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# October 8, Second City

Slapstick and satire, sophisticated humor, and a barrel of laughs will be the order of the evening when the nationally known theatre group Second City performs direct from Chicago's Old Town, in a benefit for Mt. Vernon's Good Samaritan Hospital, October 8. The performance will be at 8:30 p.m. in the Mt. Vernon Township High School auditorium.

The nine-member touring cast includes Bill Padgett, a 1966 graduate of Mt. Vernon high school, who arranged the benefit performance for his home town.

The cast will be on a tour which will include performances at Southern Illinois University's Edwardsville and Carbondale campuses as well as the University of Illinois at Champaign.

Composed of young actors and actresses, the troupe specializes in a number of short slapstick sketches poking fun at various aspects of life in these United States.

Tickets for the Mt. Vernon performance are \$2.50 and may be purchased at Delo Photo Craft photography studio in Mt. Vernon or by writing to Mrs. Glenn Galbreath, ticket chairman, at 14 Northbrook Drive in Mt. Vernon. Tickets will be available at the auditorium the night of the performance. There will be no reserved seats.

Second City's benefit performance is one of several fund-raising activities sponsored by the Good Samaritan Hospital Auxiliary, which has pledged \$20,000 toward the purchase of a gamma camera for the hospital. The auxiliary has so far raised \$7,000 for the sophisticated diagnostic equipment.

Second City has been the start-

## RENDERINGS

By RICK NANCE

### NEW CAMPUS PROBLEM LIST, Vol. I

1. **Outside phone line-from College system** — Don't bother to try. If it's absolutely necessary, call 22, ask Sue for an outside line, tell her who you are calling, the time, date, and extension number; your name, and driver's license number. Get the outside dial tone after three minutes of waiting, — you may have to try three or four times. Dial 1; this will put you back on the college circuit. Then dial 11; this will put you back on the outside circuit. Dial 1 again, pray, and dial the number that you wanted originally, if you still remember it. If this does not work, send a note on thin paper to Mrs. Hall who is organizing a pony express system.

2. **Drinking Water** — Uncle Ed's magic divining forks are on sale for two bits in Mr. McGhee's office. Hurry, supply is limited.

3. **Crates marked 'Yamaha'** — Take care in unpacking. These are the first 250's cleverly disguised as pianos. Play a "c" minor scale, step on the second pedal, and let out on the clutch. Will top out at around 55 mph.

ing place for such well-known theatre personalities as Alan Arkin, star of the recently-released movie 'Catch 22;' Mike Nichols, director of the award-winning motion picture 'The Graduate;' playwright Elaine May; and comedians Shelly Berman and Joan Rivers.

Padgett, the Mt. Vernon member of the cast, has worked his way into the acting company after starting as a refreshment vendor at the Old Town playhouse last year. He began his interest in theatre in high school, appearing in several stage productions there and at Southern Illinois University in Carbondale, where he was an undergraduate theatre major and president of the Southern Players theatre group.

## INFINITY

By ROSEBUD

This column will be devoted to various subjects of great interest. Most of the writers will be guest speakers. Today's column is going to be devoted to telling you kids what drugs are all about. The following information is factual, concise, knowledgeable, and downright straight. (All the information is from the personal files of an anonymous member of the Birch Society, Troop 69).

First of all, drugs are a no-no! Except for those approved by the Agnew Commission of 1970 which includes cigarettes, alcohol, and those found in the medicine cabinets of the great Silent Majority. These items are for medicinal purposes and should not come under the headings of dope. All those other demon substances are good only for rotting your mind and making you sterile. So to prevent the public from falling into any of the traps set by the radical, leftist, . . . etc. Commies, here are some trouble signs to beware of when checking to see if anyone you dislike can be turned in for possession of such satanic sauces:

Long hair and beards are a sure sign of severe drug abuse.

4. **Beware of Father Webb** — He has no building of his own. Any request for bulletin boards, wastebaskets, chalk, or picture hangers will result in his coming quite unglued. Working twenty eight and a half hours a day for the past three months has left him with—understandably—little cool. Fabulous job, Mr. Webb. (Where's our wastebaskets?)

5. **"The Zoo"** — Located on the outer walls of the Oasis, the RLC Zoo contains many and various creatures of distinction. Keepers are located at left side of entrance ramp. Violence may result if Zoo is approached during feeding time. Spectator hours are posted on each cage. More pleasure may be derived by watching the Gladiators fight in the Arena directly behind the Zoo ramp. Of special interest are the cages in the middle where feed is available for those willing to brave the "Pit."

University of Ina — hang in there, baby.

# Senate Plans Big Year

By JANE WAGGONER

"Whatever students need, the Student Senate will try to provide," explained Bill Moore, President of the Student Senate.

Anticipating the cry for help many freshmen will sound, the SS has set up an information desk to help anchor the newcomers into the wave of college activity.

On opening day, as well as throughout the year, SS members can be called upon to assist in any problem students might encounter. Serving as officers are President Bill Moore, and secretary-treasurer Miss Nancy Dilley, both of Mt. Vernon. Miss Kathleen Kenney, Mt. Vernon, and Jerry Walker, Christopher, finalize the remaining Senate membership and form the summer council. All are sophomore representatives. The newly elected councils will function twelve months a year according to Mr. Moore.

Lending an authoritative hand

These untidy young urchins probably are mis-guided and need help, but they got themselves into this mess and they can get themselves out. The best cure for them is hard work and long hours to teach them to be men, which for some of the feminine freaks could be a step in the wrong direction. Giving them understanding and help would only encourage their problem. What we need is to outcast them from society and make sure we don't let this disease spread to our athletic teams and scholars. After all, these fine all-American kids are our nation of tomorrow and we don't want them to be polluted by drugs.

Sniffing and running noses are another fool-proof sign of drug addiction. If you see anyone with this symptom, please do your country a favor and turn him over to the nearest policeman. Encourage the lawman to beat the kid or anything necessary to make him see what a sin he has committed. Of course, if it's a second offense, well certainly he must be punished. This Society would suggest life imprisonment, but I don't want to prejudice anyone. Of course, you could do your good deed for the year and get him to the nearest church in a hurry. We all know it doesn't matter what they believe, just so they believe something and will teach it to the poor freak.

Of course, in spite of all we do to prevent this disease from spreading, some idiots will ignore us and try this fool-hardy method of escape. My only advice here is "Out cast them" don't give them jobs so they will have money to support their bizarre habit. Break up any attempt they may make to organize in ranks. Stamp out all rock festivals. Any smart goodie knows that these are only breeding grounds for vice and filth. Let no more than two meet together at any time. Make them wear shoes thereby cutting down their chances for exhibitionism. Don't grow poppies. Teach your teen the straight and narrow way. Don't help a good boy go bad.

But most of all, stand up for your right to be narrow-minded. We fought for this right and let's not let any young punks feed us this bunk about love and peace. Let's fight, kill, and never give in to keep this country the great "Home of the Free."



Senate members this year are: Nancy Dilley, Secretary-Treasurer, Jerry Walker, Kathleen Kenney, and Bill Moore, Senate President.

to the Senate is sponsor Miss Betty Ann Ward, head of guidance.

The Student Senate functions as the student voice to the administration, echoing student complaints and criticisms. All entertainment and social events, including dances, movies and convocations are planned by the SS. This governing body is responsible for conducting most elections, such as those for the Christmas Dance and Spring Formal attendants. Members of the SS are to serve as hosts and hostesses to visitors to the RLC campus.

Out of the Senate budget comes allotments for the newspaper, yearbook, drama and athletic departments. All regular meetings are open to anyone wishing to express his opinion on any issue. Meetings are to be held in conference room 146 in the Oasis building at a time suitable for its members.

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### CONVOCATIONS

Before the mixture of ideas for convocation variety is made concrete, dates for a comedy team and possibly the SIU stage band have to be solidified. According to President Moore, convocations of an interesting nature including guest speakers have been planned for the definite three or four Fall Term sessions.

### ELECTIONS

Freshmen and representative-at-large elections are planned for the first convocation in October. Four freshmen, two girls and two boys, and three representatives-at-large, any combination, will be voted in by students after they sign petitions and hear speeches by the Senate hopefuls.

Interested students should petition for signatures of at least 25 RLC students and prepare a speech to be delivered to the convocation assembly. Ballot boxes will be placed in the Student Oasis and voting may be qualified by showing student identification.

also more than able members of the Senate this year. They are refreshingly creative and more than dedicated to the college and senate responsibilities. Jerry Walker is an enthusiastic person and a willing worker, and will pull his weight in Senate matters.

Elections for Representative at Large and Freshman representatives are yet to be held. More will be said on the remaining yet-to-be-elected senate members after they prove their talents, or lack thereof.

We're betting — from all indications — on the best, most aggressive Senate RLC has seen. That remains to be proven — we'll let you know later whether the Senate makes it or not.

## Senate NOOSE

This column is solely dedicated to one purpose: to present a biased, editorialized, highly personalized point of view of what the Student Senate is doing for the R.L.C. student body with student funds.

Here are the rules.

The staff writer of Senate Noose will remain anonymous, unless someone wants to know who writes the column. The writer will attend all Senate meetings and write about what he sees happening, who is doing it, and who is not. The Senate will do good, or it will not. No feelings will be spared either way. This does not mean that this column will be a sounding board of personal grudges. But it will be an opinionated version of what the Senate is doing or not doing.

This year's Senate Chief, Bill Moore, is off to a great start. Bill is a conscientious and hard working individual. Kathleen Kenney and Nancy Dilley are

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# DMZ Still Provides Weekend Retreat

Although the good ole summertime has come and gone, the DMZ college coffee house, 1435 Salem Road in Mt. Vernon, still provides a place where college students may go to reminisce about vacation fun or complain about the horrors of life. Every Friday and Saturday night the DMZ will be open from 8:30 until 1:00. Any student from a college or university may bring one guest to the DMZ.

"We would really like to have freshmen and other new students work on the coffee house committee," commented Nancy Dille, a member of the DMZ's executive board. A group of college students has been managing the DMZ since its opening last February. "Some of our committee members have transferred to other colleges and we need new people to replace them," Miss Dille added.

Things have changed at the DMZ since the end of school last June. The snack bar boasts a sandwich machine which cooks hot dogs, cheese, ham and cheese, and barbecues. Book shelves built by Terry Green, RLC freshman, house a paperback library in the TV room.

In early July, some committee members redecorated the DMZ with wall murals by Bob Troutt and Jean Derges, a piano and a tie-dyed sheet separating two rooms. "We kept the DMZ open Tuesday nights in the summer and we had quite a few kids drop in," explained Sherry Sigwerth, treasurer.

For those who don't want to sit around and talk, the DMZ offers table top games like checkers, chess and cards as well as a ping pong table and a pin ball machine. "We even have a TV that sorta works," Joette Davison, a committee member, remarked.



A favorite gathering place at the DMZ coffee house is at the bar. Rodney Isaac (left), Joette Davison, and Sherry Sigwerth share a joke while Bill Moore (background) coaxes the popcorn popper.

## Eight Instructors Join Rend Lake Teaching Staff

By PAULA FERGUSON

This year, Rend Lake College has added eight new instructors to the faculty list.

Joining the social science department are Richard Doherty and Vincent Cain. Mr. Doherty will serve as department chairman, and will teach modern Asian history. Mr. Doherty, a native of Ottawa, has previously taught at high schools in Illinois. He has received his Doctorate, and is a member of Alpha Theta, an honorary History society, and Phi Delta Kappa.

Mr. Cain, from Guthrie, Ky., received his masters from Austin Peary State University. He has had extensive travel throughout Australia, New Guinea, the Phillipines, Hawaii, and Europe. Mr. Cain previously taught at Paducah Juniors College.

Dr. Evelyn Claxton and Floyd Dressel join the communications department at Rend Lake this year. Mrs. Claxton previously taught at numerous junior colleges in Illinois and Kansas, and received her Doctorate from the University of Kansas. She is also

the adviser of the PRESSING TIMES. Mr. Dressel, from Belleville, will teach German. He has previously taught at Pekin and Peoria, having received his masters from Southern Illinois University. He has also spent much time in Germany and has served as president of the SIU staff of German teachers.

Ronald Prophet, who will teach physics and math, has his masters from the University of Kentucky. He is now working on his dissertation for a doctorate.

The music department has added Larry Phifer, who will teach appreciation, chorus, and private voice. Mr. Phifer has his masters degree from Illinois Wesleyan University, and is presently working on a doctor's dissertation. Mr. Phifer comes into the junior college program with several years of high school experience.

The school of nursing will add two new instructors, Mrs. Shirley Yeagan, R.N., a part time employee from last year, and Mrs. Karen Munch, R.N., from Centralia. Mrs. Munch will be teaching surgical technology.

### Campaign in October

## Students 'Give-In' To United Fund

Rend Lake College students, especially those from Jefferson County, will be asked to participate in a United Fund "Give In" day October 10 in Mt. Vernon. The purpose of the Give-In will be to collect pledges from the professional traveling businessmen in the Mt. Vernon area.

"We are helping the United Fund because we feel the Fund is a most important part of our community life and the nine agencies supported by the United Fund deserve our support also as college students," said Sara Dykes, drive chairman for the college.

The goal for the United Fund is \$80,000. By working this one day for the Fund, the college drive committee hopes to sub-

stantially help the United Fund to reach their goal. Any interested student should contact Miss Dykes or Sherry Sigwerth. Plans will be made for the collection of pledges on Rend Lake "Give-In" day.



## A Senate NOTE . . .

John A. Logan College couldn't; Kaskaskia College couldn't; can we? Yes, if we just try!! We're talking about the carpeting on only 1/2 of the Oasis. Other junior college students destroyed the carpeting in their lounges so we're being tested to see if we can handle the responsibility. If we're old enough to vote, we ought to be old enough to keep goop and cigarettes off the carpeting. Can we handle this?

Time will tell . . .

AT LAST, THE

# "BULL SHED"

MOD SHOP FOR GUYS AND GALS

EVERYTHING "IN"!

GET IN THE GROUP!

LOOK ALIKE!

SHAG DOWN AND SAY "HELLO"

LET YOURSELF GO!

BE BOLD!

GRAND OPENING - TOMORROW

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- FLAIRS—Valiere, Corduroy
- VESTS SUITS
- JUMP SUITS
- SWEATERS
- SCARVES
- HATS
- TIES
- EVERYTHING!!



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# New VW Views

JOHN KRAFT

One of a Volkswagen's greatest virtues is that it never changes its basic looks. This is great from the standpoint of resale value and for buying parts, but it really doesn't do much to make a VW stand out from others in a crowd.

Luckily, however, there is a variety of manufacturers who make an assortment of parts for us to individualize our cars with. They range from chrome wheels to windshields for the sunroof, but the most unique additions are the signs and sayings that fasten on the windows and bumpers. How about the one that says "Half car, will travel," or maybe "Transistorized Rolls Royce."

Only a true sports car buff could appreciate the irony of 'Caution, Student Porsche Driver.' Can you imagine the expression on the face of the Cadillac driver when he looks at the rear window of a Volkswagen, that just passed him and sees "You have just been Volkswaged, passed by 40 horsepower?"

There are even ones for the dash that are written in pidgin German. Drizzilflippin for over the windshield wiper switch, Glimmirblinken for the light switch, and Puttersparkin for the ignition. Perhaps the best sign of all is the one that says "Volkswagen, the all-American car."

movie theater.

### COMING ATTRACTIONS

Other SS-sponsored features of the year will include speaker Russ Burgess, an ESP expert; John Sack, a war correspondent now involved in the My Lai trials; a well-known comedy team, Edmunds and Curley; the Christmas dance the Spring Formal; and other various activities.

### Concert Oct. 9

## Guess Who to Appear at SIU

The popular rock group The Guess Who is coming to the S.I.U. Arena Friday, October 9. The rock music concert is scheduled to begin at 8:00 p.m. Ballin' Jack, another rock group, will also appear in the show.

The Guess Who made their start in Canada a number of years ago. In the beginning they had quite a struggle to survive in the show business world. Their first brush with success came with "Shakin' All Over," which was a medium hit in the U.S., but were almost ruined by crooked agents and promoters. They recovered and have come on strong as one of Canada's biggest contributions to the world of international show business.

To date The Guess Who's biggest success was Canada's first-

ever No. 1 world hit: "American Woman." In addition to selling over one and a quarter million copies in the U.S., "American Woman" also did well on the charts in England, Venezuela, German, Belgium, France, Denmark and Australia. Other big hits included "Hand Me Down World," "These Eyes" and "No Time."

Tickets for the event go on sale September 30 at the University Center Central Ticket Office, and October 1 at Sav-Mart in Carbondale and Tempo in Marion. Tickets are also available by mail from the S.I.U. Arena Ticket Office. Mail orders should include a stamped self-addressed envelope. Checks should be made out to the S.I.U. Arena. Tickets are priced at \$4.50, \$4.00 and \$3.00 for the public and \$4.00, \$3.50 and \$3.00 for S.I.U. students.



Orientation leaders meet to plan the program for incoming freshmen.

## Senate Members, Sophomores Conduct Frosh Orientation

While the months of June, July and August brought thoughts of summer jobs, swimming and picnicking to most prospective RLC students, four sophomores were keeping their minds on business concerning the opening of college.

Amidst summer jobs and activities, the four sophomore Student Senate members Nancy Dilley, Kathleen Kenney, Bill Moore and Jerry Walker were planned Freshmen Orientation, for Sept. 21. These four SS members met with 39 student volunteers Sept. 17 to prepare and present information on the Orientation agenda.

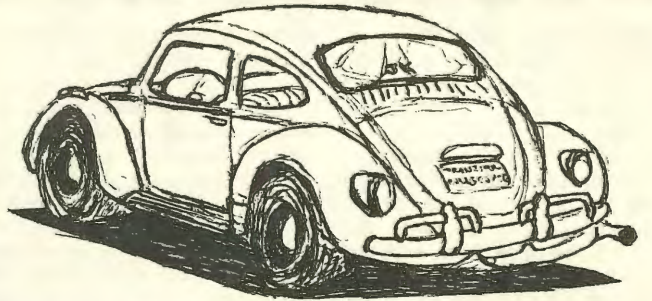
Orientation day began with approximately 500 freshmen divided and gathered in smaller groups in various classrooms for roll-taking and an informative sessions. Student services, lines of communication, the definition of a junior college, and school involvement were a few of the subjects discussed in these sessions.

### STUDENTS TOUR CAMPUS

Adjourning for lunch at noon, the students re-organized in their groups for a tour of the new campus. Many sophomores accepted the invitation given by Dean Yates' office to accompany the freshmen on the tour of the academic, science, gymnasium, and Oasis buildings. At the conclusion of the tour, the students danced to the music of the rock group, "Cassidy" and visited the booths set up by various clubs and organizations. At intervals during the dance, students heard different club members and

sponsors tell about their club activities. As one freshman was enjoying a free drink from the SS booth, he was overheard saying, "This sure is a lot greater than high school." And the Student Senate hopes to keep RLC life "a lot greater than high school" by providing numerous activities throughout the year for the students. Last Friday evening, the SS sponsored the movie, "The Secret War of Harry Frigg," starring Paul Newman. The movie was shown in the college walkway, transformed for the show into a

# VOLKSWAGON



THE ALL AMERICAN AUTOMOBILE

## Tournament to Highlight Year's Sports Program

By DAVID JUNKINS

Highlighting this year's sports program at Rend Lake College will be the Rend Lake Invitational, James Waugh, Physical Education Department Chairman has announced. Other new events include new physical educational classes, six new schools participating in this year's basketball schedule, and the opening of the new gym.

The Rend Lake Invitational, the first basketball tournament in this school's history, is scheduled for December 21-22. Teams participating this year are from Kaskaskia, Wabash Valley, College of Lake County, Waubanee, Jackson, Tenn., and Rend Lake. Of these teams two are from the Chicago area, and

one is from out of state. The six teams will play a single elimination tournament with the winners playing in the Championship Bracket while the losers compete in a Consolation Bracket.

### NEW COURSES ADDED

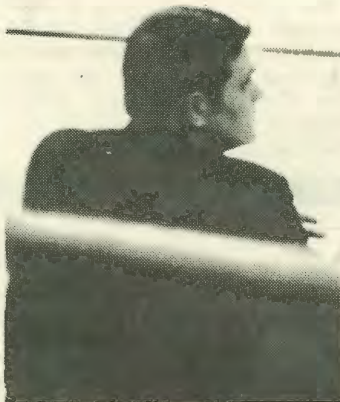
Mr. Waugh stated that this semester, three new P. E. courses will be added to last year's program. They include tennis, badminton, basketball for women and Adapted P. E., a course established for convalescents and the physically handicapped. Tennis will be played on the new tennis courts located between the new gym and baseball field.

The basketball schedule of 22 games includes 11 home games. In addition to the three new tournament entries, the following new schools have been added: Northeastern, Okla. A. & M.; Sedalia, Missouri; and East Central, Missouri.

### GYM OPEN OCT. 1

Coach Waugh also announced that the new gymnasium at RLC will open Oct. 1. The gym will seat 1500 with standing room for 200-300. When asked what he felt was the most attractive feature of the gym, Waugh exclaimed, "It's ours"

No intra-mural activities have been planned, but according to Coach Waugh, the gym will be open during school hours for student recreation.



COACH JIM WAUGH

## CTW Bulletin

Because the SEA book sale did not handle the Current Thinking and Writing textbook this year, there is a shortage of books in the composition classes. Any student having a used CTW that he would sell should contact Dr. Barbara Luchsinger in her Oasis office.

Anyone who would like to sell his used CORRECT WRITING FORM "D" textbook (Communications 101) should contact Mr. Brammier in his office.



The RLC Music Dept. booth was one of the most outstanding during freshman orientation.



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