Paul this week, It shouldn't help him too much, as he is still in the low single digits in polling

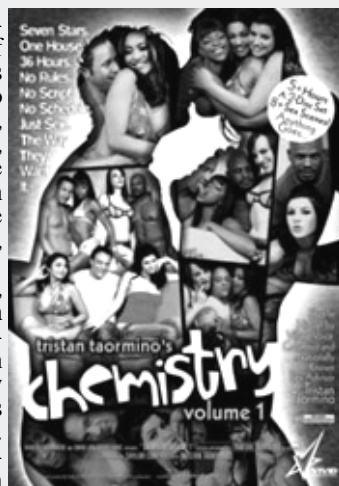
Mish's Movies

Chemistry, Volume One

By Marysia Walcerz

It's less scripted than *Survivor*, it's hotter than any "Fantasy Island"-spin off and it's miles better than anything that's been in heterosexual porn for the past two decades. Tristan Taormino's *Chemistry*, which is currently on its fourth volume, is an uncensored, intimate, hilarious *The Real World* style video where Tristan takes the real sex out of the amateur home movies and puts it in sexy, professional, high-def.

The premise is simple: seven porn stars, all of whom have requested to work with each other are put in a luxurious California house for two days. They're given cameras, a table full of sex toys to play with and no instructions. What results is organic, spontaneous, and sexy as hell. Most of the actors have "unfinished business" with their costars, a fuck-list, or a



no-longer secret crush on each other, which makes the chemistry pop in every scene. There's a dynamic between these actors that Tristan deliberately tried to create (like a mad scientist in the porn laboratory) which puts it head and shoulders above conventional porn.

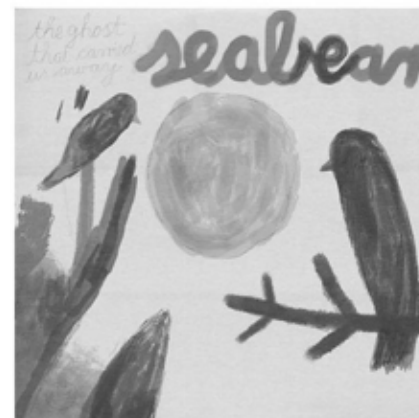
Possibly the most surprising and fun to see is all the "first times" Tristan managed to fit into the film. Scenes the actors have been wanting to do, but haven't felt comfortable doing in the industry are explored, pushing personal boundaries and sexuality to the limit. It breaks the notion that all porn stars have done everything and makes it twice as fun to watch with that in mind.

Even clocking in at five hours and filming all day, the actors joke that the cameras aren't catching half of the fun they're having. *Chemistry* leaves you wishing that Reality TV on cable could be half as good.

Chemistry, Volume One will be showing in Kelly Hall, at 10 p.m. on Thursday night. Happy Genderfuck Week!

NOTES FROM UNDERGROUND

By Kathryn Leahey



Seabear

The Ghost That Carried Us Away

I have a confession to make: I strongly dislike Björk. Her affected vocal stylings are annoying, her lyrics are ridiculous, and, honestly, she frightens me a little. For years, when I heard the words "Iceland" and "music" in the same sentence, I shuddered to think of a fowlly-dressed woman who occasionally screeches into a microphone or attacks le paparazze. Sigur Rós has helped to ease my twitching a bit, if only because they, though highly talented, tend to make me sleepy. When eternally fabulous music journalist Mike Mineo recommended this album from Icelandic septet Seabear, I was skeptical at best, but in Mike I trust, and check them out I did. Thanks to Mr. Mineo (and Seabear), henceforth, when the word "Reykjavik" appears in a musical publication, I will neither snore nor clutch my ears in terror. Well, not automatically, at least.

To describe Seabear's sound, a style most carefully crafted by frontman and sole songwriter, Sindri Már Sigfússon, is a deceptively difficult task. The easiest and most obvious comparison to draw, due to the music's cheerfulness, serenity, and hidden complexity, is early Belle & Sebastian. Sigfússon was unable to fully escape the Northern progressive influence, however, and is endlessly innovative, adding many additional layers to his version of lo-fi through various instrumentals, so any supposed strict correlation is without merit. Sigfússon's vox is restrained and lingering, adding to the strange power of the lyrics, which rely heavily on simplistic metaphor. Strangely, in my recollection, only one song on the album fails to contain a reference to owls, wolves, or diamonds, and the song "Cat Piano" contains all three in less than three minutes. Somehow, this only makes *The Ghost That Carried Us Away* even more charming. The lazy-summer-day single "I Sing I Swim", with its plucky guitar and chirpy lyrics, including the A.A. Milne-esque couplet "In your boat, tied to a tree/I hope you'll find the sea", is more than worth the trouble to tracking down the album.

Why Haven't You Read This Yet?



Everything Is Illuminated by Jonathan Safran Foer

By Yuko Tanaka

"Humorous is the only truthful way to tell a sad story." *Everything Is Illuminated* is unusually funny for a book about the Holocaust. Jonathan Safran Foer nails odd beauty with his whimsical, hilarious, and delightful prose, a perfect counterbalance to the weighty subject of searching for family roots in Holocaust history. Hilarious and profound, Foer's fairy-tale chronicle explores fantasy, memory, tradition, boundaries, death, life, maturation, and most of all, love.

Jonathan Safran Foer started this book as a non-fiction work about himself, a Jewish-American writer searching for the tale of his family past on a trip to the Ukraine. Luckily, his attempts to unearth information failed, so he created *Everything Is Illuminated*, a transcendent work of fiction that is fueled by the search for a woman in an old picture. Jonathan (the self-modeled character) thinks this woman may be the key to his family's past.

All the details are vague: her name may or may not be Augustine, she may or may not be alive, and she may or may not live in Trachimbrod (a town that may or may not exist). Foer is ambiguous in plot (by making standard details indefinite), in language (by frequently using conditionals), and in names (by making labels protean). Foer uses vagueness in his fantastical world to focus on intimate details that clarify the true nature of things. For example, when a newborn baby floats up to the surface of a river in which a wagon has crashed, the focus goes to "the prehistoric ant in Yankel's ring, which... hid its head between its many

legs, in shame." The ant is a seemingly insignificant detail that foreshadows the nature of the baby's life, whose name becomes Brod, an outstandingly beautiful girl whose life is dictated by the marriage of death and life, violence and love, and inherited shame.

Brod is restricted by her inability to love. She cannot love her father Yankel, despite their close bond. Their relationship consists of some of the most touching scenes in the book: when Brod notices her father aging she imitates his mannerisms so he won't feel alone, just as Yankel pours water on his pants when she wets herself so he can say, "Look, it also happens to me, unaware that it was Brod who spilled water on her pants to comfort him." She is obsessed with sadness, discovering 613 different kinds, "each perfectly unique, each a singular emotion." She has written an encyclopedia of sadness, citing "sadnesses of the body: sadness of not knowing if your body is normal, sadness of knowing your body is not normal, sadness of knowing your body is normal, beauty sadness, sadness of a missing rib, sadness of having genitals that are not like those of your lover, sadness of having genitals that are like those of your lover, sadness of hands... Sadness of the covenant: sadness of God's love, sadness of God's back, sadness of God alone in heaven, sadness of a God who would need people to pray to him... Sadness of the intellect: humor sadness, sadness of not knowing enough words to express what you mean, sadness of having options, sadness of wanting sadness, sadness of domesticated birds..."

The narrative of Trachimbrod is written by the character Jonathan, or "Jon-fen," as his Ukrainian tour guide pronounces. The tour guide, Alex, is the voice of the other narrative, which tells the modern tale of Jonathan's trip in hilarious broken English that sounds like every other word has been randomly supplemented through a thesaurus. Alex is a comic force to be reckoned with, presenting side-splitting commentary about the trip. Absurd, tragicomic situations often arise with Alex's grandfather and the "officious seeing-eye bitch of heritage touring" (a dog named Sammy Davis, Jr., Jr.) along for the ride.

As the two storylines progressively overlap, Alex and Jonathan write themselves into a new maturation. By the end of the book they are ready to "cut all of the strings," and they have developed a strong friendship that overrides cultural barriers. Alex no longer tries to impress Jonathan with tales of his made-up promiscuity and club-hopping, and Jonathan is ready to publish his book. The result is *Everything Is Illuminated*, the oddly beautiful, insightful tale of finding and creating identity through the exploration of memory.

Nuevo Tango The Merling Trio Performs at Antioch College

By Alaa Jahshan

Last Sunday, the Merling Trio performed in Kelly Hall in continuance with the Piano Series. Bruce Uchimura, the cellist, introduced the first piece on the program: the Mozart Piano Trio. Uchimura said that because of Mozart's genius, the more a person works on a piece by him, the harder it gets. As soon as he sat down, he began to play with Reneta Artman Knific on violin and Susan Wiersma Uchimura on piano.

I was quickly impressed by the quality of their tone and timbre, especially by the violin's. When I listen to other violinists, I wince and hold on to my chair because of how screechy and nasal they sound. Instead, I was very relieved to hear a warm voice that blended beautifully with the other members of the trio.

No one in the audience was glancing back and forth to the program because of how standard Mozart's pieces are, usually being comprised of three movements, two fast movements and one slow movement in the middle. During the first, I remember thinking that compared to the rest of their program this was just fluff. As wonderful as they sounded, this piece's sole function was to safely introduce the trio to the audience. What are they really here to do?



Tango! After the Mozart, Susan Wiersma Uchimura introduced their next two pieces by Argentinean composer Piazzolla. This composer is known for Nuevo Tango, "New Tango" a traditional style of tango that includes new musical ideas and instruments. As soon as she sat down they were off again.

This time the audience was swaying back and forth, their feet tapping, their heads nodding up and down with the beat. I don't know how the crowd managed to suppress their urge to jump up and dance. Passionately playing Piazzolla had the musicians on the edge of their seats. Their glamorous ending produced "wows" and a generous applause from the audience. But the gathered crowd was thirsty for more. After a the second Piazzolla, performed equally skillful, with more vibrant beats and more fabulous melodies, one more exciting piece was left on the program. Shostakovich's Piano Trio in E minor is filled with rich melody, lots and lots of rich melody, and they were excellent in delivering that. The opening melody in the first movement is played in the upper range of the cello, and from there the piece evolves. This moving piece swayed the audience in wonder and simply made me melt. As the piece came to an end, the melodies played previously tapered off to silence. The audience let the beauty sink in for a few moments, before loudly showing their appreciation. With continuing applause they encored with another tango!

The Piano Series continues on April 6, with Jon Nakamatsu.

Stretching Perception Composite Photographs at the Shirley/Jones Gallery

By Alaa Jahshan

The Shirley/Jones gallery in town is exhibiting wonderful digital photography by Antioch College alumna Barbara Kossy. This exhibit holds fourteen of Kossy's recent works.

After graduating from Antioch in '74 with a BA in Art, Kossy earned a Masters in Fine Arts in filmmaking and later became a character fabricator for

in 2002. Digital photography is much more fluid because it has the capability of taking many pictures and the freedom to do color and exposure corrections to any part of an image.

In a given piece, images upon images of a scene from many angles are combined into one larger image. It is clearly a composite in that the smaller images do not blend seamlessly, creating a fragmented yet comprehensible work of art.

Although her method for this exhibit is generally the same throughout, digitally creating 360° panoramic images, the content is pleasingly diverse. Kossy photographed a traffic jam in Italy between Bologna and Florence where all views of the road can be seen. At first I wondered if it was an illusion how the images jumped out and become ac-

Other composites included are photos of Chicago, artist's studios, and breathtakingly peaceful images of beaches and seashores. Kossy says, "I quite enjoy building a full visual environment from the little image fragments.... A viewer sees the many parts of the photo and finishes the assembly in their mind and adds the ultimate meaning."

When you see Kossy's work in the gallery, you'll notice right away how positive and fun they are, a challenging form of art that is easily enjoyed by many. She explains that, "art can be isolating," and she took this as an opportunity to change that. It was a great way to reconnect with other artists and get feedback about her work when she started photographing composites of other artist's studios. Being energized by this she continued to develop



Tim Burton's classic the Nightmare Before Christmas. Kossy's art education at Antioch was very important to her career, "it helped temper my attitude about making." Being able to take any medium and use it to add meaning to your work is valuable, she says.

Kossy realize how different the experience of shooting digital photography was when she began

tive; then I realized that this is what happens when it is possible to fit so much information together. It functions by removing all of your surroundings and throwing it all on one dimension right in front of you. The viewer has to work even harder to connect all the lines and fill in visual information because of how the pieces don't fit perfectly together, allowing the viewing experience to be very interactive.

many image composites.

Come to the special reception with Kossy at the Shirley/Jones gallery on Sunday, Nov. 18 from 4 to 6pm.

Traffic Jam 2005 - <http://barbarakossy.com/galleries/assembledplaces/a1trafficjam2005/a1trafficjam1mg.html>

What in the Heck is the Hanky Code?

The hanky code, bandana code, or flagging is a system whereby people wear bandanas (or other items) in their back pocket, belt loop, or even around their neck bearing a color or pattern or material that indicates a desire for a corresponding sex act. Wearing the hanky on the right indicates that the person is/wants to be the “bottom” in the sex act, while wearing the hanky on the left indicates that the person is/wants to be the “top.” In this theme, some people even purposely wear their keys on the right or left side simply to indicate whether they are a top or a bottom, regardless of sex act. Flagging is commonly associated with the gay male community, as this is where it originated, but is gaining popularity among queers of all stripes. Where did this practice come from? I wasn’t sure, either, so I looked it up and found a fascinating explanation on Wikipedia, a small portion of which I am shamelessly reprinting for you here:

The modern-day version of this Bandana Code actually originates back to the 70s when in New York City the world-renowned newspaper, the Village Voice published an article suggesting that it would be easier for gay men in the Village to pick each other up if they didn’t only have to rely on wearing their keys in their back pockets, left to denote active, right passive. The feature suggested that they should all get down to the surplus store at the intersection of Christopher and Washington Streets where they could buy color-coded Levi’s bandanas. Although it was originally said in a sarcastic manner, the gay community took the recommendation to heart, not only in New York, but eventually across the globe.

So which colors mean what? Unfortunately, there is no keeper of a universal hanky code. The internet seems to provide endless variations of hanky codes, varying in length, detail, and color associations. Many of the lists are quite

16 long and elaborate, including non-



hanky flagging materials such as jock straps, toothbrushes, napkins, ziploc bags, and kewpie dolls. One list had 77 different items, including subtle shade variations such as light blue, robin’s egg blue, medium blue, navy blue, airforce blue, and teal. Because of these complexities and inconsistencies, it is unlikely that a true hanky code is really all that effective a tool in actually finding a compatible sex partner for the evening. There are three colors, however, that seem to be generally agreed upon: black (heavy BDSM), red (fisting), and light blue (oral sex). Regardless, it’s a fun idea, and good to know what your back-pocket snot rag may or may not be saying about you. Below is an extremely abbreviated version of the hanky code to get you started:

| HANKY COLOR | WORN ON LEFT | WORN ON RIGHT |
|---------------------|------------------------|--------------------|
| LIGHT BLUE | Wants Head | Expert Sucker |
| RED | Wants to Fist | Wants to be Fisted |
| YELLOW | Pisser | Likes Piss |
| MUSTARD | Has 8" or More | Likes 'em Big |
| ORANGE | Anything Anytime | Nothing Now |
| KELLY GREEN | Hustler | John |
| OLIVE DRAB | Military Top | Military Bottom |
| BROWN | Scat Top | Scat Bottom |
| BLACK | Heavy S & M Top | Heavy S & M Bottom |
| GREY | Bondage Top | Bondage Bottom |
| WHITE | Likes to be Jacked Off | Likes to JO others |
| TEDDY BEAR | Cuddler | Cuddler |
| BLACK & WHITE CHECK | Safe sex | Safe Sex |

Some of my other favorites include light pink (dildo sex), lavender (drag queens), apricot (chubby/chaser), mosquito netting (outdoor sex), and toothbrush (your place or mine).

I encourage you to hop on the internet and Google “hanky code” and see what you find. Be prepared, though, as some of the items on the hanky codes may be offensive and are not “flags” that I would recommend. If you find anything good, though, maybe we can put together our own Antioch College hanky code.

Email all Antioch Hanky Code suggestions to me at ecowpert@antioch-college.edu.

Happy (Gender)(Fuck) Week!

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



Scott Warren

Associated Professor of Philosophy
and Political Science

What year was it and where were you at 20?

It was 1972, and I was in my third year at the University of Virginia.

What were you studying?

I had switched my major from music. I had been studying composition and I wanted to be the Beethoven. At that time it was the height of the student movement and anti-war movement, and I felt like my friends in music were hiding from those issues. So I switched to political philosophy. I thought I could change the world through political philosophy, but I probably could have made a bigger change had I stayed in music.

What was going on politically at the time?

Well the late sixties and early seventies were the height of the new left and the anti-war movement, which I was involved in quite heavily. I was also very involved in Students for a Democratic Society, the old one. That was mostly what I was involved in aside from my work, but I thought my work was connected to History. Every paper I wrote was part of the movement, it was kind of naïve. I really be-

lieved we were on the eve of a huge revolution in this country. I was wrong, and actually a lot of us were wrong.

If the times had not been so political do you think you would still have been in music?

Partially my thoughts had been changed by what was going on, but I was also taking a course in ancient and medieval philosophy about the same time. We started off with Plato, who I had never heard of before, and it very much converted me. I was so excited that there was this ancient Greek philosopher talking about communism as a good thing. I had been raised thinking communism was a bad thing, it was a Soviet thing. Even with out all of the activism I still may have gone the same course, because the course and teacher were so great. The combination of the two was a very powerful force, and I haven't looked back in the last 35 years of teaching.

What type of music caught your ear?

I was listening to the best rock music ever. Bob Dylan once said, "Today's music is feeding off the table scrapes of the 60's." often the music I listened to had a political tinge behind it. I liked The Who, Jefferson Airplane which is actually founded by a past Antioch student, the Doors, Black Sabbath, Led Zeppelin, and when I was in a romantic mood it was the Moody Blues. Plus The Byrds, I loved The Byrds

Popularity Planner

Starting November 16th

FRIDAY

>> 4:15 p.m. in the C-Shop: **RAB**
>> 9:00 p.m. at Wellness Center : **Friday Night Events/ Chem Free Parties**

SATURDAY

>> 6:00 p.m. in Mills Kitchen: **Vegan Potluck**
>> 8:00 p.m. in the Antioch Theater: **A Melancholy Play**
>> 9:00 p.m. in the Dance Space: **Gender F@#k**

SUNDAY

>> 1:00 p.m. in the Wellness Center: **Studying On a Lazy Afternoon**
>> 6:00 p.m. Antioch Environmental Center: **AEG Meeting**
>> 8:00 p.m. in the Antioch Theater: **A Melancholy Play**

MONDAY

>> **Sex Week Begins**
>> 8:00 p.m. in the Wellness Center: **The Icharus Project**
>> 9:00 p.m. behind 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**
>> 8:00 p.m. in the CSKC: **YS Organizing Meeting for Adhoc Save Antioch Group**

Declassifieds

I can't go to school here anymore. I'll miss you. good luck.

Hey. I'm a tranny, figure it out

Dearest Director, you make me believe I can do it. Love, Tilly

Meghan, Let's dance together this weekend (but let's try not to embarrass everyone else.. too badly) [heart] Greer

-Jeanne- I Love you! stay strong. You're b-e-a-utiful! [heart]

Antioch Friends, without you I don't think I could get through a week- I love you! [heart] Ruthie

Sex week- The best week of the term. Thank Yall

Kari, I love you. Don't leave B.U.

Greer, I love you but now you're breaking my heart. As well.

Guys, don't worry- balding is sexy

Parties are funner when everyone comes

Dangerous Person, Are we still lovers? love, Eagle of Death

Come to Gender fuck & dress fancy, don't be a skeez

Gina- I love having queer movie night with you. Let's do it again... and

again. xoxo-Leslie

This is Bowie to Bowie- Are you pretty far out man? That's pretty far out, man!

Corri-thanks for the swee t-shirt, seriously, wow. -James

roses are red violets are blues you love poop and I like you thanks for being my buddy [heart] James

cryborg they called it puppy love but where would I be without you?

Not everyone's a pin-up...

Thank you to those folks who are genuine

Andy...

Fela- You make me so happy. Thanks for being my firned. erin-aja

Hey you. Habermas ain't got nothing on you. You're vunderbar. -Nightcrawler PS Do be do be do

Ms Pergrem, I have a totale crush n you and I don't know what to do. -crushed out

Ned...

Natalie Adams, you helped me so much. I love you B.U.

Hey ROBOT- my dog could beat your imaginary dog's ass anyday. -Traitrnix

Mariel, thanks for all day project runway. wow! -jim

Mike... Booty, bikes

and brews... Hebrews, that is.

When I call you out it's cuz I care about you, I'm not ego trippin

Mary Lou LaPierre needs to get a new school to rag on

Twitch, I'm gonna miss you, you creep!

This one's for Leslie... Chloe Sevi-gny! Oh Man, It was great experiencing it with you! Love, Gina

Rory, we kinda like you a little.. a lot.. we should get coffee soon.

Thanks Paul Z for the mate -ea

Happy Birthday! The Magic lives on

Charlie- we can see you now.. we can see you sleeping... close your door.

Nate.. CAUTION: slippery when wet"

Hey Nicole B. I'm not rushing but I'm crushin' -figure it out

Megan P. will you marry me?

Learn how to spell.

Stop spelling at me

For anyone asking themself what am I going to do? I don't know. If possible, be yourself

I carolot about my carobot [heart] The Comeback

We support our faculty- if they go, we go!

Vegan Recipe of the Week

By Sally Bell Alper

Create your own Thanks

So for any of you Vegan folks heading home for Fall Break getting through the meat-filled-fucked-up-colonialist-holiday may be difficult. Here are some simple recipes for traditional or modified holiday foods to share with the fam.

Autumn Mashed Potatoes

Ingredients:

bunch of any variety of white to yellow potatoes
a couple sweet potatoes or squash (acorn, butternut, etc.)

Vegan butter of your choice
salt and pepper
garlic

Boil the potatoes starting with the whiter tots and then add the oranger ones, or if you are using squash cook in oven separately. When they're all good and soft squash it all together and add a ton of butter and salt and pepper. I like to cut the garlic into tiny pieces and add it raw because I just love garlic that much, but you can cool it or use garlic powder.

Veggie Stuffing

Ingredients:

2 Carrots, chopped into small pieces
1 celery, finely chopped
1 onion, finely chopped
1 cup of mushrooms, finely chopped
5 pieces of bread, remove crust and peel
¼ cup vegetable broth
¼ cup white wine vinegar
1-2 Tbs herbs (Sage, Thyme, Fresh Parsley)

Whisk all the liquid and herbs together in a small bowl. Place the veggies and bread in a baking dish and pour the liquid on top. Bake on 375 for 35 minutes.

Other side dish ideas: canned cranberry sauce, bread rolls, plan old veggies cooked well, pasta salads, dried fruit, nuts, corn bread,

Ideas for main dishes: Lasagna, Curries, Stir Fries, purchase a Tofurky, make a homemade tofu loaf, squash,
Don't Forget about Dessert!

Whorescopes

by MARYSIA WALCERZ

Birthday- Your humorous proclivity for adding “in bed” to the end of fortunes will be tested when you receive a blank fortune...in bed.

Aries- For all the watching the stars do, they’re kind of disappointed you never invite them to join in.

Taurus- That fiery passion of yours will leave scorch marks across your floor. Don’t expect your housing deposit back.

Gemini- You’ll be tied down and whipped till you scream this week- by your crushing workload.

Cancer- Don’t expect to leave your room, let alone your bed, once this weekend. You’ve got the flu!

Leo- Your romantic life will take a dramatic turn for the better following Wednesday’s excursion to Columbus.

Virgo- You’ve got a lot of sexy fun time to look forward to this week with the entire works of Foucault and Butler to finish before break. Oh, baby.

Libra- All of your wildest, most unexpected fantasies will come true this week when you receive an extension on your paper AND a box of stress relief tea in the mail.

Scorpio- Spice up your life with a new position in bed! We suggest the “deeply unconscious with your face buried in pillows” one.

Sagittarius- There’s a cream for that.

Capricorn- You’ll have the best outfit out of everyone at Genderfuck this term! Unfortunately, the combination of rainbow skittles, saran wrap, and live ducklings will make it nearly impossible to dance in.

Aquarius- Severe disappointment and misery can be avoided! Just remember to check what type of batteries you need BEFORE you leave the store.

Pisces- On your next doctor’s visit, try coming up with a more plausible sounding disease than “not-getting-any-itis.”

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 Why do YOU stay at Antioch?

**“I don’t have anywhere else to go”
Michael, 2nd Year**



**“Because babies and puppies are community property here”
Levi, 4th Year**

**“My car breaks every time I try to get out of town”
Patrice, dropout**



**“Free laundry”
Mish, 2nd Year**

**“The credits won’t transfer”
Carobot, 2nd Year**



**“The sexual opportunity to advance my porn career”
Gina, 1st year**

**“I stay for my inner idealistic hopes”
Eva, 1st year**



WE HAVE YOUR BACK.

A Message from Supporters of Community Governance

For every generation of Antiochians there comes a defining moment – a moment to stand up for our shared values and use our strength in the service of our vision.

This time is now. We want the Antioch College Community to know that we, who have engaged in Community Governance, have your back at this critical time. We acknowledge the difficulty of doing so while not being there with you, but wish to make our intentions clear.

As the campus Antioch Community, you are showing the world the value of an Antioch education. You are taking action to enable people you may never know, people you may never meet, to access an Antioch education and go on to win victories for humanity.

One alum, Edith Bagley, sister to the late Coretta Scott King said that "Antioch has to live. It gives hope to the world." You give others such hope with your presence, your thoughts and your actions.

You are taking a risk. And we are here to offer assistance.

The risk is worth it because Antioch is worth saving. Today's Antioch education in classroom, co-op, and community is as valuable and true to the Antiochian ideals of egalitarianism and community responsibility as any since 1852.

The undersigned of this letter are educators, organizers, artists and activists who are leaders in our chosen professions and communities. We have fought for social justice wherever we have gone and now we are fighting for justice for the students, faculty and staff of Antioch College.

We ask you to not give in. We ask you to not give up and we ask you to continue to fight.

We ask the same of ourselves.

DECLARATIONS: What We Want, What We Believe

The Students are the Reason for the School

We are committed to do everything in our power to maintain an environment at Antioch College that makes it possible for current students to stay enrolled with confidence, and for new students to enroll. The students must be recognized and respected throughout the process of revitalizing the college.

No Tenure, No Peace

Retaining the faculty is necessary to support a vibrant academic community and to provide the course offerings that current students need to graduate. Faculty retention is essential to student retention. We oppose all faculty cuts, and we oppose any imposition of curricular changes on the faculty. The college must trust the faculty to determine the curriculum, and must rebuild an atmosphere in which the faculty are appropriately respected and valued. This is necessary to retain current faculty, and to attract new faculty as the college grows.

Stop Firing, Start Hiring

We oppose further cuts to staff and student services and any attempts to undermine the unions. Antioch College cannot shrink further without sacrificing the basic functions of the campus and leaving students without the support that they need to thrive. The college must focus on revenue growth rather than expense reduction, and where cuts are absolutely needed, non-human resources should be considered more expendable than human beings.

Exigency is Academic Martial Law

We call for an immediate explanation of the specific conditions under which financial exigency will be lifted and the threat of suspended operations will cease to be held over Antioch College. We call for a justification for maintaining financial exigency, besides the apparent function of allowing the university to violate tenure and other contractual obligations. If such justification cannot be satisfactorily provided, we call for an immediate lifting of the state of financial exigency.

Tear Down the Obstacles to Recruitment

The admissions department must be promptly restaffed and ready to begin an aggressive outreach and recruitment program for new, returning and transfer students, as soon as permitted by governing bodies. We know that there are thousands of students for whom Antioch College is the right place. We need to capitalize on the momentum and publicity of the College Revival and help at least several hundred students find their way to an Antioch education in the coming year, and years to come.

Support Shared Governance

We call for a participatory decision-making process in the college's tradition of community self-governance, in which decisions are not imposed from above, but are made through open public discussion, actively seeking the meaningful input of everyone who wishes to participate. This will strengthen the community and renew the college's reputation.

We are committed to advocating these positions to the Antioch University and College administrations, to the Antioch University Board of Trustees, and within the Alumni Association. We are committed to fighting for these positions as an independent collective dedicated to a vibrant, humane, self-governing and self-sustaining Antioch College.

In Solidarity,

Matt Baya '92
Beth Gutelius '00
Megan Rosado '97
Tim Eubanks '00
Chad Johnston '00
Michael Casselli '87
Nick Szuberla '95

Jennie Knaggs '01
Shelby Chestnut '05
J. Greg Williams '95
Judy Wolert-Maldonado '05
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