Students get Wet 'n Wild in Schwitzer

By Jeff Narmore
Opinion Editor

Students ate from paper plates in the dining hall last week and Schwitzer Center became a much less pleasant place to spend time after a sewer line collapsed Wednesday morning.

As of Friday, the restrooms were blocked off. Students and employees had to use the bathrooms in Esch Hall. A dining hall employee was told that the problem could be fixed as soon as today.

Residents students must eat off of paper plates because those who work in the dining hall cannot use the sewer to wash dishes.

"It's just like they're having a picnic...it's better to do that than try giving them back dirty plates," an employee said.

The problem began on Wednesday morning when the Schwitzer Center Concourse became flooded.

A hose was pushed into a drain to unclog it, but the hose found an opening, where it popped out and unleashed 2,000 pounds of water pressure.

"I was reading Othello, talking with this guy...the next thing I know, there was a 'bang' noise. The metal cap hit the couch, the next thing you know, there was water all over," said Bayu Arboull, one of the students on the couch at the time.

The drain was only inches from the front of the couch where many students sit in the concourse to watch television.

The water pressure knocked over one couch. Students scrambled madly to get away. No one was hurt but several were thoroughly soaked.

"I just pushed the couch over the drain to keep the hose away from the kids," said Shawn Skiles, a member of maintenance, also present at the time.

The couch didn't hold for long before the force of the hose threw it back off. The whole incident lasted approximately two minutes and soaked a 20 foot radius of the concourse.

Everything was soon back to normal in the concourse. Those who work in the offices in the lower level of Schwitzer weren't so lucky.

On Wednesday morning, mud oozed from the floor and crawled several feet toward the center of the room.

A section of floor in the office area was completely removed and blocked off.

Dirt was removed by the truckloads, from the ground outside that section of the building as workers attempted to repair the sewer.

NASA visits Indianapolis for town meeting

By Erik Schwarz
Staff Writer

NASA, the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, was in town Friday for a Town Meeting.

The meeting was the third in a series of seven town meetings that have been held throughout the country. The meeting was hosted by I.U.P.U.I., in the Madame Walker Theater. Several top administrators were in town for this meeting. Before the town meeting the administrators visited Crispus Attucks Junior High School.

They also visited several research departments on the campus. Six months ago NASA kicked off a campaign to find out their employees needs in NASA. In the evaluation process NASA found some interesting facts.

NASA found that the Space Shuttle program was willing to cut its budget on spending as long as they keep the safety standards up on the shuttle.

They found the space shuttle "Freedom" project which is in the works was willing to cut its budget by 30%. The main thing they learned was the Aeronautics division didn't know its customers.

After much evaluation NASA decided it needed to fine tune its goals. They came up with four factors for this process:

- Change in the world
- Change in competitiveness in America
- American Education
- Economic Reality

These goals are the basis for the town meeting. Daniel S. Goldin, Administrator for NASA gave a broad overview of NASA.

Goldin clarified some misconceptions about NASA. Goldin stressed that NASA is not a part of the military, rather a Civilian Space Agency. The Aeronautics division is at the forefront of technological advancements.

NASA does not have an operating budget of 2 to 3 billion dollars, but a budget of 14.3 billion, which is much less than the national deficit. Goldin stressed besides space technology, NASA does work on spin off projects as well. With the help of these town meetings NASA hopes to have a better understanding of what the American people feel about NASA.
Opinion

Give truth a chance

Mr. Bill Bailey, the speaker at last Tuesday's convocation, did not take much interest in listening to my reaction to his speech, so I thought I'd take my opinion somewhere that it might be valued: the editorial page! First, I would like to say that Mr. Bailey had some extremely valid and important points to his speech. Drug usage is a very serious problem in our country and all over the world, especially when it comes to young children using drugs. As Mr. Bailey said, the idea of people like Mr. Bailey having a child is a bit too far into the meaning of words that ruins the song for me. I would feel deprived now if I had been restricted from seeing Puff as a child.

As Mr. Bailey stated, network television tells us that drugs are bad, then nearly one-third of the commercials the networks play are telling viewers to "take a pill, take a pill, take a pill!" In addition to these commercials, I have seen thousands of hours of murders, drug use, sex, blasphemy, etc., on these network programs. MTV, however, is one place that I can find "controversial" commercials and programs; and is one channel that I am sure Mr. Bailey would never approve of. The reason the commercials and programs are considered controversial is because the speaker has the guts to face and deal with the true issues that concern teenagers growing up in today's society. MTV has hardly any censorship, blinding of the public, nor altering of the story to make someone look good. For example, MTV gave interesting insights on this year's presidential campaign that definitely influenced my vote. Thank you MTV for the truth about political TV! Also shows a program called The Real World, which portrays an actual account of a homeless world in New York, where crack was used and people cried real tears. Other episodes of this program dealt with more personal issues of relationships, jobs, friends, and living in today's society.

The reason I am writing is because Mr. Bailey was a representative of close-minded conservatives, who give no other views or opinions a chance to be expressed. He made a joke about Tipper Gore, and the ironically-funny thing about this is that he reminded me of Mrs. Gore. When I shook his hand and praised him, he was grateful, but when I told him I disagreed somewhat with his examples, he literally turned his back to me and started speaking with someone else. He closed me out of his mind totally. I would like to say to Mr. Bailey that yes, some lyrics do condone evils of society, but does closing out other's feelings really seem consistent with what his message was about? I think not. Maybe this is why some children decide to use drugs, because their adult role models turn their backs and shut out the children's feelings.

In the words of my co-worker, Daryl Ewick, "The best way to keep our kids off drugs is to set good examples and allow them to listen to whatever they want." I would like to add to that comment that giving children the freedom to think for themselves, rather than force beliefs on them, (as Mr. Bailey would have us do) will help them develop critical thinking processes and more than likely they will see the harmful effects of drug usage.

— Crystal D. Weddle
Photo Editor

Christmas at the madhouse

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I was awestruck. People were rushing about furiously, trying to walk faster than whoever was in front of them.

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Because of this experience, I interpret the library parking lot mess to be a reminder and a warning. That's why this Friday I won't dare leave the house. The Christmas season in the shopping centers has a way of bringing out the worst in all of us.

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Out on a Limb by Gary Kopervas
Sometimes I hate to go clothes shopping...it makes me feel like such a cow.

Hi, Hon! Back already from the dress barn?

What?! WHAT'D I SAY?

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Student Alumni Association needs the campus community to "Lend a Hand!" Place socks, gloves or mittens on the large green hands located in the four residence halls, Academic services or the Alumni office in the basement of Esch. Collections will continue through December 4.

"Dad says no more violin lessons."
Women Swimmers finish second, men fourth at Little State

Erik Schwarz
Staff Writer

The site was set, and the teams were ready. Now all that was needed was the sound of the gun. When the gun had sounded and the meet was finished, U of I men and women swimmers had set personal bests, broke school records and swam away with three high point bests. The U of I men's and women's swimmers, last Saturday competed in the Little State Championships, held at the IUPUI Natatorium. U of I was competing with some of the nation's top men and women swimmers and divers in the country. After the scores were tallied, U of I swam away with three high point winners out of four. Junior diver Carrie Dragoo finished first in the 1m and second in the 3m. Defending Champion sophomore Nicole Rives placed first in the 200 freestyle and first in the 500 freestyle, while placing a respectable second in the mile. On the men's side, Senior Andre Vera finished with a first in the 200 freestyle and first in the 500 freestyle as well. He also set a new Little State record with his second place finish in the mile with a time of 1:71.20.55. Coach Baugh was pleased with the way his team swam. "Overall an outstanding meet we had some really good times," said coach Baugh. Besides the high points and the personal best, there were other top swimmers as well. Junior Kristi Hamilton, broke a record with her 100 breaststroke time of 1:08.69 finish. Doug Dejong, set a Little State record with his time of 1:01.35 in the 100 breaststroke. Sophomore Sean Dewyer placed fourth in the 400 IM, sixth in the 200 breaststroke and swam to a second in the 200 butterfly. As for the U of I freshmen swimmers, both had an outstanding day. Sara Wallace dove to a second place finish in the 1m and a third in the 3m. Both Wallace and Dragoo qualified for nationals after Saturday's meet.

As for the U of I freshman from down under Jodi Bayntum, she finished seventh in the 50 freestyle, third in the 100 freestyle and finished third in both relays. As for the team scores coach Baugh was pleased with the overall outcome. U of I men's and women's swimmers will be back in action December 4 and 5, in the Transylvania Invitational.

The 1992-93 Swimming and Diving Teams.

Photo provided by Coach Baugh

Team Scores Men: Wabash 164, Ashland 171, Vincennes 122, U of I 113, DePauw 67, Wheaton 40, Transylvania 24, Rose Hulman 2

Team Scores Women: Ashland 208, U of I 125, Transylvania 105, Wheaton 89, DePauw 80, Vincennes 54, St. Mary's (Notre Dame) 29

'Hounds lose at tipoff tourney

Perry Mann
Sports Writer

The men's basketball team started the season on a disappointing note as the Greyhounds dropped two games last weekend at the Central Missouri Tipoff Tournament.

In the Friday night opening game of the tournament, the Greyhounds were defeated by Central Missouri State 79-76. Senior Doug Stohlly led the Greyhounds with 15 points and 10 rebounds. Juniors Shannon Arthur, Scott Falkner, and Jim Mosher also played well for UI. Arthur scored 14 points, Falkner chipped in 12 points, and Mosher contributed 9 points and 10 rebounds.

Saturday in the consolation game, the men's basketball team fell to powerhouse Texas A&M (ranked 9th in the nation in NCAA Division II), 59-48. U of I missed its first 14 shots until freshman sensation Perrell Lucas connected on 3-pointer with 10:10 left in the first half. The Greyhounds got as close at 56-48 in the second half, but could not narrow the gap any closer.

Junior Shannon Arthur was the only U of I player to reach double figures with 13 points, but freshmen Perrell Lucas and Noi Chay each chipped in 9 points. U of I's next game will be Wednesday at the University of Wisconsin-Parkside and then the Greyhounds will participate in the Peach Bowl Classic the following Monday and Wednesday at Marian College.

Volunteers Needed!
The Network needs you. They are looking for volunteers to assist callers on the HELPLINE and the KIDSLINE. Daytime and evening openings. For more information, call 921-1302. A United Way agency.

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Kids, do you want to hear a story, a riddle or would you like to talk to the "Kids Lion"? Do you just want to talk about what's going on in your life? If so, call the KIDSline at 921-1354, Monday through Friday, 2:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. and ask to talk to "The Lion."

The Information and Referral Network, Inc., a United Way agency, provides telephone reassurance for children at no charge.

FALL SPORTS BANQUET SET FOR DECEMBER 3

The University of Indianapolis Department of Athletics invites all fall athletes to attend the fall sports banquet Thursday, December 3, in the Schwitzer Center Dining Hall at 7 p.m.

Tickets must be obtained from the Athletic Office before Monday, November 30. Admission is free for all fall athletes who received a complimentary ticket.

Come Join the Fun
Circle K

Nov 1-30 Solomon's Wardrobe Shoe drive
Nov 12-30 Zoobok and Baked Fruit Sales
Dec 1-3 Bellringing for Salvation Army

Meetings every Thursday at 2 p.m. Downstairs in Schwitzer
Note: Don't forget to look in your closets for unused good quality shoes when you go home for Thanksgiving!