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IT'S A BIG DAY FOR SGA POLITICOS

... And Here's Everything You'll Need for the Big Election Tomorrow

By Sharon Wancho
Staff Writer

The annual election for Student Government Association executive officers will be held tomorrow, April 21. Voting will take place in Memorial auditorium lobby from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

At that time MSC students will elect the SGA president, vice-president, secretary and treasurer for the 1970-71 school year.

SGA Vice-President Greg Doucette, emphasized that students must have their SGA card to be able to vote. The requirement permits election

officials to register voters and prohibit students from voting more than once.

Voting machines have been provided to simplify the procedure. Students should indicate their choice of candidates by pushing one lever under each designated office.

Commenting on tomorrow's expected vote turnout, Mrs. Janet Young, SGA secretary-bookkeeper, doubted that more than one-quarter of the student body will vote. "The largest number of votes I've seen was only 1050 back in 1966," she recalled.



Here's Why Thomas Benitz Is The Best Bet

The issues attacked by both major candidates in this year's Student Government Association sweepstakes apparently came out of a student-power handbook issued in the 1940s.

Somehow the phrase student apathy was mentioned umpty-five million times during the course of the campaign. And somehow there are umpty-five million remedies. The problem is that remedies for this kind of sickness don't usually work.

EDITORIAL

But since we're placing our cards on the table, we're also making a bet. We're wagering that no matter how dynamic the head of the SGA may be, students will not get involved in its affairs unless there's a cube of sugar in front of them.

David Mende suggests a type of Pied Piper is needed to counter the apathy business. But unfortunately we don't see that type of dynamic leadership around.

Mende's approach to problems confronting our campus is ancient. We really don't see him saying anything that creative. But he's a cold, logical thinker — one thing in his favor.

Thomas Benitz also plays by the 1940 book of rules. But now and then Benitz comes up with some ideas worth consideration. His stand on the possible student operation of the cafeteria, bookstore, and sports clinics and off-campus housing is interesting. If bonds can be sold, as he suggests, channeling student idealism into SGA capitalism could be beneficial.

Benitz is worth a vote.

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As to vice-presidential hopefuls, Stanley Grajewski is a popular SGA personality who looks the best to us, tho he lacks originality in any way, shape or form. Donald Pendley, on the other hand, knows the campus from the inside as a result of his connection with this newspaper and other campus publications. He's progressive and worth a vote.

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And in the money department, Dawn Sova is the winner. She wants another year on the treasurer's hotseat. That's admirable, and worth the vote.

David M. Levine,
Executive Editor.

Benitz the RA Talking Business About the S



Thomas Benitz
Academic Credit

The sign on the door in Stone Hall read: "Thomas Benitz, Resident Assistant." The introduction was appropriate, for inside the room Benitz enumerated an array of campus activities he felt qualified him for the position of 1970-71 SGA president.

As SGA rep from the business department, Benitz was appointed this year to the newly-created office of vice-president of external affairs. "Basically, my function is to maintain communication with and an awareness of off-campus programs of interest to MSC students," he explained.

The 19-year-old sophomore business major from Middlesex leaned back with legs outstretched on his dormitory-style bunk. "I was a member of the coordinating committee and planning committee for the proposed collegewide governance body," he continued. The list went on. "I am currently on the parking committee, the financial board and the educational reform committee."

Peering under a flop of blond hair, Benitz presented some ideas for improved communications between the students and their governing body. "I would like to initiate a regular SGA president's

column in the MONTCLARION," he said. "Conspicuous locations for posting the minutes of legislative meetings — perhaps sandwich boards in the lounges and a display case outside Life Hall — would keep students posted on SGA affairs."

His room was neat and inviting. "I would like to see a greater student-community relationship developed by bringing the public into SGA activities and extending our interests off-campus," Benitz suggested. He feels that sports clinics for local youngsters run by MSC athletes and a summer job-placement bureau would serve this need.

A three-sport man in high school, Benitz elected service to students in lieu of athletics at MSC. "To lessen the cost of their education here, I would explore the possibility of a student-run cafeteria, bookstore and off-campus housing. This could be accomplished under the auspices of the SGA."

In order to "spread the load," the presidential contender advanced ideas to improve student participation in important functions. "I think academic credit for SGA involvement would enable students to devote more time to necessary committees."

"A judiciary branch of the



3 SGA VEEP SEEKERS ARE WALKING,

A Trackman That Knows About Running

Competing in a race is not uncommon to Stanley Grajewski, junior industrial arts major running for the 1970-71 SGA vice-presidency. Four years of crosscountry has provided that experience.

Attired in the garb of the proverbial Joe College rather than his track skivvies, Grajewski related his reasons for seeking the SGA second spot. "The importance of the vice-president lies in his responsibility to chair legislative meetings and assume the presidential role when necessary," he summarized. "I feel I can meet the needs of the students in this capacity."

The 20-year-old industrial arts rep to the SGA outlined what he feels are some of the important needs of the students. "Increased funds to CLUB and MAC is one measure I would try to initiate," Grajewski confided. "Greater enrollment next year should provide the additional student activity fees necessary for these projects."

Grajewski throws his support

behind policies of unlimited cuts, liquor on campus and faculty evaluation by students. "I would like to see published a standard procedure for evaluating faculty members," he added.

Involving directly-concerned students on appropriate SGA committees is one method the vice-presidential hopeful would use to curb student apathy. "I would also like to see the Commuter Chronicle reinstated with SGA news included," Grajewski said.

On his crosscampus race for the SGA post, the candidate pointed out areas which he feels reflect his leadership ability. "My qualifications include cocaptain of my high school crosscountry team and former veep of the Industrial Education and Technology Club. I have also served on the traffic appeals board."

In his SGA role, Grajewski this year represented MSC at the Association of Student Governments' conference in Atlanta. As concert chairman of CLUB, he attended the National



Stanley Grajewski
Increased Funds

Entertainment conference in Memphis this March. (Talk about crosscountry.)

Not as lonely as some long-distance runners, Grajewski teams with the greeks — specifically wearing the colors of Senate. "I am also a member of Epsilon Pi Tau, the industrial education honorary frat," he concluded.



Dawn Sova
Not a Politician

Money's Dawn Sova's Fulltime Job

Seated behind her desk covered with financial and committee reports and vouchers, the SGA treasurer, junior Dawn Sova explained why she's running for reelection. "Being SGA treasurer is a fulltime job," she began. "It leaves little time for additional extensive activities."

"Few people realize what the yearly \$60 student activities fee actually is," said the Garfield resident. "They don't know it subsidizes the cost of concerts, plays, movies,

formals, athletic events, publications and lectures. As general 'watchdog' of the SGA funds, there are many times that I've had to refuse an organization's request for additional funds or speak up in Legislature against increased expenditures. This money has to be carefully disbursed in order that the students of MSC may receive the full benefit of what they pay."

As SGA treasurer, Miss Sova has been chairman of the financial board, secretary of

the Faculty-Student Cooperative and ex-officio member of the Montclair Athletic Commission. When asked about the rest of her activities this year, she commented, "naturally I've been on other SGA committees this year, as have many other people. What seems so odd is the fact that I feel as if I'm a part of every SGA-financed organization. It's hard not to become familiar with these organizations when dealing with them so frequently."

As to why she's running for reelection the 20-year-old math major and Dalphac sister revealed: "The SGA is growing and its power as a voice of the students can grow, also. To strengthen its position on campus, the SGA needs stability and efficiency. I'm not a politician; the treasurer should not be, but I am an administrator. I feel that my continuity of office and the knowledge of its workings can help strengthen the SGA and help make it more receptive to the students' needs."

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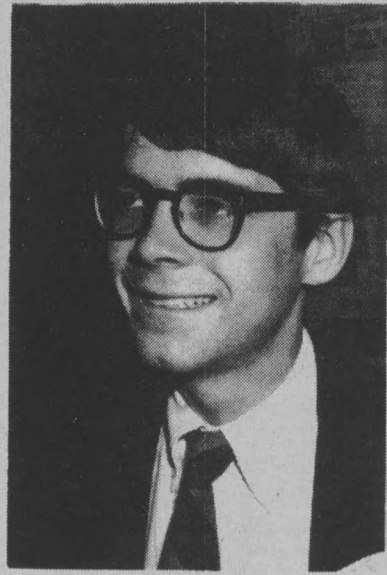
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e SGA

SGA would afford students the advantage of being judged and disciplined by their peers," the candidate suggested, kicking his shoes off. "It's worth looking into."

A four-foot high inflated plastic whiskey bottle at one end of the room implied that busy Benitz had not lost touch with student social interests. "I believe CLUB should receive more funds for expanding their social programs," he explained.

"The SGA president should be open to criticism from his constituency. I would support a periodic press conference to meet this obligation," Benitz concluded.



David Mende
Commuter Involvement

Mende — The Serious Man

One of the two candidates for the office of president of the Student Government Association is David Mende. He is a serious-minded 21-year-old junior.

Peering thru his black-rimmed glasses, this sandy-haired, lean young man stated: "I am not out to appease people for their votes, but to present a perfectly honest campaign."

Besides being outspoken Mende is direct and to the point. In a recent letter to the MONTCLARION, Mende stated, "I will get directly to the issues." And that he did, as he outlined them in detail.

Mende is strongly in favor

of the unlimited cut policy. He stated:

"This cut policy, started by the students, is getting bounced around by faculty and administration, and when it gets back to the students it will be in a barely-recognizable form."

Continued growth of the SGA would make Mende happy, and he wants to get more people "aware of the activities of the SGA." He emphasizes the commuter and proposes some form of a newsletter to keep them informed.

Mende is in favor of faculty evaluation by the student body but specifies that students should "hold the results until

tenure (three years at present) is decided. This would allow a faculty member to improve and not be judged by premature conclusions," Mende related. He is the only candidate that specified this point.

When asked when he first got involved with SGA activities, Mende stated: "Last year a friend of mine asked me to attend a meeting. I was surprised at the lack of students at the meeting. I thought it was time to get involved."

One thing is for sure — Mende is involved now, and when the time comes to counting out the votes, Mende will be there.

NG, TALKING AND, OF COURSE, RUNNING

He Sold His Car to Learn About MSC

As a commuter last year, sophomore Donald Vanarelli sensed an uneasiness whenever he entered the SGA office. Vanarelli, a candidate for the SGA vice-presidency, would seek to engage more commuting students in campus activities to alleviate such uneasiness.

"I was really disappointed last year," confided the 19-year old English major. "It was almost impossible to get to know many students, but I saw other people having a good time. I didn't feel I was a part of MSC life."

"Commuting was terrible," Vanarelli recalled, rubbing the lines of "traffic pain" from his brow. "The only pleasurable part of the daily grind from Lyndhurst was the sight of MSC set against a scenic background," he quickly qualified his statement: "I fear the campus will become a concrete jungle if students don't take an interest in

planning functions," he warned.

This year Vanarelli turned in his car for a nearby off-campus apartment. "There's been a world of difference. I've gotten to know many people. I'm shy to begin with, so this has been a major step," the candidate said.

If elected to office Vanarelli promises to strive for greater commuter involvement in campus life. "A PA system in Life Hall and TUB could be used to make periodic announcements of student interest," he suggested. "This would give all students an opportunity to know what's going on." He also suggested more conspicuous posting of SGA news.

Vanarelli's interests include Newman House, where he is occasionally a lector for Sunday masses. He also represents his Tau Lambda Beta brothers in intramural sports, and working in the library gives him



Donald Vanarelli
PA System

spending money to keep up with campus social life.

The would-be vice-president feels that SGA involvement should not be limited to on-campus residents. "The majority of MSC students are commuters. The effectiveness of the student body will not be realized if it is reflective of a minority of the students."

No More Criticism — Just Work

"It's time for me to stop criticizing and start correcting the situations I object to." Thus, Don Pendley opened his comments concerning his campaign for the SGA vice-presidency.

Questioned at his cluttered desk in the MONTCLARION office, Pendley said: "During my two years here I've served as Galumph editor-in-chief and MONTCLARION managing editor. In both these positions I've held the responsibility of criticizing the SGA."

"However, I think I've criticized SGA long enough to want to take an active part in changing the way things are done. That's why I'd like to be vice-president."

Pendley's interests vary from the creative to the academic to the practical. He's produced and written amateur theater productions in his hometown, Paramus, and spends his spare time writing poetry, satire and musical lyrics.

In the world of academics, Pendley specializes in American



Donald Pendley
Start Correcting

studies — particularly literature — and European languages. He speaks Spanish conversantly, and has studied Italian and French. On the practical side, he has worked as a writer for The Passaic Herald-News and Quarterly business manager.

Pendley feels that his varied interests will aid him in his SGA career. "An academic community," explained the sophomore humorist, "of its very existence, must encompass many fields, but these fields cannot afford to become divided and separate. They need a unifying force. One of these forces can be SGA."

He's on the Money Fence

"I feel the duty of the SGA treasurer is to efficiently and impartially serve all of the students at MSC." That is the opinion of Thomas Hayes, candidate for 1970-71 SGA treasurer.

Such a responsibility would be nothing new for the outgoing, personable Hayes. "For the past year I have been treasurer of Players and also the SGA representative for the physics-earth-science department. This puts me in the position of working with student government from both sides of the fence so to speak." He added that this was the

main reason for his desire to spend his last year at MSC serving in the SGA.

Working with student government from "both sides of the fence" led Hayes to his basic criticism of the way the SGA treasury is functioning at present. He pointed out that the treasurer has control of appropriations thru guidelines which have been established. He feels that these guidelines are sometimes stressed too much. "It is unreasonable to expect an organization to be able to predict exactly where money will be channeled when it asks for funds."

The opinion has been held by some students that if Hayes is elected, he should resign his post as treasurer of Players, claiming that a conflict of interest would exist. Hayes rejected such speculation, pointing out that Players is a subdivision of SGA, and that there should be no conflict between the two organizations.

He added that he would like to change the image of treasurer. "I don't want people to think of the treasurer as the little baldheaded man in the back room with the green eyeshade and the elastic armband," he said.



Thomas Hayes
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POSITION STATEMENTS

FACULTY EVALUATIONS: I feel the students should evaluate the professors, since we may be the only ones affected by their quality and mode of teaching.

FUTURE OF THE SGA: If the functions of the SGA and their organizations are usurped by these poorly-organized newly-formed schools, I think much of the students' power will likewise be usurped. I feel student organizations should remain in the hands of the students.

COMMUTERS: The commuters have a great potential for being the lifeblood of this campus. I suggest reviving the Commuter Chronicle and filling it not only with news of campus events, but also news of interest to commuters, such as construction on campus and local roads.

Paid by the students to elect
Don Pendley SGA vice-president

The Veep Has Some Words

By Greg Doucette

When the student body goes to the polls tomorrow, they will vote for three important SGA offices and one relatively unimportant one. At least, that seems to be the attitude of most people on campus. The executive vice-presidency seems to many to be an "extra-added attraction" much like green stamps at the supermarket. Few people realize the importance of the office of the vice-president.



Doucette.

If one were to ask a typical MSC student what the SGA veep did to keep himself busy, he would probably fail to mention the number-two man's biggest job.

As speaker of the house, the vice-president actually conducts the weekly SGA legislative meetings. He is responsible for composing the agenda as well as deciding when someone is to be heard.

Additionally, he rules on the constitutionality of all bills presented to the legislature. This makes him, in effect, a one-man Supreme Court.

The legislature, of course, is the group that has the final say concerning SGA policy, both financial and philosophical. Thus, with the tremendous influence the vice president has on the legislature, he becomes a major force in determining student government policy. Additionally, he is an important member of the SGA executive team and plays a major role in reaching executive decisions.

SGA Brands New Schools Illegal

KOs Humanities, Behavioral Science Reps

By Robert Watson
Staff Writer

The newly-created schools of Humanities and Social and Behavioral Sciences were declared illegal Tuesday at the Student Government Association legislative meeting. By virtue of the SGA decision representatives from these schools will not be recognized.

The immediate effect of the legislation will be felt after the legislative elections on May 15. Under the new reapportionment, delegates to the SGA from the schools and departments will be chosen at that time.

The decision not to recognize the School of Humanities came with the passage of a bill submitted by Timothy Fanning and Robert Stickel, English department reps. According to Fanning, the governance structure under which the school's senate is presently

operating was not ratified by members of the school. The establishment of this senate "is an insult to the intelligence of each individual student present at MSC," Fanning charged.



Fanning: Insult To the Students.

In similar legislation approved at the meeting, social science rep. Bonnie Miller asked that representatives from the School of Social and Behavioral Sciences not be seated. Her bill reflected the concern of some of her constituents over "the method of ratification of

(the school's) constitution," she explained.

Discussion of the bills was directed at the actual methods used by the respective schools to ratify their constitutions and the procedures employed to elect senators from the individual departments. Publicity of the elections in the two schools also entered the discussion.

Fanning reported that the humanities constitution was originally rejected by the students in that school. "A second proposal was initiated with no solicitation of student approval," he argued. "The senator elections were poorly publicized and based on a very low vote return."

Frank Cripps, senior social science major, pointed out that senators from the history department were elected at a social tea. It was also brought out that

psychology department senators were elected at a meeting of the psychology club, but no objections to this procedure had been raised.

According to the Fanning-Stickel bill, the SGA now calls for a "disbandment of the present governing body" of this school. It also requires ratification of the constitution before a new governing body is elected.

Miss Miller's bill requires a "properly-publicized referendum" of her school's constitution before the school is recognized.

The SGA further established a committee to investigate corrective measures taken in the respective schools.

Representatives from the concerned schools and departments therein will be elected at the legislative elections on May 15, but only department reps will be recognized.

She Wants to Change Tradition

"Traditionally, the secretary is usually the most silent of the officers," remarked Fran Niedbala, lone SGA secretarial candidate commenting on the present role of the SGA secretary. "I want to change that. The secretary can be a very powerful voice in the SGA."

Surrounded by paints and paper in Stone Hall recreation room, the jean-clad sophomore business education major related her ideas concerning the role of the SGA secretary in campus affairs.

"The secretary should actively participate in as many committees as possible in order to make her voice heard," Miss Niedbala asserted. "I'd also like to see the minutes of the SGA meetings and any other SGA news posted conspicuously all over the campus," she continued. "We have to involve the entire student body, and

the first thing is to let them know what's going on."

Knowledge of the SGA and its functions stems from Miss Niedbala's frequent attendance at SGA meetings. "I see the SGA playing an important role in the future of MSC," the Carteret resident explained, wiping paint from her face. "With the SGA Legislature being composed of representatives from the various schools as well as departments," she went on, "the SGA will act as an 'overseer.' It'll be a way of tying everything together."

Aside from her interest in SGA, Miss Niedbala has also been working hard for her class. She served as secretary in her freshman year. Last spring she set a precedent when she was elected the first female president of her class.

But her class is not her only interest. Last year Miss



Fran Niedbala Most Silent

Niedbala served as overall chairman for freshman orientation and this year she is financial cochairman for Carnival '70. She is also a sister of Delta Theta Psi.

WHAT'S HAPPENING

A roundup of national and local collegiate news compiled and edited by the MONTCLARION.

CORNELL EXPERIENCES RACIAL INCIDENTS

Growing racial tension on the Cornell campus boiled over recently in a series of sporadic incidents. Two Molotov cocktails were hurled thru windows of Olin Library on April 2. Over 100 black students raced across the campus, on April 8, hurling rocks thru windows and overturning two cars.

The Black Studies Center was destroyed by arson on April 1. Cornell's black studies program was a leader in the nation. Failures are not a result of poor administrative efforts as the Cornell administration has made attempts to cooperate with black students.

Negro students seem to feel more alienated than before. According to James E. Turner, the black center director: "We not only see this incident as being the most recent reflecting the hostility, hatred and atmosphere of threat of violence that black people live with, but it is a reflection of the growing current thruout the American nation."

STUDENT SYMPOSIUM ON AFRICA SET FOR JUNE

African students in the United States are planning a student symposium of Africa's future on June 5-7. The idea for the conference grew out of an International Conference of Africanists staged by the African Studies Association and Committee on African Students last October. The groups met in the U.S. and Canada respectively. The conference will be held in Boston, New York or Chicago.

Set May 15 as Rep Election

The elections for Student Government Association legislative representatives will be held in the lobby of Memorial auditorium on Fri., May 15 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Students will be voting within their departments for school and department representatives.

The new voting procedure is based upon an SGA statute change approved by the SGA Legislature in February. The purpose for restructuring the governing body was to provide proportional representation from the newly-created schools, but representatives will be acting in the interest of the entire student body.

According to the new plan, students are entitled to one legislator for an initial 25 students in a department. If a department contains an additional 200 students, or multiple thereof, it receives one additional legislator for each 200 students.

At the same time students will be voting for one legislator for each 200 students in a school. There is no longer any representation by class.

Below is a list of departments and schools and the number of representatives for each. These figures are based on the projected enrollment for 1970-71.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION LEGISLATIVE REAPPORTIONMENT

School of Applied Arts and Sciences	7 rep.
business studies	3 rep.
home economics	2 rep.
industrial education and technology	1 rep.
physical education	3 rep.
School of Fine and Performing Arts	3 rep.
speech and theater arts (& T.E.)	1 rep.
fine arts	2 rep.
music	1 rep.
School of Humanities	6 rep.
English	3 rep.
French	2 rep.
classics	1 rep.
Spanish-Italian	2 rep.
German-Slavic	1 rep.
School of Science and Mathematics	5 rep.
mathematics	3 rep.
biology	2 rep.
chemistry	1 rep.
physics-earth science	1 rep.
School of Social and Behavioral Sciences	2 rep.
history	2 rep.
social sciences	1 rep.
economics	1 rep.
sociology	1 rep.
psychology	1 rep.
speech pathology	1 rep.

If a department is not represented, it does not have the 25 students needed for one representative.

-Watson.