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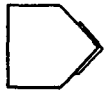
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THE NOVA KNIGHT

February 19, 1985



THE LIGHTS ARE... IN SIGHT

On February 11, a memorandum came out of Dr. Guerdon's office stating: "...we have examined the lighting system in effect on the walkway between the apartment complex and the Parker Building. We have concluded that additional lighting is needed to ensure complete coverage of the path."

Physical Plant has ordered 14 aluminium poles (and sodium lamps) to be installed along these paths. These light fixtures will be erected every 120 feet to ensure complete and adequate lighting on the pathways. The materials for this project "are expected to be delivered in six to eight weeks". Installation will probably begin immediately thereafter.

Many thanks to Mr. Garth Smith, Director of Physical Plant, and Dr. James Guerdon, Vice-President of Administration and Finance, for looking into this

situation and taking proper action to correct it.

The answers to last week's quiz (part of National Women's History Week Celebration) are as follows:

1. Kyung-Wha Chung
2. Frances Perkins
3. Leonora O'Reilley
4. Julia de Burgos
5. Fannie Lou Hamer
6. Ida B. Wells Barnett
7. Chief Sarah Winnemucca

The winner of this contest was NOBODY. If you want to know why, please see Ms. Fran Bohnsack-Lee.

.... so much for our educational park!!

Elections for the position of SGA treasurer will be held on Wednesday, Feb. 20. The candidates are Nick Labarbera and Gary Silberman. Much uncertainty surrounds the planning of the election date.

Editorials-Letters

To the Editor:

In response to the recent article submitted anonymously* to The Nova Knight regarding the guidelines set up in the SGA, I found there were a number of errors. I recently attended an SGA meeting and was able to propose solutions to the problems SGA has encountered. Therefore, I felt there was meaningful input to SGA business from another source. Each officer who attended the meeting openly discussed SGA matters with me. I also feel that the SGA has not entered the era of one man control. Each officer had a say as well as the non-official members in the meeting. To me it is not a case of one man's pursuit of power but rather that the students are not involved. Each meeting is open. Hopefully more students will attend.

Thank you for your time,
Sincerely
Matthew Halprin

* The editor wishes to make it clear that the policies of this publication, which appeared in the October 23 1984 issue, are still valid. Furthermore, policy #2 applies not only to articles/letters submitted by students outside the Nova Knight staff, but to all the official editorial writers, reporters and editors of this publication.

To the Editor:

Many thanks for granting me the title of King. However, I must deny the use of this title, for I was not born of a royal family. The only title that I shall recognize is that of

Student Body President, and I shall only accept this title because my fellow students voted me into this office.

I would like to suggest that you and your staff properly research your facts before you publish them. Journalists who do not properly research and issue statements with false accusations and information are called Yellow Journalists. And we both don't want you to be classified unjustly, as an editor or writer of yellow journalism.

Now to the students who might have been misguided by the editorial on page two of the Feb. 12 issue of the Nova Knight, I would like to assure them that the administrative guidelines that I have set forth are constitutionally consistent and serve only as an aid for the SGA officers. Furthermore, students are welcome to attend SGA meetings and encouraged to propose solutions to problems and to have any other meaningful form of input on student government issues. The only thing I will do, is call an officers meeting so that we can prepare agendas and discuss certain internal problems. The reason behind these special meetings is so we don't have to waste the time of the students and other officers during our regular meetings.

I also want to inform your readers that, somehow a major part of guideline #006* has been left out. I know it must have been an oversight, but this causes your readers to arrive at a false conclusion. This missing item, allowed the readers to think that I have tried to take away the rights of the press. In actuality, all I have done is ask the Public Relations Director to extend invitations to reporters for the Special Officers Meetings. The only condition that I have placed on the reporters is that during the meetings, the reporter acts like a reporter and refrain from taking any active part. I feel that this is important, because our time in these meetings is limited and we (the officers) are there for a special purpose. So all I am asking is that if a reporter wants to attend one of these meetings, he takes no active part in the meeting except for reporting the facts.

With my many thanks for allowing me this opportunity to clear

up these matters for you and your readers, I remain

Sincerely,

Edward L. Artau
Student Body President
Nova College

P.S. SGA meetings are currently held on Wednesday at 10:00am.
All students are welcome!

* Correction: Obviously, Mr. Artau refers to #005 of his
administrative guidelines (not #006) because that is the
one that was quoted in last week's issue.

Editor's Note: Professional courtesy dictates that a response
to Mr. Artau's letter can not appear in this
week's issue.

To the Editor,

To begin with, I would like to thank the author of the editorial
published on page 2 of last week's Nova Knight. The article
accurately reflects the feelings of many of my peers and myself.
Mr. Artau's list of decrees has been the topic of much discussion
among the politically conscious students of Nova College.

Looking over the so called "guidelines" set by our monarch, I
found myself asking a number of questions; most importantly where
did Mr. Artau derive the power to set these guidelines.
Examining the text of the "working constitution", I found a
clause giving the SGA president the power to "set minimum
required office hours for SGA officers". The clause was crossed
out however, and above it was scrawled "set administrative
guidelines for the SGA officers". Thus, the administrative
guidelines clause evolved from a clause for setting minimum
office hours!

This clause has now been interpreted generously by Mr. Artau ,
as the authority of the SGA president to give and take powers
from the other SGA officers, and to make decisions on major SGA
issues single handedly. Does this mean that we elected the
Vice President, Secretary, and Public Relations Director to
serve as minions for our beloved sire?

Mr. Artau's generous interpretations of the working constitution are perhaps less of a concern than the question of how much legitimacy the working constitution carries. My investigation of the history of the working constitution revealed some interesting facts. This barely literate document was largely compiled three years ago by an SGA President and his officers. These original writers of the constitution were not elected for the purpose of writing a constitution. They merely took it upon themselves to establish their own powers and responsibilities, along with other SGA procedures.

During the spring of 1983, the SGA officers assembled a group of students to modify the working constitution. They succeeded in scribbling a bunch of changes in the margins of the draft. In searching out a copy of the modified draft I found that different copies contained different changes scrawled upon them. Thus we have a number of constitutions floating around, all of which resemble term papers corrected by Dr. Alford.

We, the student body, have inherited an impressive legacy from past SGA administrations. What other school can lay claim to having a variety of conflicting modifications made to a non-ratified constitution? Not only do we not know if our constitution is valid, but we also have no idea which of our constitutions is our official non-official constitution.

There is no doubt, however, as to the identity of the official student monarch of Nova College. Only Mr. Artau would have the audacity to single-handedly revoke student voting privileges on Student Government issues (the same privileges given to students by S.G.A. Officers by a 5-0 vote in Nov. 1984). In decree #005 we find the most blatant example of our President's neurosis. In this guideline, Mr. Artau has created a hellish, paranoid nightmare world in which reporters from the Nova Knight disguise themselves to attend his officers' meetings (held in his sanctum sanctorum- the S.G.A. Office) and then scurry off to invent news.

Until the S.G.A has a legitimate constitution (i.e. ratified by the student body), I hope that Mr. Artau can begin to interpret the present draft in a more democratic fashion.

Gary Silberman

Entertainment Mischief

"Mischief" is a movie about two high school students in a small town in Ohio, 1956. The main characters are Jonathan, 17, who is shy and inexperienced with women, and Gene, his best friend, mentor, and occasional rival, a cool adept newcomer to the small town.

"Mischief" is a fun movie, showing the escapades of young adults "coming-of-age" in America's last days of innocence. I found the most impressive aspect of the film to be its REAL 1950's flavor. Sugar-coated Richie Cunningham and family look very shallow next to this. The slow pace, too, follows the feeling of that time in Nelsonville; the plot line of this film is not its strong point. The soundtrack is expectably filled with '50's hits from Elvis, Buddy Holly and more.

Newcomer to the movie world is Chris Nash, who played Gene. Nash is very charismatic on screen, and I for one dub him the next James Dean to hit Hollywood! Forget Matt Dillon!

Overall, "Mischief" is a sensitive, funny, nostalgic trip back in time.

-Deanna-

"BLACK HISTORY PROGRAM-- WEDNESDAY"

The Black History Program Committee would like to extend a cordial invitation to each student, faculty, and staff member to attend the Black History Program Wednesday, February 20, 1985 at 2:30 p.m. in the IRP room. The speaker of this program will be Dr. Kathleen Wright of Nova University's Education Leaders Program. A reception will follow.

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