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The Future of the Coretta Scott King Center

By Alex Mette

The Coretta Scott King Center for Cultural and Intellectual Freedom has been in a part of Antioch College since 2005. Its roots can be traced back to an essay written in 2004 by Antioch alumni, Everette Freeman, entitled "Toward Community: A Plan for Embedding Cultural and Intellectual Freedom Into the Fabric of Antioch College." Coretta Scott King gave Antioch College permission to use her name later that same year. Now the connection between the college and the CSKC has meant that it is scheduled to close June 30, 2008. Furthermore, according to Dr. Dana Patterson, director of the center since 2006, the use of King's name was a gift given to the school, and as such Antioch remains the only entity with legal rights to its use. The university's position regarding the CSKC is one of disinterest. Following statements expressing that, the Alumni Board voiced their support for the Center. Indeed, several members of the Alumni Board helped to start the CSKC, according to Nikki Novak an employee of the Center. Funding has not been largely available though to support the continued operations of the CSKC, and as such, legal questions surrounding intellectual property management remain of secondary importance.

Dr. Patterson expressed her sadness that the full potential of the center was unable to be seen. From the beginning the CSKC has been very active in sponsoring campus events that promote the ideals of nonviolence, equality, and social justice. Furthermore, they provide scholarships for individuals pursuing those values. Ultimately, the Center was to have two full time endowed faculty chairs in the Humanities as well as to provide scholarships to first generation students from impoverished urban communities. However, the suspension of operations of the college has meant a similar fate for the CSKC. Novak noted that while the majority of the budget for the CSKC comes from the college, if the funds could be raised, the Center could continue its operations, though admittedly in a much lesser capacity. One reason for this is that the center has been unable to request individuals from the



AmeriCorps Vista program, such as current employee Menelek Alexander, due to the uncertainty surrounding the college's future. Furthermore, fundraising campaigns such as The Gala Fundraiser were canceled because of ethical concerns about the feasibility of the college. However, the Center will continue some of its programs beyond the date of official closure in June. The Delta Skymiles program will continue

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Negotiations for Immediate Independence Collapse; One Final Offer Remains

by Rowan Kaiser

Dozens of campus leaders prepared to gather Friday afternoon in the conference room on the second floor of South Hall to speak with the co-chairs of the Antioch College Continuation Corporation (ACCC) when they were presented with a press release screaming "ANTIOCH UNIVERSITY REJECTS ANTIOCH CONTINUATION CORPORATION BID TO SAVE HISTORIC COLLEGE." According to the ACCC, just one option remains to save Antioch College, an offer on their part to pay \$10 million for 10 seats on the 19-member Antioch University Board of Trustees.

ACCC negotiator and co-chair Eric Bates called the 10-10 plan "...the only remaining arrangement that can enable the College to continue operating next year while creating a truly philanthropic board for the university." The alumni group was founded in order to gain full independence for the college from the university, and Bates says this is still the goal. "We don't have any grand design other than getting a governance structure in place that serves all of the campuses well and enables them to thrive. And in the case of the college, we know that that requires independence, both to attract alumni support and to attract the kind of leadership at the

presidential level that the college needs...Independence needs to happen." However, university spokeswoman Lynda Sirk told the Dayton Daily News that the university would not consider the offer.

Talks between the ACCC and the university board collapsed after the university failed to accept the ACCC's "best and final offer" at the deadline. The offer was initially presented on March 5th, according to Bates, with a deadline a week later. The university negotiating team responded with a counter-offer that demonstrated "significant movement," Bates said. "For the first time we felt that they were trying to reach an agreement. We also stretched further. We had originally offered \$5 million, they made it clear that they needed more than that." The final offer was for \$6 million immediately, with a further \$6.2 million on a payment schedule.

It was that \$6.2 million that proved the final stumbling block, according to the university's press release. "If ACCC had to default on the loan payments, the University's only remedy would be to foreclose on the real estate. It's impossible to imagine the University putting Antioch College on the auction block at a Sheriff's sale," said trustee and chair of the Finance Committee Bruce Bedford, "and for that reason, it's simply not practical."

In a letter to concerned alumni, Vice-Chair of the Board Dan Fallon further detailed the university's problem with the \$6.2 million payment schedule:

"The problem is what happens if the ACCC effort fails, and no funds are available to pay off the remainder? The \$12.2 million is the minimum cash required to stabilize the bonds held by the University, which are controlled by several banks. The banks require guarantees that the funds can be repaid. If the ACCC effort fails (which we do not foresee, and fervently hope will not occur) then the assets held by the ACCC revert back to Antioch University. The only recourse the University would have to reclaim the funds it is due from the ACCC would be to foreclose on the assets -- but in this case the assets would be in the hands of the University, and it would be forced to foreclose on itself. The banks will not tolerate this. So what is needed is for some wealthy donor (or combination thereof) to pledge that in the case of such a default, that person or persons would guarantee the funds."

ACCC negotiator David Goodman stated "We were fully prepared to provide the University with not one, but two forms of security: a mortgage on the campus, and a provision that the College and its assets would revert to the University if the ACCC were unable

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Wow, what a week. First the Board decided to reject the well thought out plan of the ACCC and then community meeting turned into a rendition of the movie The Madness of King George. I must admit that I never felt the board would agree to let go of this prime real estate, but still it was a shock to me. Although it is said it is not over, it is becoming harder and harder to see any real positive results coming out of these negotiations. I want to be real for a second. Maybe this isn't the right thing to do, but I have never seen nor heard of a group as unprofessional and incompetent as our Board of Trustees operating an institution of higher education. It is fare to say that not all of the Board agrees with the majority, or allows Toni Murdoch to cloud their judgment, but it does make me think that we picked up some of these people from the board of Enron unemployment line in Houston, Texas. Not only was the deal financially sound it was a win/win situation. This was a classic game of wait out the clock. The idea that a board delegated such an important task to a person who was given a vote of no confidence by her previous employees, who were risking their jobs to make such a statement, shows that many of these people should probably stick with their day jobs and leave the important stuff to experienced people who can actually run a college. It gets to me how for many years they blamed our culture, our professors, our buildings, and our fundraisers when actually the only thing that stayed the same throughout years of mismanagement was the board membership. Maybe the mirror should have been turned on the board and then the truth would've been set free. Throughout my life I have always tried to see and yes maybe understand the other side but I have no sympathy for these peo-



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ple. While they sit in their ivory tower people are loosing their jobs, homes and whole loves. It seems like they don't even care. While this may seem harsh it is fair to say that albeit there was a recording sent to campus most trustees have failed to actually communicate with the people they are entrusted to protect. Instead they are afraid of us. As a student who has called Antioch home for three years I am disgusted at the attitude of these people. Instead of thinking of their employees and finding solutions to save their jobs, and to save this historic institution, they instead think of money and their interests. On the topic of the events that occurred during this week's community meeting, I am ashamed of our "leadership" on this campus. While I am outraged at our Interim President, and his actions, I do feel for him. He is the image of a sad man who has lost a lot. What we saw this week was a once strong and articulate human being unraveling and becoming what I feel he must have fought against when he was our age. With that aside I feel all community members must act according to our community standards and if they fail to meet those standards they must be held accountable. I am not perfect and have said things to people only to regret them later, but what President Bloch did this week is unacceptable, and seeing that he has a past of acting aggressively towards other community members proves that he doesn't deserve to be a community member anymore. Many people have told me that he is an excellent professor, and I don't doubt it. Maybe it is time for him to once again take up teaching and leave the leadership role to a real leader.

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We are all familiar with the *If Its Yellow...* newsletters that Wellness, Counseling, and Infirmary post around campus. These newsletters provide information on heath-related news topics, as well as updates on heath services on campus. They often provide informative and thought-provoking reading, and as such also provide a valuable educational service to the community. I noticed one recently, however, that I felt contributed more to misinformation and stereotyping than education and healthy thought. A section entitled 'Substances & Lyrics' discussed a University of Pittsburgh study on popular music and references to drug and alcohol abuse, or as the newsletter put it, "peer acceptance, partying, and sexual activity". The words the study focused on were "drinkin'" "smokin'" and "doping". The piece quotes the following figures: reference to these terms were found in 77% of rap, 36% of country, 20% of R&B/hip-hop, 14% of rock, and 9% of pop songs. It goes on to say that only 4, which are all rock songs, were specifically anti-substance abuse. I was unable to find information on the study online, so I cannot verify these figures, but as they are presented here, they demonstrate a flawed methodology which consequently characterizes 'rap' music as destructive and unhealthy, while painting rock music as more healthy.

Hip-hop is both a genre of music and a cultural movement. It is comprised of four elements: DJ-ing, Graffiti, Breakdancing, and MC-ing(rapping) (five minutes on google can confirm this for anyone who is interested). A study looking at 'rap' as separate from hip-hop is therefore fundamentally flawed. If Billboard is making this distinction, then the fault is theirs, but a scientific study should do its homework and not further such

error. The question then begs, what songs are being considered 'rap' or 'hip-hop'? Maybe songs with more drug references are being classified as 'rap', while others with fewer drug references are being called 'hip-hop'. If this is the case, maybe that accounts for the fact that drug references are found in 77% of the 'rap' songs studied.

What if rock were divided in a similar way by the study? Maybe we would see more drug references in 'heavy metal' versus 'acoustic rock' or 'alternative rock', or visa-versa. Maybe then the study wouldn't portray 'rock' as more healthy and positive than other genres of music. It's certainly something to consider.

Its also interesting to examine the language the study uses. Is it too narrow to just check for these specific terms, as the study purportedly did? Perhaps.

Here is something else to consider. The media often negatively stigmatizes 'Rap' music. One example would be the conservative talk show 'Hot Air'. A segment concerning singer Akon and allegations of sexual abuse is a good example. Early in the program, Akon is discussed in terms of his popularity, and is correctly termed a 'singer'. Akon is a singer. What he does is by definition singing, not rapping. Later in the program, when the topic turns to allegations of sexual misconduct with a minor, the host starts calling Akon a 'rapper'. Why the switch? Rapping and singing are two distinct types of vocalization. To me, the switch is to stigmatize Akon, because a 'rapper' carries the stigma of misogyny, violence, and drug abuse that studies like the one cited in *If Its Yellow...* promote.

Edward Perkins
Editor

Letters To The Community

Dear Andrzej,
I am deeply disturbed and appalled by your behavior at today's Community Meeting. I didn't realize the extent of your actions until key members of the Community informed me about the specifics of what happened afterward, so I apologize for this late response (it should have happened immediately after the incident). From my seat at Community Meeting I wasn't able to catch all the details. You are a leader during troubled times. And I understand that I only have a small idea of the stress and difficulty that you are under. As one community leader to another I do realize the immense strain that your difficult position puts you in - but your actions today were inexcusable.

It is important now, possibly more than ever, that the leaders of our College pave a safe and supportive path for community members to walk down, to guide them and lift their spirits during terrifying times of uncertainty. As you know, the morale and spirits on campus are low. It is up to us to infuse our community with a great sense of courage, hope, and love - hopefully enough to help them hold their heads high, to help them feel strong and capable enough to move through this term with enough dignity and respect for each other to not only survive this term, but to thrive during these times. It is our duty as leaders to support, empower, and affirm each and every member of the Antioch College Community. And today, you have failed your duty. Your actions today were degrading, disrespectful, and demonstrated your gross abuse of power. You violently silenced members of our community by yelling at them to "shut up". You violently pushed and shoved esteemed members of our faculty. You called a member of our Alumni community a liar. And you disrespected every single person counting on you to provide great leadership. Especially as a white man in an authority position, you are charged with a greater sense of responsibility to check your power and privilege, particularly while addressing women, children, and community members of color. You abused every position of power you hold within this community to humiliate and hurt members of our community.



I am calling for an immediate, personal apology to the student and her child that you yelled at, to the faculty member you engaged in the physical altercation with, and to the member of the Alumni Board that you insulted. I am also calling for an immediate apology to the entire community for your actions today.

To everyone else: Beyond that I am calling on each and every member of our community to realize your own self-worth and dignity as a member of this College. I know that at times it is hard to remember, but you do have power within this College. You have a voice and you do have control. I want you to know that you are appreciated, loved, and respected enough to deserve better. Members of the community will gather in the c-shop tomorrow (Wednesday, 4-2-08) @ 8pm in a strategic planning session for how to respond to ineffective leadership. It is not just about this event, it is about leadership at this College in general. It is about reclaiming a sense of empowerment during these difficult times.

I also want to address my use of this public forum for a personal letter. I think the way that power and control play into this situation makes it complicated. The way that this community has been systematically denied its own voice and agency, has been given misinformation, and has lacked a leadership role that it has clearly voiced its need for further complications the situation. Questioning power is a basic element of free speech and an expression of someone's dissatisfaction with actions that have dire consequences to their lives. I do understand that Andrzej is more than a "public official" and is also a human being who is a member of the Antioch Community, but his involvement within this community is certainly more complicated than that, and I believe it warrants community dialog - especially when other forms of attempted communication with you, Andrzej, have so grotesquely failed. I hope, Andrzej, that we can meet soon to discuss this matter further.

I also hope that you have heard my words,
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Plan Columbia, Peru, and America

By Daniel McCurdy

In Peru, opposition leader Ollanta Humala has accused the government of permitting the United States military to further the US war on Drugs. Humala refers to a naval base in Iquitos, in the Loreto region of Peru, where the US military would install a military base that would serve as a support structure for Plan Colombia.

On Sunday Humala said that he had been informed by part of the military that “work in Iquitos,” the closest Peruvian town to borders of Brazil and Colombia, of the US presence. At first Peru’s Defense Minister, Antero Flores-Araos, denied the claim, saying, “no presence of US or other foreign military personnel exists” in Peru. “There exists a permanent relationship with the DEA (US Drug Enforcement Agency) to combat narcotrafficking, but there are no troops at this moment.”

This past Tuesday the Defense Minister confirmed the presence of US troops. In addition, the Defense Press Secretary announced there are no US troops in Peru “without due authorization”. In his official announcement on Tuesday, Araos also mentioned that North American troops were in Peru to take part in “military and social support trainings”.

During this current year, Araos specified, 31 members of the US armed forces have entered the Peruvian jungle “without weapons to participate in training exercises” in conjunction with the Peruvian military.

“This policy permits our armed forces to maintain preparedness with the exchange of [military] experience, to provide security to our territory and combat crimes like terrorism” concluded the Defense Minister.

Currently, the United States Military possesses

a military base in the city of Manta, located on the Ecuadorian Pacific coast, which it is set to lose in 2009 due to contract expiration, which the Ecuadorian government will not renew.

Telesur reports that last July a huge outcry was created when a US official announced that the Ecuadorian and Peruvian governments had offered some of their bases for a continual US military presence and operation in the region.

Plan Colombia is a mostly military plan to “end Colombia’s civil war, revive the nation’s economy and put the narco-traffickers out of business” said the Colombia Journal. Started at the beginning of the 21s century, in conjunct participation with the US government, the Plan started off as a 7.5 billion dollar proposition, 3.5 billion of which is needed in international aid.

The overall goal of the plan is for the Colombian government to gain control of the whole country, which is partly controlled by guerrilla forces, including the Colombian Revolutionary Armed Forces (FARC). While launching a military offensive against the FARC, the Colombian military (with US involvement) has also pursued complete coca crop eradication. The Colombia Journal furthers that “following the military phase, peasant farmers whose coca crops have been eradicated will be offered funding for alternative crops and aid will



be made available to those campesinos forced to flee their homes and their land.”

Considering the economic component of Plan Colombia, Colombia was “forced to agree” to “neoliberal policies” that opened up its markets and resources to foreign investors and retracted social spending in order to receive a loan of 2.7 billion dollars in 1999 from the International Monetary Fund.

Furthermore, the true objective of the plan, according to the *Colombia Journal*, is to preserve the political, economic and social “status quo through the ‘carrot and stick’ strategy”. “The stick, approximately 80 percent of the U.S. aid, is for the Colombian military and police. The remainder constitutes the carrot: eight percent is going to alternative development; six percent to human rights programs; four percent to the displaced; two percent to judicial reform; and less than one percent

President Bush’s Torture Memo Declassified

by Zach Gallant

The now-defunct memo that allowed the soldiers at Abu Ghraib and Guantanamo Bay to commit acts of humiliation and torture upon the prisoners at that camp, not to mention gave military interrogators the go ahead to use such techniques as waterboarding, has been declassified this week. It’s a terrifying document, extending the privileges of Commander in Chief in a wartime scenario to unheard of unconstitutional levels. Among the highlights of the document is the allowance that “If a government defendant wants to harm an enemy combatant during an interrogation in a manner that might arguably violate a criminal prohibition, he would be doing so in order to prevent further attacks on the United States by the al Qaeda terrorist network. In that case, we believe that he could argue that the executive branch’s constitutional authority to protect the nation from attack justified his actions.” As long as an interrogator claims that their tactics are being used to prevent further attacks against the homeland, the Geneva Conventions no longer apply. And, if those defenses are not enough, don’t worry, the interrogator is covered, as the document concludes with the sentence: “Finally, even if the criminal prohibitions outlined above applied, and an interrogation method might violate those prohibitions, necessity or self-defense could provide justifications for any criminal liability.”

The vagueness of the memo left enough room for not just waterboarding but electroshock, and makes mention of such techniques as acid scalding, mental torture, threats of death, as well as the old school fisticuffs that worked so well for Stalin. At the same time, it claims that techniques formerly considered torture, such as sleep deprivation, or hooding, no longer qualify as torture. The Bush Administration has been unraveling our Constitution at an alarming rate, but this goes beyond unconstitutional, all the way to inhuman and strictly illegal on both a domestic and international level. This document condoned torture and War Crimes.



INTERNATIONAL BULLETINS

By Daniel McCurdy and Zach Gallant

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New Military Recruitment Efforts

In an attempt to beef up its recruitment efforts, the US military wants to require colleges and universities to hand over more information about students to military recruiters. *The Marine Corps Times* reports that the military will try tougher ways to deal with schools that interfere with the work of military recruiters and ROTC programs.

The new rules will allow the same access to student information to recruiters that are given to prospective employers, will prevent schools from banning recruiters, and could potentially jeopardize federal funding to educational institutions which do not allow recruiters and ROTC programs campus access.

Indian Workers Protest in D.C.

Democracynow! reports that about 100 Indian workers marched to the White House on Monday to protest the treatment and conditions of Indian guest workers in the United States. The protest concerns Signal International, who had been contracted to rebuild part of the Gulf Coast area damaged after Hurricane Katrina.

The workers say that SI managed them like slaves upon their arrival to the United States. Furthermore, a major class-action anti-racketeering suit has been filed by the Indian workers against SI and its US and Indian recruiters.

Strategic Agreement Between Russia and the U.S.

Telesur reports that President Bush and Russian

P r e s i d e n t Vladimir Putin will convene this coming Sunday to talk about a possible agreement on a “plan of course” following the future changes in administration of each country in the coming year.

A high official of the Kremlin explained that “experts will develop a document concerning the strategic parameters of bilateral relations between the US and Russia, which will serve as a plan of course in the transitional period” (of the change in administrations).

The question as to who power will transfer to in the US is still in the air, but in Russia Dmitri Medvedev has already been elected to succeed Putin.

The meeting will be held in Putin’s vacation home of Sochi, Russia, besides the Black Sea. This week, Bush and Putin will meet at the NATO summit in Bucharest, where an important decision concerning the inclusion of Ukraine and Georgia into the Plan of



Action of the Alliance.

Three out of Ten Students Finish High School In US

The United States EPE Research Center and America’s Promise Alliance have released an investigation concluding that out of every ten students in the US public education system, at least three will not finish high school.

The national rate of students that finish high school is 69.9%, which leaves about 1.2 million students



without high school diplomas annually.

Zimbabwe on the Verge of a New Government

After 28 years in power, Zimbabwean president Robert Mugabe may step down. Aljazeera reports that although the official results of elections in Zimbabwe are still to be seen, Mugabe might have to hand over power. The Movement for Democratic Change (MDC) of Morgan Tsvangirai is estimated to have won 49.4 percent of the votes against 41.8 percent for Mugabe. In addition, the Associated Press reported that there could possibly be an uprising if Mugabe was declared the winner.

By Zach Gallant

Cuban Government Lifts Restrictions

Raul Castro’s government has, for the first time, lifted many of his brother’s long-standing restrictions off Cuba’s citizens. Though the average income in Cuba is below \$20/month means that most of the items now available to them, like cell phones, microwaves, DVD players and PCs, are still unaffordable, their availability, as well as the accessibility of the country’s numerous hotels and resorts, is a welcome freedom to many cubans after decades of repression.

Humanitarian Mission Underway to Liberate Hostages

French President Nikolai Sarkozy has approved and begun a humanitarian mission to rescue hostages of Colombian rebel army FARC. Among the hostages is former Colombian Presidential candidate Ingrid Betancourt, whose Hepatitis B requires a blood transfusion in a very short time. The Red Cross has offered to work as an intermediary in the hostage exchange, as it has before in FARC situations, but no response has come from FARC itself.

More Prostitute Scandals in U.S. Politics

There seems to be an epidemic in American politics, and it’s not just the politicians themselves. First it was David Vitter and the DC Madam. Then it was an unsuccessful attempt by Larry Craig in an airport bathroom. Last

month it was Eliot Spitzer and “Kristen”. But it’s a new month. Time for a new political prostitution sting. Though much less expensive than Spitzer’s repeated \$4900 expenditures, Thomas Athans, the co-founder of TalkUSARadio network and the husband of US Senator Debbie Stabenow, was caught with a \$150 prostitute in a sting at a Troy, Michigan hotel.

Hamas Agrees to Palestinian State on 1967 Borders

Exiled Hamas Leader Khaled Mashaal in an interview Wednesday discussed a document drafted by members of both Hamas and Fatah held in an Israeli prison known as the National Reconciliation Document. It accepts an independent Palestinian state with the borders proposed in 1967. They stop short of recognizing Israel’s right to exist and call for Jerusalem to be the Capital, but still is a significant move toward compromise. While a friendly gesture, it would have been nice to know 40 years ago.



German Chancellor Boycotts Beijing Olympics

In a moment of undeniable historical irony, Germany’s Chancellor Angela Merkel has announced she is boycotting the Olympic Games in China, as has Poland’s Prime Minister Donald Tusk. China’s crackdown on Tibetan Buddhists is ringing many historical sirens in the European Union, many of whose members are contemplating following Merkel and Tusk’s examples. There is a good deal of comparison between the current situation with China and Germany’s 1936 hosting of the games. President Bush and British Prime Minister Gordon Brown have announced that they are both still strongly committed to attending.



Staff Profile: John Minter

By Alaa Jahshan
How long have you been working at Antioch?
September 10, 2001 is when I started
How did you hear about Antioch?
No actually I just happen to be looking for work and there was a position open and I had done some data entry.
What is your favorite part about this job?
When I can actually help or possibly impact a student, that would definitely have to be it. When the students come and do business with me and we can talk about a number of different things.

Is there anything community members could do to make your job easier?
Newer computers, and well our connection is not as good as the University connection, and our server was moved over to the University, that and student cooperation, just being more timely, for students and supervisors. My biggest problem is with late time slips with the student or supervisor who don’t turn them in for whatever reason.
How do you feel about what’s happening at the university?
I’m saddened by it, there are so many stories, but it’s been the same for almost a full year now. I’d really hate to see the college close down. I got a different impression of what the college is, like unless you’re here you don’t really know what’s going on. A lot of colleges talk it, students here actually do it, community and globally oriented.
Do you have any plans after Antioch?
No, my plans are to see it through till they want me to leave, until they escort me out I guess, and after that, I don’t know.
Is there anything you would like to say to the community?
One thing I could say is with the way things are going now, I just spoke with a student and I asked her what she was going to do after all this and I would just say to keep



going. For some students Antioch was their first choice if not their only choice, I can see how it can be frustrating and they can be let down, but stay in. Some people take time off but three or four years go by so quickly, it sounds corny but stay in school. I come from a diverse environment and I was actually let down and unhopeful for the future generation. Mostly the younger generation thinks the world is going to hell but its different here. I’d like to see Antioch kids stay out there, stay involved.

Heartbeat from the Dominican Republic: Part II

By Kawai, Yoshitomo
The last time, I reported about Santo Domingo, capital of Dominican Republic. As I mentioned in last paper, Santo Domingo is amazing traditional and complicated place for anyone. However, Santo Domingo was not only my travel destination and Sosúa was another important one. In fact, Sosúa is my favorite place in Dominican Republic and is well known as a nice resort place including beautiful sky and beach. This place is for everyone who appreciates a laid back life style and the all-year round sunshine. In this time, let me draw your attention to this amazing place.
Sosúa is located in the North Coast of the Dominican Republic, which has been a top tourist destination for Europeans. The town is divided into three sectors: El Batey, which is the main section where most tourists visit, Sosua Abajo and Los Charamicos. There is a very large expatriate community in Sosúa. In particular, El Batey was the settlement area of approximately 500 of the 5,000 German and Austrian Jewish refugees for whom the Dominican government issued visas between 1940 and 1945. The government provided them with land and resource with which they created a dairy and cheese factory, named Productos Sosua, still in existence today. Descendants of the original settlers still live in Sosua, where they maintain a synagogue and museum. You will see a few hotels managed by Caucasians. As I mentioned “top tourist destination for Europeans” above, I could not find any Asian people there. Not only in Sosúa also most places I visited, I saw just 3 Asian people in Dominican Republic for 12 days. I guess this was the first cool experience to me.
Let us now shift the topic away from geography and race to culture; one of the big cultural gaps I felt was number of prostitutes. It would be easy once you get there to figure out that obviously Sosúa is one of the most popular places of prostitution. The guy from New York I met in the bar said, “I have a house here, and I come here once every two or three months to get a girl. I have two girlfriends here for hanging out in the beach in daytime. Not only night time. ” I was like “Oh God”. This guy gives a good account of leisure in Sosúa and that can be explained by that he pays for not prostitutes but girlfriend. Here is another funny situation, in arriving at the hostel I stay, the guy who works at hostel as a chief said to me,



“Welcome to my hostel, my friend! Feel free to let me know if you need a woman, drug, information of Sosúa. I arrange whatever for you.” By the way, this guy who is from Québec in Canada graduated Paris University of International Relations with PhD and used to be the United Nation’s staff. We enjoyed talking for a while because our major is a quite similar and what I want to do in future was what he did before in developing countries. Let us now return to main topic. After having talking with him, he even suggested, “Are you studying Spanish? You know what? The best thing to learn Spanish is to get a girlfriend here while you stay, no English. Just only Spanish. I have a couple of friends for you. I will call them.” I declined his suggestion because I was busy for playing in casino and playing baseball with Dominican friends though I agree with his opinion somewhat. I felt something about culture of prostitution here. Everybody agree with buying girls in Sosúa. Let me bring the most important reason I felt culture of prostitution in following sentence. I made a Haitian friend who works in the hostel. He came to the Dominican Republic to get work and having fun. What I can not still believe was his word, “Let’s go to the nightclub together. Actually my sister is visiting from Santiago (the second largest city in Dominican Republic) as a spring break. Do you want to buy her? Probably it is 30 dollars for 2 hours.” As you guess, I was like “What?” and he continued, “Don’t worry, negotiation is absolutely accepted.” I do not care about money or negotiation though I know it is quite cheap. What made me surprised is he tried me to buy his sister and he even said, “No problem.

It’s my sister. She is beautiful.” In addition, what should be mentioned is these two were not poor and his sister is even University student in Santiago. It was inevitable experience to think buying girl is culture here. What make me thought buying girl is culture was her word. “I am visiting Sosúa for a hang out with my friends of school. Call me if you need me, I will be chilling with my friends in the bar. It is a kind of my part-time job ha-ha.”

For my credit, honestly I did not see any prostitutes and what I did in Sosúa was play baseball with Dominican People, shopping, losing in Casino, studying and getting a Dominican tan on the beach. However, it was interesting experience and I respect each culture in the world. How would you react to this culture if you were in this situation?

Dispatches from Community Meeting

While occasionally Antioch may feel like a carnival, this week community meeting emulated one. Specifically the miniature train rides in small amusement parks. Those amazing trains always have long lines, and because of all the passengers it is very uncouth to have a conductor who dings the bell without looking over their shoulder making sure everyone is onboard.
It all started with prizes and laughter. OM Corri Frohlich proudly held gift certificates while student Fela Pierre-Louis and EM Rory Adams-Cheatham announced winning numbers. The community clapped each time a person went down to claim their prize and even awed at the 20-dollar Kismet certificate. Indeed all was well when the CFB was announced to have swollen by one thousand dollars. Like a rollercoaster hands went flying in the air, asking for reimbursements, materials money, and funding. The thank-yous were abundant and people in the community were moving fluidly through the meeting. And what is a carnival without its clown? Faculty member Scott Warren played a nasty April Fools joke, telling the community that Wright-Patterson had purchased the college, while community members gasped and questioned.

When Rory got to events members of the community listened as Rosa Clemente was announced as the keynote speaker for the hip-hop convergence. The true excitement was for James Mason, and his arrival for the Antioch traditional party called “GenderFuck”, as Adams continued to describe the week and its proceedings. Yes, there were ice cream cones, and the multiple candy bars lined up neatly gave an indication that the community was to recognize plural a member this week as active participants. The race was on as the office FWSP’s were named Community Member(s) Of The Week. The office aides lined up and accepted their awards much like those folks who win in the water gun/ballon/horse race games.
The games continued with a brief soapbox announcement from AdCil, MadCil, and ComCil. Nothing new to report, as Carol Braun grudgingly proved while reciting from AdCil about the slow internet connections. MadCil however is urging the community to attend its meetings, Thursdays at 8:30am in south, on the 2nd floor of the co-op office. 1st year Ben Horlacher pointed out the streamings of important community meetings are available on Antiochians.org.
Then it was time for CRF vice-president and Alumnus Ellen Borgersen to report to the community about, as CM Chelsea Martens put it, “What the hell went on this weekend.”

Notes fromAdCil (Regular)

By Jeanne Kay
Many parts of the AdCil meeting that took place on Tuesday, April 1st in Main Building’s conference room could have been April Fools. After waiting for Interim President Andrzej Bloch to start the meeting during twenty-five minutes, faculty member Cathy LaPalombara stood up, exclaimed “This is ridiculous”, and left; Bloch’s version of the story of, in Community Manager Chelsea Martens’ terms, “what the hell happened this weekend,” raised some eyebrows, and his statement that “Institutional Advancement has not been working for the college since last summer” sounded, to many members present, as a surrealist statement. Finally, the announcement that a criminal investigation both at the state and federal levels were being conducted about a breach in IT security and into confidential data could have seemed like a good prank. No one was in a facetious mood, however, around the AdCil table on Tuesday morning; and though the absence of Quorum made it impossible to approve the minutes, several serious issues were discussed.
Interim President Bloch exposed his vision of last week’s events in regards to the break-off of negotiations between the ACCC and the BOT. He stated that on Monday, April 26th, the ACCC met with the University negotiating team and presented “what they considered their final offer.” Two days later, however, the ACCC submitted six modifications to that offer; four of which were accepted by the University. The two contentious points, WYSO and the \$6.2 million security payment, prevented the University from accepting the offer, according to Bloch.

The interim president also declared that he was now at liberty to divulge the reason why he had been made to come back to campus on February 22nd to announce the reaffirmation of the suspension of operations at the college. At the Los Angeles meeting, he said, the ACCC, instead of submitting a Business Plan, presented the “10/10 plan” by which \$10 million would be paid in return for ten seats on the Board of Trustees. The proposal, according to Bloch, was interpreted as an attempt for a “hostile takeover” of the University, “They wanted to control the University,” said Bloch, “I don’t need to tell you the reaction of the trustees.”

Union Member Carol Braun asked about the treatment of the Institutional



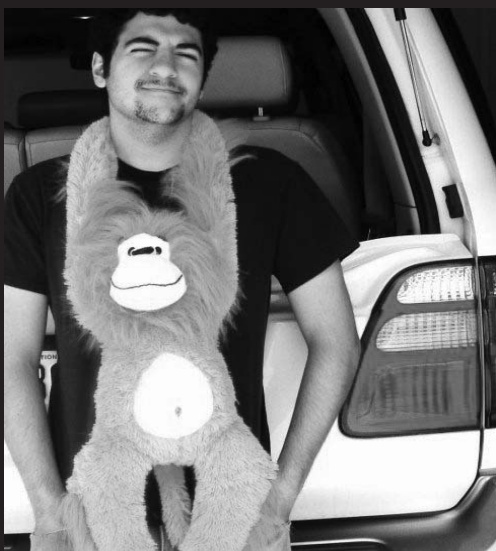
As Ellen stood in front of McGregor 113, she detailed the misnomers that are printed in the Antioch University press releases and explain to the community why the negotiations failed. Most come to places with rollercoasters and games to be amused, but the accounts that Ms. Borgersen shared fell flat of mindless fun. Nevertheless the community was on board to hear any insight that Ms.Borgersen had to offer during her rousing speech. She spoke as if overcome with the need to spread the message. “The trustees have been ill-served... It is now April 1st and it is no joke.” Borgersen claimed that the full Board and AC3 had never met face to face and cited that as problematic to the negotiations. She did however want to let the community know that support of non-stop Antioch was still in tact as well as the idea for a 10-10 plan for the board to be re-seated by alums and former members. She called this tactic the “Simplest, cleanest, solution.”

It was clear that the AC3 news was disappointing, it was coupled with the
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Advancement (IA) staff who, on the previous Friday, had been locked out of Weston Hall and sent home, and whose email access and business credit cards had been cancelled. Community Manager Chelsea Martens declared that the way IA staff had been treated was “humiliating on a personal level and embarrassing for the college [...] that’s not the way to treat members of the community and staff members who have been dedicating themselves to the community.” Andrzej Bloch replied that the IA staff had been put on administrative leave; that in December the ACCC had pledged to pay for the salaries of IA as of January 2008 but that no payment had been made yet. He further argued that since the negotiations had broken there was no need for IA. “We don’t need the office of Institutional Advancement since July last year,” he declared, “They were not working for the college... I have not seen a penny raised for the college.” Questions about the need for staff to organize Reunion 2008 were dismissed as not urgent to address.

Finally, Andrzej Bloch announced that a breach in IT had been confirmed to have taken place on June 9th and 10th and October 11th 2007. He further stated that a criminal investigation was in progress, through state authorities as well as the FBI, and that he did not have further information as to what data had been accessed, though there seemed to be “no indication that anything was downloaded.”

While AdCil member were making their way out of Main building conference room at the end of the meeting, faculty member Pat Mische exclaimed “Every day there’s a new thing popping up, you never know when this is really over!” Indeed, at Antioch these days, it seems like every day is April Fools.



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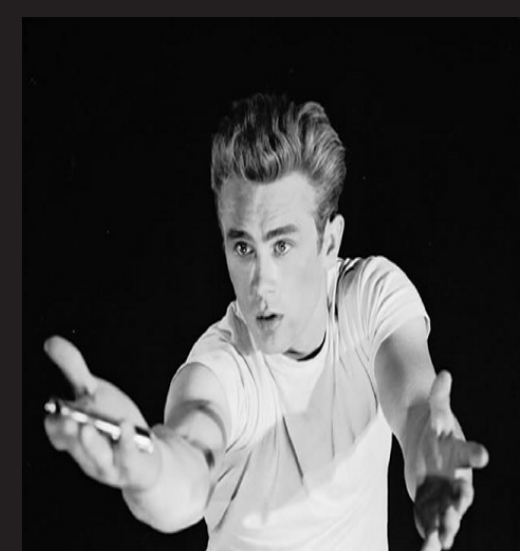
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recently locked-out staff from Institutional Advancement. Borgersen was clear in telling the community to persevere. After her report the floor was opened for any questions or comments.

As perusual and in accordance with “Roberts Rules of Order” CG held a “stack” for Ms.Borgersen to be able to answer questions and field comments. A few questions were addressed before Interim President Andrzej Bloch spoke up from the back of the room with his jacket on. He announced that either he was going to speak then, or have to leave. Despite other community members protesting in the room openly, CM Chelsea Martens allowed Mr. Bloch to skip ahead others and provide a response to Ms. Borgersen and the weekend decision. When asked why the CM made this decision Martens replied, “I heard that there was an important faculty meeting and I did not want to deny faculty has contribution to their meeting.” It was reported that Interim President Bloch did not attend the faculty meeting afterward, and has not for the past few weeks.

Although Interim President Bloch did manage some words regarding the negotiations of the weekend, he was stopped short. First he said that Ms. Borgersen was telling the “half-truth” about the negotiations. In reference to the 10-10 plan, Bloch called it a “hostile takeover” by the Alumni. Student Rachel Sears, yelled from across the room, “...like our school?”, and some people banged on tables in support. Then in a very upset manner, student Amanda Caserta holding her son, began yelling at Mr. Bloch, pointing out that he was not even on stack. Other students were yelling as well. From Blochs right faculty member CT Chen told Mr. Bloch, “No, you do your job!” in what appeared to be a sudden outburst. Students sitting in the area reported hearing the Interim President of Antioch College tell both Caserta and Chen to “shut up” in distinct, separate occasions. Chen told The Record, “He said shut up to two students, I was standing behind him, he said it in a low voice, I told him not to speak like that, then he turned to me and said shut up. That is why I initiated that scene.”

As Bloch left the meeting, faculty member Chen followed him, and a small verbal exchange took place in the foyer of McGregor 113. There have been allegations

of a small physical altercation, but no evidence has been presented to validate these claims. One student even reports that Bloch asked Dean Milt Thompson to remove faculty member Chen from McGregor. He was not removed. After the meeting settled down again, many community members sat stunned and gravely embarrassed with the acting president of the college. Following a very quick series of events, Andrzej Bloch was involved in verbal altercations with a student and a faculty member in community meeting. Ben Horlacher, a student at the meeting, said “In span of five minutes Andrzej managed to do the most un-Antiochian things possible.”

The meeting continued after some shaky questions and a complete shift. The ride was officially over. It was time for the carnival to close. After the meeting the community left, still reeling from the altercations witnessed. It was decided that on Wednesdy night the community would hold a meeting to discuss the incident at 8pm in the C-Shop. CM Chelsea Martens told The Record, “It’s appalling to me that toxic culture is applied to the students, but this behavior comes from the president of the college.” The meeting was streamed online and taped by Joe Leary, a Wright State student. Carol Braun and Alum Johnny No both requested copies of the video. Later that evening the meeting was a hot topic in the Cafeteria and dorms. 4th year Sam Henson stated, “I don’t even know what happened yet... Andrzej Bloch needs to resign.”

After the meeting CM Chelsea Martens wrote an open letter to Bloch on Pulse. Martens stated, “It is our duty as leaders to support, empower, and affirm each and every member of the Antioch College Community. And today, you have failed your duty.” Martens also mentioned the physical altercations between Bloch and Chen and called it “degrading and disrespectful.”

In a response letter to the community on the first class system Mr. Bloch claims that he said “shut up people.” He also continues to apologize and acknowledge that, “Acting under stress I reacted impulsively and it was not my intent to offend anyone.” Andrzej Bloch was not available for further comment.

Movie Review: Be Kind Rewind

by Tim Peyton

So Jack Black hangs out at this movie store were Mos Def works. Danny Glover owns the movie store and has to go away for the week so he can spy on the new movie store across town. Also, the city is planning on tearing down Danny Glovers movie store so they can build new apartment buildings unless Glover raises a whole lot of money. So the video store is left to Mos Def for the week. One night Jack Black plans to break into an electrical plant and he gets electrocuted. The next day he comes to the video store and ends up erasing all the videos with his new magnetism. So Mos Def and Jack Black decide to re-make all the movies on their video camera in order to save the store. No one had anything good to say to each other after this movie. I even bit someone.

I’m serious; this is the plot to Be Kind Rewind. But there is so much more to it as well. I can’t even really grasp what happened in this movie. It kind of blew my mind in the worst way. I don’t even have anything witty or intelligent to say about it. Maybe it’s because I have a thousand more important things to be thinking about why this film sucked. Maybe it’s because I just let Jack Black steal nine dollars away from me and I’m trying to cope with that. Mostly, I just want to make sure you all don’t go see it. Please! Don’t go do this to your self, don’t make this film ok. I really am not going to say anything that convincing in this review, so if you want to stop reading it now please do. Just know you’ve been warned.

I kept thinking that something was really happening in this film and that I just

wasn’t getting my finger around it. I honestly thought at one point that Danny Glover was going to slice open some dudes head with a spinning record. That’s the only thing that could have saved this film really. Why did Michel Gondry do this?

I was home for the weekend and I was standing around at the bar and asked if anyone had happened to see this film. A few people said they had and each of them loved it. I couldn’t believe it. I was dumb founded. They told me I just must not

have gotten it, that it was just a big joke. I started thinking about this. Had Michel Gaundry and Jack Black just played a joke on me? I mean of course I knew not to take it seriously, just like any comedy. But was it really supposed to be this bad? Even if it had I feel like that doesn’t change anything. For being bad on purpose it still isn’t any good and I still want my money back. I snuck a bottle of wine into the theater and this movie made it taste rotten. Maybe it already was rotten, I still want my money back. I’m mostly just pissed at Michel Gondry. He didn’t even make this awful movie look cool, who the fuck does he think he is? He thinks that he can put out this awful film because he knows that everyone is going to go see it because it has his name on it. Somehow it’s ok because it was by Michel Gondry? I don’t think so. I don’t care who makes crappy films; I still want my money back. In-fact this isn’t even about the money. I want my

time back. I have had to sit around and think about this film for way too long. So that’s it, I’m done.

Planning for the Future: The Office of Transition

By Miyuki Sese



Under the unstable college situation, most Antioch students are considering their future prospects. “Transferring” is one of the ideas to open the new way for students. Antioch College has an Office of Transition, which helps students to make progress for transferring to other colleges with appropriate

advices. Students need to make an individual appointment before talking with the adviser one by one. However, as an exception, anyone come to the office in the afternoon on Wednesday in order to talk with the adviser. “I have advised from 30 to 40 students so far.” said one of the advisers, Eli Nettles. As an advice to students, firstly, she asks them to list what they need to do for transferring. Students are usually required to pick up particular universities and colleges that they are interested in, to see the website of those schools in order to check specific instructions for transferring, to fill out their application, to ask their faculties to write the recommendations for them, to fill out their transcript request forms to get their transcript from the resister office and finally to send their all required documents to each university or college.

Senior Profile: Beca Buell

What is your name?

Hi my name is Beca with one C. I’m a fourth year transfer.

Where are you from?

California, the Eastern Serria’s

So how did you find your self at Antioch?

When I was seventeen I was working in Costa Rica with an Antioch student named Ben Choler. The first thing he said to me when we meet was “you look like an Antioch student.” DO you know about Antioch?” We ended up becoming really good friends and living together for a while when we were working together on a conservation project there. Ever since then it became something I really wanted to do, the place sounded so amazing. Then I also meet another Antioch student really randomly on a bus in Costa Rica and so I thought that it must just have been fate that this is what’s going to happen. Then I dropped out of high school and went to community college for a while and then I transferred.

What is some of your favorite things about your time here?

There a lot of things, I’ve grown allot personally. Iv meet allot of people who have really inspired me to want to change how I think about things. I feel allot more comfortable with who I am and feel like I have learned how to ask the write questions. Learning how to be apart of the community here and realizing how amazing and important that is and just having a lot of really strong women in my life and inspiration professors.

So tell me about your senior project. But first tell me what your major is?

So I was a science major once for two weeks, but then I said fuck that. After I learned about the two-headed squirrel and the fact that 99.9% of everything is nothing, I

Of course, if students are confused to do these works, the advisers help them in each step. “Students need to keep in mind what they need to be done and what they have done.” said Eli.

According to Eli, Antioch students tend to apply to not only universities all over the country but also international schools. Some students apply to universities similar to Antioch College and other students apply to different universities from Antioch College. The reason of transferring depends on each student. As for the common reason, students who think about transferring desire Antioch College has much more classes than now. “I decided to transfer to another university in last term because I could not be satisfied with my class selection.” said 1st year student Michael Black. For another reason, there are the class schedules that students cannot fix because of time conflicts and then the hierarchy between upper class and first class. Michael Black said “I was given some advices by my parents and faculties in order to decide which university I should apply.”

On the other hand, some students are afraid of transferring to another university because they want to stay at Antioch College from now on. Eli is worried about those students because they are narrowing their options to help them after Antioch is closed. She said “Actually, each application to transfer has a deadline. Even if you apply to another university, the option will not hurt you. I hope Antioch College stays open but I also hope each student has a back up plan just in case.”

became an environmental studies major. Last term I was in Brazil doing AEA and learned a lot of really cool stuff about tropical ecology and got to fondle bats, which is crazy. I’m really into the idea of interconnectivity and so I’m doing my senior project on bats and there relationship with plants as pollinators and seed dispersal agents. SO I’m making it into a book and putting some of my own art and photography in it.

So what’s the cutest thing you’ve ever seen at Antioch?

While I was tripping my first year I saw the fattest more pregnant squirrel while leaving the café. It was just staring at me. Ether that or this one time I saw a foursome of squirrels in a line making love in a branch in a tree. I dot know if that was cute, but it was some spic squirrel love making.

What’s the best book you have read since being at Antioch?

Either Sacred Pleasure or The Spell of the Sensuous.

What are your plans to do next after graduation?

Well I’m moving to Olympia and I really want to continue pursuing photography and I want to learn to make sauces and DJ. So Ill just be living and working and playing with my dog.

What are you going to miss the most about Antioch?

The people and the community. The insane amount of cuties that go here. Antioch definitely has the highest cutie per. Captia in

the world. I love watching them.

Are you expecting some craziness to happen after senior deadline next week?

Of course, it’s going to be mayhem. Especially since the place is closing. People aren’t going to know what to do with them selves. I think there is going to be allot of creation and destruction, people are going to making stuff and breaking stuff. At least I think.



to exist as a resource for individuals traveling throughout the world, working in support of the mission of Coretta Scott King, until 2009. The future of the scholarship that bears the name of the Center itself is less certain though as its source of funding is now much less viable. The Center will also continue work with local communities in Cincinnati and elsewhere, which Dr. Patterson noted have been quite successful. She spoke of the diversity of issues that the CSKC deals with. Programs in the past have ranged from homelessness to the war in Iraq. Thus the Center is connected with the college, so much so that the CSKC has been advocating for the college during the past year, seeing its own fate as inextricably linked with Antioch’s

However, its mission is much greater than Antioch College. In a sense, it is the embodiment of ideals of Antioch, created from Antioch, supported by Antioch, but with a mission that far extends past the limits of our campus in Yellow Springs. Dr. Patterson spoke of the passion of those involved with the CSKC

to support the ongoing peace process.”

Peru, together with Colombia, Ecuador and Bolivia are the most important countries in terms of strategic location for fighting (or controlling) narcotrafficking. As long as a military solution is the only answer, as has been said for numerous problems around the world were political, social, and economic problems tend to be the essence of instability, no certain or hopeful future is near for the coca producing Andean countries.

News, university spokeswoman Lynda Sirk claimed that it did not actually mean that the college was not for sale, although the university has posted no official correction.

Alumni reaction was shock and dismay at the sudden collapse in negotiations, with the primary finger being pointed at the university negotiating team of Chancellor Toni Murdock, University Chief Financial Officer Tom Faeke, Board Chair Art Zucker, and a team of lawyers. Acting president of the College Revival Fund Ellen Borgersen wrote a letter to the Yellow Springs News and the alumni community saying, “Did you know that the Antioch University Board of Trustees has never met with the Directors of the Antioch College Continuation Corporation about their proposal to acquire Antioch College? It is shocking that the Trustees would contemplate a transaction of such enormous consequence without talking directly to the principals.” In a Sunday vote, the Alumni Board called for the full Board of Trustees to meet with the ACCC face-to-face as soon as possible, a call which is the general thrust of the alumni movement at the moment.

Other alumni wrote open letters to the trustees, which called them ill-served by their appointed negotiators. Laura Fathauer, ’97, wrote in a letter endorsed by the Antioch College Action Network “I am at a loss to explain how a board comprised mostly of Antioch College alumni is willing to abdicate responsibility for the future of the college to a ‘negotiating team.’ I also cannot explain why the board of an institution that includes a liberal arts college will not meet with alumni donors pledging their support to that college.”

Further ramifications came immediately against the staff of the Institutional Advancement office, who were placed on administrative leave Friday afternoon until given notice of their termination the following Wednesday.

to continue operations. The ACCC’s offer was both financially reasonable and legally enforceable, but the University made clear that they would not accept the offer – even if their creditors were satisfied with the agreement.” Eric Bates further clarified the situation, saying “In our final negotiating session when we asked them ‘If their creditors would approve that, would that satisfy you?’ They said no, point blank. At that point we gave a firm deadline of last Friday, said ‘this is the best we can do and we need your answer.’”

A further sticking point in the negotiations was the ownership of the radio station WYSO, founded by the college but currently operated by the university. According to Bates, the university negotiators offered a “creative solution” to the use of the asset, wherein the college would operate and pay expenses for the station, and the university and college would share any potential revenues. The ACCC negotiators immediately accepted that solution, however, the university retracted the proposal in the next negotiation session.

The Antioch University Board of Trustees reacted with some surprise to the situation, quickly passing a resolution which said “Whereas the Board was surprised to learn that the ACCC chose not to respond to this offer from the University negotiating team, but instead characterized the modification of their proposal as a categorical rejection and, therefore, was withdrawing unilaterally from ongoing negotiation....” The resolution stated “...the Board is open to overtures from any party, including the ACCC, that seeks to bridge the differences that apparently resulted in the recent rupture of negotiations....”

A university press release about the board resolution had the appearance of saying that the university was willing to sell the college to anyone who had \$12.2 million dollars, resulting in hundreds of news stories claiming the college was up for sale. Reaction from alumni and community members was amused shock, as satirical ads appeared on Craigslist and EBay. Members of the liberal Democratic website Daily Kos even began a small campaign to attempt to gather the funds. In her interview with the Dayton Daily

Notes from AdCil in Exile (or MadCil)

By Jeanne Kay

“Do we have an agenda? No, not really.” The opening sentences of AdCil in Exile, on the morning of March 27th, might illustrate why the council was re-baptized MadCil among the handful of students, faculty, staff and alumni that now wake up early every Thursday morning to make their way to the second floor of the co-op building. Despite the lack of a formal agenda, or of an official chair, MadCil tackled two issues pertaining to Antioch in Exile: the official status of AdCil in Exile and the issue of financial aid next year.

Hassan Rahmanian presented a draft of the charge of AdCil in exile:

“Whereas, The BOT’s decision of the last June to suspend Antioch College, which was taken without any consultation with AdCil, has rendered the current AdCil ineffective in the current operation of the College as well as future planning, Realizing that, The Interim President of the College, who has been appointed with no consultation with College community or AdCil, has failed to heed the judgment and advice of AdCil and has, in effect, made AdCil a dysfunctional body,

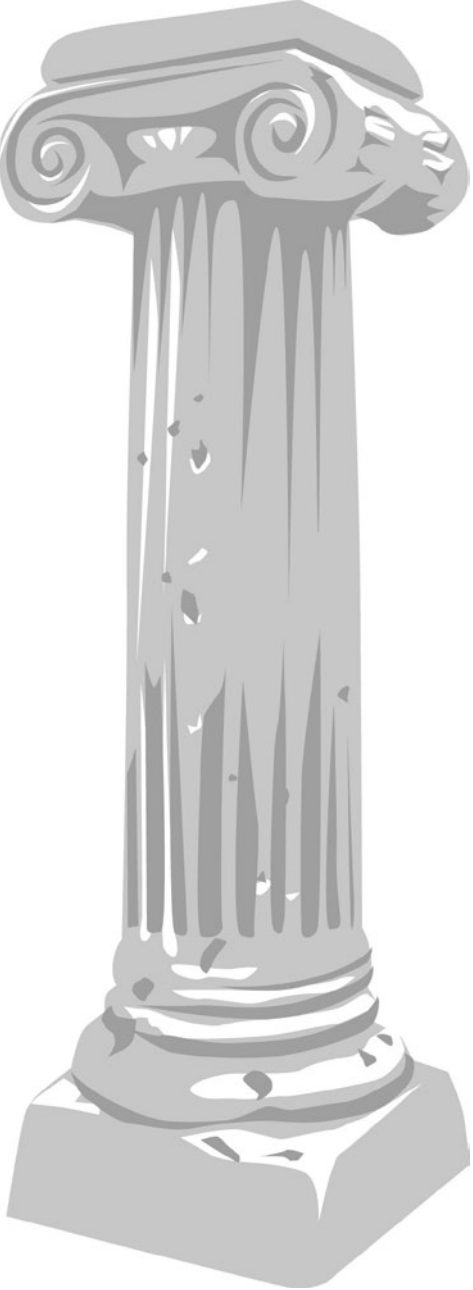
Acknowledging that, Antioch College is in a critical stage of its existence and needs effective leadership to ensure its continuity and sustainability, Further recognizing that, AdCil, which was created by the faculty, has historically played an important role in the leadership, governance, and administration of the College, The faculty of Antioch College once again votes to create a new AdCil, “Non-Stop AdCil,” representing

community constituents as the current AdCil does plus an additional voting seat for non union staff, but without participation of the current interim president/COA, to provide leadership to the community in its efforts to keep the College open and to plan for the future governance, administration, finances, community and public relations, enrollment management, and personnel needs of Antioch College.”

Union member Carol Braun remarked that if AdCil would be taking an administrative position-instead of advisory—union members might not be allowed to vote. MadCil thus discussed the possibility to have AdCil in Exile be advisory to the faculty as a governing body, though the issue of which constituency would assume administrative authority remained unresolved. The edited draft should be presented to the faculty senate and the wider community when it is ready.

Director of Financial Aid Robin Heise was present at the MadCil table to explore creative possibilities to obtain financial aid to students of Antioch in exile next year. She addressed the possibility of getting financial aid through a partnership with an accredited institution, such as Wright State. This option would raise issues, however: if Antioch would be “adopted” by another institution, then 50% to 75% of courses would have to be taken at the host institution rather than at Antioch in exile. Moreover, the system could not work for co-op students. The partnership however, seemed like the most efficient way to solve matters of financial aid, loans, visas and accreditation and the possibility of partnership will be further examined by MadCil in the future.

MadCil will continue to meet at 8:30 a.m. on the second floor of South Hall every Thursday until the end of the term; community members are encouraged to attend.



MUNITION OF THE WEEK

By Nick Chojnowski

Weighing in at 22 pounds empty and ripping through its distinctive 200 round belts of 7.62mm ammo at a rate of 550 rounds per minute it’s easy to see why this gun was dubbed “the pig” by U.S. soldiers in Vietnam. Having been featured in countless physics-defying action movies (mostly starring Chuck Norris and Sylvester Stallone), the M60 is one of the most recognizable automatic weapons in the world. Largely inspired by the German WWII machine gun known as the MG 42, the U.S. military began developing what would eventually become the M60 and its variants as early as 1945. Early prototypes were prone to failure mainly due to a miscalculation. Apparently, no one realized that the then U.S. standard .30-06 rifle round was 1/4 inch longer than the 7.92 Mauser round the MG 42 employed, and the mis-



take often caused the gun being tested to explode. Most of the bugs were ironed out in time for the conflict in Vietnam, where it proved a valuable –albeit heavy- field resource. Not only was the gun deployed to infantry platoons, but mounted on vehicles (especially on helicopters as door guns) or tripods for use as base defense weapons. A common problem, however, was “runaway gun” syndrome, wherein the sear became disengaged from the bolt, and the gun fired uncontrollably until it ran dry or jammed. Over the years, the M60 has been refined time and again and adapted to various mission parameters. The M60E4 is the lightest and shortest variant available, incorporating a forward pistol grip for better control. Though the M60 will eventually be replaced by the M240 SAW light machine gun, it is still in use by most U.S. military forces.

Thanks to Tom for the inspiration for this article. As always, send comments, questions, pictures of kittens and suggestions for future articles to munitionoftheweek@verizon.net



“Antioch Is My Home” Community Art Festival

By Marjorie Jensen

Antioch College will host a Community Art Festival around the theme “Antioch Is My Home” from April 13 through April 26. “The theme is a sentiment that is echoed across the Antioch community. I wanted to develop a positive project that would create solidarity and build the momentum of the efforts to save Antioch,” says Marjorie Jensen, a recent Antioch College graduate who is coordinating the festival.

This multi-faceted festival will include an exhibition in the Reed Gallery (in the upstairs of the Visual Arts building) that opens on April 13 and runs through April 26; video screenings and musical performances in Kelly Hall on April 17 at 8pm; dance performances in Antioch’s South Gym on April 23 at 8pm; theater performances and readings of various writing styles in the Antioch Area Theater on April 24 at 8pm. There will also be a variety of installation pieces set up around campus throughout the duration of the festival.

Art contributions featured in this festival are all from stakeholders in the Save Antioch Movement: Antioch students, staff, faculty, alumni, Yellow Springs community members, and friends of the college. The “Antioch Is My Home” project has been developed through a process that has involved members from all of these constituencies.

The submission deadline is April 12. Festival submissions will be documented in a printed publication that includes a CD/DVD. The submissions will also be available online. For more information about the project, visit: <http://art.saveantioch.org>. The “Antioch Is My Home” Community Art Festival is supported by the Antioch College Action Network (ACAN). ACAN is an independent collective of autonomous alumni, students, faculty, staff, and friends of Antioch College and villagers of Yellow Springs. ACAN is a grassroots movement working collaboratively for a continuous and sustainable future for Antioch College.



Antioch Is My Home
Community Art Festival

Submission Deadline: April 12
E-mail submissions, questions, and comments to:
lit.fetish@gmail.com

Schedule of Events
Community Art-Making Day:
April 4, Fishbowl
Exhibition:
April 13- April 26, Reed Gallery
Video screenings & musical performances:
April 17, 8pm, Kelly Hall
Dance performances:
April 23, 8pm, South Gym
Theater performances and readings:
April 24, 8pm, Antioch Area Theater
Installation pieces:
April 13- April 26, various locations



Tree art by Beth Gutelius '00

Statement of Intent:
To produce a publication, exhibition, and performances of art around the theme "Antioch Is My Home" from all stakeholders in the Save Antioch movement: students, staff, faculty, alumni, TS community members, and friends of the college. This will include many different kinds of art: photography, drawings, paintings, poetry, prose, performances pieces, music, dance, and any other words that people are willing to contribute.

Whiteness Discussion Group

By Zach Gallant

For those on campus seeking a safe environment to discuss whiteness, privilege and power, Wellness FWSP’s Sally Bell Alper and Rachel Sears host a Whiteness Discussion Group every Wednesday at 6:00pm. It is a very informal discussion group, led most often by members, not the organizers, and on subjects of their choice. The group’s organizers claim not to be too well-versed in anti-racism, but since the RDPP, says Rachel, “people realized race, though often talked about informally on Antioch College campus, was just not talked about enough formally” so she decided to do something about it.

“When I was a first year there was a Whiteness Discussion Group, which I believe then went by the name White Allies. It, like this group, started near the end of the second term of the year, too late to really have many discussions and gain much momentum, yet, it was more than nothing. Every term I’ve been on campus since then I’ve been looking to the students in years ahead of me, waiting for them to start the next Whiteness Discussion Group. When the RDPP weekend happened I realized that Antioch’s closing and that I’m now the older student that should be taking charge.”

She asked me to attend one of the discussion groups, a special one for me, discussing Barack Obama’s speech on race in America and its relation to whiteness. The speech itself is a truly revolutionary speech in American Presidential politics, and one I urge everyone to read or watch (titled “A More Perfect Union”. Google it.). I have been truly enamored of it, not just as an Obama fan, but also as one who has been hoping that this would be confronted in the mainstream of politics for years now. It has transformed some of the most stringent opponents of his candidacy into Obama voters, and moved Bill Richardson, who owes his entire career to the Clintons, to back him overnight. Yet tonight, in discussion with other Antiochians, I realized that not everyone sees it as revolutionary.

The perspective that this speech is so special comes from watching and participating in politics for so long and waiting impatiently for someone to say it. No one said it. No one of national prominence. Not in our generation. Barack Obama is the only one who has confronted the issue of race, of the anger present in the Black community, of the racism and confusion in the white community. Obama was raised by a white mother and white grandparents in Hawaii. He got out of his family home and all of a sudden he was Black. Barack Obama has the right story to confront race relations between those two communities as he is a member of both, and he said exactly the words that needed to be said.



QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

What are you going to do to carry on the legacy of genderfuck after Antioch?



Silk screen the entire SOPP on my shirt then call people out for looking at my breasts
-Aimee



Throw it in the next place
-JayBear



Stay in my costume
-Maite



Win sexy victories for humanity
-Marissa



A tattoo maybe
-Lauren

DECLASSIFIEDS

You’re making a big mistake. I’m not a hero. Pancakes.	I know what you were Doing behind the Dumpster with that Jimmy Dean sausage ...hussy.	James
HAPPY SEX WEEK!	I like you. A lot. -Lil’ Flip	Daniel McCurdy- I’m telling you, the Vampire look could Change your life.
Dearest baranaclet craggy rock, You are my favorite Honorary mammals. [heart] A WAVE	SUBMIT to the Antioch is my home Project!	Shea- I consider you to be Far more than a best Friend- you are my Super fucken best Buddy of my dreams. [heart] James
Paul Zink- Thanks for all kinds of dreaminess	Levi, Your love astounds me. Thanks for being my friend. XO Jimmy	I be up in the gym just Workin on my fitness... With Leslie! Thanks for Bein my buddy!
We’re going To EUROPE!!!	Antioch kids- You are the sexiest. It’s been the best Genderfucking I’ve Ever had.	Ann Hembree, You are an amazing friend, Woman, advocate, and Superstar. Thank you For your care. -Phillip
An-ti-och, Kidnapp that fool!	To Badluck, my Dreamy friend and Crafter-in-crime. LOVE.	Mish- You fucken rock! Concept Hair of my dreams...
To the cast of Support Our Troops: Working With all of you was a Dream come true. Thank you –Stacey	Dear Love, Why are you so Complicated?	Antioch- I LOVE YOU -Me
Hey All, Let’s work on Validating those w/ non-essentialist identities.	Leslie & Bear- Queer center ROCK STARS!! Keep up the Good work.	Kelly Ahrens, Thanks for holding it Down & keeping it real. [heart] James
Marissa Rose Fisher,	Phillip, [heart] [heart] [heart]	

Fuck a lot of different Genders
-Tasia



Shave my legs in stripes
-Rachel

HOROSCOPES

By Adam Rose

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The SOPP Office wants your input!

What does the SOPP mean to you?

What part of the policy will you take with you to your post-Antioch life?

We want to hear your stories, and we are looking for people who might be willing to say a short bit at a casual event in a few weeks. If you have a story to tell, please contact Paige (taisie@gmail.com) or Ann Hembree (pbx 1127) on firstclass.

Thank you!

-The SOPP Office

Living Green

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A statement on the accuracy of horoscopes: astrology is just one map of reality that may be used to navigate through life. The map is never the territory, and there are lots of maps to choose from. You can choose to look at a map, or leave it behind and rely on your own sense of direction. Astrology is a way of understanding the movement of time through metaphor, rather than number. Astrology's main value is that it opens up the idea of a quality of time, rather than just a quantity. The true measure of time is the moon—the emotions—not the clock.

Astrology also is just one form of divination among many. It's in the random clues and scrambled messages of the daily world and dreams that the future is discovered—the shuffling of a deck of cards, fortune cookies, advertisements, random conversations, unexpected phone calls, the cawing of a crow, horoscopes...

ARIES: You may find yourself challenging other people's beliefs, as you search for new ones yourself. Beliefs are abstractions that hold considerable emotional power. Reflect on how people choose beliefs often because of the influence of those who are emotionally closest to them.

TAURUS: While you may not be able to have a direct effect on those authorities managing resources in a way contrary to your needs, you do have a voice. Think about all the subtle ways you could influence them, and how humor may suddenly disrupt a situation to good effect.

GEMINI: After a hazy period of introspection, your thoughts are once again sharp and clear, and you're ready to fight. Seek solace with friends, and enjoy good times while you continue to battle.

CANCER: You can transcend the rules in an imaginative way, as you're able to work in harmony with others who are also working in an inventive, independent way. Focusing on your own needs, you can get work accomplished, and then enjoy yourself and catch up with friends.

LEO: You're forced to make independent decisions, as you're in conflict with those who should be offering you guidance. Clear thinking and planning are your biggest allies as you seek to break out of this restrictive situation.

VIRGO: Social problems are central to you're thinking, as you consider how to best contribute to group endeavors. Reflect on the relationship between scientific and spiritual values, and the ways in which intuition and logic can support each other.

LIBRA: You're calm voice continues to be needed to resolve conflicts. You've gained greater insight into your emotional self, and can gauge the intensity of other people's emotions, giving you insight into their motivations.

SCORPIO: You may be feeling rather serious, searching for greater harmony in your close relationships. This seriousness may put you at odds with lighter spirits, yet you may be making some important long-range decisions and need time to think.

SAGITTARIUS: Opposition or competition could be strong now. Your biggest ally continues to be your willingness to experiment with new ideas. Push this experimentation further and see what you come up with.

CAPRICORN: Find harmony amidst the transformation and upheaval occurring in your life, as well as the world around you. The conflict between the desires of humanity and the reality of the environmental situation may provide a clue to understanding all other conflicts.

AQUARIUS: As much as people try to plan rationally and behave accordingly, it is the emotional decisions of individuals that continually change the structure of society. Consider just how powerful an effect emotions and desires have on social situations, and how thought and reasoning continually seem to enter in after the fact.

PISCES: Group activity is important and may save you from feelings of alienation. Your artistic and imaginative abilities may be the best means to reconcile conflict between your inner self and social expectations.