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HARPER'S MAGAZINE ANNOUNCES AN ESSAY CONTEST ON "THE IDEA OF THE FUTURE"

RULES

1. This contest is open to full-time undergraduate college students. The essay must be on the assigned topic, "The Idea of the Future," and it must be written in English. It should be between 1,500 and 2,000 words long.

2. The essay must be typed double-spaced, with one-inch margins, on one side of 8½" x 11" paper. The contestant's name, address, and the college he or she attends should appear at the top right-hand corner of the first page. All subsequent pages must be numbered and carry the author's last name.

3. The entry fee, per essay, is $10. Checks or money orders are acceptable forms of payment and should be made out to the Harper's Magazine Foundation. Contestants may submit as many essays as they wish.

4. The finalists will be selected by members of the editorial staff of Harper's and a panel of consulting judges appointed by the magazine. (The decision of the judges will be final.) The winner will be selected by the editor of Harper's, who reserves the right to edit the essay for publication. The names of the winners will be announced in a 1985 issue of Harper's; winners will be notified no later than March 15, 1985. Submission of an entry constitutes a grant of rights to publish the essay in any form in Harper's magazine.

5. The first-prize winner will receive $1,000 and publication of the essay in Harper's. Three second-prize winners will receive $500 each and honorable mention in the magazine.

6. Entries cannot be returned. Legible photocopies may be entered instead of the original manuscripts. Harper's assumes no responsibility for receipt of the entries.

7. Entries may not have been published previously, nor may they be submitted elsewhere until a public announcement of the winners has been made. This will be no later than March 15, 1984.

8. Employees and relatives of employees of the Harper's Magazine Foundation are not eligible to enter the contest.

9. All entries must be postmarked no later than December 31, 1984. Send your submissions and entry fees to:

Harper's Essay Contest
Harper's Magazine
2 Park Avenue
New York, N.Y. 10016

The rules and regulations for this contest were sent to Ms. Fran Bohnsack-Lee by an anonymous party. Enclosed in an envelope postmarked from Boston, were the rules for the "Idea of the Future" essay contest, and a $50.00 bill. A short note explained to Ms. Bohnsack-Lee that the money was to be used for the $10.00 entry fee required for admission into the contest. The anonymous party stated he/she was hoping to catch the eye of all writing buffs.

If you are interested in submitting an essay for this contest, please read the rules to the left of this note, and contact Ms. Bohnsack-Lee as soon as possible.
In recent years, our national concerns have changed. In past years the issues have been pollution, overpopulation, and mass consumerism. Our attention is now centered on the economy and nuclear war. But just because the media are not publicizing these issues, the problems still remain and are getting worse.

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As pollution takes its toll, so does population. Today there are 300 million Americans. 2000 years ago there were 8 million people on the Earth. As the demands of the masses increase, population decimates the area we live, forcing us to congregate in smaller and smaller areas.

And what about food? Does man live on bread alone? As a species man has survived famine, resorting at times even to cannibalism. Americans are the greatest wasters of food, to the point that our wasted food could feed half the world. Americans follow public policy set up by the current President. Presidents don't get elected by talking about grim realities. If a candidate spoke out about mass starvation, the end of potable water and natural resources, Americans wouldn't vote for him. Instead, people delude themselves about issues that will not immediately and directly affect them. Ignorance is bliss and the world is a ghetto. This ghetto is like a sea encroaching islands of stability. As man conquers and stabilizes his environment he decimates it and fails to see the eventual outcome of his pattern of destruction.

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-- Art Roltof --
Building – D

Building D is the newest of the student apartment buildings on campus. Its tenants are comprised mostly of Nova and BCC undergraduate students. But building D is not only the newest building, it also has the worst reputation--and with good reason.

At any time of the day or night, one can usually hear either radios blaring or people yelling to or at each other. Broken lights in the hallways and staircases is as common a sight as is trash in trash in the elevators. And the security guards seem to have a natural talent for not being there when they are needed.

Ms. Mimi Stevens, assistant director of student housing for building D, has passed out rules and regulations governing the building to all the tenants. Yet, these are rarely enforced (especially at night and during the weekends when no one is there to enforce them).

This poses a very real problem. Some students find it difficult to study with music or voices blaring into their bedrooms (one can hear it even with the windows closed). Others find it even difficult to sleep under these conditions. The glass from the broken lights may cause a serious problem to anyone walking in sandals. Further, the trash could cause a health threat, and is definitely unpleasant to one's eyes and nose.

In addition, the thought of how safe one is in the building is a very frightening thought. It takes approximately 20 seconds to break into the window of a first floor apartment. In many cases the front door does not fit into the door frame properly, thereby causing a gap, and makes locking one's door just short of a joke.

Something needs to be done immediately about these problems. A course of action must be taken so that the rules and regulations set forth by Student Housing can be enforced, with swift action taken against violators.

B.R.

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Typing Service!

Term papers, resumes, and any other typing service you may need by a former executive secretary.

References: 583-7025
Last Saturday, the Knights played Florida Institute of Technology (FIT) in an action packed game. At least that is the opinion of Perry Holst, the Knights' starting center. "We played pretty good", he said. Neal Edrich came off the bench to provide physical strength to the defence. Rickie Stanley, shot the winning basket after an assist from "Doc" Skinner (with only 3 seconds left in the game!!). Other stars of the game were Curtis Colberg, 18 points, Kevin Dubberly, who had some key assists, and Elroy Williams, who helped the team at crucial points.

The final score was 57-55. The team definitely showed a big improvement. The Knights are now 2-2.

Their next game is tonight at 7:30 (Home/ against Barry College).

The Knights hope to make it 3-2.

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Arthur's Page

THE TRIBUTE TREE

Arthur has decreed (which, in these times of disrespect toward the Crown, will probably be interpreted as 'Arthur would like to suggest, if you have the time to listen...') that a tree be planted to honor the students and faculty who gave Nova College (Day Division) a past. If the intrepid and pioneering spirit had not been in those early students, there would be only a record in the Broward County newspaper files of a defunct undergraduate day program at Nova University. According to BR, the first class of Nova College had 25 students. There are still a few or these creatures left from more than three years ago and Arthur would like to honor them at an appropriate time with the dedication and unveiling of a tree. The tree would have a plaque similar in size to the plaques under the trees along INMEMORY LANE (which connects the Mailman Building with the Dorms). Arthur would like the plaque to read:

"In Tribute to the First Classes of Nova College. We desiccate this arbol-like object to the prosperity of the honored students who have passed by this spot**

"We further hope you who read this obsolete and omniverous plaque will forever embellish in your cerebellum the gratitude which we, the Students of 1984-85, feel for the sacrifices made by the circumspectual students of the past whose retrogradual third-generation projections gave us all something to be thankful about when confronted with an empty refrigerator."

Needless to say, Arthur's court, as well as Humpty Dumpty, all suggested that the plaque be limited to His August* Magesty's first sentence.

(*= Arthur is a Leo.) Students who wish to contribute to the Tribute Tree can bring their pieces of eight and pfennigs to Bonnie Rosen, the Tree Treasurer; please heed this plea, so that Arthur's page can turn over a new leaf.
In Remembrance

Recently, a member of last year's Nova Day Division Program, Tanya Poling, was killed in a motorcycle accident. The tragedy of this incident was two-fold because of the suicide of Tanya's boyfriend a few hours after her death. Students and staff of the 1983-84 Nova Day Division Program wish to express their deepest condolences to Tanya's family and friends. Tanya was definitely an asset to the Nova Day Division Program, and memories of her as a student and friend will not be easily forgotten.

A fund has been set up in memory of Tanya Poling. Tanya was extremely fond of animals. Thus, her parents have requested that all donations be sent to either:

Humane Society of Broward County, Inc.
2070 Griffin Road
Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33312

or submitted to Dr. Kenneth Dose (Admissions Office). So far, the donations reached the amount of $125.00.
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-- Ari Rollof --
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