

## Security Increased Due To Murders And Rape

by Lisa Spitz

**E**ARLY November 21st a female student was assaulted and raped in Riker Hall on the Drew University campus. This attack along with the abductions and murders in Morris County has caused an increase in campus security.

The young woman after being attacked, went to the infirmary on Monday morning and was convinced to report the incident to Jane Newman, Dean of Students. After talking with the student Tuesday afternoon Dean Newman consulted with Manfred Ayers, Director of Safety and the three decided that the young woman should consult with her family and decide whether to follow up on the assault. After speaking to her family the young woman decided to file charges. The charges were placed with Security on Wednesday morning and the Madison Police Department was informed. Madison Police was given permission to look around Riker Hall and they approached some of the students. The only person informed of their purpose was Linda Kresge, the Resident Director in Riker. On Monday November 29th, Madison Police returned to campus after Thanksgiving break, unbeknownst to security or the administration according to Dean Newman, and were questioning students in Riker indiscriminately. On Monday night the resident assistants (R.A.) were informed of the rape, and on Tuesday a memo was distributed to all the R.A.s and to the Resident Directors of all the dorms with the intent of being posted where students would see the memo and read it.

Descriptions and sketches of the assailants have been posted in all the dorms, and it is believed that all are "off-campus people," according to both Dean Newman and Ayers. "Since

the time of that incident there has been nothing resembling it in any way, shape or form," said Ayers. Yet to prevent anything else from occurring security at Drew has tightened up and, security is "stressing you take the same precautions you would if you were at home or in any community," said Ayers. "I think it's terrific that the girls are doubling up while they walk now--I see at least two people walking together if not more," he added.

The tightening of security can clearly be seen in the incident which occurred on Saturday December eighteenth. The young woman who had been raped reported to Ayers that she had seen two of her assailants on campus. Ayers immediately had all campus exits sealed, so that no cars could enter or leave the grounds, and called up extra officers for foot patrol as well as two mobile units from the Madison Police Department. All the public buildings on campus were quickly searched, and security then went through the dorms utilizing the fire alarm system, posting officers outside the dorm doors to watch for the assailants, while others checked the rooms. Unfortunately, neither of the assailants were found. All of the students were extremely cooperative about the situation, and several even volunteered their service, according to Ayers.

The most noticeable changes in security have been the increase in the number of officers on duty, and the vehicle checks for cars entering or leaving campus at night. A dorm lock up policy was instituted this fall wherein all main doors would be locked at midnight. Recently though, security has begun locking doors at eleven, and an extra guard has been added to tour the grounds making sure all the doors are locked and locking those which aren't. Ayers also noted "we are watching and if we catch someone wedging a

door open we will make an example of them." According to Ayers there has also been a definite increase in foot patrol, especially in the dorm areas.

Security has also intensified the vehicle inspection which occurs on the Lancaster Road entrance to Drew. As of last September, according to Ayers, all entrances to Drew's campus, with the exception of the Lancaster Rd. gate, are locked by eight pm. At eight pm a security officer is posted at the guard house on Lancaster Road, and all cars are stopped when entering or leaving campus. Drivers entering campus are asked for their name, license plate number, permit number, and the dorm they plan on visiting. Cars leaving campus are inspected to make sure no women are being made to leave the campus by force. This measure is due to the abductions and subsequent murders in Morris County.

Security is also making an effort to publicize the escort service they offer for women. "We are asking students to contact security for an escort, if they want one," said Ayers, there may be a slight delay, but one will be provided. Security will also take women to the train station if they don't want to go down alone.

Another major addition to the security at Drew will be an "emergency communications system," near every dorm according to both Newman and Ayers. Both Ayers and Newman discussed the possibility of some type of phone service, and Ayers also noted that there may be an emergency alarm. According to Ayers "it may be phones or an alarm, possibly both, but there will be something when the students come back."

Ayers also stressed that students should "report anything that does not look right." Security can be reached twenty four hours a day at extension 379, and the emergency number is extension 222.

## Room Searches Prove Fruitless

**O**N December 8, 1982, Dean Newman, security guards and representatives of the SGA searched 16 student rooms for stolen goods. In several of those searches the students were not present. Warrants for all sixteen rooms were requested by Jane Newman, Dean of Student Life.

When a beta max machine was reported stolen from the language lab on December 8th, 1982, all language lab assistants became immediate suspects (since they are the only student with keys to the supply room). Although Newman states that the head assistant Linda Kresge trusts the students "or else they wouldn't have been given keys," all fifteen on-campus rooms were searched that same day. According to Newman, "It never occurred to me to search the residences of the faculty who had keys."

All searches were made according to Student Handbook procedures, each inspection included a representative of SGA, and each suspect was given a copy of the warrant with a note that his/her room had been inspected. The student doesn't need to be present during a room search.

Though procedures were followed, one of the students complained that her roommates belongings were searched as well. In reference to this Dean Newman said "normally a room is searched; it is difficult to distinguish which half is one

persons."

Students involved are angry and frustrated. One student (who wants to remain anonymous), was angry "that they didn't come to get me out of class." "I had the right to be here once they did it." She also questions the "probable cause" "They (the administration) trust maintenance and security before students."

Another student, Tanya Amrein, feels her "privacy violated," and sees the whole procedure as "extremely sneaky." She believes "there is no privacy for the student, even in the dorm room." Both students feel they deserve a written apology for the way the searches were handled.

The final room search, requested by Residential Life, was conducted on Leon Moore, a security guard. According to Dean Newman, she had reports from several "reliable sources" that the student was responsible for several thefts. Moore was in his room at 5 p.m. Wednesday, when his room was searched. Security looked in all of his clothes, went through his drawers, papers, and sifted through boxes of nails, his coffee creamer and cocoa. None of the stolen property was found in Moore's room.

According to Dean Newman, the room searches done on the language lab assistants turned up nothing. Since the searches the beta max, which had been misplaced, has been found.



David Lasher, Vice President of Student Administration, has resigned from his position.



# The Acorn

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## Acorn Gifted With Funds

VERY few members of the community expected to see an issue of the *Acorn* this week, this unfortunately includes the members of the *Acorn* staff. Since it has indeed been a while since the last issue of the paper, many events have gone unreported to the university, and for this inconvenience, we on the staff offer our most sincere apology. The purpose of this issue is to offer a reliable source of news and information as an alternative to the highly fallable lines of gossip which have prevailed as the major source of information for the campus in the absence of a newspaper.

No doubt, many of those reading this issue will wonder why no issues have been published in the past few weeks, and even more why an *Acorn* appears this week. The financial difficulties of the newspaper during this semester have been given ample voice at various times, and repetition here is most unnecessary; however it was due to financial considerations that no paper was published recently. The difficulties in this instance have nothing whatsoever to do with the financial management of the *Acorn*, rather it is due to the methods of appropriating funds used by the ECAB that precluded the publishing of several papers this semester. Simply stated, the ECAB allocates funds for the myriad of student organizations on campus, and in past years the clubs were given their yearly allotment at the start of the first semester. This year the ECAB decided that they would give the organizations under their purview half of their budget for the first semester, and half for the second semester. At first glance this seems a reasonable division of funds; however in the case of the *Acorn*, this decision proved disastrous. The newspaper has several fixed costs which traditionally come due during the first semester, and account for as much as a third of total expenses for the year. Unfortunately, no provision for these expenses was made by the ECAB. This situation leaves the *Acorn* with more expenses during the fall than there is money in the account to cover. In other words, the expenses made by the newspaper are not divided in half by semester, although this year, the allocation of funding was.

Since the situation involves a clear deficit for the fall semester, one may well ask for the source of funding for this paper. Theoretically, the ECAB should have released the spring allocation for the *Acorn* so that the paper could continue publishing throughout the semester. A request by the *Acorn* for just such an arrangement was categorically denied by the ECAB. So then

just where did the money come from? The money to publish another *Acorn* this semester was given to the *Acorn* by the administration. They believed that there was so much happening on campus intimately concerning the students it was necessary for the *Acorn* to publish another issue this semester. Speculation and rumor have run rampant in the past few weeks on several subjects of interest. This situation is not healthy for the community and serves only to breed confusion and in many cases outright fear.

The staff of the *Acorn* felt a responsibility to the community to print a newspaper detailing certain events of special import which recently occurred on campus. The students involved with the administration of student activities funds should have shown similar concern for their fellow students, and one can only wonder why they were so unresponsive to the appeals of the *Acorn* for money to publish during the semester. It must be pointed out that the *Acorn* did not ask for any additional money, merely requested that we be allowed to draw on next semester's *Acorn* allocation. Fortunately, members of the administration are more concerned for the students than are the elected representatives of the student body.

One may well ask why the students who serve on such powerful committees as the ECAB turned a deaf ear to a not particularly outrageous request? The answer can only be obtained by asking one or more members of that board. The answer will no doubt be the same as the *Acorn* received when similar queries were made: "...the rules are the rules" "...we're responsible to the faculty, and if we make a mistake, they will eliminate all clubs on campus" "...No exceptions can be made, and there are no special cases" ... etcetra, ad nauseum.

The point is simple, student leaders are spending too much time pointing accusing fingers at the administration to do their own work to help the students. It seems essential that the students be informed about several of the major events of the past couple weeks. Students in power didn't, and probably still don't agree. The administration that is all too often accused of being insensitive to the needs of the students, agreed and insisted that the student body be informed about the recent developments on campus. Moreover, they came across with the aid needed to make distribution of such information a reality.

## Library and Learning Center . . . Just For Show?

THE time has long since past when one could simply suggest that the new library needs a newly expanded set of operating hours to go with its hypertrophied facade. Under the present circumstances the learning center is really little more than a simulation of a "college" library. In fact, one wonders if the center was even designed to be used at all.

To be as plain as possible, it is ludicrous and even embarrassing that a college library closes its doors, and ousts students at 11pm during the final exam period. It seems inconsistent at best that Drew can claim to be improving its academic standards if the basic necessities of college education are kept from the students reach.

The rather expensive learning center ceases to be a benefit to the student body when its hours are so severely curtailed that access is limited to those who have an exam schedule so spread-out that they can study days in advance of their exams. Most of the students are not so blessed, and many are faced with a series of back-to-back exams at the end of the semester. The officials in the library have spewed their pat answers to student concerns for so long now that their redundancy is beginning to become offensive to the intelligence of those of us on the receiving end of such rhetoric. A fine example is the press release issued by the library which appears in this issue of the *Acorn*. Its contents simply enforce the current feeling of the undergraduate population that in the process of constructing the new annex, the principle behind a library was lost. Instead of addressing the concerns of the students, this document, which reads like a lecture at the children's reading room, dodges the central issue with a mixture of uselessly redundant gibberish pertaining to the respective size of the students using the facility and justifications based on the premise that students go to the library for the sole purpose of pilfering the collection.

Lets forget about the long awaited "after hours study", since it has become nothing more than a glorified lounge and has yet to fulfill its proposed operating design (despite reports to the contrary as published in the *Drew Reporter*). The students need functional hours for access to the main area of the library, so that research and the typically voluminous quantities of reserve readings can be completed prior to the due dates for assignments. The institution of the late night study room does absolutely nothing to alleviate this problem. Considering the fact that most students have classes for most of the day, with little or no free time inbetween, the only time one has to use the

library is after dinner. Under the present system, a student who enters the learning center after dinner has only four hours before being expelled or finding him or her self in total darkness. Under the demands of normal academic work, this is a paltry period of study time, and during final examinations, positively absurd might be a more fitting description.

Those in charge of the library must realize that while some students utilize the library solely as a quiet place to study, most of the students have research papers to complete, and almost all have reserve readings. These tasks can only be performed in the library, and the current hours do not provide sufficient time for their satisfactory completion. The library needs to extend its hours of operation significantly during the semester to come, and for the next set of final exams. One can only hope that reason will dictate further extension of hours.

An academic institution is supposed to be proud of its research facilities such as a good library collection. However, that fine collection is of little or no use if the doors of the learning center are always closed. Every other school in this area has more comprehensive hours for its libraries, and each of these libraries makes provision for extending these hours during finals, and in many cases during mid-terms as well. Although their facilities may not be as new and modern as ours, the administrations of these schools have the common sense to realize that access hours are more important to the learning process than are new desks and chairs. One can be quite sure that most of the students would gladly sit in an old chair if they could only be allowed to remain in the building long enough to finish their research.

Perhaps a sit-in or similar demonstration is necessary to get the point across to those who defined the operating hours that this time is not sufficient. The petty and virtually useless concession of opening the library for extra hours on a single Saturday night during the semester does little more than insult our intelligence once again. The current situation needs to be given much more serious thought than it has received so far. Some solution must be reached before the start of the next semester, lest the learning center be reduced to the book museum it is rapidly becoming. If this most unpleasant prospect is not avoided, can the "Drew University Museum" be long in the wings?

## Library Responds to Student Comments

*Editors' note: This is an unsolicited piece from the library staff in answer to the students' questions.*

THIS fall the Drew community shared in one great adventure—the opening and settling in period of three new buildings, a new learning center, a renovated Rose Memorial Library and a new home for the United Methodist archives. In general, things went very smoothly. When school began the books were in place and all pieces of the circulation and reference counters were hooked together and the students and faculty began using the new study spaces, the integrated reference collection and its special service counter and finding their way to AV reserves via the after hours study and the vending machines.

After about a month of life in the new building the library staff has begun to receive some complaints among the compliments. Visitors like the carpet but do not like being told that food is only allowed in one area; users like the after hours study but want it to be open more hours; graduate students like the graduate studies but some wish they could be kept secret from undergraduates; faculty like the open stacks but want to know if the library has a security system; very tall people find the new chairs a poor fit and very short people have trouble reaching books on the top shelves in some areas. No one thinks the heating system works.

The staff has listened to enough comments to begin to see a pattern and would like to offer the following explanations to some of the persistent questions. Some we can not answer at the present and these will be discussed as a separate category.

First, to the naked eye of an eager but untrained user the library looks like a finished product and so there is no apparent reason not to expect it all to be up and running, especially the long-sought-for after hours study. However, the fact is that much electrical work related to building fire and theft security remains to be completed. Until it is finished the staff has of necessity been cautious in permitting extended use of the facilities and will continue to be cautious until all the fire alarms and other electrical systems are complete.

The second most discussed feature of the building also relates to the after hours study, specifically, why do we make people leave the room at 10:45 pm only to allow them to return at 11:00 pm. The answer is simple—security. The library must be certain that no library books are in the room. In the month we have been open the staff has discovered that users have attempted to cheat the system by hiding books in the bathrooms, vending machines and assorted other strange corners of the after hours study. The library can not tolerate this type of behaviour and cannot consider any other closing system until the hide & seek stops and, all closing procedures simpler and perhaps allow staff to establish a special check out procedure for users of the after hours study room.

In terms of volume of comments, the next greatest number of remarks has been about the two rooms in the Rose Memorial that are furnished with oversize study carrels with some lockable drawer space. Users are uncertain if they may use the carrels at all. The system is evolving, and when some name plates are received and affixed to all of the assigned carrels it may be easier to

see the shared nature of the design for the rooms, but it is important to discuss a few assumptions about the use of the rooms. The library staff is not interested in assuming the role of campus police; we are certain that the users are the best source of enforcement of mutually beneficial policies. In this case, silence befits the space and all users should contribute to its enforcement. The Cornell Room enjoys a longstanding reputation for being the quietest room in the library and it is the users who created this tradition. Users must do likewise in the Baldwin and Pilling Rooms. The large working surface in these assigned oversized carrels is of benefit to graduate students. It is equally of benefit to undergraduates who find the unassigned space conducive to their library work of a given day. One of the joys of the new building is the variety of seating spaces. For a start, one can study and eat or smoke (after hours room), study and daydream (any window space on 2nd floor), study at a long table (Cornell Room), study and talk in a group (Group Study Room, 2nd floor Learning Center), or study with headphones (AV reserves). Incidentally, anyone doodling on the white surface of the new study carrels is not enjoying a harmless pastime. He or she is permanently damaging very expensive furniture and ruining other people's future enjoyment of clean, comfortable study space. All users should feel free and obligated to tell such doodle headed doodlers to cease and desist from doodling immediately.

Finding all these spaces, settling in and feeling comfortable takes time. No one is ever completely at ease when they walk into a library that is

new to them and this particular library is new to the community. It may help to know that you are not alone, it may also help to realize that more library policies will be developed as our experience with the new facilities guide us, the greatest help is not a policy but the availability of the staff to explain, interpret and in general help you have an effective and comfortable library experience.

The library staffs a reference counter Monday through Friday, from 10 to 4, and Sunday through Thursday evenings from 7 to 10 pm. During any of these hours you can get expert help in shaping your term paper topics and answering your research questions. In addition to the reference counter staff, any staff will be glad to help you find your way around the new quarters.

As a further help to students faced with the end of semester crunch, the library's hours and after hours have been expanded for the period from Thanksgiving to final exams. The library will be open Saturday evenings until 10 pm, and the after hours room will be open all of Friday evening all of Saturday evening and Sunday morning until the library itself opens.

In the separate category of questions we cannot answer at the present is the heating system. No, it is not finished; yes, it is now working correctly; and yes, people are working on the problem. When it is finished library users will be the first to know.

There are many other library related topics that the library staff would like to bring to the attention of the Drew community. Some of the topics will be the subject of a future article, "Questions librarians are never asked and wish they would be."

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# SPORTS

## Sports Shorts

### Womens Basketball

The lady Rangers have captured the Rose City Invitational for a second consecutive year and leave for the holiday break sporting a 3-2 record. With wins over Haverford, NYU and Delaware Valley and two tough losses, to Bloomfield and Jersey City. The women come back for the meat of their schedule in good shape. Individually the team has placed three players in the All-MAC stat sheet. Pam Goldsmith leads the league in scoring and is fourth in field goal percentage. Denise Browne leads the league in free throw percentage, is fourth in scoring and seventh in rebounding. Leslie Rushton is sixth among rebounders and ranks ninth of all scorers. With these players and their strong supporting members, and a continuation of the work ethic set by coaches Rebylk and Beyer the womens basketball team should keep up their winning ways!

### Mens Basketball

Drew Men's Basketball has two wins, and four losses at this point in the season, but their play far outshines their record. After two early losses to Western Maryland and Eastern College, Drew met their Division I opponent Lafayette and led the game by twenty three points at halftime. Unfortunately, the Rangers saw their lead whittle away in the second half, and in the last minute of

the game, Lafayette requested three time outs to pull off a five point victory. Drew continued it's season with a loss to Swarthmore, but pulled off a twenty two point lead to capture Stevens Tech. Drew moved on to a resounding 16 point victory over Division II opponent Union College. The

Rangers are led this year by captains Joe Glover and Larry Evans. Leading players are Russ Stephan, Dale Sinkbeil, and Mike Johnson. Coach Brocks and the Rangers return from vacation to start off the second half of their season against Kings on January eighth.

## Drew Soccer Stars Garner Post-Season Awards

**S**ENIORS Tim Wheaton of Midland Park, N.J., and Ares Michaelides of Plandome Manor, N.Y., each drew three post-season honors, as well as three Drew University soccer players were named to all-star teams. Wheaton and Michaelides, along with another senior Chris Shitemi, led Drew through its record-breaking 16-3 season, which saw the Rangers finish as the ECAC Metro Area Champions, ranked #18 nationally in Division III.

Wheaton picked up his third consecutive selection to the first team of the All-Mideast (Pa.-N.J.-Del.) Regional All-American Team. The midfielder's eight goals and seven assists—third highest on the team for total points—earned him as well a spot on the N.J. All-Star Team (university and college) for the second time in three years and his first nod on the All-Middle Atlantic Team, Northern Division. He closes his career with seventeen goals and twenty one assists.

For Michaelides, his selection to the All-Middle Atlantic Conference Team, Northern Division, was his third straight league honor. The previous two were second team listings. His team-leading thirteen goals and seven assists also brought selection to the second team of the N.J. All-Star Team (university and college) and of the All-Mideast (Pa.-N.J.-Del.) Regional All-American Team. He has lead Drew in goals scored and in total points for each of the last three years with thirty three career goals and fourteen assists for eighty career points.

Chris Shitemi of New York City and Nairobi, Kenya, also was picked to the second team of the Northern Division, All-Middle Atlantic Conference Team. Shitemi led Drew in 1982 with his fifteen assists. He also netted six goals. Shitemi closed his career with nine goals and twenty assists. His brother Frank, also a senior, played well at mid-field and defense to contribute two goals and four assists in 1982. Both were three year starters.



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