



Books Will Cost Less In Roundabout Way

Spring Semester

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new books, but they go really fast.

As for any other ways to cheapen the students' cost, if people would volunteer to try to set up a rental program like some universities have, students could cut down on spending a lot of money on one-term books. The reason the bookstore can not manage something like this is because "we only have myself and some workstudies," sighted Schilling. Therefore, renting could be an idea if students would take some action.

The biggest gripe that has swept the St. Andrews campus this year has been the outrageous cost of books. Every student has experienced the bite that the bookstore has taken from their pockets—especially this semester. The basic reason for these costs are actually linked back to the publishers, not the bookstore, which often winds up the scapegoat. A little hope, however, is left for the spring and following semesters.

So much to everyone's amazement, the bookstore at St. Andrews is not at fault; it is the publishers. Before anyone buys the \$40.00 Calculus book and the \$50.00 Biology books that may be able to bring in a good \$46.00 when traded back in, consider the alternatives. Some may choose to drive across the state in search of "The Developing Person Throughout The Life Span," some may buy used books, and some may become dedicated to work with a committee to rent books, but nevertheless, the students can bring down his or her own costs, and by doing this, bring down publishers' exorbitant prices also.

The most horrifying experience for a college student is watching summer earnings gobbled up by the St. Andrews Bookstore. "I spent about \$200.00 on books, and a hundred of that was for Organic Chemistry," said one student. The problem is that publishers know students have to buy books and they take advantage of it. The "NACS (National Association of College Stores) Weekly Bulletin" did a survey on 30 basic college text titles and found that the price increase since 1965 has been 356 percent, and since 1980 has been 69 percent. To complicate the problem even more most of the small publishing companies and even the larger companies are owned by two huge "publishing monopolies", CBS based in New York and Wadsworth based in Kentucky. Since this is the case, little hope is left for finding a smaller less expensive publishing company.

The RLC Continued

Afterall, it's for our benefit. If there's anyway to extend the current library hours, we've got to show them that we need the extra hours, and that we're willing to spend some of our time in DeTamble.

If you have any questions or comments about this, or any other Residential affair, contact a RLC member near you! They are Jessica Newman, Betty Chafin, Will Thomson, Juan Franco, Matt Wilson, and Maria Huffman. Thanks!

So what do students do? Janet Schilling, manager of the St. Andrews Bookstore, sort of shrugged, "I suppose students could try other universities, but finding the same text may be hard." This alternative is rather an inconvenience and Schilling realizes that. "Now we process a booklist about 5 or 6 times to try to find as many used books as we possibly can and then use the publishing companies as a last resort, because I know what it's like. My son goes here too and so I go through the same thing," says Schilling. Buying used books can probably save up to one-third of the cost of buying all



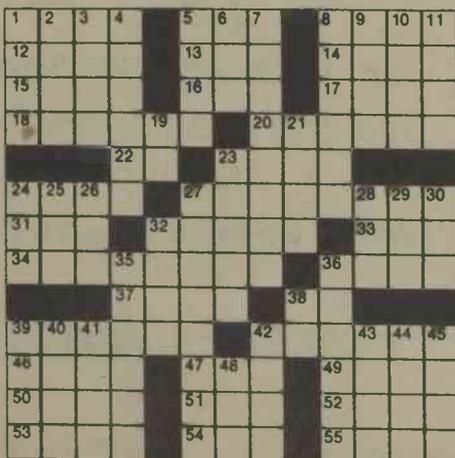
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