A Strange New World Called College

by Kristen Burgess

In September, I thought I landed on a new planet. I was just driving down Main Street, turning into a place called Daemen College. I didn’t think it would be much different from my old high school, but I was wrong. College is a strange new world.

We like to call ourselves the “Class of ’96”, but everyone else knows us as “freshmen”. You’ve probably seen us exploring this new world. One day not too long ago, we were seniors in high school. We were great, and we were invincible. Nothing could stop us...until we entered college.

Our first experience was New Student Orientation. We got acquainted with roommates, and we tried to cram a lifetime’s worth of possessions in half a cubicle. Then came the sad part—we said good-bye to our parents, and watched them as they left us alone in this foreign place.

"Maybe the food here isn't so bad."

Our first meal seemed pretty good. We thought, "Maybe the food here isn’t so bad." But then we heard one of the upperclassmen moan, “Oh, sure! They roll out the red carpet for the freshmen and tack on the good stuff!” But by Sunday, we were being treated like everyone else, and some of us were wondering where to find the nearest McDonald’s.

As for the commuters, we thought we had it easy. We laughed at the resident students and said, “Ha! We’ll get decent food every night, and we get to sleep in our quiet rooms alone at home!” But the commuters soon received the shocking reality, as we circled the parking lot on the first day of classes. It was that time when many of us discovered that parking lot in the back, far, far away.

A few of us were late on our first day of classes (because we couldn’t find the classroom). We were worried, remembering those times in the past when one minute late meant detention. But we were shocked to enter the room late and discover that our professor wasn’t even there!

College is also a lot harder than high school. It seems easy enough--just sit in class and take notes. But when it came time to do the homework, we made a frightful discovery: one lecture covers approximately fifty pages of text. Multiply fifty pages per class, times five classes per day, and there’s a lot to do. And that’s not even counting term papers, lab reports and tests! I usually look forward to Christmas, but this year I’m not—before December 25, I’ll have taken 14 tests and (hopefully) finished five term papers.

We’re getting used to college, though. Please be patient. We’re making friends, learning the ropes, and joining many clubs. So far we’ve located Duns Scouls Hall, the Schnick Building, and Wick Center. We know where to find the bookstore, the library and the Office of Student Accounts. We also know where to find the food, the vending machines and The Patio. But where is the Daemen Little Theater???

Friendly Whale or Killer Shark??!

As these daring young Orientation Leaders found out, the menacing grin of our visiting friend on Wick Terrace belonged to a fun seeking whale and not a killer great white shark, as many had thought. Once it was discovered that the whale was an “old softy”, he was invited in from the rain and beached in the Social Room for a party held that weekend.

At the party, a few students were overheard saying, "for a whale, he seemed like a pretty nice guy, but he smelled kind of bad, and couldn't dance.” Overall, our visiting aquatic friend met a lot of happy, smiling, faces, and when Orientation was over, he left with his spirit still "inflated".

Pocket Billiard Exhibition

with World Open Master’s Champion

Tom Rossmann

on Wednesday, October 7 at 11:30 am in the Wick Game Room free admission

VOTE!

by Barbara Dickerson

As you know, this year is an election year. Millions of people across the United States will enter voting booths to cast their ballots on November 3rd for various positions.

So what happens if you are out of town on election day? For those of us away at school, the absentee ballot is an option. This form allows you to vote in the general election by mail. Simply place an "X" in the box next to the candidate of your choice, and drop it in the mailbox. Your vote will be tallied on November 3rd with the rest of the country. It is that easy.

To receive an application for an absentee ballot, call or write to the Board of Elections of the county in which you are registered to vote. The last day to apply for an absentee ballot is October 27th, while the last day to submit a completed absentee ballot is November 2nd. However, I would suggest you send them in earlier to assure delivery by the due date. If you are over eighteen and have not yet registered, please do so now, again by contacting your Board of Elections.

BOOBAR HALLOWEEN PARTY

- 50 cent drafts and a special "Witches Brew"
- Music, lights, and special effects
- Cash Prizes for the best costumes
- Admission is FREE!

Wednesday, October 7 at 7 pm in back of Wick Center
- refreshments
- guest speaker
- live music
Contact the Community Service Office for details

Sleep Over for the Homeless

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**Community Service News**

Community Service volunteer “Recognition Day”, (from left to right) Dean Charles Reedy, Gerda Louizi, Nic Alicandri, Joe Sankoh, Phil Sciolino, and Tony Sciolino.

In April 1992, the Community Service Department recognized awarded individuals and student groups for their outstanding dedication and commitment to community service. It was a very successful event in which a good percentage of the Daemen Community (i.e., faculty, administration, staff, and students) were in attendance.

This is an annual event in which student volunteers/groups are recognized and encouraged to serve the needy and the less fortunate in our society. We encourage you to continuously get involved in community service, because you can make a difference in our communities and society.

**WALK-A-THON**

Calling all students, faculty and staff!!!

We need your support and leg power!!!

The Student Physical Therapy Association in conjunction with the P.T. Department here at Daemen is sponsoring a 10K Walk-a-thon on Sunday, October 18, at 10:00 am. The event will be held in celebration of National Physical Therapy month and the donations raised will benefit ADS Community Services of Western New York.

The event will travel through the streets of Amherst and Williamsville and will conclude with a post-walk party. Registration forms will be distributed in your mailboxes on campus or can be picked up in D.S. 335. Event registration is limited to students, faculty and staff of Daemen College.

You must register prior to event day either by mail or during the weeks of October 5th and 12th at lunchtime in Wick Center Lobby. Participants who raise the most donations will be awarded prizes from local area merchants. If you raise the most donations will be awarded prizes from local area merchants. If you raise the most donations will be awarded prizes from local area merchants. If you raise the most donations will be awarded prizes from local area merchants.

In 1992, the Community Service Department received awards for outstanding volunteerism from The Blind Association, American Heart Association, Friends of Night People, and also the J.C. Penney Golden Rule Award.

**TAKE NOTICE!!**

The Community Service bulletin board is located in Duns Scouts (across from the Bookstore). It is there to provide volunteer information and to inform the Daemen Community of many exciting up-coming events. There is also a window display of pictures (located in 1st floor of D.S. near the ramp to the gym) of volunteers and their activities they have participated in.

**LIBERAL ARTS CAREER BREAKFAST**

Are you majoring in Psychology, English, Foreign Language, History & Government or Humanities?

Have you given any thought to your future career plans?

Come to the Liberal Arts Career Breakfast sponsored by the Department of CO-OP & Career Development on Thursday, October 15, 1992 from 8:00 am to 11:00 am in the Wick Center Lounge.

- Gather Career Information from Daemen College Alumni
- Learn how to combine skills and a Liberal Arts degree to plan your career and lead an effective job search
- Discuss realistic employment expectations in the 1990's

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**Small Business Workshop**

Under the auspices of the Department of CO-OP/CDC, a Small Business Workshop will be presented by the Buffalo Chapter of The Service Corps of Retired Executives, (SCORE), an affiliate of the Small Business Administration on Wednesday, October 21st from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm in the Wick Center Lounge on the Daemen Campus.

The cost of the program is $15.00. Registration is open to anyone planning to start his/her own business or buy an existing business.

The program will feature a full range of specialists in the following management areas: “Your Business and the SBA”; “Positive Steps to Profitable Management,” “Business Law,” “Business Insurance,” “Business Taxes,” “Advertising/Marketing,” and “Finance.” Students are welcome to join alumni and interested community members.

For further information, contact Dr. Margaret Andrews in the CO-OP/ CDC Office in Canavan Hall or call 839-8334.

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**Swing Choir...**

A Musical Note for Daemen College

by Patti Lane

Do you like to sing, dance, or perhaps play any type of instrument? Did you ever participate in any of the above mentioned activities, or would you like to? If so, I hope that you will support an exciting new idea for a performing group here at Daemen!

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**Swing Choir**

Friday, October 2 from 5 to 8 pm in Wick Snackbar

Don't miss it!**
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Surviving College Life
by Leslie H. O. Drews II

Enrolling in a new college can be a scary, or even traumatic experience for both transfer students and freshmen. You have to adjust to new professors and a new system with different expectations. You have to adjust to a new area and often a new place to live. Perhaps worst of all, you have to get to know a whole new set of classmates.

But it doesn’t have to be that difficult. You can make it a lot easier for yourself by making an honest effort. Here are some suggestions on how to make your college career at Daemen a pleasant one:

1) Don’t be afraid to talk to and ask questions of your professors, both in and out of class. Get to know them and let them get to know you. If you’re confused or have a problem, don’t hesitate to make an appointment. The professors here at Daemen are top-notch and they’ll make every effort to help you.

2) Get to know the campus and surrounding areas. Take a walk around the college to find out where the services you may need are located, they’re here to help you.

3) Now comes the hardest part of all. Get to know your new classmates. It’s simple. Talk to them. If you live on campus, talk to the people in your dorm. You can do the same thing to people in your classes. Set up a study group or join a club. Chances are you’ll find others just as eager to make new friends as you are.

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There’s nothing earth shattering here. They’re just some common sense suggestions. But many students don’t follow them and lose out on a big part of college life. Remember don’t be afraid, almost everyone here is going through or went through the same thing you are.

Good Luck!

Daemen College Ski Club and Holiday Valley Ski Resort
Announce the 1992 - 93 Ski Season Interest Meeting
October 15th, at 11:30 am, in DS rm 5

Students, Faculty, Staff and Administration are encouraged to join.

Various ski packages, ski rentals, and lessons available.

Contact Laura in Financial Aid for more information.

ATTENTION ALL SENIORS:
Get Tips On Making Your Resume
The Best It Can Be

Senior Seminar on Resume Writing
11:30 am to 12:30 pm
Tuesday, September 29, 1992
In the CO-OP/CDC Office
with Dr. Margaret Andrews, Director

WHERE’S YOUR ID?

All students at Daemen College receive a college ID card free of charge. You should carry this card with you at all times when you are on campus. Your college ID card serves as an accessible verification which indicates your status as a currently registered student of the college. From time to time you may be asked to present your Daemen ID card to a security guard or college official. Please cooperate - it’s for your protection. Persons unable to produce a card may be asked to leave the campus.

Lost your Card? You can get a replacement for $5.00 at the Audio Visual Office in Dun's Scopus. It may seem like a hassle to always carry your ID card, but remember, it’s a policy designed with your safety in mind.

The Student Association has a “Suggestion Box” behind Wick Desk.

Have a good idea, complaint, or question? Let them know about it.

R. A. Training Program
by: Marcy Mruczek

As part of the on-going effort to provide a safe and enjoyable environment here at Daemen College, our 1992-1993 R.A.’s went through a week long training process.

During our training we listened to speakers on Sexual Assault, Crime, Security, Community Service and many other things that will affect Daemen’s residential community during the school year. We also had the chance to participate in a little bonding to help provide a more unified staff to our residents. We ate, learned and even played baseball together.

We all were able to work on things such as communication, crises, stress, and many other activities. These subjects were touched upon in a way that helped each R.A. learn how to help College students cope with these kinds of pressures.

Our housing staff also had some hands on training by going to Michael Hall, and working with the American Red Cross. Although we hope that it will not be used too often, all the R.A.’s are fully trained and certified in CPR, and Standard First Aid.

All of these activities were fun and very educational, but the fire training program that the Snyder Fire Department assisted us with was what I enjoyed most of all. Each of our 24 R.A.’s were able to take part in putting out a fire. We were all permitted to put on fire-protective clothing and boots, and to put out a gasoline fire with a fire extinguisher. All of the R.A.’s seemed to have no problem doing so, as long as the fire extinguisher worked properly.
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1st Prize - 5” B&W Portable TV  
2nd Prize - Daemen College Sweatshirt  
3rd Prize - “Stuff’d” Gym Bag

Congratulations to Stefany, Peter, and Holly!

Shirley Valentine

One woman comedy/drama
by Willy Russell, an Irish Classical Theatre Company production in association with Summerfare!

Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays at 8 pm
Sundays at 3 pm
in the Daemen College Little Theater (performances through October 18)
Ticket price: $15
(only $8 with Daemen College ID!)
call 839-8540 of 626-4666
for more information

Poetry Corner

It is Time for Me to Go

It is time for me to go...
I have given you all I could
I gave you hope, I gave you peace
And light in the darkness
When you were down I picked you up
I gave you everything
I gave you love

Now I see that look in your eyes
You feel somehow responsible
You feel that you have done something wrong
I tell you now that you have not
You see, you also gave all that you could
But the only thing I wanted,
The only thing I needed from you
You could not give

So kiss me once and hold me
And it will last me a lifetime
Now I will turn and walk away
And I will never look back
It is time for me to go

by Leslie Drews

OCTOBER CROSSWORD

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