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Barry Harper Appointed New Food Service Head

Student Government Encounters Problems

by Mary Beth Healing

Student Government has encountered some problems this year, one being the resignation of Secretary Diane Honeyman, and the other dealing with the budget.

Secretary Diane Honeyman resigned in a letter submitted to President Lawrence Townsend, October 27, 1977. Miss Honeyman's resignation is due to a lack of time to carry out her proper duties. "Miss Honeyman didn't neglect any of her duties but resigned beforehand which I highly admire," said Townsend.

A new Secretary will be elected from either the student body or Student Government. Until that time an acting secretary will be chosen by the executive board.

The budget is also a problem. This year Student Government began with no definite budget. According to Townsend, "We never know just how much money we get. We must estimate and form a tentative budget." Each committee is presently working on a budget which President Townsend and Treasurer Cary Pigman will put together as a tentative plan. This plan will be presented for approval by Senate at the next Student Government meeting, November 14, 1977, which is open to the entire student body.

When questioned about the amount of money spent on live bands at various social functions, Townsend answered, "This money comes from the $5.00 student activity fee and money which has been allocated for exactly this purpose."

Student Government admits overspending in the social department, but strongly feels they have had many good activities. "We have concentrated on getting all students involved by attracting them with different activities and live bands rather than with free beer as done in previous years," said Townsend.

"This takes money." Despite these difficulties, Miss Townsend is pleased with the work of Student Government this year. "Student Government is an organization designed to get social activities on campus. These have been well organized and our success is shown by the turnout," said Townsend. She is also proud of the fact that student response on campus is better than it has ever been and that more and more commuters are becoming involved.

Some Student Government activities to look forward to are the Turkey Bowl Football Game and the Annual Christmas Party.

Black Student Union Plans Canned Goods Drive

The Black Student Union of Edgecliff College is sponsoring a Thanksgiving Canned Goods Drive. They are urging the entire Edgecliff community to participate.

Deborah Marks, President of the Black Student Union, says that, "It is a very good opportunity to show your concern for others during this festive occasion. We are trying to bring some happiness to those who are in need. We hope to be able to supply the canned goods, whereas the Lee Chapel A.M.E. Church of O'Bryonville will supply the other thanksgivings."

The Thanksgiving Canned Goods Drive will take place on Wednesday, November 16, 1977 on the ground floor of Sullivan Hall. If you feel that you can contribute something to this worthy cause, contact: Deborah Marks Sullivan Hall, Rm. 704 861-0037 or Amerine Lowery Sullivan Hall, Rm. 419

Let's help someone have a better Thanksgiving Day!

We have posted on the ground floor of Sullivan Hall a list of all of the coming events that we feel would interest you. Take a moment to notice the speakers, plays, dances, trips, and other activities posted there.

Also, the Black Student Union would like to thank you all for supporting their bake sale. It was a great success.

The Black Student Union is having a "Scorpio Disco Dance." It will be held in the Garden Room, on November 12, 1977, from 10:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m. The cost is $1.00 with College I.D., and $1.25 without. Beer will be available.

Journalism Department One Woman Show

By Mary Jo Need

A reporter from the University of Cincinnati "News Record" asked a reporter from the "Edgecliff News" if the college had a journalism department.

After a bout of hysterical laughter the reporter picked herself up off the floor and replied, "No, we have one only here."

"Well, does that one person have a Ph.D. in Journalism?" inquired the "NewsRecord" reporter.

Again, our reporter burst into gales of laughter. "B.S.," she answered. "Yes, it's true. Edgecliff College has a one-person Journalism Department. That one person has a bachelor of science degree from the Northwestern University School of Journalism. And a lot of practical experience."

But the real question is not one of quantity. An entire department staffed with numerous degree holders would be worthless without active student participation.

And as Shakespeare said, "Ah, there is the rub."

For some reason the production of the campus newspaper is a mystery to most students. When, in fact, it is a relatively simple operation of gathering the news and writing it.

Who are the reporters? They are your classmates. The girl sitting across from you in history may be a reporter. Most of the reporters are writing for the newspaper because they care about the college, not because they are aspiring journalists or super writers.

Some of the reporters are enrolled in a course called Journalism Practicum. Here they learn how to write for the newspaper, gaining academic credit for the work they do.

But out there on campus, there are many, many more students who could be submitting articles to the "Edgecliff News."

All it takes is two eyes to see what's going on, and a few minutes to write it down in fairly readable fashion. You don't have to be Woodward or Bernstein to write for the "Edgecliff News."

To paraphrase the current song, "Don't make my blue eyes blue, but know that out of over 900 students, less than a dozen are actively involved in writing the newspaper."

According to a survey published in this issue, everyone reads the newspaper, why doesn't everyone contribute too?"

Mrs. Head is a lecturer in the English department and advisor to the newspaper and yearbook.

Photo By: Mike Reed
Yearbook Update

Plans for the production and sales of "The Edgecliff" yearbook are in full swing. A ten-day ticket sales campaign will begin on November 14, and last until November 22.

Staff members will be on the ground floor of Duffin Hall to sell the yearbook. The cost will be $8.00 per book, with an extra charge for a dust cover and name imprint.

According to Miss Cynthia Shephard, "The goal is to sell every single person in the Edgecliff Community a yearbook." She continued to say that a yearbook is something that is worthwhile, and the purchaser will have it to keep and treasure.

Watch for posters with more information about the yearbook around school. The yearbook will be on hand during the campaign. This includes the waterfront, Publick, and Mike Reed, Co-Photo Editors, and other staff members.

NOTE: This is a formal apology to John Publick, who's name was spelled wrong in the last issue of the "Edgecliff News."

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Survey Results

Encourage Staff

By Mary Beth Kramer

The "Edgecliff News" recently surveyed 67 persons including students, administration and faculty members concerning their feelings about the paper. Of those surveyed, 45 were females and 22 were males. Commuters numbered 55, with 12 commuters surveyed.

Everyone questioned said they had read the "Edgecliff News" at least once. Comments such as, "I always read this paper," and "It's something I really look forward to," were typical.

What did you like best about the paper? Out of the 67 people surveyed, 21 thought the variety of campus information. Five felt the best part of the paper was the editorial page. Others split their views with responses like, "I enjoy the personal articles," and "It's a good newspaper." However, one person commented, "It's the best I've ever read!"

When asked what else they would like to see in the paper, the answers were incredibly similar to the response of what was liked best about the paper. Thirteen people felt that more campus activities should be listed in the paper. A Clear Abbey column was included among suggestions such as alumni news, opinion polls, comedy and in-depth literature.

Several students encouraged more personal coverage. "Everyone likes to read about themselves," one said. Eleven individuals felt there should be more sports coverage with hopes that this would promote sports activities on campus.

Those who were in agreement with editorial policies numbered 55, while 12 did not agree. One person commented, "You must have these; it's really unprofessional without them."

Numerous persons felt the policy of signing all letters to the editor wasn't profitable. "Goods ideas come from people who don't need their name printed and they won't write because of this policy," said one person.

The smallest margin of difference in responses was found on the question asking if the paper was giving fair coverage to controversial topics. Those who said they were "not interested in this problem" were the only negative ones. "It's a question of ideas, not controversy," said one person.

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Point

Is Apathy A Real Problem At Edgecliff

By Cynthia Shephard

With rising concerns, I have heard the students of Edgecliff refer to their newspaper as "apathetic," which is not true to the nature of the students or the newspaper. Apathy should be made by those in office, not as an apology.

The complaint seems based on the fact that the attention at activities is low. This may be a legitimate statement, but I do feel that it is a mistake to say that the students who do not come to the activities are apathetic. There are other reasons.

More specifically, the complaint is that curmudgeons do not attend activities at all.

One must remember that some commuters are on campus for at least eight hours, and after going home, do not want to return for a movie or a dance. Also, there are those who live too far away to make the trip back, and others whose activities prevents them from going to the city bus. Can a commuter really be considered a part of the Edgecliff campus?

Is it really fair to tag these people "apathetic" because the trip back to campus is inconvenient for some, and in cases, the safety of the individual is at stake?

Can we truly call these students "apathetic?" Can we say that they lack interest in Edgecliff Community?

NO, we cannot!!

You might say that these students who do not attend activities are wasting the $6.00 per semester activities fee that they pay, and you are right. This fee should not be made mandatory. I do not feel that everyone should be forced to pay for something they cannot enjoy.

It is not possible to be considered that we are part of a growing community. In America, we are part of the working class. Most of Edgecliff's students have jobs. It becomes difficult for them to work and see movies, and just leaving.

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By Judy Hooyer

Before anyone reads on in this passage, there are a few things we must understand.

First of all, I do not wish to condemn student participation in activities. I wish to encourage more. Secondly, participation has increased from last year, and I am grateful. But problems still exist.

In referring to activities, I am only speaking of those which are sponsored by Student Government. In any given event, no matter how well organized and publicized, you can bet that no more than 1/5 of the student body will attend. This is only for a major event. Attendance for smaller events runs anywhere from 30 to 115 people.

There is something ironic about the people participating in these activities. They are the same persons that you see at every function. Seventy five percent of the percent of the persons are dorm students. This seems to be a little off to me, considering that dorm students are only 1/5 of the entire school.

It is true that "dormeaux" do have an advantage living here on campus. But I find it hard to believe that the majority of the school, the commuters, are all out working every time an event is sponsored. I do not wish to offend the commuter students that faithfully attend the activities. For those who are not aware of the fact, many Student Government activities are paid for out of your own pocket. A student activities fee is paid every year by every student at Edgecliff. Most students are paying for an event that they don't even bother to go see. It's like buying a ticket to a concert and not going to see it because you are afraid that it isn't going to be any good. This makes no sense.

I am sure that some of the blame may be given to the Government. Their fault may be the inability to reveal to the commuters this is not taking the load off the commuters. It takes two to make an event successful. There are those who organize and those who attend. One cannot exist independently of the other. Organization and attendance are dependent factors.

Lack of attendance is not going to destroy Student Government or their events. I still have a good time no matter how many people are there. I just think that it is sad that people don't care enough about school to want to get involved. It must be awfully boring and depressing coming to classes and just leaving.

The quality of Edgecliff as a school is not reflected by how many four year students we produce or graduates. It is reflected in the personal relationships that develop between students and the faculty. I can't imagine leaving behind all the wonderful and caring people when I go home at night or when the weekends come.

The people at Edgecliff are worth getting to know and the events are well organized. But more importantly, they are organized for you. Try to participate in some school activities, for your sake.
By M. Beth Kramer

It's turkey time again, but com-
pared to celebration, Thanksgiving is less publi-
cized and much smaller. Students are pre-
paring to go home for their traditional dinner with family and friends, and with two days off, students seem less anxious to decorate and plan activities at school. This is due primarily to the fact that no one is at school on Thanksgiving Day. But why not decorate the rooms around the occasion.

In elementary schools, each room is decorated to reflect the season. Turkeys, leaves, pumpkins, and words that reflect the season are used to make the atmosphere isn't so dreary. In high school, the atmosphere isn't as ob-
vious, but still there are reminders of the days assignments are arranged around the calendar.

One reminder of Thanksgiving at Edgecliff is Random hall filled with pheasant items from student lounges. Each floor prepares its own Thanksgiving meal with all the necessities: turkey, dressing, cranberries, potatoes, numerous vegetables and pies. The dinner is thinned out prior to the 24th so all students can celebrate at home as well as with friends at school.

Always, Thanksgiving is the fourth Thursday in November. This day was not the original day, but was set aside by President Lincoln in 1863. In 1941, Congress declared the event a national holiday.

Although the custom of giving thanks is taken lightly today, it was originally a day of reflection and giving thanks for the year's good fortune. Goodness. Because students are at school, as they are on Thanksgiving Day, the halls don't seem lea-

ding to an exciting and fun-filled Oktoberfest. The fall association sponsored a very successful Oktoberfest on September 30.

The Octoberfest, a German band from Cincinnati, entertained us that evening. Attendance was good and music was favored.

The Octoberfest was said to be one of the biggest events Edgecliff has ever had and should become annual event.

The next activity planned on this day is an ECTA Christmas Open House on December 5 from 12 to 2.

By Judy Hooper

Excitement and frivolity filled the air on Thanksgiving Day. Festivities included a special dinner, a pumpkin carving contest, trick or treating, and ended with a dance at Harrison Hall. This night proved to be successful in spite of a major difficulty.

The disc jockey for the disco dance did not come. But the Hall was not silent too long. A stereo was brought down and the records were tuned by Bob Mazzarella, Joy Fernandez and Don DeFrees. Over one hundred peo-
ple danced until the stroke of nine, the usual hour in a disco.

The night began with witches, lions and rabbits attending a candle lit dinner in the cafeteria. Screams and shrieks echoed in the halls as the unspeechless cafeteria employees chased students through the halls.

Dinner was followed by trick or treating in Sullivan Hall from 6:30 - 7:15. This event was opened to both male and female students, but few men participated.

The party moved down to the Alumni Lounge for the announce-
ment of the winning pumpkins. First place went to the third floor, second place to the sixth floor and third place was awarded to the fourth floor.

Student Loans? What About After Graduation?

Do you have a student loan? Are you thinking about getting one? If so, there are several important things you should know regarding loan programs.

In 1975, Ann graduated from her state university with a master's degree in education. Her four years of college included $7,000 in debts she had accumulated during her last five years of schooling. She quickly dis-
covered that the job market for high school French teachers, and even for in-training graduates of her college, was $5,000-$6,000 a year.

The marketplace was as $5,000-$6,000 a year in an in-

surance office. She was offered the job from the $8,000 she had counted on as a teacher.

To top it off, she received the first

month's bill of $91 for repayment of her college debt.

Unwilling to face ten years of paying off a loan with an unacceptable repay-

ment prospect, Ann declared backruptcy; that's when she went to court, told the judge she was unable to pay her debts, and asked to have them wiped out. After several months of declaring backruptcy must turn over most of her assets to creditors in Ann's case, this was the original budget. She handed over the $60 and left the courthouse legally free and clear of her $7,500 debt forever.

From 1974 to 1976, 12,000 former students filed similar bankruptcy claims totaling $15 million borrowed through various government-funded loan programs. Is backruptcy a sensible step if you are confronted with heavy college debts that your budget can't accommodate?

If you go through backruptcy, you should remember that a report of your bankruptcy remains in your credit bureau file for fourteen years. This means that every time you apply for a charge account, bank loan or mortgage, the prospective lender will read about your backruptcy. Some creditors may take into consideration the special circumstances surrounding your backruptcy for instance; was it due to a health problem or was it due to anything you wrote in your own explanatory statmement? The report is one of the important

report, but nevertheless, you may be surprised to find how long your time to come.

From this last report for those clearly in a position in which they will never be able to repay their debts and carry on with their life, it is not meant for young men and women who find it temporarily insipid to meet debt repayments. All government loan programs encourage former students who are having trouble repaying educational loans to apply to their bank or college lenders for "forbearance" the term which is used when you ask an in-
stitution to change the terms of your loan to make it easier for you to repay. For example, if you are scheduled to repay your loan in ten years with minimum payments of $20 a month, you can ask the bank to reduce your monthly payments to a manageable level by spreading your payments over a longer period of time. Also note that new 1978 laws specifically provide for deferment of repayments up to twelve months during any one period when you are unemployed and looking for full-time work.

By Martin Johnson

The Edgecliff Women's Basketball Team competition is underway! Staying successful, the Pioneers are looking forward to an exciting season. Play started November 9, 1977. At that time, the Pioneers were 0 and 0. This year the team has added new coaches, Dorothy Tatumvan and Kris Armstrong, who have been with the team for the last two years. The team now consists of Karen Johnston, Mary Lambert, Deborah Marks, and Co-Captains, Eileen Con-
dit, and Karen Ramer. New to the team this year are Donna Russell, Lyrne Smith, Amy Slinger, Lorene Mitchell, Teresa Sullivan, and Josie Pionson.

The Pioneers will be playing eleven games, plus three invitational tournaments, in con-
cluding the Spalding Invitational, in which they will participate in one first place title in March, 1977.

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**Theatre Casts Next Play**

David Barrie, Professor of the Visual and Performing Arts Department of its Hostos Community College, is visiting the campus of Edgecliff College as a guest director and author during the month of November.

Barrie was the founder of the Cincinnati Shakespeare Festival in 1961. In its first year, the festival was hosted by Edgecliff. After a very successful first summer, Barrie was invited to join the faculty of Edgecliff. He later became the Chairman of the Speech and Drama Department and began the Edgecliff Academy of Fine Arts. The Academy was a union of the drama, art and music departments. The purpose of this union was to develop programs in the arts for Edgecliff students. It assisted the college in projecting its image into the greater Cincinnati area and create an attractive and appealing liaison between Edgecliff and its community.

After eight years Barrie left Edgecliff, and in 1970 took up his present position. He returns now at the invitation of Barbara Kay, Chairwoman of the Department of Dramatic Arts at Edgecliff. A grant from the Corbett Foundation for Improving the quality of productions allowed the faculty to create a new theater space for Edgecliff. The result is "The Eagle's Nest". It is part of the Edgecliff Parduc Modernist Theatre, the first of its kind in the Middle Ages and about Queen Jadwiga of Poland, who rose to power and influence in the very early days of Modern Europe.

The play will open at Edgecliff on December 1, 1977, in the Eagle's Nest, on the top floor of the college. The play is a teamwork Barrie as director, Ms. Kay as Producer and costume designer, and Jay Depenbrooke as set and lighting designer.

** Classified **

Edgecliff may consist of only boys, but even that's more than the "women" here can handle.

Kelly, When the King returns, I want front row seats. How about you? Lou. Roomie, Do you know that people normally work during the day and sleep at night? Lou. Jude, So Jack's brother is even better looking than Jacki Beth. Kathryn, Congratulations! Go out and celebrate your new life! Lou. Mary, That's more "twirling," the old one or the new one? Lou.

**SLEEP BEFORE STUDY**

HELPs GRADES

Are you the kind of student who usually studies hard before going to bed, or the kind who goes to bed, sets the alarm for five or six o'clock and then crams? If you're a pre-sleep student, you may be getting better grades as a result of your study habits than someone who does the work afterward.

Recent research into sleep and study habits shows that sleeping six hours disturbed it than someone who does the work afterward.

Researchers aren't exactly sure how sleep disturbs the memory process, but they believe it might involve hormones. In laboratory tests on mice, the hormone somatotrophin, produced naturally during sleep, severely affects the memory of mice injected with it. If you have a test to study for, study first instead of putting it off until the next morning. Better grades might be your reward.