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EDITORIAL . . .

Irresponsible and Ingratitude

We had two demonstrations of irresponsibility and ingratitude last week.

One is of little concern to most. The other is of vital concern to every student and prospective student at MSUO.

Less than 10 of the 159 students receiving scholarships from the MSUO foundation were able to find time to work even a three hour shift at the horse show.

Scholarship students are certainly not responsible to the student body for their ingratitude.

But the Student-Faculty University Council's lack of concern for the horse show is of importance to the students. Only one member of the Council worked at the horse show. The other 10 members apparently felt that the horse show was not worthy of their time or support.

From this we can only conclude that the SFUC is going to devote itself to discussion of university life. They apparently feel no responsibility to provide leadership or to demonstrate by action their concern for areas of student interest.

The student members of the SFUC, hand-picked by the dean of students for their interest and understanding of the problems of MSUO, not only lack conviction, but lack any trace of leadership — a role which must be soon filled at MSUO.

We again ask: What is the SFUC?

Whom does the SFUC represent?

Do we have mere hollow men in an institution pledged to action, not words?

We are waiting. We are waiting for answers.

Fair "Success"

MSUO's Hunt Fair, part of the 1962 Detroit Horse Show, was a "success" according to Mrs. June Matthews, executive director of the MSUO Foundation. Proceeds from the fair, which featured children's games, a tea room, pony rides, shops, and a raffle, will contribute to the MSUO scholarship fund.

Students, faculty members, and other volunteers parked cars, sold refreshments, programs and other items, and worked with children's games in the effort.

Community groups, including the Village Women's Club of Birmingham, the Pontiac Area Junior Chamber of Commerce, and the Tau Betas, and others, helped the project.

Financial results of the event are not yet known, but should be available soon, Mrs. Matthews said.

Winner of more than \$300 in the Hunt Fair raffle was Lois Helen Hale of Pontiac. Her guess was only pennies away from the correct amount of money in a glass bottle.

Winning other large prizes were R. L. Swats, Jr. of Bloomfield Hills, a sable fur scarf, and L. L. Colbert, also of Bloomfield Hills, a color television set.

Other Winners were: Mrs. Edward Howe, Rochester, a fur-trimmed cashmere sweater; Mr. O. L. Beaudette, Pontiac, a \$125 gift certificate; Mrs. O. L. Beaudette, Pontiac, a lamp; Mr. E. T. Bedford, Detroit, a table FM radio; Mrs. John McGowen, Lexington, Ky., a framed painting; Mrs. Basil Brown, Pontiac, two framed pictures, a tether ball set, and a brass tack ornament;

Mrs. Harold Fitzgerald, Pontiac, a Dalton cashmere sweater; Mrs. Walter Laidlaw, Birmingham, traveler's silk lingerie and cosmetic cases; Danny Singleton, Bloomfield Hills, one semester of dancing lessons; Mrs. H. J. Wettlaufer, Pontiac, a permanent wave; Michael Girard, Bloomfield Hills, a sport shirt; Betty Gibbons, Bloomfield Hills, a plastic reptile for a pool.

James Coco, New York City, N. Y., a tote bag; Mrs. C. F. Delbridge, Birmingham, a decorated cake; John Shimmie, Royal Oak, a tote bag; Cle-

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"Contuse" Available On Campus July 15

"Contuse" has been enlarged to 40 pages and will be distributed on campus by July 15, according to Miss Nancy Kelly, magazine co-editor.

General Printing Company of Pontiac will print 500 copies of "Contuse" at no cost.

Students desiring copies of "Contuse" should reserve a copy by writing "Contuse" editor c/o the Oakland Observer.

"It is imperative that students wanting a copy of the magazine contact the Observer immediately," Miss Kelly said.

New MSUO Budget Approved By Legislature

Despite the fact that the \$1,519,000 budget for 1962-1963 is the "best" the University has ever received from the state legislature, students face a possible tuition increase of \$28-\$42 a year starting in September.

I would predict that the Board of Trustees would increase fees 10 to 15 per cent" at their July meeting, Chancellor Varner said this week.

The tuition increase would provide MSUO with \$40,000-

\$60,000 in additional funds. Added to the budget approved by the legislature, the new tuition fees will give the University approximately \$1,569,000 in operating funds for this fiscal year. Governor Swainson recommended \$1,575,000 for MSUO.

"This is the best operating budget since we have been open, but . . ." said Varner. The need for science equipment, additional music and language lab facilities, and library books makes the "but" very large, Varner explained.

In addition to the operating budget, the legislature still has to approve the capital outlay budget for \$65,000 which is to be used to remodel the old library into administration offices. Varner said that the legislature would probably approve the outlay budget late in July.

The new operating budget, not including fees from the proposed tuition increase, is \$387,000 above the total amount of operating funds for 1961-1962.

According to Varner, the Kennedy Administration's education aid bill will provide only "limited" help to MSUO if it is passed by Congress. The education aid bill, of which there are two versions at this time, would provide Federal government loans to Universities, scholarships to students, and direct Federal funds on a matching basis. (The matching provision means that the Federal government would provide approximately one dollar for each dollar provided by any other governmental or private source.)

Brown, Irwin Attend Library Conference

Assistant Professor of English Maurice F. Brown and reference librarian Mrs. Margaret Irwin attended a conference at Kenyon College last week.

Twenty college professors and librarians were present at the meeting. Discussion centered about the appearance and function of the library in the "ideal college" of the future. Brown said that the group met to "dream up new ideas on what the ideal college of the future will look like — especially the place of the library in it."

Before leaving for the conference, Brown further commented that "we hope to get some ideas that will be useful for MSUO."

CORRECTION

The statement attributed to Tony Hammer, assistant to SAC president Ron Miller for University relations, was incorrect last week. The Observer regrets this error.

1st Keyes Scholarship

Awarded Judith Bank

Judith Ann Bank, 21-year-old wife of a student minister at Highland, Mich. has been chosen winner of the first Keyes Scholarship in English at Michigan State University Oakland.

The scholarship, endowed by Mr. and Mrs. Roger M. Keyes of 945 Cranbrook Rd., Bloomfield Hills, is worth \$400 a year. A similar award is to be made each year to an outstanding student majoring in English.

Mrs. Bank, a junior, is a consistent honor student, and last semester was one of ten to make all A's. She was chosen on the basis of faculty recommendations, over a score of contenders.

When Mrs. Bank gets her degree as a member of MSUO's first graduating class next April, she would like to teach high school English in the Pontiac area, although she has her eye on a doctorate and a college teaching post eventually.

With Mrs. Bank at work, her husband Thomas will be able to leave his pastorate at Highland Methodist Church to finish his seminar training at Garrett Bible Institute, Evanston, Ill.

Sleeping Bear Dunes Discussed This Sunday

"Trouble in Playland," an exploration of the population explosion as it affects the demand for outdoor recreation facilities and space, will be the subject of "Editor's Choice" Sunday, July 8 (ABC-TV, 3:30 P. M.).

"Trouble in Playland", which will focus on Sleeping Bear Dunes in Northern Michigan, will show the inevitable conflict between public interest and private ownership of land which is coveted by government agencies for development into parks—space which is gradually diminishing.

Sleeping Bear Dunes is an area of some 77,000 acres now owned primarily by small private interests. Local residents there are aroused by government attempts to convert part of the area into a national park. Many of them will speak on "Editor's Choice".

The government's position on Sleeping Bear Dunes will be represented by Secretary of the Interior Stewart Udall, who will also discuss the Administration's program for conservation and preservation of open space and wilderness areas, and the opening of new parks. He and the Michigan citizens will be interviewed by Editorial Director Fendall Xerxa.

Honor System Being Tried At Anibal House

By Karen Zubris

Resident dissatisfaction among Anibal House resident students has led to the revision of that house's honor system. Under the old system, which was in effect from April 26 to June 11, each student in MSUO's women's residence hall was required to be "on

duty" two nights each month. The girl on duty was required to remain in the Anibal lounge area from 7 to 9 to receive incoming calls, and to see that students were in the hall at closing times.

Bobbie Lieb, Arlington, Va. sophomore commented that the system unified the girls and furthered their "responsible development." Linda Holtz, another resident, termed the system beneficial, noting that it relieved the duties of the Staff, Head Resident Mrs. Evelyn Norup, and Resident Assistant Marleen Payne.

However, Evelyn Adams, Lake Orion junior, said, "The administration thinks they are fooling the kids in the dorm by saying it's an honor system. Miss Adams and Ann Schultes both commented that the name "honor system" was deceiving because girls on duty were double-checked by a staff member. Such a procedure, they said, did not require their honor, did not ease staff duties, and was a waste of time.

Under the present system, each girl is assigned two days of "duty" each month to officiate at house closing. This now includes checking all residents into the hall, recording any lateness, reporting any abnormalities or infractions, and locking the hall. The two-hour telephone answering period has been omitted. All duty is now done independently, with staff assistance.

Assistant Dean of Students Mary Ann Cusack remarked, "The system is an opportunity not only for developing responsibility in the girls, but for giving them the chance to practice this responsibility." Mrs. Cusack also stated that the role of the resident assistant is to lead and counsel the residents.

The system is designed to permit the resident assistant to fulfill these responsibilities rather than oversee Anibal House activities.

Council Meets In Two Weeks

The Student Faculty University Council did not meet this week due to the Fourth of July Holiday.

Dr. David Beardslee, Council chairman, announced on Monday that too few students and faculty members would be able to attend this week's meeting.

Beardslee also told the Observer that the Council would like a statement from the newspaper regarding its stand on why SFUC meetings should be open to the press.

The Observer will print the editors' statement on this subject next week.

The next council meeting, closed to everyone except the press, will be held July 17 in the Oakland Center.

Vent Frustrations!

Want to vent some frustrations?

A group of men and women students at MSUO has issued a challenge to the faculty and staff to participate in a bowling match at Rochester's new 32 lane North Hill Lanes.

North Hill Lanes is located on Tienken Road on the north edge of Rochester.

Consisting of three lines, the match will take about two hours to complete.

Cost is \$1.00 for the three lines plus a ten cent charge for bowling shoes rental.

The match will be held July 9 at 3:30 p.m.

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Editor: "I Could Only Listen To Rumors;" Little College

To the Editor:

You wanted to know why a small core of (say- thirty students provide all of the spirit and leadership for campus activities. What activities? Now I know I shouldn't tear things down that I can't build up, but I have seen very few student activities on campus. I can remember a few things that students have done. They put out a fair newspaper and they put out one student directory. They also saved a barn, planted a few trees (they died, but this isn't the fault of the students) and put on a play.

Of these things, only one (the barn) would seem to have any lasting value for future students. I don't even know whose barn it will be when it is fixed up. Will it go to one of the departments? Who will let us rent it from the department? Can the students do anything they want with it? (Even let someone speak there who the administration won't allow to use the university buildings) Does the barn go to the students or to "the University"?

I find from this paper that there is going to be a Student-Faculty University Council meeting. Who are the students going to be? I remember something about a student government here, but I don't know that I support it. How could I support it? I never now anything about what it is doing. Nobody is allowed to tell us what stand (if any) the people who are supposed to be representing us are taking. Who are the people who caused the resignations of other representatives? I thought that student government gave up. Who is talking in my name and who gave him the right? It is a farce to call this a Student-Faculty Council. Where are the students?

You say I killed student government by not doing anything? Student government died because it wouldn't let anyone outside of this small group know what it was doing. Look at the student court, for example. I can see no reason why a special court had to be set up and the senate couldn't hear the cases—but this is unimportant compared to what happened to the student court.

I only heard of two cases that came up, and didn't like what I heard. I could only listen to rumors, and when I asked one of the judges he wouldn't say anything about the cases or decisions. What can a court of this kind do? How do I know if I want to vote for the judges next time an election comes up? They represent me?

You complain that I don't help you lead, but where has student government shown any leadership. There are lots of things I would like to see done on campus, but even if I had run for that last student government I couldn't have done anything to get them done. The student government here is set up so that it couldn't do anything if it tried, and no one could even know that it had tried.

Why don't I do anything? Where could I even start? If I ask anyone why something is wrong with the dorm it's always because the people who planned it wanted that thing wrong. Should I draw a petition up for each of these things? It will take all of my time for the next three years.

Tom Kerley

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