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FLYING MONSTER INVADES SCIENCE BUILDING by Robert J. McGarry

On the afternoon of Saturday, February 24, a bat was found to be making its way up the wall of the first floor landing of the Science Building. The escapee from an Alchemist's lab was first noted by evening student Gene Tyma. He alerted the army in the person of Pete Andrulis, who spread the alarm to the rest of the Saturday contingent. Soon a large crowd (Tyma, Andrulis, McGarry and Marzalek) gathered at the top of the steps to watch. A fascinating

SUMMER JOBS

The Chemistry Department has recently announced the award of several National Science Foundation Summer Undergraduate Research Grants. These grants will enable several of the undergraduate students to further their interest in chemistry in a particular field of study under the guidance of one of the professors. They will also be able to get a beautiful sun tan on the Horan-O'Donnell sundeck. The following students were selected as the recipients of these awards: Thomas Beras, David Manzo, Daniel Jackson and Karl Hagler working under Dr. Raymond Annino; Arthur Koch, Arpad Juhasz, Charles Richards and Bruce McKay for Dr. Ronald Erickson; and James Kolb, Henry Drew, Phil Pilato and Joe Kuczkowski for Dr. Herman Szymanski.

Congratulations to these students who, during the course of the year, have proved themselves worth of these awards.

study in biology. Shortly thereafter, Dr. Szymanski started up the stairs. He was told about the bat's presence, said something about rabies, and then went up the other staircase.

Soon the keen military mind of Pete Andrulis (Ed's note: the ALCHEMIST does not necessarily concur with Mr. McGarry's use of adjectives in this case) hit upon a method for capturing the creature. He got a plastic squeeze bottle of chloroform and, from the top of the stairs, directed a stream of liquid at the bat. Unfortunately, due either to Pete's poor aim or the sturdiness of the bat, the chloroform had no effect, so the attaching forces withdrew to the safety of the Chemistry Library.

It was later reported that the bat took to the first floor for some low level flight. It then disappeared, no one knowing where.

There were rumors that it was actually the son of Frank Caridi, but these are without foundation.

CHEMICAL ABSTRACTS

Dr. Stanton twisting at the ACS AKPsi Mixer, last Feb. 9... He was also buying beer for seniors... Myke was in the arms of a big, strong Chemistry major at the Mixer, also after the Mixer (No it wasn't Pete Andrulis)...

The Pat Turtle Fan Club broke its drum in the excitement of the Villanova game... Contrary to expectations, the Club was unable to make Hubie White...

Words of wisdom for Bruce McKay and others: Floors were made for walking on and drains for the removal of water, and not vice versa... Take a look at the letter on the research lab door... And from Dr. Annino comes this gem, probably the joke of the month: "The trouble with you (Dr. Stanton) is that you're a d... scientist and not an educator..."... Jack C. Kim, the noted oriental philosopher, says, "Anybody write about me - go to hell. Just leave me alone." That's an interesting philosophy, Jack...

While the cat's away, the mice will play. What piece of cheese was mousy Sand playing with on Mar. 2...

What's so interesting in Hagler's locker?... Is sophomore Mike O'Mara really married?... Jack Bernacki looking for an apartment... How come they're calling Hagler chrome dome?... Myke hates Pete and dislikes Karl... McKay got a 96 on Dr. Erickson's latest organic test. The ALCHEMIST pointed out several issues ago that his tests were a snap... Students are beginning to wonder if Drs. Stanton and Tidd know how to wear regular ties or whether they just have stock in bow tie companies...

Charlie Salinas, the leviathan of the gas chromatography world, was in school last Saturday. No, he didn't do anything constructive.

He just piled a lot of junk on this reporter's newly cleaned up lab table with a note saying that the junk should be discarded. Well, in the future, Mr. Salinas, discard your own junk, especially those mercaptans you left in the ice box.

KJH.

CONSTITUTIONAL COMMITTEE

The sentiment expressed at the February Student Affiliate Meeting was almost unanimous in favor of a revised Affiliate Constitution. At that meeting, President Sand, announced that Art Koch would be the Chairman of a Constitutional Committee. Art is being greatly helped by Jack Bernacki, the Affiliate Parliamentarian.

Several meetings have been held in the past weeks which were open to all of the members. The purpose of these meetings was to encourage and discuss various changes. In this way a cross-section of membership opinion has been obtained.

These various proposed amendments will be read tonight at the meeting for the first time. They will be discussed and reread at the two following meetings.

The future of the Student Affiliate rests heavily upon the work that this Constitutional Committee will present to the members. The Affiliate Officers encourage active sensible participation in the discussion of the Constitutional changes. However, petty, immature grievances will not be tolerated since these are looked upon by the majority as detrimental to the Affiliate as a whole.

At the May meeting, the membership will vote on these changes. It is very important that every member should know exactly what these changes are to be.

PRESIDENT SPEAKS

Over the course of the fast concluding year, the Student Affiliate of the American Chemical Society has endeavored to raise the standards of what was once a loose, irregular meeting club to the position of a College respected organization of interested Science students. The success with which we have met this plan is very gratifying indeed. At various times it has appeared as if the Affiliate Officers were becoming over-bearing and assuming more than a reasonable amount of leadership. I can assure you that, as far as is possible, the officers of the Affiliate worked every moment, not for their own gratification, but solely for the above mentioned reason.

I could mention many areas in which the Affiliate has made itself felt over the course of the year, but these prior successes are only secondary in respect to the most recent Affiliate success. It is the Homecoming Weekend of which I speak.

The Affiliate, in an attempt to unite the Student Body and the Alumni, pooled its vast resources with those of the R.O.T.C. Band and Alpha Kappa Psi for this purpose. The planning and execution of Homecoming Weekend was shared equally by all participating, among these the Class Presidents and the Alumni Association, but high among these stood the ACS Student Affiliate.

Everyone in the Affiliate put their energies under the direction of appointed Committee Chairmen. It is impossible to mention all of those who contributed to the success of the Weekend but special recognition must be given to Karl Hagler, Al Culliton, Tony Campagna and Jack Bernacki. Under the Chairmanship of these men, as well as the help of Alpha Kappa

Psi, the entire Homecoming Dance was planned and successfully executed. Many hours of hard work went into those 4 hours of the Dance and those responsible are not forgotten.

It was very gratifying to realize that a group of the members could and would accept the responsibility for every phase of the operation and complete it successfully.

Karl Hagler did a tremendous job in organizing those under his command and in seeing that all of the tasks were completed on time. Only those familiar with all of the problems can fully appreciate the work which Karl performed and not for himself, but for the Affiliate. His absence at the Finale, Friday Night, was deeply felt by all.

It is impossible for me at this time to express my appreciation to all of those who did so much. I can assure you, however, that the Homecoming Weekend was looked upon as a complete success and Homecoming Weekends have become a permanent part of Canisius College life. Anyone who attended any one of the Weekends activities will welcome this tradition.

What is most gratifying and what will always be remembered is that the Student Affiliate was among the Weekend's originators and that we have brought to the College a future event of which we can all be proud.

As this year draws near to its conclusion, the members of the Affiliate can look back with pride upon what they have achieved. Many things lie ahead of the club, however, and these things can only be overcome with united support under capable leaders.

I am sure that at this time next year, the Student Affiliate President will be as proud of the club and its members as I am now.

LIBRARY CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations are in order for all who helped keep the Chemistry Library in the Science Building.

As you know, everybody's friend, Mr. Laux, the head librarian decided that if the Chemistry Library did not get cleaned up, it would have to be removed to the dark recesses of the main library.

On the day before the inspection, a group of unsung heroes decided the situation was desperate and went to work. First to go was the old safe in the corner. It was reported that as it was being wheeled down the hall, Dr. Stanton evacuated his office, with only his confidence level diagrams, for fear the building was falling in. After the safe, went the baskets from some former Bunny Hop, plus other assorted junk. When the corner was cleaned out, dust cloths were brought forth, and the books and shelves were cleaned up. Rotten apples were removed from behind the periodic table, and the egg salad sandwiches from Frank Luchert's lunch were given to some emaciated physics majors.

Various faculty members stopped by to express their approval; that is, they approved until they found out they would have to bring back the journal they had.

On the day of the inspection, the library never looked better. Almost all of the journals were in, and the junk which had been building up for years was safely stored in the back of the organic lab.

The actual inspection took only a very short time, and much to the delight of the chemists and the chagrin of Mr. Laux, it was found that proportionately fewer books were missing from our

library than from his.

So, once again, thanks and congratulations to those who helped make it all possible.

RJMc

MIXER

The first Mixer co-sponsored by the A.C.S. and A.K.Psi was held last February 9. It was both a social and a financial success, and both clubs will try to fit a Mixer in their schedule of events next year.

The music as provided by the band of Chemistry major Ken Pompei was very fine. Pompei's standard four man group was enhanced by the addition of a Negro trumpet player, who was, according to some reports, "a rear wailer" and "a ball of fire".

The twist contest was the highlight of the evening. Some of the contestants would be able to give the "Peppermint Loungers" some real competition. The \$10 first prize and the \$5 second prize supply went to pay a chiropractor for straightening out a couple of backs.

At one point in the evening, in an attempt to turn on the fan in the lounge, the master switch was thrown off, putting the whole lounge in darkness. Although there was a temptation to leave it that way, the lights were again turned on.

The beer only lasted until about 12:30, but everyone had their fill, and all who attended enjoyed themselves, even Ken Pompei, who left the band for a while to trip the light fantastic.

Herb Flynn hasn't processed all the finances yet, but the A.C.S. made a profit of about \$35.

APRIL MEETING

The April meeting of the Student Affiliate will be held on April 12th in the Student Activities Room. During the course of the meeting, held primarily for the elections of new officers, the Moving Up Day Float and Queen Candidate will be discussed as well as the forth coming Banquet.

The Secretary will be present at the door to insure the admittance of only dues-paid members so that an honest election can be held with the utmost efficiency. All members are urged to be present to elect the most qualified men for the position of new Affiliate officers.

PAINTINGS

In the entrance hall of the College Main Library, several weeks ago, hung a number of excellent paintings. Numbered among these were several water colors by Dr. Raymond Annino.

Several of these paintings portrayed the Louisiana countryside with which Dr. Annino was very familiar.

The ALCHEMIST extends its congratulations to Dr. Annino for his fine efforts in the field of art.

HOMECOMING THANKS

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Senior Tony Campagna, Junior Jack Bernacki, and Sophomore Al Culliton, my Committeemen for the Homecoming Dance, for their generous help and cooperation in making arrangements and preparations for the dance. The success of the dance is due to their efforts, and it is my hope that their enjoyment of the dance was some compensation for their service.

Karl J. Hagler

STUDENT'S PRAYER

Tricky Doc who art a Chemist
Hallowed be thy brain;
Thy course is fun, Thy lab is done;

Our life on earth is heaven.
Give us this day our daily A's,
And forgive us our failures
As we forgive,
And lead us on into thermodynamics,
But deliver us from kinetics.

For thine is the markbook and the
Glory of the laboratory. Amen.

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