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CSA Elections

By David Brooks, CSA President



Well, it is that time of year again and I am both excited and sad. We are coming up on elections and deciding in the direction of your next year's CSA. You, the students, have a lot of choices to make and I think that this election campaign will be interesting. Before you elect your new leaders, though, the CSA needs to determine the roles and positions of the leaders you will elect. On Friday, official notice of a referendum will be posted and you will be going to the polls on March 1 and 2. The referendum will be for a new improved CSA constitution that will essentially change the CSA's current set-up. You will see 5 executive positions instead of the current

13. There will also be a General Council made up of representative from the various faculties to check the executive's decisions. The details are going to vote right away among the current CSA members and will be posted on Friday so be sure to check out the windows of the CSA offices to familiarize yourselves with the issue before you vote. Then on March 5, elections will open for whatever constitution is applicable following the referendum. You will see new faces running and some old ones as well. This is your chance to let us know about the direction and mandates you want us to follow next year. Don't be afraid to listen to the candidates, and to ask them a lot of questions (to which you deserve answers). The people you elect will lead you all of next year. This is also a chance to keep current members or to make huge changes in personnel if you are not happy with the job they have done over the last year or two (no, Colleen, I'm not running again so you can not punish me by voting me out). The Chief Returning Officer for both the referendum and election will be Anthony Broich, who is a graduating student in Political Economy, and as neutral party as I could find. He will ensure that all the candidates are playing by the rules and playing fairly. There will be a message box set-up on the CSA president's door for Anthony, in case you have any concerns you would like him to address.

The nomination forms will be available on Monday, March 5 from Val Lenz in student Services and from Anthony's Box on the president's door. Good Luck to everyone who is involved, or who is thinking of getting involved. I look forward to watching one last election at Concordia from the sidelines.

A Valentine's Message

By Regan Wagner

Happy Valentines Day! Welcome to the season of pink and red, of hearts, and that little guy in a diaper who shoots arrows. It seems that Valentine's Day can be good or bad, depending on where you are in your relationships with others. I know that I've been there – instead of having someone special to share Valentine's Day with, you spend the whole day watching others and wishing you had someone special. Love is a crazy thing. So just what is love? Good question. Poets, songwriters, and many others have all tried to define and describe it. My favorite definitions of love are found in John 15:13: "Greater love has no one than this, that he lay down his life for his friends." And in 1 John 4:10: "This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins." Jesus defined love when he spread his arms and died on a cross. I read a t-shirt one time that said "It wasn't the nails that kept Jesus on the cross – it was His love for you and me." Wherever you are, wherever you've been, whatever hurts you have in your life, Jesus loves you. To Him you are the special person He wants to spend Valentine's Day with. But He doesn't just want to spend Valentine's Day with you, He wants to spend eternity with you, that's why he gave up his life for you – to take away your sins and to make a way for you to spend forever in heaven with Him. And if you were the only person on earth He still would have done it – that is how much He loves you! Valentine's Day comes and goes, but Jesus doesn't. He is here for you 24 hours a day 365 days of the year, he will never leave you or forsake you. I pray that this Valentine's Day and all the days of your life you will abide in the loving arms of Jesus who gave everything just to be with you.

Street Hockey Tournament

The next street hockey tournament will be Sunday March 4. Contact CSA Athletics Coordinator Rachel Burghardt or Erin Payne in the office or call 479-9218 to sign up.

MIXED NUTS !!##%#%**&*#

By Scott Mair



This week, I would like to discuss a growing problem at Concordia that I am very upset about. Recently, some friends of mine were harassed in various locations on campus by fellow students. I don't think these people realize how hurtful they are being. "Faggot!" That is all they have to say. Do they think they are proving their masculinity buy saying this derogatory word? Why? That is what I would like to know. Yes, I am gay. No, that does not mean you get to treat me with contempt, discrimination, or resentment. Harassment is not only mean, it's illegal, and I think that if you have to jeer it at me, you are a small individual. I am not ashamed of being a "Faggot." I am proud and I wanted to share with everyone the following email that I received recently.

"The following essay was submitted to The Philadelphia Public School Notebook, an education reform newspaper, by an 11-year-old student who was only comfortable with publishing it on the condition of anonymity. While neither The Notebook nor Rethinking Schools would ordinarily print anonymous submissions, the circumstances in this case are overshadowed by the power of the essay and the importance of the issue. As the editors of The Notebook wrote, 'We publish it in hopes that more young people will some day soon feel comfortable expressing these viewpoints openly and without fear.'

"'You're gay.' That is what I have been hearing for six years - ever since I started school. Kids say those words as a way to insult each other. But it always bothered me because I know people who are gay. When people use the words 'You're gay,' it makes it seem like there's something wrong with being gay. I never thought that was right. One night I told my mom that this was happening at school. She told me, 'You should stand up to them.' She told me she was proud of me for not teasing other kids and for not using 'gay' as an insult, but she said sometimes it wasn't enough. Sometimes you should speak out when you think something's wrong. I thought about this for a long time. I never had the guts to do it. But one day I stood up for myself. It was a rainy day. My teacher was late for class. All of a sudden I heard, 'You're a faggot.' I wanted to see who said that, but then the teacher came in. Later, I heard those words again. The person who said it sat right next to me. He said to a boy (who wasn't very popular), 'You're a gay faggot. I bet your whole family is too.' I wanted to say something but the words just wouldn't come out. I guess I was too scared. I kept hearing him say those words, and I really wanted to say something. Finally, I did. I said, 'What if he is gay? Then what you gonna do about it?' I waited a few seconds and then said, 'That's what I thought. See, you can't say nothin' 'cause there ain't nothin' to say. He's just another human being like everyone else.' After I said that, it made me feel good. I really felt like I did something right. After that day I really started to change. If anyone called someone gay, I would say something to them that would make them feel low. That stopped the gay bashing for a while. After a few months, I told my mom what I had done. She was proud of me. A few weeks later, somebody recognized what I did to help others. That somebody told me a secret that I would never forget. At recess she brought me to a quiet space that nobody played near. I said, 'Where you taking me?' She told me, 'I got to tell you something important.' I decided to go. I saw where she was taking me. It was the closet where all the balls we use to play with at recess were taken from. She took me there and said, 'I have seen what you did for people who were being teased. I just wanted to tell you that my parents are gay. It is very hard for me to listen to all this gay bashing. I really like what you did.' I asked, 'Then how do you keep it a secret? I mean, at parent/teacher conferences, don't people see you have two moms?' She told me, 'Only one of my moms stays in my life at school. The other is in my life at home. They keep it that way so I don't get teased and to keep themselves safe.' After I heard this, it made me very sad. I was sad for her and sad for all the people who had to listen to this. Later that day I kept thinking, 'Why do people make such a deal about gay people? I thought people would know better than that.' That night I told my mom the secret. She was quiet for the rest of the night, and so was I.

The author is an 11-year-old Philadelphia public school student"

Elections etc.

By David Brooks, CSA President

By the time you read this I am sure that Mr. Klein has made the election call. So not only will you be going to the ballot box to elect Concordia Students' Association members but also to elect the provincial government. All the experts and all the polls say that Ralph is going to easily win one more time, but that really shouldn't deter any of you from getting out and making your voices heard. If this is to be an easy win, it will mean that Ralph and the Tories will need to listen to us regarding what our priorities are once the debt is gone in two or three years. This is why I am appealing to you, the students, to get involved. I will personally be making sure that at every opportunity I get, I will remind candidates from all ridings that post-Secondary Education should be a much higher priority than it is. Ralph sat down with

us during his televised Fireside and did not mention education once. How is it that our schools are running down and are almost packed beyond capacity and he did not mention that any help is on the way? The only statistic that students and the government need to be reminded of is 208%. That is the amount by which tuition has risen in the last year. That is more than any other province. On the positive side of things, we are going to be the first to retire our debt, our doctors make more than in any other province, the nurses will soon follow, and we are throwing cash left, right, and center at our heating and electricity crisis. I applaud Mr. Klein for taking all these initiatives but have just one question: WHAT ABOUT US? WHEN DO STUDENTS GET OUR SHARE OF THE PIE!?!?!?

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"Hey," he called. "I'm a rabbit from the laboratory and I've just escaped. Are you wild rabbits?"

"Yes. Come and join us," they cried. Our friend hopped over to them and started eating the grass. It tasted so good.

"What else do you wild rabbits do?" he asked.

"Well," one of them said. "You see that field there? It's got carrots growing in it. We dig them up and eat them." This, he couldn't resist—and he spent the next hour eating the most succulent carrots. They were wonderful.

Later, he asked them again, "What else do you do?"

"You see that field there? It's got lettuce growing in it. We eat that as well." The lettuce was wonderful, and in a short time, he was completely full.

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"So are you going to stay and live with us?" they asked.

"I've had such a great time with you, but I can't. I'm sorry," he said.

"Why not? We thought you loved it here!" the rabbits explained.

"I do, the lab-rabbit replied. But I need to get back to the lab. I'm dying for a cigarette."

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His wife replied, "I can't figure that out! He's only tried it twice, and he fell off both times!"



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Blurred

By Christopher Ducharme
Jan 18, 2001

Wandering around inside my own despair,
 Pondering what's deserved, guessing what's fair.
 Naked movements, longing for me,
 Empty beer bottles clanging around disturbing my peace.
 A forest green duvet and deep blue pillow cases,
 Washed over and over gradually losing brightness as I have.
 Sounds shattered aloud, heartbreaking footsteps,
 Mundane thoughts; meaningless and upset.
 Triggered voices provoking painful inflictions,
 Coughing back in their faces is my act of contrition.
 Residue heavily falling from her lips in the cold,
 While chattering teeth and frozen lips deceive.
 Fragmented sentences creating her own language,
 While deeply aroused echoes create coherent phrases.
 First felt in a little café, in my mind and in my heart,
 It was felt in all directions, no compasses needed.
 Frightful images now on the surface of my eyelids,
 Suddenly awoken, fallen asleep, and forgotten.
 For months I perceived the moon as twice its actual size,
 Repairing my desperate vision, I now see everything for
 what it is.
 The moon is not so big, nor the people, nor the emotions,
 Desires are beneath me; imperfections now exist because
 I can see them.
 When looking into the mirror I no longer see her blurred face,
 My reflection is distinctly mine.

STDs

Ask yourself these questions:

- Have I had sex with more than one partner?
- Has my partner had sex with someone other than me?
- Have I had sex without a condom?
- Have I shared needles?
- Has my partner shared needles for drug use?
- Have I had sex while high or drunk?

If you have said "Yes" to any of these questions, you may want to say "Yes" to getting tested for sexually transmitted diseases (STD). Most persons who have STD don't have any symptoms.

The STD Centre offers non-judgemental, confidential testing, and treatment. No Alberta Personal Health card is needed and treatment for most STD is free. We also provide hepatitis B vaccination, Emergency Contraception Pills, and pregnancy testing free of charge.

To make an appointment, call 413-5156.
For information about specific STD or to talk to a specialized nurse, call 1-800-772-2437 during business hours.

A Message from Capital Health

Translation of Letter Received from El Salvador

San Salvador January 24 2001

Concordia University,

On behalf of all the Salvadorean community, we thank you infinitely for all the help and support we have been receiving from you. We have not seen any other foreign aid as our government has made poor use of the funds. However, with what you have sent us, we have been able to survive these very difficult times that all Salvadoreans continue to suffer through.

On another note, we feel very grateful towards Angela who has served as a guardian angel in these most difficult times. We hope to continue to rely on your support as there are still many families suffering. For your help we thank you very much and may God bless you all.

Sincerely, Colonia I.V.U. Directive

Received January 31 2001 VIA FACSIMILE

Translated by: Angela Edwards; Translation verified by: Dr. A. Street

Aftershocks of a rating of 5 and above continue to shake El Salvador. This has caused increased numbers of injuries. These people still need our help. We thank you for any donations made please keep up the giving spirit. And as mentioned in the above letter, the community of Colonia I.V.U. is depending on us for assistance.

Gratefully,

Angela Edwards

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(Writers' meeting Feb 27, 10:40 am, CSA Conf. Rm.)

Anyone can write for the Blue&White! Submit articles on disk in Melanie's mailbox in the CSA offices, or by e-mail. Please save documents in Rich Text Format (.rtf) You may also e-mail us an image to be included with your article (please use an appropriate image format), or bring one in to be scanned. We look forward to hearing from you!

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Concordia Pride

By Peggy Rose

I have been going to Concordia for the past 2 years, and as everyone knows, I love this school. We have great professors and even greater students. Like so many others, I complain about the high tuition (who doesn't?), but what it all comes down to is that I am here, like most of you, by choice. I do, however, have a few complaints that have risen this year.

First of all, this year I am hearing many, many complaints about the Blue and White. I find this hard to understand. We have plenty of students that go to this school, who I presume know how to write. And yet, we get on the backs of the editors when the paper is too short because no articles were submitted. Maybe some people want to, but don't know how. It's quite simple. You can either save an article on a disk and submit it, or even easier, email it to them. Maybe you want to leave an anonymous note... Look! We still have Line x Lines and they are easy to submit. Write it on a piece of paper and leave it in the blue box by the CSA offices.

My second concern is a larger scale one. As we all know, the elections are coming up. These people are the ones that we are voting for to help make this great school even better. This year, there has been so much upheaval in that area that many people have given up on the CSA. This is why I am running, and I encourage others to do so as well. We can't have change without effort. After all, CSA isn't just five people on council; it is everyone who pays tuition and fees to go here. The people we vote for are there to REPRESENT us, not to BE us. It is a group project. Show some Concordia pride; get involved. It won't hurt, I swear. Don't complain if you aren't willing to do something to make a change.

Someone said to me this year that one thing they loved about Concordia is that it was so diverse. There are so many options and things that can be done here. This is the time that we, the tuition paying students, can get our money's worth. Maybe next year we will see an even stronger spirit and the greatness of our school. Let's get the enthusiasm back, because in my humble opinion, we are going to the best university in Edmonton. And I, for one, am full of Concordia pride. Get involved. Be heard. It's worth the effort.

ESA CORNER

By Jayne Florence

Hey Concordia! January arrived. January went. What more can be said? I hope we all survive the busy month of February. I know a few students who have me a little concerned about whether or not they will be returning after a week of basking in the sun during reading week... no jealousy here! Grrr! But seriously, have a great week off wherever you are. But please come back!

With all that has been happening during this busy month, I bet some of you are ready for some fun! Education week is planned for February 25th through March 2nd. On February 27 there will be a Date Rape Seminar. Some events you can expect to see in Tegler are Comedians, Velcro Olympics, Ice Cream Sundaes, and Karaoke. On Thursday March 1st, during the lunch period, Mark Yurick will be giving speaking at an information session on Concordia's After-Ed Program. He has lots of information to share and he is ready to answer any questions that you may have. Come and find out everything you need to know about your future studies.

The Education Student Association still has positions available for the school year 2001-2002. Please hand in your application forms soon, as the elections will be taking place shortly. Our office is located in Trailer 4 or you can contact us at 479-9231.

Come out during Education week this term, its going to be lots of fun!

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Thunder Sports: A Quick Review

by Dave Brooks

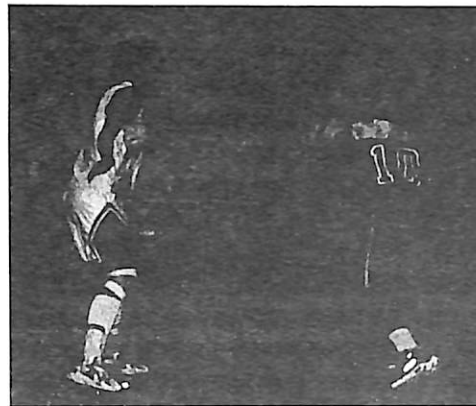
Well this may come as a surprise to most students, but we have some real good sports teams here other than soccer. I know I have been very good about writing about these other teams, but I will try to make up for that right now.

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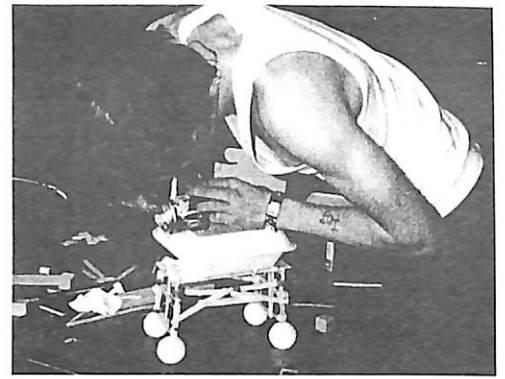
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Thanks to everyone who helped out and participated in the activities. Thanks also go out to Mandy Singh, our CSA science representative!



Pictures: Contestants madly creating their own pieces of art. Top Left: The beginnings of a windmill. Bottom Right: Construction Wars' most mathematical entry--a popsicle stick dojo.

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PSA Corner

by Greg Gorda (President of the PSA)

Hello Concordians! It has been a while since I have written to you, so there is a little catching up we need to do. Psychology Week (aka Psychopalooza) is taking place March 5-7. During these three days, we have arranged a number of different speakers, with topics ranging from sex therapy to personality assessment to information critical to getting into graduate school. There will be a variety of activities with a psychology theme to entertain you between speakers. As well, we are holding another Craft Show, with a spring theme, on March 31st. If you are interested in a table, please come by our office (T-4) or phone us at 479-9230. I would also like to remind you that if you have any questions regarding your psychology courses, we can give you suggestions or simply give a new perspective on any problems you have.

AN OPEN LETTER TO OUR C.S.A. PRESIDENT

Dear David:

I was distressed, to say the least, by your column in the last Blue & White. In that column you stated that you had done nothing wrong and the accusations against you were not based on truth.

Last millennium—approximately eleven weeks ago—I was approached by two first-year students who told me a disturbing story they had overheard about you being caught by a professor for plagiarizing, and when the Concordia Students' Association had a vote of non-confidence, you refused to step down because the vote was 63% instead of the 66% required by the constitution. They also said that they heard that you had told the CSA that you did not come here to get an education, only a piece of paper and the political experience. I immediately went to ask Students' Association members and faculty advisors what was known. My worst fears were validated when several people said they had heard you admit to plagiarism, also saying that the majority of the students at Concordia support you and your behaviour.

Because I feel that your behavior violates Article V, Sections C, D, and E of the Objectives of the Concordia Students' Association, I was looking into starting a petition in order to get Student Council to vote again (as per the Constitution, we need 10% of the student body to request such an action), but I went first to talk to you. At that time you admitted to me that all of the things I had heard were true, but you tried to blame former professors because they had allowed you to get away with plagiarism all of the past three years. As you may recall, at that time I pointed out to you that you could not blame other people for your choices—you admitted it was silly to suggest that the President of the Students' Association, after three years in this school, would not know what plagiarism was. How can you fulfill your duties as a role model if you don't know that, and how can you promote a Christian environment if you aren't honest?

After our discussion in December, I chose not to start the petition because you said you wanted to change, and that you would apologize to the student body in the next issue of Blue & White. I had no desire to harm you, only to ensure that you understood the seriousness of your mistakes. But you did not apologize and so I began the petition early in January.

I started the petition because I believe the Bible tells us that it is a kind and loving act to tell fellow Christians when they are in the wrong. What you have done wrong is boast about committing academic misconduct.

In my time at Concordia I have met many people with incredible generosity of spirit, integrity, and respect, and I consider this university to have "hallowed halls." I have received wonderful support from faculty and staff and from fellow students. As you know, I am a student with disabilities and I work very hard to maintain an honors standing. It is very hard work, but it is worth every minute. When I hear that you admit to academic misconduct and accept a monthly stipend from our student fees I'm deeply offended. It isn't right. You are not working as the rest of the student body works. The fact that the Students' Association attempted a vote of non-confidence says that most of them do not think you were right either. Being the President of any organization is an honor and a privilege and you have sullied the office of the presidency this year. It will take a while to remove the bad taste from many mouths after this fiasco.

I do not believe that the majority of students at Concordia would support your choices if they knew the truth. I believe we should give you what you said you came here for—political experience. No-one can win every battle in life. Perhaps this battle should be one you lose.

You have been given many opportunities to step down from your position with dignity and you have refused. I would like to get this dealt with once and for all. In order to do this, let us all meet in Tegler (Administration, Student Council, you, me, and other members of the student body) to clear up the misconceptions. Let's clear the air and let the truth come out.

I will be available for this meeting at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely, Colleen Chapman

Official Air Band Competition!!!



This is it: time to be creative and let your celebrity influences shine through. Friday, March 2, 2001 — Show starts @8:00!

Venue: Grand Opening of Elevation Lounge! (Upstairs from Von's). Proceeds generated will be donated to the SPCA. Tickets 5\$/7\$ at the door.

Winner of Air Band wins 500.00\$!!!! Door Prize is a night in a Fantasyland Hotel theme room, with dinner and breakfast!

DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES FEB 26th! See Gillian Cunningham, your Off-Campus Coordinator, or any CSA members for details.

Thunder Sports: A Quick Review

by Dave Brooks

Well this may come as a surprise to most students, but we have some real good sports teams here other than soccer. I know I have been very good about writing about these other teams, but I will try to make up for that right now.

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Another point of interest is the graduation dinner speeches. I am opening the Student's Address to all graduating students. Hand in your speech, approximately 5 min. in length, and may the best speech win. The graduation committee and myself will determine the winner. If you would like to speak, please make your submission by April 4, to my mailbox in the student council offices. If you have any other questions, concerns, or comments, give me a call (479-9211).

-Anjoli Mitchell



P.S. Thanks to everyone who supported Grad by ordering Valentine's Day flowers for their sweeties and/or friends!

My Christmas Gift

By Subhendra S. Dharampaul

The Christmas trees and Christmas lights are bright
With glitt'ring tinsels gaudy, cheaply trite
And presents nicely wrapped do say delight
The Christmas truth is Santa, sultry night
And Christmas parties tell the Christmas spirit
Carousing proclaims a gospel absent, dead
But O, to churches many go, who submit?
It's merely curious singing o'er a mead
The flames of Christmas candles flicker, die
A spark, a social mishap – all's now 'blaze
The things are ashes, nothing – all to lie
Yet all's obscure behind a mighty haze
A priceless bundle sweet, my Christmas Gift
The Christ of Christmas, Prince of Peace and Life.

(Ed Note: We apologize that this poem was missed in our December issue, but certainly appreciate the Christmas memories while we deal with February blues.)

Space-Filler Recipes

Some vegetarian recipes found by Sarah @ <http://www.eserver.org/recipes/>

Pasta and Brie

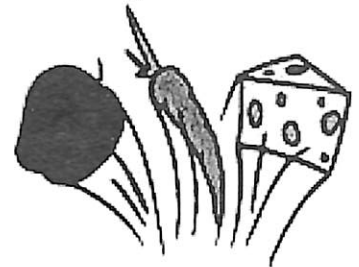
Preparation Time: 15 minutes

1 or 2 clove(s) garlic
1/2 pound brie
fresh basil leaves
sun dried tomatoes
black olives
salt and pepper
olive oil

Prepare the tomatoes by chopping and boiling for a couple of minutes. While pasta is cooking cut up the brie into small pieces, crush garlic and chop the basil finely. Pour oil over cheese, mix in the rest of the ingredients and finally, add the hot pasta. Stir and serve immediately .

Lemon "Chicken"

1 lb. firm tofu
1 T. olive oil
1 t. pressed garlic
1/2 c. sliced green onions
1 T. pastry flour
1 T. nutritional yeast (optional)
1/2 t. plum vinegar or brown rice vinegar
2 t. teriyaki sauce or light soy sauce
1 T. lemon juice



Cut tofu crosswise in 1/4" slices, then cut slices in 1" segments. Heat wok or large non-stick skillet and add oil and garlic. Add tofu immediately and stir fry for 1 minute. Add green onions and stir fry 1 minute longer. Dust tofu and onion mixture with flour and yeast. Stir fry for 2 minutes more, allowing tofu pieces to brown and crisp slightly. Add vinegar and teriyaki sauce, then stir fry until completely absorbed. Add lemon juice and stir fry 2 minutes longer. Serves 4.

LINE x LINES

A place to make anonymous comments. Try to be tasteful! Submissions are made in the blue box on the wall outside the CSA offices. The Blue & White reserves the right to exclude submissions that are in poor taste. We take no responsibility for your poor spelling and grammar!

<p>Yo! Cognitive Bias guy. More like cognitive blahs. No one wants to hear your dogmatic crap. You'd be surprised to learn how many at this school don't care what it says in Exodus. -Pagan Boy</p>	<p>To the Guys in Tegler who play cards and wrestle all day long: Is it your mating season or can you afford to waste thousands of \$\$'s?</p>
<p>JG: Dave Brooks has his own life, stay out of it!! If you are such a CHRISTIAN man you would know that being judgmental of others is NOT part of the Christian Ethics and I can promise you this, God does not approve of what you are doing either. Maybe if you spent your time focusing on the Bible, you would have some knowledge about what you preach instead of looking like an ignorant fool with no life of his own. From: One of the Many Dave Represents</p>	<p>Peggy: you RAWK GIRL!! S.E.</p>
<p>Pagan Boy & One of Dave's Many: Care to make this a proper debate? See YOU in the next issue.</p>	<p>Hey Arts: how's that gay club?</p>
<p>To The Loudmouths who can shoot off their dumb-a** opinions in the LineXLines: Why not put your name to it and make an article out of it. PashynitOne</p>	<p>J: Congratulations daddy. I can't wait to be an auntie.</p>
<p>Johnny - looking fine in that RedNewYork Yankee hat! - from the Yankee fan</p>	<p>Congratulations J.O. Now you can use the \$ you won in your lawsuit to support your new addition to the world. Signed: the "Freak" you tried to get.</p>
<p>Rachel: God is watching. So be nice to Lesley.</p>	<p>Friends are the siblings God forgot to give us.</p>
<p>He threw your ID out the window. So get over it - annoyed</p>	<p>Who's the cute Psych prez?</p>
<p>88 Chev S-10 Clubcab for sale. 167000 kms. \$3500 obo. Call Ben @ 473-1124</p>	<p>HeadMoron: you missed the nekkid men, that's ok more for me! TPT P.S. I saved you a goat.</p>
<p>ArabYouth: I am still waiting for that pizza at the ocean.</p>	<p>I think we should vote in an old shoe for prez next semester. There is never controversy with old shoes. (I'll even donate my left one)</p>
<p>To all the Sheep talking about impeachment. Learn ALL the facts before you embarrass yourselves further! PM</p>	<p>CSA - STOP B*#\$%ing and get a life.</p>
<p>Hey unintelligent mule, always remember to count to 10 before you speak. Who luv's ya baby!! PM</p>	<p>JG: let He who has never sinned cast the first stone.</p>
<p>PM: I can count to ten. Can you? TheMule</p>	<p>Long blonde hair, drives red car (I think?) has class at 11:10 on MWF - you're cute. Single? -Curious</p>
<p>Marcel, I am ready to get back together with you! The Girl You're Meant To Be With</p>	<p>J: hope you changed your toothbrush and didn't finish the donuts; nothing like scrubbing your toilet with an Oral-B.</p>
<p>Pigeon, Can't wait to see you in shorts. Pesser</p>	<p>Come see me for more info. Arts.</p>
<p>Jillybean aka curly hair Tegler girl! I'll take you out for wine anyday! RickyM</p>	<p>I am proud to be a Wal-Mart shopper. TPT</p>
<p>To the Big Guy in Rel 342 w/ the knee brace: hey hottie, get better soon so I can start chasing you!! The Girl in Rel 342</p>	<p>TPT: you were late! May the moron gods strike you with flames of maple and sugar oatmeal. -Head moron</p>
<p>Lesley: time to come out. RickyM</p>	<p>For Scooby: BS says he loves you. Thanx</p>
<p>Thanks to Uniat, Evanista, Wade, & Kristy Kate for all your help! I really appreciated it!</p>	<p>To All Concerned: I hope you do not have the impression that we are all complaining. If you have an issue, concern, or idea for the CSA please address it to one of us. I can be reached at 479-9212 or you can find me in my office. Please don't stereotype. -Sarah Hoffman CSA-VP</p>
<p>Did you KNOW that this year's Science Rep is the coolest?</p>	<p>Way to go J. He shoots he scores!</p>
<p>Great Science Week!! Sh</p>	<p>Buffalohead: that would be awful if the kid ended up with that nose or head or anything from the knees up. Sparky.</p>
<p>Looking good Punker too bad you don't swing my way. UnoHoo</p>	<p>CSA Get a life! Living</p>
<p>UnoHoo: But I do! I DO!!</p>	<p>Who thinks Adam is cute? Interested to know.</p>
<p>BigJohn: Getting it? Filthy</p>	<p>TigerBoy: you just get sexier everyday (so do you Kessie)</p>
<p>Stoyk, You look nice your new eyes! -K</p>	<p>To Skater Paul: I've had a crush on you for a year and a half and you've never even got to know my name. -Girl in Tegler</p>
<p>Joe: thanks for making me laugh! double a</p>	<p>Filthy is gonna GET it.</p>
<p>PM, are YOU sure YOU know the facts?</p>	<p>J and N: It would have costed \$2 and took less than one minute put me on; now it will cost God only knows how much and take 9 months. -Captain Condom</p>
<p>Racism = Ignorance. Sorry for your luck idiot.</p>	<p>You bring the jello. I'll bring my Speedo. -Dave</p>
<p>Wanted: Wun Valuntine for gewd time. I have nise smile and geting muh edumahkayshon. TrailerTrash</p>	<p>Hey Dave, The only one who I want to jump into Jell-O with is Sarah. She looks cool in her tankini. Signed, She's Got My Vote for Prez</p>