

NEWS FROM THE SGA

College Or Kindergarten?

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Homecoming is behind us, but the incident which occurred during the Pre-Dawn Dance hovers over F.S.U. like a repugnant stench that can't be identified. During that dance held at the Gilmore Youth Center, the males' bathroom was destroyed by a group of males who apparently perceived some benefit from vandalizing the stalls.

F.S.U.'s Student Government Association, which had already spent approximately \$750 on the dance, was suddenly responsible for \$1950 in damages to the youth center. The SGA's advisor, Dr. Glenna Sexton and several of SGA's officers took time out of their busy schedules to view the destruction to the bathrooms. For no apparent reason, the culprits somehow put enough force on the wall of one of the

stalls to damage every single stall.

At first, you might want to believe that this kind of behavior could have only been displayed by some non-FSU students. But that idea is futile since everyone was required to show an ID upon entrance to the dance. Because the dance was held at an off-campus facility, faculty from F.S.U. were not required to chaperon the event. Does this incident mean that F.S.U. students need a babysitter every time they have a social function? No. It only means that a few people have been spoiling things for the rest of us.

There have been rumors of damages at

other dances. Whoever did this damage has gotten away with it so far. Surely these aren't educated people we're dealing with. And anyone who has any information about the vandals should realize this fact and offer, at the very least, anonymous information to the campus police.

The Student Government Association is especially concerned about this incident because of the amount of money it had to fork over to the youth center for the damages. What many students need to realize is that the \$1950 is not "SGA's" money; it's F.S.U. students' money. The money that you pay to go to

these events goes toward having other events. We also strive to improve with every event we sponsor, and episodes such as this one only hamper our efforts (and our budgets) to serve you, the students. And if the vandalism continues, SGA may have a lot less work to do if the administration decides to step in and curb student activities.

F.S.U. students are supposed to look out for one another but not to protect such inane acts of vandalism which cost all of us. Notwithstanding the expense of \$1950 to the SGA, the much greater cost is to our pride as F.S.U. students.

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