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## WSAP Radio Returns

BY DAVE SNYDER

WSAP returns to the airwaves this month, restoring the campus radio station from noon to midnight each evening. Restoration began full swing on January 24, when eleven people showed up for the first organizational meeting.

Costs of broadcasting, including a \$49 per month phone equalizer and an installation fee of \$49, delayed broadcasting until funds could be raised. WSAP's Valentine's Day candy sale using personal money, and the February 16 "Meet the d.j.'s party," raised \$239. This is enough to get started, but an appraisal by local consultant stated the \$2,500 would be needed to get the station in top broadcasting condition.

Money was not the only barrier to broadcasting. The Student Senate will not be quick to earmark a large portion of funds for the radio station after last year's

debacle with the station manager. Allan Wallace was given \$1488 from the Student Senate for renewal of the station last year. But after the vandalization of the new equipment and a \$420 trip to New York, the radio station was left with no money, no new equipment, and no credibility as early as February of 84. Andrew Sharp replaced Wallace as manager that February. Sharp is to serve through the end of spring term 1985.

The organization took its first step over the credibility barrier by earning, on its own, all the money needed to begin broadcasting. "It's significant that this organization is the first I've seen to raise its own money to get the organization going; it made a big difference in their credibility," says Laurey Murphy, chair of the Student Life committee on media.

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## Latin American Expert

### Mike Rivas Visits

BY DAVE SNYDER

Political ethicist Michael G. Rivas arrived on campus March 10 and 11, speaking on three subjects: his specialty, Cuban-American relations since Castro's takeover; comparison of the Cuban and Nicaraguan revolutions, with some discussion about the future of the Sandinista revolution; and the possibility of a revolution in the U.S. Rivas spoke Sunday afternoon beginning at 2:00, at Vespers Sunday evening, with an informal discussion about any topic that night in the main lounge of a dormitory.

"He's really good at give and take discussions," Says Bob Martin, who studied with Rivas at Princeton University. "He knows his facts and has a broad knowledge of Latin American theology - and he expects his audiences to be prepared, also."

Rivas maintains connections with a broad field of Hispanic political and religious leaders in the United States. He is a former Cuban who graduated and studied theology at the University of Havana, and who still maintains relations with the Castro government through religion and politics. He cares about its reform, its future, but is "not uncritical" of Castro, according to Martin.

In the United States Rivas has been active democratically, working with the Social Democrats and on issues like workers' rights and equal representation. He recently served as an executive with the Board of Ministries of the United Methodist Church, concerned primarily with public policy issues and ethics. He has travelled widely across Latin and Central America, and has visited Europe.

After leaving Cuba, he got his master's degree at Yale Divinity School and did his doctoral work in political ethics at Emory. He was on the faculty and chair of the Ethics Department at Boston University School of Theology, and worked on the faculty at Emory and Georgia State as well. His work at Princeton was as Associate Director for Theological Education at Princeton.

Discussion with Rivas about Central America came at an important time. Reagan has stopped short of explicitly stating the goal of U.S. policy is to overrun the Sandinistas, but remains dedicated to supporting the contra campaign. The Rivas discussion is one event in a string of events concerning Central American issues. March 17-24 is Central America Week, and the campus Central America Committee has tentatively planned to sponsor on campus a multi-campus conference in the fall.

## Lance, under the kilt merge, forge Paladin

Cooperation is the cornerstone on which the new newspaper was built. Staff members of the Lance and last term's under the kilt have come together to form a new medium based on student input, not staff output.

Paladin (pal'-uh-dun), according to Webster, is an "outstanding protagonist of a cause," and stems from medieval times when

paladins were knights. Now, Paladin is a newspaper and the cause is information - about campus, local, national, or international affairs. Paladin also plans to serve as a forum for public debate and as a creative outlet for St. Andrews community members.

The structure was designed by members of the Student Life sub-

committee on media, chaired by Laurey Murphy. Paladin has no editor-in-chief, but instead seven associate editors who form the editorial board whose primary function is coordinating the function of the paper. All board meetings are open to the campus at large. The structure is designed to prohibit the paper from reflecting the personality of one person, editor-in-chief.

Story ideas are suggested in a brainstorming session immediately after each publication, and story assignments are made to volunteers at that brainstorming session. This is the meeting that depends most on student participation. After this session, ideas are posted on the Student Association Office doors, introducing opportunities for students to write a suggested story and-or write an original story. Other meeting times and deadlines will be posted on the same doors.

