

On Campus



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Pat Hoss

Late at night, after I had been studying for hours, I felt a craving for something to eat. SAGA being closed, I resigned myself to going to the Gathering Place. This

name is appropriate, as I found at least two people, besides the workers, are there every night. This is considered a large gathering for any school, but especially St. Andrews.

As I entered this domain, I was immediately struck by the decor. Probably not one student who may have had an opinion on the pattern was consulted. No frills, No extras, generic-that's the way to describe the hospital cafeteria decorum in the Gathering Place.

My ears were gently assaulted by the softly blaring noises coming from two televisions tuned to different channels. It is ingenious, stupendous. Only here could you find the best way to get absolutely nothing from double the information source. It made me smile as I walked up to the counter. "Praise this school," issued from my lips. Once at the counter, I looked at the carefully hung "crane your neck this far if you can" menu board. "I

think I'll have a nice juicy hot burger, some hot curly fries, and a cold drink-just like those fast food places, only cheaper. Well, one out of two isn't too bad.

While waiting the arrival of my hot delicious food, I looked around. Again, the well-placed lighting scheme, as in the library, hit me here again. Those fluorescent lights are just so nice that this school has put them everywhere. (I think I'll mention this decorating idea to Pop.) In this room though, the main features seem to be the huge picturesque windows that look out on two wonderful views.

One looks over the lovely patio outside the cafeteria, towards the "trash-free, no fishing, but what-the-hay-I'll-do-it-anyway lake.

From these windows, you can see the never-heard-it-ring bell tower, and the let's-repave-it-so-Ron-can-run-people-faster causewalk.

By the way, that causewalk was designed to flood during rainstorms because it is how they irrigate the grass growing through the cracks, and not because they forgot to put in drainage. This view continues over to the other side of the lake, the

educational side, but that is a different column.

The other view takes you into the panoramic borders of the parking lot for the SAGA workers, and to the

grounds and building we call Meck. Discluding the other seven, this is the cleanest and best kept of all the residence halls. What can be said of the fine, upstanding, slightly intoxicated students who live there? All of them have a GPA, be it ever so humble, and study a subject.

My thoughts were interrupted by the arrival of my food, with the usual promptness of a slow fast-food place. It was quite edible, but the crispy curls were hard, and the burger was not exactly what Wendy's had in mind when it promised a thicker, juicier burger. The soda was excellent, which is the important thing. Sometimes a fast-food place doesn't get the drink right, and then you are forced to throw it all away. What is a meal without the drink? The Gathering Place understands this, and exemplifies it in their drinks, for they know with a good drink, you can wash down anything.

The evening ended with a walk outside on the lovely verandah that encircles the Belk Center. This allows you to breathe some fresh air, mixed with swamp gas and gasoline fumes. This allows you to cough, hack, and wheeze yourself to a better respiratory system. I returned to my room satisfied that I had spent money tonight.



SGA Update

Susie Bennett

Welcome back! I hope everyone had a Merry Christmas. Are you all ready for the New Year? I hope so, because there are a lot of things going on campus, as usual.

The Student Life Committee has been really busy. At the end of Fall Term, we appointed an Aids task force. Thea Engleson is the chair of the committee. Rodger Decker, Karen Tyndall, Chad Haddix, and Shirley Arnold comprise the rest of the committee. The committee was formed to help the campus community stay aware of the impact of Aids in the world, and at St. Andrews. Their job is to educate us and to keep us informed.

Another topic that the Student Life committee has and is discussing is the Honor Code. Specifically, we're looking at how the Honor Code and our Judicial System work together. What we're trying to do is find any problems in our Judicial System and make recommendations to correct them. This is a long process and it will take a lot of time and a lot of input. We would really like to hear from the students. The Student Life Committee meets on Tuesdays at 12:00 in the Senate Meeting Room and on Fridays in LA 152. Please come by and share thoughts with us.

Seniors will be receiving a letter from me explaining a party that the Office of Alumni Affairs is throwing for us. Feel free to drop by the office (in the LA building next to the Commuter Student Lounge) and talk to Summer Brock about it. Take my word for it, when you hear about, you'll like it!

Just another reminder. Please put your aluminum cans in the blue garbage cans that are marked for the Humane Society. In the high rise halls, the blue cans are in the Main Lounge. In the low-rise halls they can be found in the courtyard. Thanks for helping out!

Greer

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writers, it is possible to see their evolution in a historical, sociological, and psychological way."

Most people think that Black women did not start writing until the 1960's. The truth is that Black

women were writing in America as early as the 1700's. It was not until the 1960's however that the genre gained acceptance with the general public.

Some writers, like Alice Walker (*The Color Purple*) are now considered as popular. Common themes in the genre include the problem of identifying with a society that is both racist and sexist.

Dr. Greer added that she decided to teach the course because she enjoys teaching. In the future she hopes to teach at least one course a year, as long as it does not interfere with her duties as Dean of Students.

IMPROVISATIONAL COMEDY

Come join the laughter!

Monday, Jan. 29

8:00pm

Meck Main Lounge