Gestalt Workshop To Be Held At Edgecliff

The counseling center will offer an Introductory Gestalt Workshop. The workshop will begin Friday evening at 7:30 and continue over the weekend until Sunday at noon. The number of participants is limited to 20; those interested should contact the counseling center. The workshop is open to both faculty and students and requires no fee. Gestalt is a psychological orientation and method for facilitating personal growth. According to Dr. Smith, Director of Counseling, “It utilizes basic concepts of awareness and contact to develop new perspectives about one’s feelings, attitudes, and behavior.”

Dr. Smith went on to say that Gestalt enables the therapist to tend the boundaries of his/her concept of himself/herself and others. It allows one a person to be more effective in communication from the “I” to more competently overcome the obstacles and resistances to growth.

The Gestalt orientation is an educational process by which the person can try out more meaningful living, this becoming more of the person he/she wishes to be.

Dr. Smith is currently completing the Intensive Training Program at the Gestalt Institute of Cleveland and is a Graduate of the Institute of Cincinnati.

The workshop will be co-led by Ilona Smith, M.S.N., Mrs. Smith has trained at the Family Institute and is experienced with the gestalt orientation.

Dr. Smith, Director Counseling, will co-lead Introductory Gestalt Workshop.

Edgecliff Research Makes National News

By Peg O'Malley

Little Sister, Little Brother Weekend is scheduled for March 25 and 26.

The second annual Weekend is again being sponsored by Residence House Council. Planning the event are Social Committee members Lorena Townsend and Pati Withoff.

Friends, as well as sisters and brothers will be welcomed. The Weekend will be geared toward high school students, although all ages are invited.

Friday’s spectacular entertainment entailed a Student Government sponsored movie, “A Hard Day’s Night,” starring Elton John and Alton Sutherland. For a 50¢ admission charge, pizza and refreshments will also be included. The movie will be shown at Harrison Hall, Saturday afternoon offering free time for individual activities. Suggested are trips to the shopping center in Clifton and Downtown, shopping in M. Adams or Downtown, or the use of Harrison Hall sports facilities and pool.

Saturday night’s events are still being planned, but a disc jockey from a local radio station hopefully will spin records in Harrison’s Lobby. Admission to the Disco, with snacks, will be only 50¢.

The special Weekend will finish with a Sunday morning Liturgy of the Eucharist followed by delicious brunch in the cafeteria. Arrangements have been made for visitors to stay in either dorm, free of charge, for the weekend. Ms. Townsend predicts a “big turn-out and good time,” after viewing last year’s successful weekend. She anticipates over 100 people to come and enjoy the planned activities, so Ms. Townsend encourages a younger sister or brother to Edgecliff to make a ‘real look at college life.’

Sibling Weekend

March 25 - 27

Georges Hofmann-
New Staff Member

“Edgecliff News” welcomes George F. Hofmann, a native of Belgium who has worked in Asian studies. He also has a degree in teaching and another in Internal State and CIA activities during the McCarthy years.

Hofmann has written many journals and one book. He is currently working on a research project measuring the “effects of Soviet poison gas in Asian studies.”

Edgecliff because it is small and there is “more opportunity.” He describes it as “very friendly.”

... Writers Contest

Writers. You can win $100, $50, or $25 in cash and book prizes for best short story, humorous essay, or other short pieces between 250 and 1000 words — with free copy of Edgecliff College Contemporaries Magazine for all — if you enter the Creative Writing Colloquium’s short story contest whose deadline is May 5. For rules and how to enter, send addressed stamped envelope to: International Publications, 4747 Fountain Ave., Dept. C-3, Los Angeles, CA 90029.

Black Awareness Week

In an effort to instill greater awareness about Black Women in American past and present, within the community and within others the College Black Student Council and the Black Student Council of Clifton College will sponsor “Black Awareness” week. Thursday, March 17 through the 28. The theme for the entire week is “Black Women and the Political System.” For more information on specific aspects about the Black Woman, an “Icebreaker” will be held on March 20 at 8:30 p.m. This will consist of a buffet and a speaker, Ms. Sandra Willingham, from the Black Students Council of Clifton College.

Champagne Reception

The Edgecliff Alumni Association is extending their congratulations to the Class of 1977. They will be entertained on a champagne reception on Saturday, March 19, at 7:30 p.m. in Emery Galleries before the Spring Formal. All reservations are to be made before March 14 by calling the Office of College Relations, Ext. 214.

Bavarian Tour To Be Held

The Edgecliff Alumni Association is sponsoring a Bavarian Tour September 21-30, through Dittmann Tours. Group travel to Europe, the Black Forest, and Italian Romantic Alps, and tour to Austria, Vienna, and Berlin, will enjoy a 14-day tour. Tour will be limited to 40 people. For further information please contact Claire Sciacca, the Office of College Relations, Ext. 214.

Spring Formal

Saturday, March 19, 1977 will be the date for this year’s Spring Formal. It will be held on the roof of the Yellow Stairway Home on Gayer Ave., in the Withrow Room from 8:00-12:00 a.m.

Entertainment will be provided by Weekend Edge, a band who is popular around Clifton and the Oxford area.

Tickets will be on sale, on the ground floor of the Sullivan Hall, at 3:00 p.m. Friday, March 18 and 7:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. and potato chips will be provided (B.Y.O.B.).
Editorial

Simon Leis 

Hamilton County Prosecutor Simon Leis spoke to the Edgecliff College Mother's Club Feb. 11. Because this was a student-newsroom event, Mr. Leis was not aware of the presence of several reporters from the "Edgecliff News." His remarks are being considered "off-the-record." That is, they cannot be quoted.

It is a firm belief of this newspaper that the remarks of an elected public official should be a matter of public record all times.

The following is the opinion of the editor. The First Amendment guarantees us the right to our opinion provided we conduct our newspaper in a professional manner observing professional rules of ethics.

On Friday, Feb. 11, Mr. Simon Leis, Prosecuting Attorney for Hamilton County, talked about the controversial " Hustler" trial to over 100 Edgecliff students, parents and faculty. The speech went not only to the heart of the " Hustler" trial, but clues to the kind of man Leis really is.

Parents made up the majority of the audience. Some of them applauded the speech. Many students did not give the same response.

We cannot question the " Hustler" trial — our concern is the manner in which the prosecutor went about his business.

In the question-answer period that followed, we felt Leis proved himself to be a less than able public speaker, and a biased, and sometimes unhinged, one.

Leis made many accusations and comments that apparently were received solely on his opinion. Yet when statements by two Edgecliff students conflicted with his, Leis suggested, "check your figure" and "you'll find just the opposite to be true."

Five times Leis interrupted persons asking questions, denying them the consideration they had shown him.

Three times Leis referred to one female student as "air," correcting himself only the first time. Though Leis admits to his own bias, the right-wing attitudes often seemed extreme and out-dated.

Consider the following:

In a reference to certain sexual habits, he attributed the acceptance of one practice to its frequent portrayal in pornography, expressing what many students felt was a naive and out-dated opinion.

While denying that he was out to get every book and magazine ever published, the implication was that Leis did intend to go after any publication that dealt with sex.

Though all experts feel the " Hustler" conviction poses no threat to the freedom of the press guaranteed in the First Amendment, a vendetta by a single person, seemingly consumed by a basic freedom, could possibly endanger one of our basic freedoms.

In an answer to a question about the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) Leis' reply seemed to be highly misleading.

Leis' description of some witnesses who testified on behalf of the defendants in the " Hustler" trial seemed to be based on emotionally charged issues. It was more obscene than por-nography. This question and its answers, although it might seem, should be separated from the charges involved in the " Hustler" trial.

Statements, accusations and opinions expressed by Mr. Leis did not seem to show the clarity or well researched answers that one would expect from an elected official of his position.

The 1973 Supreme Court gave communities the right to determine standards of obscenity and act accordingly. We believe Hamilton County has done what was needed and has solved a definite problem. We question, however, a prosecutor who is so extremely conservative that he neglects to see the other side.

Conservatism is no crime. But when a man looks down on any other approach or act of values other than his own, there is a problem.

By Gall Smith

Although a person can be too sure of the arrival of spring, such persons are at Edgecliff News, Friday, March 7, 1977.

Students, faculty and administrators will be rushing out the doors of Edgecliff. Why? Because when the short hand and the long hand hit the clock, the two numbers that we are waiting for, spring has arrived.

Regardless of the unknown weather conditions, several of our students have already planned their break.

Freshman, Rita Shumate, plans to spend a week with a friend in Indiana and tour the area as well as her own hometown.

Ginger Martin, a sophomore, has the same plan in mind. He intends to tour the non-homeland, Debbie Marks, a sophomore, and a member of Edgecliff's girls basketball team intends to go to Atlanta, Georgia with friends. If her plans fail, she's going to Louisville, Kentucky to participate in a basketball tournament.

Another freshman, Winnie Su, Hoo Lin, is going to visit her father in Tennessee.

Senior, Kay Knappachter, who's major is sociology and social welfare Alterman, plans to go home (Dayton) for several days, and then return home to work on her final paper (you counselor).

Cynthia Shepherd, Editor and Nano, "Edgecliff News" is going to Nashville, Tennessee. They will be with the national editors and contributors.

Spring break ends Friday, March 11, 1977 and class begins Monday, March 14, 1977. Everyone hopes to be in good shape and ready for the long, long road and the long hand to reach the time for Easter Vacation.

What Happened To The Column

Just in case you are wondering about the stone column that used to grace the Edgecliff News, it has not been knocked down.

Plans are being made to weld the drive and erect the column again in its proper position. The column was built in the late 1800's and the width was less than the one shown today, but a little too narrow for the cars of today!

Will It Ever End?

"Throw no stones into the well that quenches your thirst." — Aesop

By Cynthia Shepherd

For some time, people have known that the drinking water is like refined sewage, that Lake Erie is dead and that streams everywhere are polluted.

Some time ago, the Environmental Protection Agency issued a warning against the use of aerosol sprays because the bio-degradable chemicals have a negative effect on the ozone layers. The air we breathe is loaded with deadly gases.

And noise pollution? Because this is the age of the super-sonic and the guises of death.

This winter, several tons of oil were spilled into the ocean. Then came the natural gas shortage. Schools, as well as stores, began to close. Several hundred people lost their jobs. It was even to the point where people were freezing to death.

They thing this winter? — it was again. We had crisis after crisis. When will it all stop?

Just last week, it was revealed that the drinking water is poison. Can you believe that because of carbon tetrachloride, people are afraid to drink water?

You would think that with modern technology, our large corporate structures, steel mills and power plants, someone, even the elite corps of industrial or environmental experts could come up with an idea to solve the problems we are having.

But who can blame? In the past there was always a particular group of people that had the causes of the problem at heart. Now we all share this problem equally.

We are faced with a situation that happened because of human carelessness and error. We are up against a fight with nature. At the technology in the world cannot correct the careless mistakes we have made. These problems belong to us if we want to survive.

I suggest that we all start being more careful, and that we learn to conserve the energy and preserve what is left of our natural environment.

I also suggest that we strat today — just as the old cliché says — tomorrow may be too late.

Women's Services

By Peg O'Malley

A continuing column describing some available services and options for involvement for women in the Cincinnati area.

Women Helping Women, Inc. is located in the YWCA building at 9th and Walnut in downtown Cincinnati. The main thrust of this program is to provide shelter to the newly established Aid To Bastard Women. Seniors, Rich and Salvation Station Coordinator, provided information regarding the services offered.

The RAPE CRISIS CENTER, which has been in operation for some time, provides a hotline for rape victims. Whether the victim chooses to report the crime or not, the Center's trained staff does counsel- ing via phone or face to face. If the victim chooses to go to court, the Center offers support throughout the proceedings. Approximately 30 volunteers are extensively trained in on-going programs. These volunteers include three male counselors for male friends or relatives of the rape victim.

SERVICES PROVIDED by the Center include: public education speakers bureau, counselling support for the victims (including on- going, post-rap groups), training in rape crisis intervention, and advocacy for rape victims by lobbying for legislative change and influencing changes in area hospitals treatments to reduce the sexual trauma of victims.

The AID TO BATTERED WOMEN SERVICE is following the footsteps of the YWCA's wife abuse program. A hotline is available for domestic abuse situations. Presently, the Center is looking for funds to offer an emergency shelter for these victims and public hearings, to make the community aware of the severity of this problem. This new program provides telephone counseling and referrals, and soon helps to be able to go to court with the victims of violent, physical abuse.

OTHER PROGRAMS include: assertiveness training, self-defense classes for men and women and our consciousness-raising groups and coffeehouses. Funding for the many "Women Helping Women" groups comes from subscription groups, the local community and the U.S. Department of Health (LEA) in Washington.

For further information, or if your interested in contributing to "Women Helping Women" call 381-0610.

Women's Services And Organizations

Busting Loose

By Gall Smith

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Behind The Scenes
With Raymond Cleary

Raymond Cleary, an engineer at EC, demonstrates the operation of one of the many valves in the boiler room.

By Gail Smith

Cleary, a former steam plant employee, has been called on to help with steam work. He and his co-workers are responsible for maintaining and operating the equipment that supplies steam to the campus.

The boiler room is a busy place, with steam being supplied to various locations across the campus.

Cleary, who has been with the company for many years, has become an expert in the field of steam plant operations.

Now About That Parking

Due to the adverse weather conditions during the first several weeks of school, parking was, to say the least, quite troublesome. The guards refrained from giving parking tickets unless it was absolutely necessary. Now that the weather has broken, it will be a different story. Enforcement of parking regulations will be observed to their fullest extent. Students beware.

The once student parking area located between the faculty areas and Cyprus has been given back to the faculty.

Students with decals are able to park in four areas: 1) The Pit, 2) gravel areas by the quad, 3) lot across from Education building, and 4) Hamilton Hall.

Faculty with decals are able to park in the faculty lot located at Grace Hall and at sites marked "Faculty." Staff with decals are, to park in areas designated "Staff."

Those are the areas in which you may, with a decal, park. Please, give your cooperation to a fellow student, faculty, or staff member and park only in your areas.

Students — a special thanks to all those now parking in the Hill lot, you’ve helped us a great deal.

Eileen Does It Again

By Kurt W. J. Mante

They said it couldn’t be done; until superstar Eileen Condit did it. Her secret? "I eat my Cheerio’s in the morning."

"I’m not," says Eileen, "I eat my Cheerio’s in the morning."

Eileen is the 5’2”, 119 lb. volleyball team that undefeated in three intramural games. She holds over Administration, Political Science, and Consumer Science, yet she has played all three games alike.

Representing the nurses team, Eileen could go on to win the $50 prize money that the winning team will receive. She feels that the team she plays "have to feel dumb and insulted."

Eileen says that her serves have kept her game alive, along with critical advice from coach Dan Wissell.

The question now is, how do you beat her?

The opposing team should get some BIG strategy like — hit it where I’m not," Eileen says.

Star Trek Quiz

By Sybilla Kaplan

Taskiles, these questions are a bit harder. Remember that someone always played the part of the Enterprise’s commander, Data.

1. In what episode did the USS Enterprise-D first appear? (B) 2. In the episode "The Next Time," who was the only member of the Enterprise-D crew to contact with an 'inference engine'? (A) 3. In what episode did Spock play the part of the first time admit to having feelings akin to human emotion? (C) 4. In what episode and on what planet did the Enterprise search for and find Nurse Chapel's fiancé? (B) 5. In the episode "Dagger of the Mind" who played the part of the Captain? (C) 6. In the episode "The Doomsday Machine" who was the only member of the Enterprise-D crew to contact with an 'inference engine'? (A) 7. In what episode did the Enterprise-D search for and find the Enterprise-D crew to contact with an 'inference engine'? (B) 8. In what episode did the Enterprise search for and find the Enterprise-D crew to contact with an 'inference engine'? (B) 9. In which episode of the Enterprise-D crew to contact with an 'inference engine'? (B) 10. In what episode was Kirk confronted to over-emotionalism or neuropathy? (C)

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Metamorphosis

"...Red Ryder?"

By Peg O'Malley with Jim Ort

"When You Come Back, Red Ryder?" a vivid, scathing account of conflict and terrorism in a small town New Mexican diner during the late 1960's, is the current production at Playhouse in the Park, showing through March 13. Written by Mark Medoff, award winning "Ryder" was directed by Robert Brewer.

Antagonist Teddy (Kent Broadhurst) disrupts the routine lives of his six innocent victims by taking them hostage and using violent humiliation and forcing them to evaluate their roles in society. He creates a circus-like atmosphere of flagrant abuse and crushes their egos and complacency.

The play is characterized by a strange, Faulkner atmosphere of unease.

The first act is somewhat uneven, and as it progresses the humor is slowly displaced by nervous anxiety, finally exploding into shock and fear. But the transition is not well-balanced; one is not sure where the playwright intended the calm light-heartedness and laughter to end and the tension to begin.

In the second act we have to grab ourselves by the shoulders and shake ourselves to our senses when we realize that we are laughing at some terrible acts of humiliation. We sympathize with sweet, naive-innocent Angel (Mila Dillon) and can empathize to a lesser extent with Stephen (Raynor Scheine); both characters are victims of external circumstances. But the other characters are so extremely pitiful that the human element is lost, and we want to scorn them just as Teddy does. Their actions, viewpoints, and backgrounds are exaggerated. A pervasive air of the artificial, which first strikes us when we see the outdated Stephen lounging on the hideously accurate set, continues to dominate the play—an inaccessible, irreverent nightmare of plastic people and paper-thin logic.

"The message" is rammed home in a direct, forceful, and urgently violent manner as we observe Teddy cauterizing the sanitized and materialistic values out of the characters. It becomes evident that the characters are not mere stereotypes. They are clearly metaphorical and symbolic, but complicated contradictions within their personalities are abundant.

The "message" seems to laugh at itself because Teddy, too, lacks a realistic sense of humor. He points out the flawed outlooks and values of the others, yet he does nothing to improve his own. Although keenly aware of the shortsightedness of the people around him, he is not able to regard himself.

One thus picks up a general sense of a social statement from Medoff, but one has to sit down and write it out in any detail. What is being refuted is clear, what, if any, values are being supposed...