FPAC solves, creates problems

By Mike Casey

Although several problems remain to be ironed out, Stark Branch students have generally greeted the new Fine and Professional Arts Center on Whipple Ave. in a favorable manner.

Asked their opinions of the facility, several students responded with terms such as "beautiful", "great" and "conducive to learning."

Alicia Pieper, a new instructor in home economics whose classes meet there, said, "It's enjoyable and I like it. I think it is very important that the Branch is expanding to cover the field of home economics."

Robert Austin, assistant professor of art, sees the building as providing "space which enables us to develop and to meet the desires of the students."

In all, eight faculty members have their offices in the building, leased for two years from Nobis Decorating Co.

The most often mentioned problem is that of parking. Atypical comment is that by Sue Lantz, freshman elementary education major, who said:

"The parking lot is inadequate for the number of students attending the Fine and Professional Arts Center."

Aware of that fact, Branch leaders have taken steps to expand parking at the center from 50 to 130 spaces.

Another student commented that the building was unsafe at night due to insufficient lighting. Again, the administration is taking steps to remedy the situation.

One problem for which there appears to be no easy solution is that of travel time between the main Branch building and the new facility.

Some students will be late for some classes for some time to come!

2,527 jammed in!

Overcrowded conditions at the Stark County Branch have reached a new peak with a record 2,527 students enrolled this fall.

This is an increase of 384 over last fall's figure.

New admissions, including freshmen and transfer students, total 1,062, also a record.

The equivalent of 1,919 full-time students are enrolled here this quarter -- well in excess of the 1,000 FTE that the Branch building was designed to accommodate.

Figures above were announced by the Registrar's office before the drop/add period went into effect.

FPA PARKING OVERFLOWS ONTO GRASS.
About Oct. 15...

Dear Editor:

On October 15, college students all over America will be boycotting classes in the name of peace. This national strike is in support of the bill in Congress which calls for the complete removal of American troops from Viet Nam by December 1, 1970.

The demonstration will be entirely voluntary and will last Wednesday only. Just one day for peace!

Despite obvious public discontent, our government continues to involve itself in a senseless conflict which results only in loss of life. Thus far, the pleas for a sane policy regarding Viet Nam have accomplished little. American men in a foreign country are still dying for no purpose, and men at home are still enslaved by the outdated conscription of the Selective Service System. It is up to us, the young generation, to look towards the future and strive towards the assurance of peace.

Do you want to be confronted with the absurdity of killing another human being? Are we minds or merely machines? Support peace and encourage sane, humane action by joining with us in this display for peace on Wednesday, October 15.

Students for Peace
Denny Bope
Mike Baum

Editor’s Note: Details of plans for the Stark Branch participation in the national Viet Nam moratorium were not available at press time. A followup story will appear Oct. 17.

See a spaceman!

If you want to meet one of America’s space heroes, Col. Frank Borman of the Christmas '68 Apollo flight, here's your chance!

The Interfaith Campus Ministry office in Room 103 has received 125 free tickets for Stark County Branch students wishing to attend Col. Borman's public appearance Sunday, Oct. 19, at 3 p.m. at Canton Memorial Fieldhouse.

Choral groups from local colleges, including the Kent Stark a cappella choir directed by Prof. William Hamilton, will perform at the Borman appearance.

Program sponsors are the Canton Council of Churches, the Ecumenical Association and Church Women United.

Poll dates set

Tentative dates for the election of the Student Senate were announced last week by the Student Election Board.

According to Leni Smith, chairman of the board, "Students will probably go to the polls on Oct. 29-30."

Other deadlines, however, such as when petitions must be filed and campaign dates, are yet to be determined by the board.

The board, which also includes George Noussias and Kathy Hughes, is to meet again in the near future to complete details.

The Senate is composed of 12 senior senators and nine junior senators. Senior senators are elected from those students who have earned 48 hours of credit or more, while junior senators are selected from those students with less than 48 hours of credit.

Any student interested in entering the election race for the Senate must secure a petition and have it signed by members of his respective class, along with three faculty members and two administrators.

KENTGRAM

REAL RESPECT

Most dismissed students bend over backwards with respect when they apply for readmission. One such student began his letter applying for readmission to Lee A. Brubaker, assistant director for administrative services, "Dear Lou Brickbaker, . . ."

SIGNS OF CHANGE

Things have changed at the Branch over the summer, mostly for the better. Even the vending machines got new signs with a fake wood grain background. But rumors saying the food is also fake are untrue.
No problems yet, but Hot Line available to students

By Karl Held

With some two weeks of college life now under their belts, freshmen at the Stark County Branch have accepted university life rather well.

According to Student President Jeffrey D. Sigler, "I have not yet received any complaints or problems from the new freshmen at the Branch."

The president urged all freshmen, or for that matter any student having a complaint, problem or question to take advantage of the "Hot Line."

The Hot Line can be found on the lower level near the bookstore and is a direct line to President Sigler’s office.

In the event that Sigler is not in his office when someone uses the Hot Line, the message is recorded automatically and can be played back by Sigler at a later time.

Sigler pointed out that any reply to a question received over the Hot Line will be typed and placed on the bulletin board outside Room 216.

"If any student has a problem or question," Sigler noted, "it is to his advantage to use the Hot Line."

The president noted, however, that his office, Room 218, is open daily from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Any student may take his problem or question to that office.

Sigler explained that although no major problems have yet been encountered by the freshmen, the campus police report a slight parking problem.

"At the present time," Sigler asserted, "the officers do not expect the parking problem to grow out of proportion."

Ticketing of improperly parked autos by the police is not expected to begin until the quarter is well under way.

All autos are required to display parking stickers which can be obtained in the Security Office in Room 103.

Offering some advice to the new students at the Branch, Sigler said, "With the beginning of classes, students should begin to develop their study habits and also set up a good schedule to work from."

The president explained that this is the best time to get involved in the many club and organization openings.

In conclusion, Sigler noted that any student having a question concerning a club or organization who cannot contact anyone from that club should contact the office of the president or anyone else connected with Student Government in Rooms 216 and 218.

Smith to lecture

Howard K. Smith, ABC news analyst, will lecture on "The Changing Challenges Facing America" Saturday, October 18, at 8:15 p.m. in Timken High School Auditorium.

Student tickets are $1.00. They may be purchased at George-Ann’s Specialty Shop in North Canton, downtown Canton or Massillon and the News Depot in Canton and People’s Federal Bank in Massillon or at the door.

Gerald Goodman

in Concert

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Sports tripled

Sports fans will find plenty of action at the Stark County Branch this fall. The sports program has been tripled over last year to include football, baseball and cross country.

Intramural football will be six-man flag football run on a tournament-like basis. Any group of boys who are Stark Branch students may form a team. Sign-up dates have been posted.

The program is being organized by Tom Eibel who will establish rules and schedule games.

The Cross Country team will practice for a branch-wide meet to be held on main campus. All interested persons are asked to contact Bob Kistler, HPE coordinator, in Room 111.

Baseball now???

Bats are swinging early this year as the Stark Branch baseball team completes its fall tryouts Oct. 14.

Coaches Jerry Lyke and Tom Eibel are evaluating approximately 40 boys for their baseball savvy in the two-week tryout session. Twenty some boys will be selected for the team which will debut spring quarter.

Head coach Lyke looks forward to a possible spring trip for the team.

Practice is held at Clearmont School in North Canton from 3:30 to 5:30 every night.

Iran trip offered

Kent State University, in an effort to help students get a better understanding of other people and their culture, is offering a semester of study in Iran. A group of 30 students, mainly from Kent and its branches, will attend Pahlvi University.

Besides the course that the students will take, they will be given a tour of interesting places in Iran and will receive an audience with the Shah.

Courses that are taken in this program carry credit transferable back to Kent. They will total 24 quarter hours.

Total cost of the trip is $1,400.

Students wishing more information can contact either Abbas Amirie here on Wednesday evenings or 310 Bowman Hall on the main Kent campus.

Strings to zing

Gerald Goodman, troubadour harpist, will appear at the Stark County Branch campus for his third annual concert on Friday, October 17, at 8 p.m. in Lecture Hall 100.

Mr. Goodman will present the first program in the artist-lecture series sponsored by the Student Activities Council, Chairman John Hayes has announced.

Distinguished as the only man who sings and accompanies himself on a concert harp, Mr. Goodman has appeared with leading orchestras in Carnegie Hall and is recognized as one of the foremost harpists of our time.

Mr. Goodman's performance will include various types of music ranging from classical to folk.

The concert is free to Branch students. Other students may purchase tickets for 50c; adults, $1.00. Tickets will be sold at the door.

Theatre opens

The Stark County Branch University Theatre, under the direction of D. L. Bettisworth, will open its season with Edward Albee's prize-winning play, "Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?"

The play will be presented November 21, 22 and 23, in the Cedar Chest Theatre.

Tryouts for the play were held in the Cedar Chest Theatre Wednesday and Thursday.

Future productions this year include "Lysistrata" by Aristophanes, February 27 through March 1; the Children's Theatre touring production of "Jack and the Beanstalk", May 4 through 8; and Moliere's "Tartuffe", May 15, 16 and 17.

Greek news

Officers for Kappa Sigma Upsilon sorority include president, Cathy Kirkpatrick; vice president, Kathy Hughes; recording secretary, Lorraine Lombardi; corresponding secretary, Kathy Eckstein; treasurer, Faith Edgin; parliamentary, Dana Guerriere, and pledge mistress, Clair Glaazer.

BAKE SALE SUCCESS

During the past week, Kappa Sigma Upsilon held a bake sale that turned out to be very successful. Because of its success, they plan to hold another bake sale in the near future.

SIGMA CHI ELECTS

Sigma Chi Epsilon fraternity elected new officers including president, Roger Justice; vice president, John Schick; recording secretary, Keith Kull; corresponding secretary, Jay Warfield; treasurer, George Nourissia; sentinel, Pat Bryant; usher, Dean Apostolidis, and historian, Clive Bailey.

Tomorrow night at 8 o'clock, Sigma Chi Epsilon will hold its first event of the year at the Stark Branch. It will include five old time movies of W. C. Fields. This event will be free to any freshman who saved the ticket given to him during the scavenger hunt and open at a charge of 25c to anyone else.

PHI DELTS' DANCE

Phi Delta Psi fraternity will sponsor one of its biggest events of the year, a dance with one of the best known groups in this area, in the very near future.

RUSH WEEK ENDS

Last week, Kappa Sigma Upsilon held its annual Rush Week. It started on October 5 at 8 p.m. with an open party to which everyone who was interested was invited.

On Wednesday, another party was held at the Stark Branch which lasted from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. To end the Rush Week's activities a closed party will be held tomorrow night at 9.

Cobra cager call!

Basketball coach Tom Eibel announced that an organizational meeting will be held Tuesday, Oct. 14, at 6 p.m. in Lecture Hall 100.

It is imperative that all candidates attend the meeting unless excused by Eibel. Practice details will be discussed.