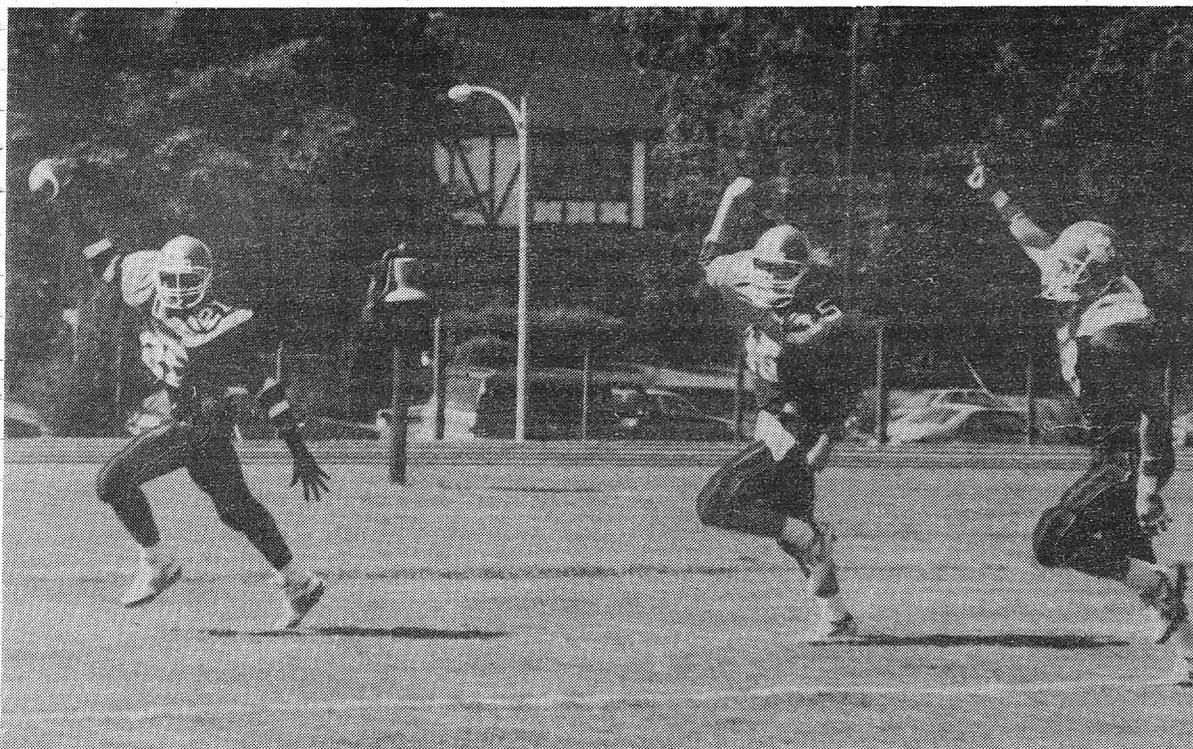
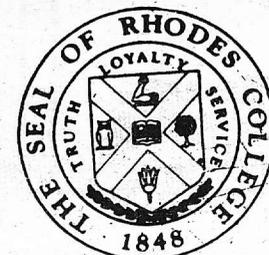


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The Homecoming Dance

Rhodes Students Attend Environmental Conference

by Darby Moore

A few weekends ago, eleven Rhodes College students attended the first annual Student Environmental Action Coalition (SEAC) meeting at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. The SEAC, Inc. and SEAC Educational Foundation is an environmental action group founded by students in the fall of 1988. Since that time the totally student-run group has coordinated nationwide, simultaneous action campaigns on college campuses regarding human rights and environmental action. Evidence of SEAC involvement at Rhodes was seen last year on Earth Day 1990, when Rhodes joined 2,000 other colleges and universities for the environmental awareness pledge and other activities.

Since SEAC's original 200 student members in 1988, the organization has grown to include schools in all 50 states, as well as universities in East and West Germany, Japan, Romania and other parts of Europe and Scandinavia. The weekend conference was attended by over 7,000 students from around the world.

Highlights of this year's CATALYST conference included a welcoming address from student organizers from Urbana-Champaign and a well known environmental activist, Robert Redford (!). Other speakers were Helen Caldicott, past president of Physicians for Social Responsibility, and Consumer & Environmental Advocate, Ralph Nader. Nader specifically addressed the environmental movement as it is affected by students, recognizing the large voting power of the student population is by and large untapped, and uninformed. College students are suppos-

ed to be the most "aware" contingent of the U.S. population, yet only 10% are registered to vote.

Other speakers Friday night were students on the SEAC Environmental Action Panel, Winona LaDuke (Pres., Indigeous Women's Network), and Randall Hayes, Director of the Rainforest Action network.

Saturday started with a regrouping at the Assembly Hall with John O'Connor, Director of the National Toxics Campaign, and a panel discussion with members including Cesar Chavez (Pres., United Farm Workers), and student activists. The rousing speeches were followed by the March for Environmental Rights, which followed a 10 block route to the University Quad. This event was televised locally, and MTV cameras were seen along the way as students cheered and carried green flags on tree branches. The Rally on the Quad had speakers from the International Youth Delegation and the submission of the Student Declaration of Environmental Rights, which emphasized a reduction of waste that is produced and dumped domestically and internationally, increased environmental education and alternative energy research, and other environmental issues.

After lunch environmental action seminars were given in three rounds. Subjects included everything from Earth First! actions on Bald Mtn., to education of children for environmental awareness, to eco-feminism, to native-American speakers. Many seminars were centered around organizing and implementing recycling and environmental action campaigns on the college campus. After this each school delegation met with their 4-to-5 station regional group. The

Rhodes delegation meet with about 300 other students from Tennessee, Kentucky, West Virginia and Ohio. Specific regional concerns were addressed and plans for regional events were planned. Rhodes will be working with Vanderbilt, UT at Knoxville, and other TN schools for environmentally centered events in the future.

Later that night was a benefit concert featuring Casselberry-Dupree, and acoustic team, Billy Bragg, and The BoDeans.

Sunday wrapped up the conference with visiting speaker Jesse Jackson, Director of the National Rainbow Coalition. Jackson called on student environmentalists to influence change in the U.S. and internationally by the example of cultural diversity and breaking down barriers of religious and sexual orientation, gender, culture, and race for a common desire for change. The Rev. Jackson brought coalition attendees to their feet several times by talking about the necessity for institutional change in the way corporations should be held accountable for environmental and cultural damage.

The Student Environmental Action Coalition conference was acknowledged by attendees and speakers as being a landmark in student organization and potential for action in environmental and human rights issues. Following the philosophy of the native Americans, the call was for a readjustment in the way that the people of the Earth view the world around them, and start making conscientious decisions about the way they are affecting (and irreparably destroying) the environment. As Chief Seattle said almost two hundred years ago, we don't inherit the Earth from our grandparents, we inherit it from our grandchildren.

Sabrosky and Iskander Debate Middle-East Crisis

by Blake Walker

Doctor Alan Sabrosky and Doctor Wasfy Iskander debated the Iraqi crisis in the Middle-East last Wednesday, October 11, 1990 in the Orgill Room. About 80 people came to see the Middle-East debate that was sponsored by Debbie Glenn and Tanya Rasa, president and treasury secretary of International House.

Doctor Iskander, a professor of Economics and originally from Egypt, was the first speaker to present his insights on some of the reasons that Saddam Hussein, used to justify his invasion of Kuwait. He said Hussein was raised to believe in restoring the former glory of the Ottoman Empire, which European colonization had destroyed. Also, that division of Kuwait from Iraq was illegal because the British had arbitrarily set up giving Kuwait its independence in 1961. Hussein had also fought against Iran on the part of the Gulf States in the 8 year Iran-Iraq war. In return for defending the Gulf states, Iraq expected help and money from the Gulf states in rebuilding its war-weary economy. Instead, little assistance came to Iraq. Hussein was also irritated by the rich lifestyle of the sheiks of the Gulf states, who were not behaving in Islamic tradition.

Kuwait and Saudi Arabia stopped paying the war debt for Iraq's economy and finally by Jan. 1990, Kuwait broke OPEC oil production quotas and lowered world oil prices. The oil price decreases cost Iraq \$1 billion of revenue for every \$1 price drop in world oil prices. Hussein begged Kuwait to stop glutting the oil market and they ignored him. The Iraq dinar also declined 25%-40% in value because people had lost faith in the Iraq economy.

The Islamic governments condemn Hussein's invasion while the masses of people worship him because he stood up to western domination and won. Doctor Iskander's own opinion on Hussein's invasion of Kuwait was that of condemnation. The invasion of Kuwait violated Geneva Convention 49, while the raping and killing of civilians, holding of embassies as hostages, use of chemical weapons, firing of rockets, and threatening to kill civilian populations with such weapons violated the premise of international law. Doctor Iskander called for collective security or appeasement on the part of the Arab world to solve the Iraqi crisis. If appeasement failed, then he suggested starving Hussein out

with an effective international boycott and containment.

Doctor Alan Sabrosky, a professor of International Studies, countered with an U.S. prospective of Iraqi national claims and territorial claims in the Mid-East crisis. He also said that Hussein misunderstood the consequences of new U.S. & U.S.S.R. relations in creating a new world order, underestimated U.S.'s ability to rapidly respond and move large numbers of troops, and thought the U.S. didn't have the determination to wage war after the Vietnam War. Doctor Sabrosky commented that the stated reason that U.S. troops were sent into Saudi Arabia to re-establish a free government in Kuwait was false because most of the Middle-East is ruled by dictatorships. He also pointed out that the U.S. was buying oil from Iraq up until the invasion of Kuwait, that countries use military force all the time, and he restated Hussein's miscalculation of the new U.S. & U.S.S.R. relations.

When Doctor Sabrosky was asked who would be the probable winners and losers in the Mid-East crisis, he stated that Germany and Japan would be the biggest winners because they might amend their constitutions and send their forces overseas, thus regaining their world power status. Other winners could be Egypt, Syria, and Morocco because they are operating with the U.S., as well as Israel. He added that the biggest losers would be Kuwait and the Palestinians who backed Hussein.

Doctor Sabrosky finally commented that economics take a long time to work and few countries go along with them. He said that the U.S. missed the time to use military force, and our choices were either direct military action involving 200,000 troops (5,000 to 10,000 dead and with 50,000 wounded) had to be used or a prolonged occupation costing \$1 billion to \$2 billion a month.

In the closing statements, Doctor Sabrosky said that Saudi Arabia would be the net winning and would bear most of the military expenses. If there was a stalemate or settlement, Iraq would win. If Iraq loses, Hussein would be killed. Doctor Iskander stated that if the U.S. had the patience, the crisis would be resolved with time. He continued by explaining that the human losses from a military adventure would be high, the U.S. would be seen as neo-colonists, and seeds of future terrorism would be sown.

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Thursday, October 25, 1990

Letters To The Editors

To the Editors:

I am writing in response to Gayla Bassham's article entitled "Building Cultural Bridges" which appeared in the October 4, 1990 issue of the *Sou'wester*. I wholeheartedly appreciate Miss Bassham's attempt to inform the campus about the Black Student Association, however, she should have made a conscious effort to consult the proper resources, such as the president or some other officer of the organization; after all, the front page is designed for facts, and not rumor or speculation.

The Black Students Association was originally founded as an organization for Black students during a period of integration and not as a "support group for black students who were from predominately black high schools," as Miss Bassham so eloquently put it. The BSA was for ALL students whether they were used to being a minority in the classroom or not.

According to the original constitution, "the idea behind the BSA is to make the total integration of the races a more attainable goal by coordinating and promoting the efforts of Black Students, working in conjunction with other organizations that have the interest of the Black community at heart, channeling communications whereby Black students may participate more in campus social life, bringing in exhibitions of Black culture, furthering understanding of the conflict between the races and recruiting and orienting new Black students to the college." The purpose remains as that established by the founders of the organization.

Secondly, the theme behind the organization, "BSA—don't let the name fool you—we're all in the same gang" has promoted a change in the membership make-up, yet it must be noted that this theme was instituted by this particular administration and therefore is not "LAW". By taking on this theme, we have made the campus aware that the BSA is an "open" organization and that we are willing to

try new things and institute new programs. At the same time, all must recognize that the programs of the BSA will not automatically divert away from the Black perspective because of a slight change in membership, nor because of the theme adopted this year. We must all remember the why, when and how of the organization in order to truly understand it, be a part of it, and even to truly consider a name change — which I see as being in the very, very far future. Remember, don't let the name fool you because we are truly all in the same gang!

Cassandra Morgan
President, BSA

To the Editors:

I am writing in response to Mary Benton's letter which was published in the October 11 issue of *The Sou'wester*. In this letter, Ms. Benton states that two of the characteristics of "liberal," as defined by the American Heritage Dictionary, namely the favor of "the use of governmental power to promote social progress" and "the freedom of individuals to act or express themselves in a manner of their choosing" are *not* mutually exclusive; she goes on to state that Bill Jordan only addresses the loss of the "economic power of the individual," rather than the loss of the "fundamental freedoms of the individual," and seems to suggest that following a doctrine of promoting the economic power of the individual will lead to the "power of one individual" superceding "the basic rights of another." In my opinion, the economic power of the individual and his/her basic freedoms are rarely distinguishable. One need only look as far as the crumbling of the centrally-planned economies of eastern Europe to see the failure of "the use of governmental power to promote social progress" in its applied form, and the clamor for "the freedom of individuals to act or express themselves in a man-

ner of their choosing" in its applied form, the market economy. The free market is the best relay known to humankind for the transfer of individual preferences, the same preferences that are often trampled underfoot by well-intentioned social engineering and presumptuous governmental activism carried out by busybodies armed with a dangerous assumption—namely, that the government knows what the hell it's doing. Any kind of *valued* social progress will happen as a result of voluntary individual action or of uncoerced market action, not as a result of some allocatively inefficient, price-distorting, fiscally irresponsible programming by those nice, omniscient, omnipotent people in Washington. So as far as I see it, the Twentieth-century, "let's make-it-happen" definition of "liberal" and the Nineteenth-century, "let's-let-it-happen" definition of "liberal" are *quite* at odds with each other, at least in matters of achieving the kind of social welfare about which Ms. Benton seems so concerned.

Steven Sullivan

To the Editors:

Greetings from your fellow students in annexed East Jerusalem. After eventful pilgrimage stops in such disparate locales as Oxford, Alexandria, the island of Rhodes, Cyprus and Bombay, we've finally gathered on Mt. Zion, and begun to make some sense of the various ancient and incessant squabbles of Near East infamy. Impossible, you say? Keep in mind we're a crack team of Rhodesian theologians, political scientists, philosophers, diplomats, (even a biologist!) taught by an all-star Palestinian and Israeli faculty and led, of course, by the incomparable Dr. Bruce Stanley. Our tans are great, the weather is generally hot and very, very dry; although given recent developments at Rhodes College, we're sure you can relate.

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Editorial:

Four Legs Good, Two Legs BETTER

by S. Stinson, Liles, Associate Editor

I had the pleasure of going to the movies this week-end and, if you've ever been to a theater before, you'll be able to predict the outcome of my efforts to take my strawberry milkshake inside. Unfruitful (not the shake . . . the efforts). NO OUTSIDE FOOD OR DRINK, the signs warned. I stood outside the doors drinking it until the last possible minute and then parted with my milkshake, so as not to be late for the movie. I can understand why an art museum, a church or even a department store would have such a rule to prevent damage . . . but I'll tell you right now that I'd rather wade through seven inches of ANY flavor milkshake than walk across the theater floor which was already (and I risk understatement, here) "sticky."

Of course, the reason for such rules is clear to everyone. If one can't bring his and/or her own treats, he and/or she must purchase theater snacks at approximately \$8.50 per item. (Next time ask the snack person for MilkDuds on the three year plan or if interest rates on the Ju Ju Fruits include the finance charges. Snack Bar personnel love these questions).

The reason I bring this up is that a strikingly similar situation took place on campus Homecoming week-end. Rhodes officials brought out the "No Alcoholic Beverages on Campus" signs and warned campus organizations that held receptions on Saturday that alcohol was not to be permitted on the premises. The memo to the sponsors of these receptions said that should the alumni present want to consume an alcoholic beverage (drink?!? on Homecoming?!? Go figure), that they were to be pointed in the direction of the Rhodes-sponsored "Beer Garden." I have a hunch that this wasn't the only Alumni function where alcohol managed to rear it's ugly head.

The correlation, here, is this: It appears Rhodes is no more saying that they think alcohol is detrimental to the campus than a movie theatre is saying that high-sucrose snackies are detrimental to your body. Organizations that require alumni support are left outside the door sipping milkshakes and the alumni that choose to drink (or are with someone that does or want to see fellow alumni that choose to drink) spend their time at a college function. The point is not that the college gets all the Alumni donations . . . it should get most of them. The point is that it looks as though alcohol is forbidden NOT because it's unhealthy or dangerous or even because it makes the floor sticky. We as observers of Rhodes policy now view alcohol as a hot commodity—outlawed until those who make the rules have cause for it.

We should not be expected to accept double standards and to run around, like Orwellian sheep, bleating whatever truth we've been fed today. Everytime one of us says "so what if it doesn't make sense," "just deal with it," or "that's just the way it is," our liberal arts educations are being set back. It's hard to learn to ask questions when you are constantly being told to ignore conflicting standards. At this rate, it will be a long time before Rhodes becomes an *intellectual community*.

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WHO'S IN CHARGE OF CHANGE?

by Sam Flemming

My life is unstable right now. I am in the midst of psychological and spiritual realignment, where I am questioning everything that I have always accepted as true. Is there a God? Can I have a fulfilling job and still put food on the table? Who am I? I ask not for pity, because I do not think that I am alone in asking such questions. What I am asking for is compassion from those nameless, random people in the power structure of Rhodes that keep changing my college campus. Not only is my inside changing, but now my outside is changing. Rhodes College, my self professed home, is in a state of turmoil. There are new structures, new rules, and new systems; just lots of new stuff that I am now forced to adapt to. And I don't like it.

I am not even going to begin to talk about the alcohol policy. We've all ex-

perienced enough trauma through endless discussions and articles, not even considering pains of living by such absurd rules.

Perhaps more disturbing are the changes in Dial-a-Menu. What happened to the dial-a-menu girl of last year? It was always so relaxing and reassuring to hear that feminine voice tell me the daily menu. It was almost like calling home to Mom to see what was for lunch and dinner. Now there is a Dial-a-Menu boy. I am sure he is nice and all, and I don't mean to be sexist, but he just does not fill the comforting Dial-a-Mom quality present in the Dial-a-Menu of old. He also doesn't tell you the meals for the weekend.

I also dislike the hundred or so extra speed mountains that grew from the pavement a couple of weeks ago. Before the addition of these new speed

breakers, I had a mental map of where all the old bumps were. I could drive onto campus autopilot, slowing down at the bumps without even thinking. There's the one right before the security hut, where you can fit your tire through the middle to avoid severe jarring. After you hit the little one just before Tuthill, you can go kind of fast around the little curve behind the pub until you have to slow down at the one just before East Dorm (I refuse to call it Robinson). But that's all changed. Now my car needs a new suspension, and my map needs revision. Then there is the Snowden entrance where suddenly there is big, messy construction. No one told me that this was going to happen, it just happened. Suddeny, there's just one lane to enter and exit the school, and there are those little roadblock things with yellow ribbons that I almost hit every

time I come and go. Also, my car gets muddy. What is this big mess, and why is it in my way?

The list goes on. There's the fence, the pasta bar, the new guy at the library check out counter, Buckman Hall, girls in Stewart, airstrip parking, and LDDS. Of course, not all changes are bad. I like the tandem bike, and I like the new change machine, even if I haven't found it yet.

I don't mean to whine or complain, it's just that I don't like change. Like most human beings, I want order in my environment. Yes, it can be argued that the real world is constantly changing. I agree, but Rhodes is not the real world, it doesn't have to change. I pay \$17,000 a year to go to this school, I should not have to deal with change.

All I ask for is accountability and compassion. First, is there any reason or order behind all these changes? Do

these things just randomly happen, or is there someone or something behind this chaos? Who or what is in charge? I want to know. Next, I want compassion from this person. Changing the environment at Rhodes is no small matter. There is more to the fence than just the metal and paint. What about the people living in Stewart and the Townhouse? Do they live on or off campus? Don't you think that they feel alone and isolated, living outside the sacred space of the main campus? Person or thing in charge, please be considerate of such implications.

Maybe Marj Thigpen is behind all this, and this is her punishment for not attending Student Assembly meetings. Whatever the case, it would be nice if person or thing in charge could make a list of upcoming changes so I can prepare and lessen the shock. In the end, my life would be much easier.

Alumni Discuss Changes at Rhodes

by Drew Conner

On the Friday of Homecoming weekend a reception was held in Clough Hall for returning alumni. I was anxious to interview these alumni in order to hear their opinions on the "progression" of Rhodes College over the past five years. The building was packed, and before I had the chance to interview two people, I was ordered to leave the premises because alcohol was being served in the building. I tried to explain that I was a reporter for *The Sou'wester*, but the administration had given orders to exclude all minors from the building. I furiously stormed out of Clough and tried to figure out why our "liberal arts" school has become increasingly strict and conservative.

I eventually settled down and realized that I would be able to interview a variety of alumni over the weekend because the campus was flooded with them. I wanted to begin with some recent alumni opinions, so I spoke with 1990 graduate F. Grant Whittle and 1987 graduate Wright Bates. We discussed the alcohol policy and the negative effects it will have on such events as bid day and Rites of Spring. Whittle said, "I think it's unhealthy to ban the consumption of alcoholic beverages on campus." He then expressed concern for the future social life at Rhodes.

Bates shared the same basic concern, but seemed more interested on the larger moral issue. "They (the administration) expect you (the student) to be adults, but they don't allow you the responsibility to make your own decisions. That's not what they should be teaching you . . . they should be teaching you to think for yourself and not to conform."

The issue of freedom on the campus was a topic that I discussed at length with many alumni. I interviewed three 1980 graduates. Kim, Greg, and Tom, who had many opinions about the changes in our college. "When we attended Rhodes there wasn't the heavy air of, 'You can't do this,' . . . as long as you weren't a nuisance to anyone you could basically do whatever you wanted," explained Greg. "Now

it's as if they want everyone to be one way . . . they want everyone to conform to one mode of living."

Kim had some interesting things to say about the increased seclusion of Rhodes. "By not supporting the radio station the college is secluding itself from the Memphis community . . . I can't believe they (the administration) let WLYX die." He continued, "The campus doesn't seem as open and free anymore . . . the fence further isolates Rhodes from the Memphis community."

Kim was also concerned with the lack of diversity in our student body. "When I went to school here there was such a variety of people . . . I'm not talking about how many countries are represented at Rhodes . . . I'm talking about the variety of personalities that composed the student body. I would not recommend a high school student of attend Rhodes college . . . there is no diversity anymore. The administration has set the role for acceptance and has caused the school to regress towards conformity."

My discussion with Tom was centered mainly around President Daughdrill. He began, "You have to give him some credit because he has gotten a lot of recognition for the school, however, I feel that he is mainly responsible for the changes at Rhodes . . . and most those changes are for the worse . . . he's not letting academia thrive, he's trying to operate a business." Tom then expressed his regret about the loss of third term.

Before the interview ended, I asked the three alums if they would be discouraged from donating money to the school considering the changes that have taken place.

All three said they probably would not donate because of the changes. Other alumni, such as 1990 graduate Derek Van Lynn agree.

Van Lynn commented, "The tenure decision last spring left a rancid taste in my mouth and a large splinter up my ass . . . it ruined graduation and if I ever make any money, this school won't see any of it."

Letter to The Editors, continued

We have begun intensive courses in Palestinian and Israeli history and politics, spent the last seven days on a historical geography tour—from scaling the Golan Heights to floating in the Dead Sea—and are preparing for refugee camp visits, work studies on Kibbutzim, and a vacation on the Red Sea and Mt. Sinai. Unfortunately, Baghdad has been scratched from our itinerary. Seriously, we're only just beginning to appreciate how important it is to be in direct contact with the people, places, and events one hopes to understand. We have already met

with many prominent figures in both sides of the conflict, including Yitzak Shamir and the Deputy Mufti of Palestine. Others have spoken to us on such topics as human rights violations in the territories, various Arab and Jewish peace movements, religious festivals, and the continuing legacy of the Holocaust on the Israeli psyche.

We're looking forward over the next few months to complementing our academic study through more personal interaction and by making many lasting friendships.

And now for what you really want to know—yes, apart from tear gas there is love in the air. And it smells of feminism and existentialism. Others will write again soon—we would love to hear from you!

Katie, Derek and Kenneth P.S. Don't worry too much about us—we may not have a wrought-iron fence around us, but we think we can keep the Iraqis at bay.

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BSA gives a cheer at the Homecoming Pep Rally.

The Superwoman Syndrome

by Gayla Bassham

An interesting and informative luncheon was held Tuesday, October 16, in the Orgill Room. The topic of the luncheon was "The Superwoman Syndrome" and featured Doctor Janet Johnson of Charter Lakeside Hospital as the speaker. The luncheon was jointly sponsored by Rhodes College and Charter Lakeside Hospital and was well attended.

According to Dr. Johnson, the Superwoman Syndrome is an attempt to be all things to all people. The syndrome comes from a feeling of inferiority and a desire to prove themselves to the world. This desire can be helpful—it is the same desire

most ambitious people have. However, the Superwoman Syndrome is an unhealthy extreme of this ambition. Women tend to have the syndrome more than men because society puts more pressure on them to be the perfect parent and spouse as well as a success in the working world.

Dr. Johnson described "superwomen" as "people" people who try to help others. She said that they are most often found in the service professions such as teaching, medicine, and counseling. She said that they tend to "feel pain more intensely." This causes them to emphasize more with others than they perceive to be in pain. "Superwomen" expect themselves

and others to be perfect; they may forgive other people for failures, but they will never forgive themselves. They have a tendency to "mother" persons who are in trouble; however, superwomen themselves have an increased rate of alcohol and drug addiction.

According to Dr. Johnson, women who suffer from the Superwoman Syndrome need a support system of family and friends, including at least one good friend "who knows everything about you." These women should also learn to affirm and feel good about themselves. In addition, they should follow a good eating program and make sure they stay in good physical as well as mental health.

Rhodesian of the Month: Mortar Board Salutes Mark Muesse

by Jonathan Smoke, Mortar Board Dir. of Communications

The Rhodes College chapter of Mortar Board voted last spring to begin a new tradition on the Rhodes campus: to select a Rhodesian (or Rhodes person) of the month. The purpose behind this honor was to give credit to students, faculty, administrators or employees who have demonstrated something beyond normal activities. We felt that it was wrong for Rhodes to only honor outstanding achievements at the end of the year, for it is during the course of the year that people need encouragement to strive for success.

Therefore, it is my honor to announce the Torch Chapter's first recipient—Mark Muesse. For Mortar Board, Mark was the obvious first recipient since the chapter voted to ask Mark to be their junior faculty advisor. This demonstrated the various students' admiration for Mark as he was selected during a semester in which he was teaching in India. When

Mark returned, he accepted the position and is now serving alongside Bette Ackerman, our senior advisor.

But Mortar Board is not Mark's only activity on the Rhodes campus. He presently serves the community as a religious studies advisor and director for directed inquiries, a director of honors theses in philosophy, a consultant and facilitator in Mystery Theatre and a faculty advisor for Pi Kappa Alpha.

All of this activity, however, is not what makes Mark so special. We students admire Mark as a wonderful professor. If you don't believe that, just see how fast his classes close at registration. His classes range from standard core classes on theology to special seminars in eastern religions and fundamentalism. And no matter the topic, Mark helps to bring the courses alive to the students.

Take for example his classes on eastern religions. Mark not only taught in India and therefore, has plenty of show-and-tell to complement his

lectures but he also encourages the students to dress as "their favorite gods and goddesses on Halloween" which culminated last year in a student "Temple of the Sky Clad," in which a couple of students, who shall remain nameless, attended the class shielded from the other students by a screen and clad only by the atmosphere.

Already I hear a few skeptics thinking. His classes don't close quickly because they're easy, believe me—they aren't. That's because they are taught by a Phi Beta Kappa, *summa cum laude* graduate of Baylor University in, get this, English Literature and Chemistry.

So why is he teaching religion at Rhodes? Because when he left Baylor he was having a personal faith crisis, not unlike what many of us here are experiencing, and entered Harvard Theological School to "sort things out and then go on to something more important." But instead, "he got more screwed up and decided to just make a career out of screwing up others."

Rally Set The Pace For Homecoming

by Blake Walker

The Rhodes football rally for the Lynx, October 12th, Friday evening at 7 p.m., helped to set a fast and exciting pace for Homecoming '90. The football rally also helped raise the Lynx morale into beating the Wash. U. Bears Saturday, 14 to 10. The varsity football team and friends were greeted by a crowd of about 400 to 450

people and led on by the Rhodes College pep band, under the direction of Belinda Woodiel and Mike Lewis. Various cheers and songs were entered from the KDs, Sigma Nus, Tri Deltas, etc., in the Homecoming cheer contest, the prize being 10 pan pizzas and several cases of Coke. BSU was announced as the winner Saturday afternoon at the football game.

No Preferred Senior Parking

At the last Student Assembly campus concerns corner, the issue of preferred parking for seniors came up several times. The Student Life Committee of the Assembly considered designating parking places close to the dorms in which only seniors could park. We looked at the pros and cons of this idea, and ultimately decided that granting parking privileges to seniors was not the best route to follow in resolving this concern.

Of course, it would be nice to give seniors certain privileges to pay them back for all they have given to Rhodes. However, the points against preferred parking outweighed the positive aspects. Assembly could not justify the waste of such spaces that would inevitably occur. There is no reason a person should have to park three miles down "the landing strip" instead of a closer vacant space, simply because

he/she is not a senior. Also, each vehicle would need some identification that would show the driver is a senior. We felt it unnecessary to give security the task of checking each car for special senior identification. Besides this, it would only result in security giving out even more citations.

Finally, the Student Life Committee was concerned about how preferred parking would affect feelings among students on campus. We felt that one of the most positive aspects of Rhodes is the unity between classes. We did not want to implement a policy that might cause a division between seniors and non-seniors.

The Student Assembly realizes that there will still be some disagreement about this issue, and we welcome comments and ideas from everyone. Just talk to your Student Assembly Representative.

Where Is The Mr./Ms. Rhodes Hall of Fame?

Robbie Allen and Veronica Lawson, the students' choice for the acclaimed titles: Mr. and Ms. Rhodes were recognized during half time of the Homecoming football game last Saturday. What does our choice of Mr. and Ms. Rhodes reflect? Well, lets consider the accomplishments of these two outstanding and talented seniors.

Veronica Lawson is a biology major, no small feat in itself. She plans to go to Med school in order to become a pediatrician. Veronica is an RA, and belongs to ODK. She serves on the Mortar Board and the Round Table. Veronica is also the President of SRC and a member of Tri-Delta. The modest Ms. Rhodes was quite flattered to be chosen by the students. Veronica felt that she should "wave and smile like Miss America" when her name was announced even though she was only standing in a football field.

Our Mr. Rhodes, Robbie Allen said that he felt "like yahweh for a day" when he was awarded the "Mr. Rhodes" plaque. Like Ms. Rhodes,

Robbie is also a biology major and has served as an RA for two years. Robbie's hobbies include singing and dancing. Robbie refers to himself as a misplaced urban cowtipper because he prefers soil to asphalt. In addition to the honorable Mr. Rhodes plaque signed by President Daughdrill, Robbie also received a red "Rhodes Tie" bearing the Rhodes insignia and designed "specifically for Rhodes College." Robbie declares that the tie is the "most expensive one he has ever received." He only hopes to "some day afford a suit to match the extravagant tie."

So, these senior Mr. and Ms. Rhodes were honored by their peers at the homecoming football game, they received a plaque, some flowers and a tie(?). But, that is all. Where is the Mr. and Ms. Rhodes hall of fame? We obviously chose these seniors because we admire them. Does the title Mr. and Ms. Rhodes speak for itself or should we remember these seniors with something—more than just a plaque and a tie. Then again, maybe the tie speaks for itself.

Whether we students are getting "screwed up" will be left to be revealed by the Moral Majority. What we do know is that Mark makes us think, and he makes theology come alive so that some of us continue the discussions of his classes well beyond the classroom. So if being screwed up means searching and questioning your beliefs and learning about the beliefs of others, then I say, "Let me be screwed up!"

Perhaps what makes Mark so special is that he has an educational background

which allows him to communicate easily to all types of majors at Rhodes.

As a teacher, he is at the top. Mark told me that he thought he might like teaching too much, for he couldn't see living without being a teacher. I disagree. It takes that love of teaching to be such an effective teacher.

And as a friend, he is also at the top. As Craig Brewer put it, "He's a big, lovable geek. And, he's a snappy dresser."

Memphis Concert Ballet Looks Forward to Season Opener

Memphis Concert Ballet, under the guidance of Artistic Director Dorothy Gunther Pugh, opens its 1990-91 season October 26th at the Orpheum Theatre with a brilliant restaging of Janet Parke's acclaimed ballet "Starlight" and knock-out line-up of international ballet stars performing an impressive repertory program.

Often named as the favorite piece of local ballet patrons, "Starlight" was choreographed in 1985 by Associate Artistic Director Janet Parke to exemplify the "energy and brilliance of 'starlight.'"

"The premiere of our 1990-91 company — our new look for a new season motivates the restaging of this piece," Ms. Parke indicates. "Without changing the feeling of high energy and brilliance of the ballet, we've changed the music and choreography to 'showcase' our current dancers and spotlight our soloists."

Ms. Parke describes the music as mostly 18th century/Baroque performed on synthesizers with some new 20th century pieces added and also performed electronically. Similarly, the choreography is classical technique performed in a contemporary/abstract style.

"The result," Ms. Parke indicates, "is many motifs with very intricate patterns, very rapid steps and movements—which, as a totality, have a sparkling exuberant quality—just like starlight."

This ensemble includes guest artists from the Boston Ballet, the San Francisco Ballet and the National Ballet of Canada and repertory from such masterpiece ballets as THE SLEEPING BEAUTY as well as the world premiere of the

TOM SAWYER SUITE choreographed by David McNaughton, one of the ensemble dancers.

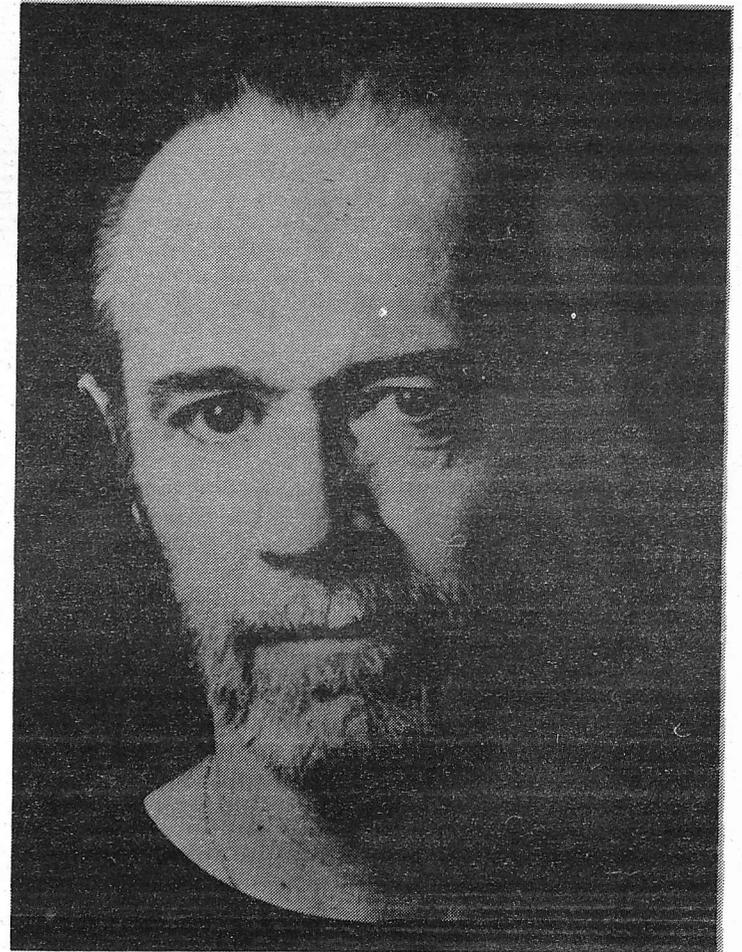
Producer Mark Kappel describes the ensemble as "a celebration of stars—the principal dancers of some of the best ballet companies in North America performing the high points of famous classical ballets." Kappel has managed this and similar companies on U.S. and international tour circuits.

Ballet Mistress and Company Teacher Hilda Morales regularly travels with the company. A former soloist and ballet mistress with American Ballet Theatre, Ms. Morales appeared in the acclaimed film THE TURNING POINT and continues to be in demand as a teacher and coach.

Dancer David McNaughton, most recently of the San Francisco Ballet premieres his TOM SAWYER SUITE in this season with the International Ballet Celebration. The excerpt to be presented in this performance is Tom Sawyer meeting Becky for the first time. A native Californian, Mr. McNaughton is also a pianist/composer, poet, painter and avid surfer.

Other dancers in the ensemble include Cynthia Drayer, Shelley Scott and Andre Reyes from the San Francisco Ballet; Dierdre Myles and Karl Condon from the Boston Ballet; Chan Ho Goh and Jeremy Ransom from the national Ballet of Canada.

"A Night with the Stars" will be presented Fri., Oct., 26, 1990 at 8:00 p.m. at the Orpheum Theatre. Tickets are available at the Orpheum theatre 525-3000 or Ticket Hub 725-HUBB from \$15 to \$25.



McCoy Audition Dates

Candide November 10, 11, 12 and 13

Six Characters in Search of an Author November 15 and 16

Vector Marketing Corporation Announces Essay Contest

Vector Marketing Corporation, a national marketing firm which offers high income opportunities to thousands of college students each year, will sponsor its Fourth Annual Essay Contest with Scholarship monies totaling \$3,250 for winning entries.

The announcement was made by Tom Quinty, Sales Support Director of the Springfield (PA)-based firm.

The contest is open to both part-time and full-time undergraduates enrolled at recognized colleges and universities across the United States. Vector employees and their relatives are ineligible to participate.

Students are asked to write a one-page essay, not exceeding 250 words, on the following topic: "Rising Tuition Costs: How Can Corporate America Help?"

The winning essay contestant will receive \$1,000 in scholarship monies.

Two second prize winners will receive \$500 each, and five runners-up will be awarded \$250 each in cash prizes, for a total of eight winners.

In addition, each essay contest participant will be offered the opportunity to interview for a position as a summer sales representative through the Vector Marketing Corporation office nearest to their college community or home town.

Entries will be judged on the basis of overall writing style and content, in addition to a demonstrated ability to support the criterion chosen for the essay. Correct grammar, punctuation and composition are also essential.

Copy should be typed, double-spaced or neatly printed on one side only of an 8½"x11" sheet of paper and should not exceed 250 words. All entries must include a return address and phone number along with the stu-

dent's class year and major to be considered. All submissions will become the property of Vector Marketing Corporation.

Winners will be notified by mail no later than December 1, 1990.

All entries must be postmarked on or before November 21, 1990. Entries should be sent to Vector's national headquarters at the following address:

Essay Contest
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George Carlin Featured in MSU Concert

For more than two decades now, George Carlin has been one of America's favorite funny men. He will appear Thursday, October 25 at 8 p.m. in the MSU Fieldhouse.

These days Carlin performs 100 concerts a year and also pursues an acting career. Carlin has played character roles in "Outrageous Fortune" and "Bill and Ted's Excellent Adventure" as well as the title role in Blake Edwards' "Justin Case."

But it's Carlin's classic stand-up routine that has made him famous—making him a comedy circuit favorite and earning him gold albums and one-man show television specials. In the 1970s, he had four gold albums in a row and won a Grammy award for "AM & FM."

As for television, Carlin has long been a favorite on practically every major talk-show and has hosted a string of concerts—most notably for Home Box Office, including the 1977 "On Location: George Carlin at USC," and five years later with the highly acclaimed "Carlin at Carnegie" and earlier this year with "Doin' It Again."

BEYOND THE GOTHIC VILLAGE

by Drew Conner

Thursday, Oct. 25

Rum Boogie Cafe: Don McMahon and the Rum Boogie Band
North End: Thursday Night Group
Lou's Place: Front Street Blues Band
Antenna: Southern Culture on the Skids, Gibson Brothers
South End: Freeworld

Friday, Oct. 26

Rum Boogie Cafe: Don McMahon and the Rum Boogie Band
North End: Sid Selvidge
616: Walk the West
Lou's Place: Front Street Blues Band
Antenna: The Scam
South End: Voodoo Village People

Saturday, Oct. 27

Rum Boogie Cafe: Don McMahon and the Rum Boogie Band
North End: Sid Selvidge
616: The Reverend Horton
Lou's Place: Front Street Blues Band
Antenna: Shelter, Cheeno Herd
South End: Station ID, Nuclear Cafe

Sunday, Oct. 28

Rum Boogie Cafe: James Gavin
Lou's Place: Front Street Blues Band
Antenna: The Hilltops, The Grifters
South End: Music begins at 8:00

All members of the Faculty, Staff, and Student Body are cordially invited to a

Halloween Open House

Come in costume or wear a mask

Friday, October 26, 1990

at 3:00 p.m. in the Pub

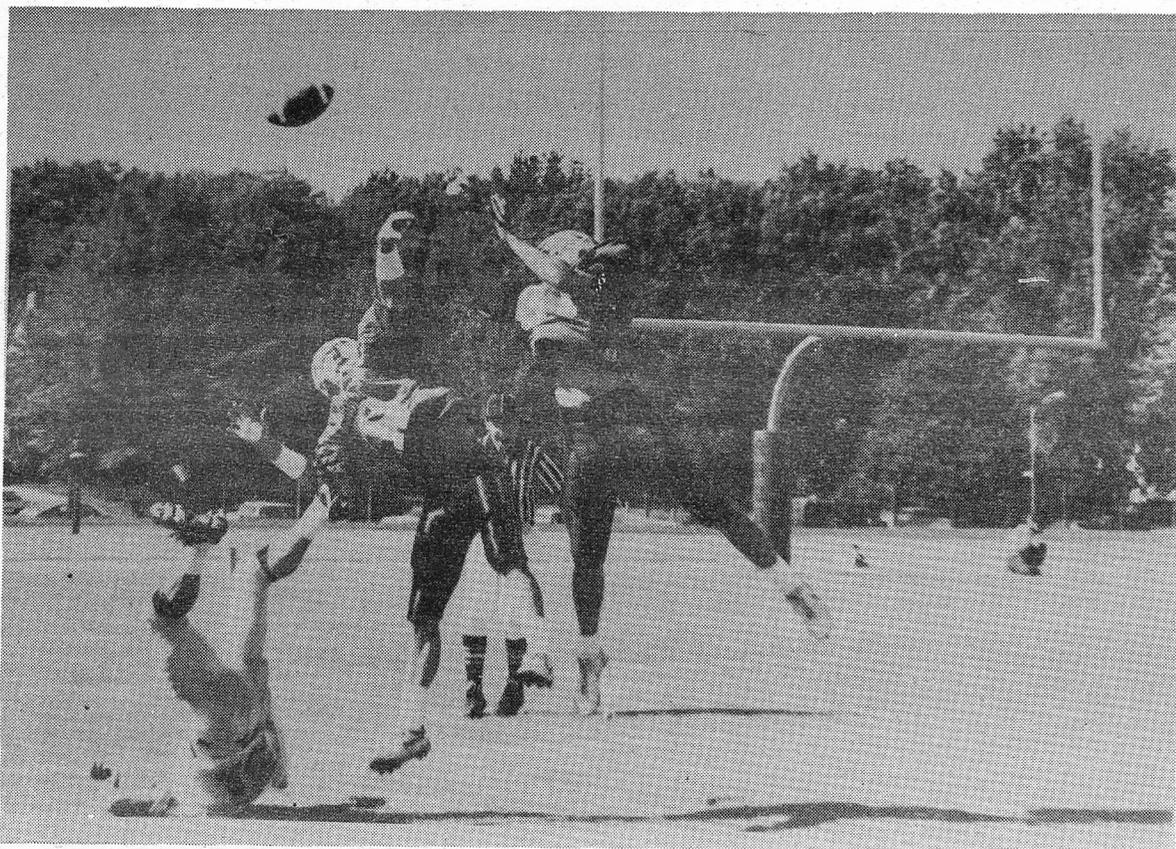
featuring our talented student pianists
Steve Dorst and Najeeb Jan

Pumpkin Carving contest

Prizes will be awarded for various categories. See Food Commissioner, Liz Cotham for details.

Door Prizes!! AAA will have 20% off food in the Pub.

Thursday, October 25, 1990



Rhodes dumps Washington Univ. on its head!

Babin or Robinson?

by Chris Kolker

It can propel teams to greatness, it can rip team unity to shreds. It has been endured by such coaching geniuses as Tom Landry, Chuck Noll and Bill Walsh. And it has finally made its way to the peaceful Rhodes campuses. It is the quarterback controversy.

Catch the scenario: A couple of weeks ago Rhodes was in a bitter defensive struggle with Sewanee, our most feared rival. We had been checked by the Sewanee defense, and we had only one more chance to drive the ball down the field to win the game. Here is where Drew Robison comes in. Although only a freshman, he is able to muster a 50-yard drive under nerve-wracking circumstances to threaten the score, only to be stopped as we approach field-goal range. The new kid on the block shows he can play. Is he our "quarterback of the future?" A bit of controversy arises.

Before we kick Trey Babin off the team, we have to remember what he has done. He has led Rhodes to four victories. Impressive. Now remember the Lane game. Behind 7-0 going into

the fourth quarter, Rhodes responds not with one but with three touchdowns, and the Lynx score an impressive victory over a tough team.

Enter head Football Coach Clary. A lot of questions arise: Is it fair to let the "quarterback of the future" sit on the bench until Trey graduates while his throwing ability atrophies? On the other hand, how could one tell a 5-1 quarterback to take a seat? Would Joe Montana be benched if the 49ers went 12-4 because Steve Young is waiting in the wings? A decision has to be made.

Why not take a wait-and-see attitude? Teams are usually ripped apart by this attitude. Remember post-Staubach Dallas? One week it was Danny White, the next it was Greg Hogeboom. Although both's abilities were strong, the team quickly separated into pro-White and pro-Hogeboom factions, and this is given as one reason why Dallas started slipping in the 80's. Or how about Chicago just a couple of years ago. With McMahon out, it was Tomczak versus Harbaugh, and the politics of that mess both made the papers daily,

and ensured the Bears would only see one Super Bowl.

A decision must be made, and I'm sure, barring injury, Coach Clary will stick with Trey Babin as the starter. His reasons are sound. Trey has been with the team longer, knows his teammates better, and has shown that he knows how to win.

However, I think that Coach Clary would be foolish to ignore the passing abilities of Robison. He has proved that when the offense is bogged down, he can provide a needed lift to perhaps rejuvenate the team. No, this doesn't mean that Clary should flip-flop between the two starting. Trey should start. But I think Clary should give Robison some playing time, even if at times it might be the mop-up work at the end of the game. Then he will get some experience and confidence so that when he is asked to come into a tight situation, he can again respond with poise. Remember, what is considered one of the strengths of the 49ers is that if Montana is hurt, Young is the replacement. Let's make two strong quarterbacks the strength of our team too.

No Easy Days For Men's Cross Country

by Mike Drash

The 1990 men's cross country team is led by four seniors. Darol Timberlake, Ben Schulze, Scott Johnson, and Mike Drash have been running together for their entire college careers and they are hoping to go out on a winning note. With the help of sophomore James Westphal and newcomers Sean Moran, Scott Haines, Jason Hamilton, and Jeff Bean, the Rhodes runners have a strong chance of winning the Conference Champion-

ship in Sewanee on November 3.

So far this season the Lynx have recorded two victories. On October 11 in Little Rock, Darol Timberlake won the five mile race in 26:53, a personal best. The Lynx placed seven runners in the top fourteen positions. The only losses they have sustained came at the hands of Division I powers, Murray State, Arkansas State, Memphis State, and UT-Chattanooga.

Practicing twice a day for most of the season has put the team's average

weekly mileage close to seventy miles. Coach Robert Shankman, has helped the team reach a new level. November 3 they will bring home the C.A.C. crown and the following week they will compete in the Southeastern Regionals in Atlanta.

The "Wolf Pack" as the seniors call themselves have been leading the underclassmen by example all year and their determination was summed up by senior Darol Timberlake, "Easy days? There are no easy days!"

Rhodes Comes Back With Victory

by Jeffrey Vaughn

The Rhodes College Lynx improved their record to 5-1 on last Saturday's game with a victory over the Bears of Washington University. It was Homecoming 1990 at Rhodes and the game could not have been any better. The Fighting Lynx bounced back off of a devastating loss to Sewanee a week before.

The Washington University Bears started off the scoring after a Rhodes fumble and they drove for a touchdown. After the extra point the score was 7-0. The Lynx offense was able to move the ball effectively in the first half, but because of a few fumbles and some bad breaks they didn't score. The defense was able to hold the Bears from scoring the rest of the game. The defense held the Bears to under one hundred total yards of offense and as a result the Washington University's running game was almost nonexistent the whole game. The hard-hitting Lynx defense proved again that it is one of the top in the south. Some great hits were provided by defensive tackle Brady Jubenville, linebackers Percy Courseault, "Hot Rod" Rodney Vanhoose, Lane Grayson, and the "Wild Okie," Robbie Barclay. Junior defensive back Chris Womack also

had an impressive game.

In the second half, as the defense kept the Bears from scoring anymore the offense began working. They drove the ball well and it paid off when they scored their first touchdown in the beginning of the fourth quarter. Unfortunately, the extra-point was missed on account of a bad snap from the center, so the Bears were still ahead by the score of 7-6. The Lynx knew they had to score again, so when they got the ball back after the punter was rushed out of the end zone, the Lynx were able to capitalize and score the winning touchdown. The Lynx went for a two-point conversion and made it on a run by quarterback, Trey Babin. Some great offensive players in the game were Trey Babin who scored all of the fourteen points scored by the offense, sophomore running back Greg Ritter, and the entire offensive line did a great job of blocking against the 4-3 defense of Washington University.

The Lynx will be going on the road this week playing Millsaps in Jackson, Mississippi. The Lynx are hoping to capture their second win in the College Athletic Conference and their sixth win overall.

Men's Soccer Eyes Conference Crown

by Steve Dorst

Saturday, smack dab in the middle of Fall Break, the men's soccer team travelled to Jackson, Miss. and defeated Millsaps College, 1-0. The margin of victory came on a beautifully executed free kick at the beginning of the second half. Big David Hill made a run through, that distracted the opposition and Matt Westfall floated a perfect ball over the defense. Jay Conte sprinted through and headed it in the goal. This was Conte's first game since severely spraining his

ankle a month ago. The defense hung on the rest of the way and goalie Chip White recorded his third shut out of the season.

With this victory, the Lynx evened their conference record at 2-2. The Conference Tournament will be held at Rhodes this weekend with the Lynx playing against Sewanee at 2:00 Saturday. Come see senior Captains, Dan Harper, Steve Spinks, and Jay Conte play their final games, and watch your team fight for a Conference championship!

You Think You're Busy? Look At Brian Gerry

"I see about 80 to 85 people a day," Brian Gerry, the Rhodes athletic trainer calmly states. "I had only three student trainers, but now have five, and they help a lot. Each one puts in about eight to twelve hours a week."

This statement summarizes the whirlwind that surrounds being our athletic trainer. "On the average, I put in at least ten or twelve hours a day. The slow period is in the morning, where I usually catch up on paperwork, and that lasts until one or two in the afternoon. After that, there is a constant flow of people needing help." Gerry went on to say that he uses 100 cases of white tape an academic year. With 32 rolls in a case, and with each roll containing 15 yards, that constitutes the use of 27 miles of tape a year. And remember that this is only one kind of tape!

Gerry found this line of work through an interest in sports. "I had been involved in sports (he played both football and baseball at Southwest

State of Minnesota, an NAIA school), and wanted to stay involved, but I knew I didn't want coaching. So this was the opportunity for me."

Making the opportunity reality required a lot of hard work. Although in the past, the science of athletic training may have required only work as an apprentice, that is no longer the case today. "Today, you have to achieve at least a four-year degree." For Gerry that was tough in more ways than one. "It was tough getting through school (playing baseball and football), you really had to apply yourself. At least at Southwest State, the academic standards were not quite as high, so you could apply a little more time for athletics. I also had to join the Air National Guard to help me get through school financially. I was a security specialist and served six years." Gerry then went to Indiana State, where he received a Master's degree in Sports Medicine/Athletic Training.

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Rhodes Volleyball On The Way To Number One

by Kathy Coe

For the Rhodes Volleyball team, this year will go down in history. The team has had a winning record for the first time in the last six years; has won twenty plus games in a single season and for the first time will go into the Conference tournament ranked number one with an excellent chance of bringing home its first conference Championship.

After a disappointing loss to Christian Brothers on September 18, the volleyball team rebounded to earn a first place seed for the November Conference Tournament by defeating five out of six conference opponents on October 21 and 22. With the powerful net play of Lynette Breedlove and first-year sensation Tori Taugner, the Lynx soundly defeated Sewanee, Centre, Fisk, Berea and Asbury. A heart-breaking loss to Maryville gave the Lynx a 5-1 record and a tie with Maryville and Asbury for the Conference lead. Rhodes ended up the winner of a tie breaking coin toss to declare Rhodes the number one seed. Katie Braden added a few kills of her own while she also, combined with Jane Ann Alwood, led the way in assists. Coach Julie Bowen cited the

all-around play of Carlyn Merz and Stephanie Prachniak as a major reason for Rhodes' success in the Round Robin Tournament.

After a 2-3 showing at the Maryville Tournament Sept. 28-29, including a two game sweep against Conference opponent Asbury (15-7, 15-5), and a solid performance against Greensboro, the nation's 15th best Division III team (12-8, 8-15), the VBT returned home for its final home game against Freed-Hardeman. In front of a large home crowd (Thanks fans!), the Lynx came out on top 15-3, 15-8. Lynette Breedlove led the way with seven kills, while Tori Taugner had five and Kathy Cole had three. Jane Ann Alwood had 12 assists off of those 15 hits.

The VBT also picked up victories in early October against Hendrix, Cumberland, and again against Freed-Hardeman. The "junior varsity" team also racked up victories against Hendrix and Freed-Hardeman making them undefeated for the year. Against Hendrix, Kathy Coe had seven kills, and Nikki Lawson had four. Tara Odle led the setters with 12 assists. Alicia Lartique and Nikki Lawson each had four service aces while Allison Wemmers fulfilled her "defensive

specialist" role with eight digs. Karen Marr proved to be a force at the net leading the way with five blocks.

While everyone else went home for Fall Break, the VBT headed for a five game road trip to Nashville and Atlanta. In front of a few of Rhodes' faithful parents and friends, the team had a relatively easy time defeating Brescia and Conference opponents, Fisk and Centre, with Taugner almost single-handedly defeating Centre by serving 14 out of the 15 points. Trevecca proved to be a tougher opponent, but enthusiastic play from everyone enabled the VBT to win a nail-biting match. The team finished up their regular season action in Atlanta in a best 3-out-of-5 match against Emory.

The team won the match fairly easily in three games when Allison "worm" Wemmers, in front of her hometown crowd, sent a kill over the net landing right on the ten foot line. It was a great way to end the season and the roadtrip gave everyone more playing experience and left the Lynx with an all-time best record of 21-9. The VBT travels to Centre November 2-3 for the WIAA championship. Wish them luck!

Brian Gerry (Continued from Page 6)

This emphasis on education is an indication of how this field has really caught on. "It is now recognized by the AMA as a medical field. We now have various organizations like NATA, which was founded in 1950. They do a lot to make the field more well known to the public and to medicine. In addition, there are now trainers working in clinics, and for in-

dustrial rehabilitation." Today, there are so many in this field that athletic training is now considered a specialty in a much broader field of rehabilitation.

So what exactly is his job? "Basically, there are three parts. The first is prevention, and the second is evaluation, to see the extent of the injury. The third part of the job is often mak-

ing referrals to our doctors, or treating the patient myself." Gerry adds, "However, this doesn't mean that training is all that rewarding, but there is reward in watching someone you worked on return to sports sooner than expected."

What little free time Gerry has is spent with his wife Kelli and his one-year-old daughter, Jennifer. As he says, "Between being a new father and having purchased a new house, it makes things extra hectic."

Beat Chris Kolker!

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So you think you know sports. Well, here is your chance to prove it. Every week I will draw one name from a list of available opponents and we will go head to head to see who can predict the week's games (football or basketball) the best. To the victor goes the spoils: If you predict more correctly, you get dinner for two at Huey's, a popular Rhodes hangout. If I win, I save Huey's about fifteen dollars. This contest is not for the faint or weak-hearted. Your predictions will be published in the paper, so you had better know what you are doing. If not, humiliation is certain.

How do the brave get in on this? Simply fill out the form on the bottom of the page and return it to the door of the newspaper office in the basement of the student center, or campus mail it to Chris Kolker. If I draw your name from the list of contestants, I will get in contact with you about your predictions for games of that next week. Good luck, and remember, you may get dinner at Huey's out of this.

My first victim is Jim Crowley, a freshman of monumental wisdom. The Games and the predicted winners:

Oklahoma at Colorado	Jim Okla.	Chris Colorado
Kansas St. at Kansas	Kansas	Kansas
Michigan at Indiana	Michigan	Michigan
Georgia at Kentucky	Georgia	Kentucky
USC at Arizona St.	USC	Arizona St.
Washington St. at Arizona	WSU	Arizona
Stanford at Oregon	Oregon	Oregon
S. Carolina at N. Carolina St.	S. Carolina	NCSU
Penn St. at Alabama	Penn St.	Alabama
LSU at Florida St.	FSU	FSU
N. Carolina at Maryland	Maryland	N. Carolina
S.W. La at Memphis State.	Memphis St.	Memphis St.
Tiebreaker:		
Predict the score of Rhodes	Rhodes 13	Rhodes 7
Millsaps	Millsaps 7	Millsaps 3

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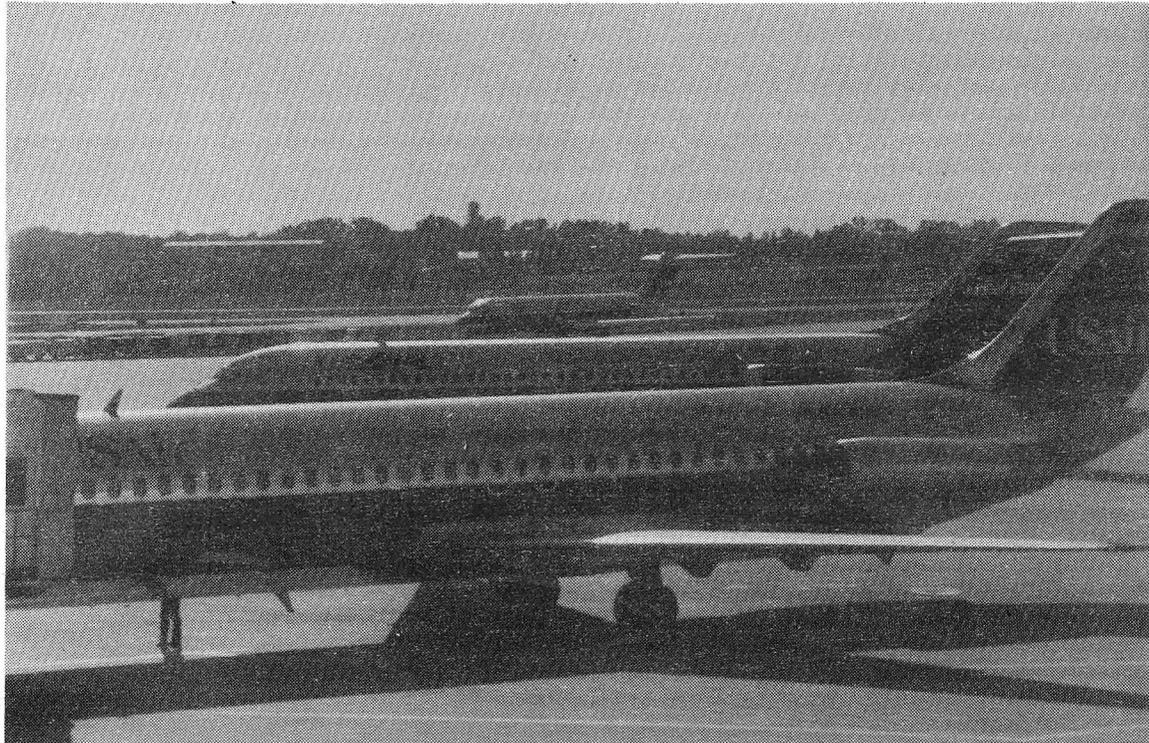
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Jets jockey for position at the Rhodes Airstrip during Fall break

Will The Real Airstrip Please Stand Up?

by Elizabeth Orr

Through the extraordinary efforts of our roving *Rhode'ster* reporter we have uncovered an incredible money making scheme. We have conclusive "Proof" that the increase in our tuition was not for the new building or the rising cost of living or even for those mountains of asphalt ruining our car suspension, but yes, for the building of a true, honest-to-God airstrip on the back parking lot. Sure, you thought those cracks about the "air strip" in front of McCoy were just funny, but we are here to tell you that they are not only true but creating excess revenue.

We have determined through our unstoppable and ingenious digging that the Memphis Airport has actually signed a five-year contract renting out the lot for their own personal use. What's worse is that President Daughdrill, himself, uses the strip for his own personal jet—the secret helicopter landing on the top of Physics tower wasn't enough and he thought he could get away with this flagrant abuse of student funds through the increased revenue gained from the use of the airstrip by the Memphis Airport.

Currently, Daughdrill is involved in an undercover, covert and secretive mission to make the air traffic controllers go on strike at the Memphis Airport so that Rhodes can take over their traffic. Our investigations led us to discover that the real REASON THE "stone henge" (or "pork chops" or whatever those weird stones standing up in the back 40) were torn down is to create more room for other landing strips. Strangely enough, the efforts of this reporter have discovered that the airport is actually considering a plan by Rhodes for an effective evacuation system, just in case. (You never can be too careful). So, rest assured Rhodes students, even though the excess revenue will probably be routed into new and improved mountains of asphalt and perhaps even a few more "no parking" signs, this strip could be our salvation in the event of an actual emergency.

RA Meeting Turns Into Drunken Brawl

by Jonathan Smoke

You could tell by the smell in the air that something was foul last Wednesday when the RAs met together for what could be the last time. Discussions over schedules, favorite drinks, All Sing and renaming the RAs turned into a drunken brawl where all but two of the campus RAs were arrested—and those two weren't even at the meeting.

Brent Nair, Assistant Director of Resident Life, called the all-campus meeting together at 10:00 PM sharp in the first floor Williford Social Room. A few disgruntled RAs from the westside asked about where their usual ten large pizzas were, and Brent tried to hush them, but it was too late, for the eastside RAs heard their question.

Johanna screamed, "Usual pizza!? Toni never gives us anything." Toni tried to pretend she was asleep.

Robbie complained, "That's a gross misuse of general campus funds to squander them so on fattening the westside RAs."

Brent said nothing in response as all of the westside RAs started a chorus of naa-naa-naa-naa. This was only the first sign of trouble.

Jonathan tried to change the negative feeling of the group by making a valiant suggestion. He said, "Would it be possible for the RAs to completely sponsor all campus functions from now on? I mean, none of us have anything to do except class, and by God, we're RAs first and students last."

Stephanie Clark said that she agreed and asked if they could all be on duty for all campus vacations including Christmas. Brent and Toni both said they'd try their best to get our requests granted, but that the Dean of Students Office instead wanted to cut out all responsibilities and increase pay to \$250 per week.

Then Mal brought up something that caused the entire meeting to fall apart. He asked if we could rename the RAs to something a little more descriptive. He put forth the theory that Sewanee beat us this year because their RAs are called 'Proctors.'

Chris Kolker made the recommendation that the RAs be called "Sooners." He further stated that unless the RAs sang only songs from Oklahoma at All Sing, he'd have no part in it.

Patrick called him "stupid" and made the recommen-

dation that the name should be "Feds" since the RAs main job now is to enforce prohibition.

Shantih said that she thought "Feds" was too indicative of patriarchal oppression and suggested the name "Deaners," since what makes the RAs distinctive is that they actually act like the Deans.

Shelley said they should not have any form of collective name but instead should take away their own personal names and replace them with names descriptive of their individual positions. For instance, Andy would be called, "Oftoni Townone."

Kevin said he didn't like the idea "because naming implies superiority," and he doesn't like losing any of his individuality.

John screamed something we can't print here and kicked Kevin in the head. Veronica jumped to his defense and slammed John to the floor, but before she could protect herself, Susie began beating Veronica over the head with a large bag of stale popcorn

Meanwhile, as a form of protest, Jonathan, Johanna and Mal slipped out of the room and downed a fifth of Vodka in the hallway. Feeling better and only slightly buzzed they re-entered the room.

When they entered, Toni and Brent jumped on them and started writing their names, when Jason and Michelle grabbed the two ADRLs from behind and slammed them to the floor.

Taking this as her cue, Melissa screamed, "Program this!" and began shoving photocopied music down their throats. Toni began to choke, but the rest of the RAs refused to help her because she did not give the proper international choking sign.

With Toni and Brent taken care of, Marty, Cindy, Stacey and Cris carried in four different kegs, and started passing out cups. Before long, all twenty-six of the RAs present were drunk out of their minds.

It was then that they reached a concensus on their name—they will now be called "Sooners," since they really all wish they could be from Pryor, Oklahoma.

After the meeting, the Sooners ran about campus, beat up security guards, burned effigies of the Deans, poured gasoline on the speedbumps (which they discovered amazingly dissolves asphalt) and sang hymns.

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