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USC Slates Open House For High School Femmes

The University of Southern California has planned a series of programs to acquaint high school junior and senior girls with the various aspects of higher education at USC.

Monroe students will be able to attend this event on February 16 at 4 pm.

All students interested should sign up with Mr. Friedman in the counselor's office.



European Champion Norbert Dill shows skill on gym wheel. Dill will be shown at gymnastic's exhibition February 10 in the gym.

SPOKES FROM THE WHEELS

President Reviews Semester

Good Morning! This is Brent Hunter Student Body President, will you please all rise and join me in the flag salute? Ready begin...

The morning P.A. announcement, this trite greeting that you half-heartily hear at the beginning of 2nd period everyday, probably has been your only connection with myself, or the activities of Student Council, aside from an occasional assembly, or dance.

My term of office has almost come to an end, and I feel it is my duty to give at least a brief sort of "State of the Union Address" to let the Student Body know what we have, or have not accomplished. I leave office with mixed emotions, and in such a short space I can't give a full picture of all the happening of this semester--but believe me, council has been quite an experience! We set our goals, and went after them, we worked with possibilities, but trying to satisfy 4000 students seemed almost impossible.

Basically, aside from all the traditional activities--such as dances, Home-coming, and elections, we've put into effect many new "extra" programs. I feel it is what makes a council, if only maintain the "Status Quo"--it means nothing.

Phase II of Quad Improvement was researched, and passed, construction will begin as soon as possible. A VAC/ID card was established enabling one card to do the work of two. The Lunch Pass was extended, using a "Trip Slip method" enabling students

to leave campus at anytime. Council also revitalized and passed many club constitutions, such as the Disc Jockey Club, which you now hear at lunch, the Bible Study Club, and the La Mecha Club. We have worked on the new "X" scheduling, and the mini-course programs, all of these things have effected the Student Body, you, in one way or another. We looked into a Tick-otron, and extended and raised the band budget to obtain better bands. The list is a long one. This semester, the "Student Bill of Rights" was revamped, the Mid Valley League Council was put in to effect, and Career Day was run with the help of Girls League. Council itself has completely revamped itself, dividing it into two branches. Campus Council was effectively used for the first time. A clean campus campaign is being launched, cafeteria congestion hopefully will be lessened by more satellite stations next semester. These are the things we have been working on.

I, myself, have never worked so hard at anything in my life. I owe much to many people that really stuck it out and really worked in Council, especially Mr. Mel Smith, our sponsor. You can't please everybody, it's sure true, but I gave it my all, and I would like to thank the Monroe Student Body for giving me that chance.

That is all, have a very nice day.

Brent Hunter, Student Body Pres.

Accreditation Group Ponders School Report

Boys' Vice Principal Larry Foster suggested to a committee of faculty members the overriding theme, "Don't tell why it can't be done, but tell why it can be done," be used to implement recommendations made by the accreditation committee last semester in a special meeting held yesterday.

Mr. Foster emphasized the fact that some of the recommendations such as the improvement of communication lines between district, zone, area, and school have already been acted upon.

Also, some means of attacking the problems were discussed. Letter writing, telephone calls, publishing accomplishments, and staff discussions were named as possible ways of making progress.

Teachers present at the meeting were given lists of the recommendations divided up according to who is responsible for initiating the corrections.

Area Superintendent and Administrative Coordinator Henry Dyck spoke to the teachers on ways in which the Los Angeles school district could help Monroe. He said that the central district could help most in situations where funds would not be necessary, stressing the fact that he was pessimistic about solving many problems where the need for money is necessary.

March 17 was named as the day in which progress reports on each recommendation will be filed. The final wrap-up on this year's progress will be June 2.

The CSF Banquet will be held on February 8 at Phil Ahn's Moongate in Panorama City. Cost is \$3.50 and members should pay in the Counseling Office as soon as possible.

'Solitude' Concert Cancelled

The Solitude Dance - Concert which was scheduled for January 21 was cancelled due to an insufficient number of tickets sold.

As of Friday, only 50 tickets out of the necessary 400 were sold. At this rate the school would not be able to even cover the cost of the band.

Gary Mason, Boy's League President stated that the student body was not aware of this group's quality and felt that the spirit of the school has been quite low. He added that the low amount of enthusiasm will cancel all thoughts of a possible Sonny and Cher concert at Monroe sometime in March.

Darr Conradson Wins All-City Speech Crown

Darr Conradson took the first place trophy in the Los Angeles All-City United Crusade speak-offs in downtown Los Angeles on January, 12.

In addition to the trophy, Darr won a Cassette recorder with Am radio and a baseball autographed by the world famous Pittsburgh Pirates. The baseball was presented by Mrs. Doc Ellis, wife of the pitcher.

Darr's speech was centered around a foreign language angle, beginning and ending with "Im Deutschland nam geben sygen, en espana dicen de, and in any language, the word is "give." He also covered a wide scope of Crusade's organizations, and gave some of the background of the Crusade organization.

Darr first became involved in the United Crusade speeches when he talked to elementary school students on the crusade along with speech students in high schools all over Los Angeles. An estimated 2000 speeches were presented. Out of these, two from each school were voted to go to the area speak-offs. The Monroe semi-finalists were Darr and Drew Bridges. The semi-finals were held at Hubbard Street Elementary School.

Darr's opponent, Bill Kenn... Hollywood High, used a hand puppet named Alfred, to tell about the United Crusade. He explained what the United Crusade is and what it does. He centered around the theme, "The United Crusade is people who care."

Basketball Criticism Unjust

We would like to reply to Sandy Harvey's January 4 Sound-Off in which she voiced her displeasure over the DOCTRINE coverage of this year's varsity basketball squad.

As is the case with many newspapers, including the DOCTRINE, space is often limited and articles which carry the most importance or significance must be given priority.

With a pair of truly outstanding football squads last year, which included a Varsity team that advanced all the way to City Final competition, we certainly were obligated to devote the majority of our coverage toward them. And with another powerful group of cross-country teams, the sports news had contributed much more than its fair share to the DOCTRINE, often resulting in the removal of many other important school news items.

We have done our best this semester to try to maintain our coverage of this year's cage squads and with football and cross-country competition now having been completed we will devote the majority of all future sports news towards basketball for the remainder of the season.

Sports Staff

SOUND-OFF

School Secretary Agrees With Women's Lib Article

Praises to Mrs Egan's 4th period class and Mr Loiler's 4th period class for their collectively perceptive article on Womens Lib in the January 10th edition of the DOCTRINE. I agree completely and am proud of the involvement and concern of most of the young people of this generation and applaud you for being part of its vitality.

Mrs Helen T. Blackwell
School Secretary, an oldster of Womens Lib

Is God Sexless?

In Mike Ives Sound-Off of Jan. 13 on the supremacy of a woman, he made a big point in saying that God is not a girl, buy a man. I'm not for Women's Lib at all, but nobody knows that God's a man. Maybe the Bible said so since men were such great people, but still nobody knows. God could be anything. How do we even know there is one???????

Another thing Mike pointed out in the article is that when Lori Stein stated in the commentary that menstrual cramps are painful. He said they aren't painful: Well Mike, how do you know? Do you just happen to be a girl? There are a lot of girls that say they have quite a lot of bad cramps and I think that he shouldn't have said that because he really doesn't know, unless he got the source from some girls that don't have it bad.

Pam Meyers

SOUND-OFF

Ives Ignorant of Lib Facts

It seems to me, after reading Mike Ives' article on Womens Lib being a hoax, that he is not really aware of what Womens Lib really is.

Women don't want to exchange places with men, nor do they want to imitate them as most men assume, which is just what white people assumed about blacks. Women just want a fair chance.

In my opinion, Mr. Ives' showed a lot of typically male chauvinism. When was the last time Mr. Ives had menstrual cramps? I couldn't believe his supposition that menstrual cramps aren't as bad as Lori Stein portrayed them and that most women don't even have them. He proved his ignorance by stating something he could know nothing about.

Another things that Mike does not seem to realize is that Womens Lib could just as well be Mens Lib, if men would just give it a chance. With women sharing half the load, men wouldn't have to work so hard and suffer from diseases due to stress, and might feel freer and live longer.

Stephanie Anderson

Student Answers Ives

I am writing this commentary because I very much disagree with Mike Ives. I am sorry to say that I didn't read Lori's commentary because from the way Mike writes he seems very one-sided.

He is trying to write about something he knows nothing about. Perhaps it is because he is afraid to read anything that is against his own view. In his article where he questions Lori about God, he states; "because no known religion believes in a female God, except for Women's Lib,--if you call that a religion." When I read this I could plainly see he knew nothing of women's liberation.

I can't say I know everything about the liberation movement but I have found interesting information in articles and books which I have read for my class; Women In History.

Men and women are different, but only physically. Mike believes women should be treated differently; not equal but with respect. How can a woman respect herself, not alone get respect from others, if she is not herself? If she is kept from being an individual by being told what she should do and be like by society. A woman's capacity is just as great as a man's, and it's proven every day.

Also Mike states that he sees a fast down fall of the women's

SOUND-OFF

Men, Women Called Equal In Strong, Weak Traits

I really am not an avid believer in the Women's Lib movement but there are certain things that exist which I disagree with.

All the talk about who is superior, men or women, is ridiculous. Women have certain physical characteristics that enable them to do things men can't and vice versa. This does not make either sex "superior" to the other. Men may have different emotional characteristics than women, but this doesn't make them "superior."

A person should be looked upon as an individual with certain abilities and talent and weakness. A person should be looked upon as an individual with certain abilities and talents and weaknesses and should be given an equal opportunity to carry their potential to the fullest, be it male or female.

Only one thing puzzles me--Mike Ives states that menstrual cramps are not so painful and that most women don't have them. I have no idea how he can speak about this subject with such authority he has never had menstrual cramps. But who can tell?

Beverly Zaslow

liberation movement. Well, if he had ever bothered to look up into the history of the U.S., he would have found that women were struggling for equality before the 1850's.

Women live longer than men, not because the men work harder, but because of emotional stress. Both women and men by crying can relieve tension inside. But because society has given men and women roles to play, men are taught since childhood it is unmanly to cry. So men have brought stress not only on women, believing that they are inferior, but also on the men not letting them function naturally. You see, Women's Lib works both ways.

As for a man working harder than a woman, I disagree. Mike, I have seen many, many women work just as hard. Look back into your history. Into the south, in the cotton fields and on western prairies and today all over the world women work physically as hard as men.

Mentally they must prove themselves twice over because women are told by men they cannot follow up on fields such as law, doctor of medicine or carpentry. Yes, in college they must be twice as smart not equal to prove themselves. But employers are still prejudiced.

I challenge Mike to read about this subject before he opens his mouth. I suggest that he read "The Feminine Mystic" and "Voices From Women's Liberation." I'm sure if he and others feel as he does read them, they will discover a very important aspect.

Diane Hanopulus

SOUND-OFF

Is God Male or Female?

In response to Mike Ives' Soundoff of January 13, we would like to say an attempt to link God with the male sex is absurd. In many ancient religions, female gods. The goddesses Neheka, Hathor, Isis(Hes), Minerva (Athena), Jumo(Hera), Aphrodite (Venus), and Bast are examples of this.

One of the longest lasting religions in all of history was that of Isis. Its ceremonies were related to Greco-Egyptian magical processes. The religion was condemned and its followers oppressed by the Judeo-Christian churches.

The only major modern theologues that subscribe to the belief that God has a sex at all are Jewish, Christian, and Islamic religions. The Great Hindu, Buddhist, and their offshoots (including Taoism, Jainism, and Zen) conceive of God as a force, denying any possibility of either sex.

We hope that people will create themselves to the point of treating their fellow human beings as equals. Then the need to identify God with either sex would be eliminated, and sexual bigotry ended.

Laurie O'Connell
Michael Uhlenkott

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