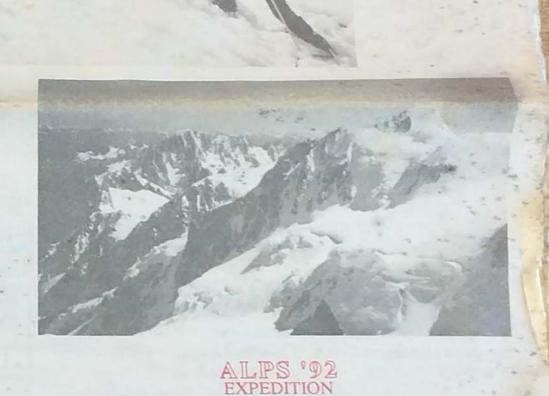


University of Limerick Students' Union Newspaper

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Michaelmas Monday 9th November 1992.

# STUDENTS' UNION SHOP BREAK-IN

Stock was damaged and the alarm-box removed from the wall of the Union Food Shop when thieves broke in through the roof during the October Bank Holiday weekend.

Marie Kennedy, manageress told An Focal how she was alerted by U.L security at 7.10 a.m on Saturday 24th of October. They said they heard noises on the roof and would Marie come in immediately. Arriving at the scene at

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7.35am and unable to locate any security guard. Marie entered the shop to discover a hole in the roof, marks on the dividing wall, and stock damaged. She immediately contacted the Gardai not previously contacted who arrived within ten minutes.

On investigating the roof a hack-saw and screwdriver believed to have come from a lab within the University were found and subsequently taken by detectives to be checked for possible finger prints. The gardai also took some items of stock away for examination although it is believed that heavy rain coming through the hole in the roof may hamper the chances of obtaining fingerprints from these items.

In an interview with An Focal, Miss Kennedy said that "This was no five minute job", a lot of thought had gone into it" and that only for the alarm going off and frightening the thieves more stock could have been damaged or even stolen.

DOOR TO DOOR CON ARTISTS IN THE AREA

### UNIVERSITY CHAPLAIN PROMOTED

Rev. Michael Nuttall, chaplain to U.L has been promoted to Archdeacon of the diocese of Limerick. Rev. Nuttall, who is also rector of Adare, has been University chaplain for over three years. He will continue with both his parish and university duties after his installation as Archdeacon.

Rev. Nuttall is the 58th Archdeacon of Limerick, a post which was created in 1220. Prior to coming to Limerick he served in Scunthorpe in the diocese of Lincoln in Northern England.

Rev. Nuttall will have responsibility, under Bishop Edward Darling, for the pastoral care of 14 parishes in the Limerick part of the diocese of Limerick and Killaloe. Rev.Nuttall estimates that the Anglican population of his area of responsibility is about 2,500 people.

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# Postgrads Elect Representatives

The Postgraduate Students Association has elected it's representatives to University councils and boards.

President of the Association Mike Moroney, will join the SU President and Deputy President as a student member of the Academic Council. Mr.Moroney will also represent postgraduate students at the Library Consultative Forum and the Computer Users Group. He will be the sole student member of the Disciplinary Appeals Committee. Mr. Moroney is studying for a PhD in the department of Electronics.

Mr.Pat Doody, a research student in the Department of Mathematics, has been elected a member of the Faculty Board of the College of Engineering and Science. In the College of Business. Mr.John Burke has been elected to represent postgraduates on the Colleges Faculty Board. Mr.Burke is a student on the Postgraduate Diploma in Computing. The College of Humanities representative is Ms. Mary Vandenburg, who is studying Women's Studies.

The postgraduate representative to the College of Education has yet to be selected.

Speaking at the Postgraduate Students Association AGM , Mr.Moroney said that the key task facing the association in the coming academic year is a re-negotiation of the contract under which research students work. Mr.Moroney said that discussions with the Vice President and Dean Research, Prof. Noel Mulcahy are ongoing.

### DOOR TO DOOR CON ARTISTS IN THE AREA

U.L students are being warned to watch out for suspicious looking characters in the area, in particular , for a man claiming to be a chimney sweep.

This man apparently bullies his way into houses under false

pretences and is anything but what he claims to be.

Similarly, a group claiming to be a furniture company from the Dock Road, have also been gaining entry to houses. Milford Grange Neighbourhood about 2,500 people.

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The installation of Rev. Nuttall as Archdeacon will take place in St.Mary's Cathedral in Limerick on Sunday 15 November at 4.00pm.

Watch Group said last Thursday night that these people should under no circumstances be admitted into a house.

above reports courtesy of MARIA CASEY.

Deadline for next Issue Wednesday 18th November

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# 35' Win

The university of Limerick has retained the 35 trophy, the intervarsity competition withoursister univer-

### sity, DCU.

Dublin City University were soundly beaten, 26 points to 9, by teams from UL in 23 sports.

325 students from the Glasnevin Campus travelled to Limerick to participate in the largest one-day sporting event among Irish university's.

UL shared honours with DCU in three sports, and were beaten by the visitors in another three: Women's soccer, men's basketball and swimming.

The most remarkable result of the competition was the dead heat in the rowing event. President of the Irish Amateur Rowing Association, Mr Dermot Henihan, was on campus on the day of the event. Mr Henihan said he had been unable to distinguish between the bow balls on the coxed fours boats.

UL also spilt points with DCU in canoeing, and seven-aside camogie.

UL were outright winners in all other sports including volleyball, softball, badminton, hockey, women's gaelic football (a men's game did not take place) and squash.

A debate against DCU, which did not count for points purposes was also held. Among the speakers in the debate were the Presidents of both students' unions. Mr Diarmuid Scully (UL) and Mr Mike Egan (DCU).

After the formal competitions were completed UL hosted a dinner for the guests, followed by a party and disco with bar extension in the Stables and Student Centre. Spectra Photo Developing operating from the Student Union Shop - 24 hr Service

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oar extension in the Stables and Student Centre.

### 10 Friday of Week II SUP VOUCHER

# Key Issues Addressed At Class Reps Training Weekend

Forty-Seven recently elected Class Reps attended the annual Class Reps training weekend held in Killarney at the end of week 5. during the weekend a number of key issues such as repeat structures, anonymous marking, Co-op problems and Library Resources were raised and discussed.

In the case of anonymous marking i.e not having to put your name on your transcript, the library problem and Co-Op problems it has been decided to set up a number of working groups of four or five class reps who will work on a notion of brain storming and will report to Deputy President Enda Lonergan. A number of alternative solutions currently exist in relation to anonymous marking and it will be the job of a working group to analyse all using data pertaining to other colleges available through the Deputy Presidents office ; and making possible suggestions. Enda Lonergan also addressed the group on the subject of negotiating skills. He advised them on how to approach lecturers, stressing that one student should never do it alone as this increases the risk of intimidation. A workshop held on these negotiating skills gave class reps an insight into the workings of a Union Executive.

During the weekend the class reps were also informed that a campaign to introduce a repeat structure in the University by the end of the Arademic year was currently in progress. So far 3 out of the 4 faculties/colleges within the university are in favour of this implementation and a report on the subject is currently being prepared for the registrar by a member of the committee involved.

As the training progressed class reps were addressed by Diarmaid Scully . S.U President on the subject to presentation skills. Hilly Kirwan, transaction and services officer, on the subject of information, and the development of a teaching practice diary for the College of Education, Ber Angley. entertainments co-ordinator on the subject of booking class parties, and Ber and Billy collectively on the subject of finances and accounts of individual classes.

A questionnaire dealing with the content of the weekend is currently being devised by Sharoa Kennedy Equal rights Officer.

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# **BRACE YOURSELF, BRIDGET**

This, we were informed during our weekend in Killarney, is the Kerryman's idea of foreplay. Though we can't really vouch for that as there was more than enough interaction within the group but not much with the natives. But more of that later...

We eventually left around 8.45 on Friday, after a delay of three-quarters of an hour, which was used as a start to our drinking. After a relatively quiet bus journey we arrived in Killarney at 10.50. Sc after a sprint to the hostel (Neptunes - and I can recommend it but give Room 27 a miss as 2 or 3 people 'hurled' there on Saturday night) and another sprint to "Revelles" (All in order to get there before 11 and get in free , which your's truly failed to do.) We settled down to drink and 'boogie'. The "Chair-Dancing" was something new to the locals, also was the train we made which visited every part of the club. The D.Jing was a bit dodgy (Jumpy records etc.) but he played "Under the Bridge" so all is forgiven.

On the way back to the hostel a few people decided to

investigate a 'moving statue'. Unfortunately the 'Guardians of the Peace' arrived and this resulted in one person getting a 'Jab' from a inconveniently placed spike. Meanwhile, back at the hotel, two chemists took it upon themselves to put out a fire which hadn't quite started, this did not improve our already fraying relationship with the proprietor, as it set off the fire alarm and woke up all the other residents.

We were rudely awakened around 9.00, after only five or so hours of sleep, and were informed that "Breakfast was being served". Our cooking crew had been out and had bought, along with other foodstuffs, 40+ loaves of bread.

Our workshops were taking place in St.Bridigs parish hall , but as a certain entertainments co-ordinator sent people to the town hall we

didn't start at the set time of 10.30. After rounding up all the lost sheep we eventually started about a hour late. The day was very informative . We found out exactly what a Class Rep does (besides drinking and organising parties). Everyone had to get up and talk for a certain amount of time on any given topic. The other group had to speak for two minutes each but thankfully the group I was in only had one minute each as it was getting late.

After lunch, (soup and sandwiches made by Ber and his cooking crew) I can safely say that most people found a pub, to lubricate their throats for the afternoon session - It was a bit hard tearing some people away from the Ireland-Australia match.

Earlier on we had come across a cache of "Mills and Boon" books, and my, but how they set our pulses racing, reading about the heroine's "supreme moment of personal nirvana"....

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certain S.U President , was dancing on a nearby table or chair . Then we went to a disco in the "Dannyman" . Most of us stayed in a smaller room where there was a band playing (But unfortunately 1 can't remember anything they played but I'm told a 2nd Mech Eng joined them for a song).

The weekend was about getting to know what a Class Rep does and about getting to know the other class reps. Unfortunately there was only about half of the class reps there, but everyone got to know everyone , some more than others!! A certain 2nd Euro Stud (Not a class rep ) must add) was seen with a certain Australian guy who was later with a 2nd Chemist(Not a class rep either) who in turn was later with a first business stud. Said Australian and 2nd euro stud later found each other again. A refresher biochemist was with a certain person who goes in for the Sinead O'Connor look. Both "2nd Mech Eng's" also made 'good friends'. One with another 2nd chemist, the 2nd with a certain 2nd Law and Acc. Our only interaction with the natives came from one of our cooks( a 1st Comp sys)

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Liturgical dance, song and a reading by Student Union President Diarmuid Scully were all part of the opening of the Academic Year Mass at the Salesian Church. The main celebrant was Fr. P.J. Somers, college chaplain and the mass was concelebrated by Fr. Michael Egan of Milford parish, nearly five hundred students and staff attended. There were refreshments in the Slalesian Hostel afterwards.

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During the month of November it is good for us to remember our dead. Many people in campus would know friends or loved ones who have died. I would invite you to bring to mind the good qualities that they had and emulate them in your life.

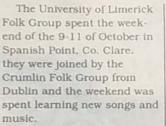
Here in campus we now number in the thousands, between students and staff. That means there is much good about, the recent success of the day for Somalia shows there is a lot of generosity.

Let our university continue to be a place of welcome and respect for every individual. down to drink and 'boogle'. The "Chair-Dancing" was something new to the locals, also was the train we made which visited every part of the club. The D.Jing was a bit dodgy (Jumpy records etc.) but he played "Under the Bridge" so all is forgiven.

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### FOLK GROUP WEEKEND IN SPANISH POINT



In spite of the long hours spent working at new music there was time found for walks on the beach and on the headland in the October sunshine on the Saturday and in the howling wind and rain on the Sunday!

One of the highlights of the weekend was the evening spent in nearby Miltown Malbay, home of no less than 17 public houses as those of you who have attended the Willie Clancy Summer School during July will be acquainted with. A good old seisiun in Hennessy's pub was followed by a great night of entertainment provided by Christy Carey's band Celtic Airs. We were delighted to have Carmel and Chris with us for part of the weekend.

Should any other groups in the College wish to avail of this magnificent location overlooking the Atlantic Ocean the louse owned by the Salesians is available for bookings throughout the year. There is sleeping accommodation for approximately 30 people and full cooking and showering facilities makes it ideal for water sports groups or indeed any group who would like to get away for a weekend.

If you are interested in finding out more details then please contact Rosemary O'Connor at CM082 (in MAC), Ext. 2144. across a cache of "Mills and Boon" books, and my, but how they set our pulses racing, reading about the heroine's "supreme moment of personal nirvana"....

One of the subjects we discussed during the day was that of anonymous marking which is, for those who don't know, not putting your name on exam papers (ie. using some given number). This will stop any discrimination ('Conscious or unconscious). We also discussed the serious problem of poor safety around the college. I'm sure most people know of the nightly patrol which escorts people from the main reception to the front gates. The patrol starts at 11.00 each night and they leave every twenty minutes until 1.00 (On Thursdays the hours are from 12.00 to 3.00). This has finally been initiated as a result of several assaults on people walking along the overgrown, badly-lit path. Another idea mentioned was to thin out the trees a bit ....

Dinner on Saturday evening was actually quite nice (Well for me it was anyway. being a vegetarian I didn't have the Spaghetti Bolognese, but I had the fried rice and stir-fry which was very good). Seeing the buckets full of Spaghetti though isn't very appetising.

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first business stud. Said Australian and 2nd euro stud later found each other again. A refresher blochemist was with a certain person who goes in for the Sinead O'Connor look. Both "2nd Mech Eng's" also made 'good friends'. One with another 2nd chemist , the 2nd with a certain 2nd Law and Acc. Our only interaction with the natives came from one of our cooks( a 1st Comp sys) and also a 2nd Elec. Eng., Also a refresher Comp Sys welcomed a 1st Public Admin to our college. There were others such as a 2nd biochemist and a certain 4th year, but we'll stop now. I was also told to mention how the two 1st Comp Sys lassies behaved themselves (Well when it came to shifting anyway .. )

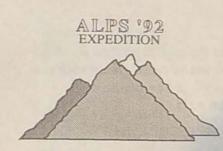
Sunday, we were woken by an unnecessarily cheerful Transition Officer , at the unearthly hour of 9.00, that mornings session didn't go too well as around 11.30, after less than a hour we adjourned to a pub for what was to some a cure, but for another three the start to an afternoons drinking.

We eventually got back to Limerick just before 4.30 that afternoon. The main highlight of the journey being that the bus was stopped by the "Guardians of the Peace", because it was 10 miles or so over the speed limit.

Altogether it was a productive and extremely successful weekend.

Reena Cole - 2nd Mech Eng.

ALPS '92 was a joint expedition between both the Kayak club and the Outdoor Pursuits Club of the University of Limerick. It was the first expedition of its sort ever mounted by the University and as such acts as a model for future ventures.



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The expedition was broken up into two teams, a kayak team , who set out to paddle some of the fastest and most dangerous rivers of the french alps, and a mountaineering team ,who set their sights on Mont Blanc, the highest mountain in western Europe. The following is a summary of the mountain climb:

Our first day in Chamonix in the French Alps had us 'swimming' in our tents. The Alps are big enough to have their own weather system and the torrential rain was proving it. Day 2 started the same way, though the long range weather forecast for the region was for improvement in the afternoon. It did., After sorting out

> insurance with the French Alpine Club which covered for airlift out in the event of an accident, we started out.

Our route took us to the 'Plan de l'Aguille some 1250 meters above Chamonix (1035M), from there we trekked across the lower levels of the boulder strewn Glacier des pelerins to a deserted cable car station. The going was slow as we weaved in and out of gullys carved out by the cold streams from the melting snows above us. From there we headed into the Glacier des Bossons which extends well down into the vallev from the Aiguille de Saussure, Crevasses extended both horizontally and vertically to the direction of glacial flow and these we successfully navigated either by routing around or by means of snow bridges. Night was fast approaching by the time we decided to set up tent (2550M). This was done while still on the north side of the glacier and well

away from the possibility of avalanches or falling rocks.

The following day saw a much different part of the Glacler. As we moved steadily up and southwestward we encountered the packed ice area. Melting ice and snow had extended crevasses underneath so crossing required secured safety lines and the use of Ice axe pairs to claw our way up the other side. The going was extremely slow, snow was knee deep as the surface layer of thin ice was melted away by the intense sun and so offered little resistance against our weight and the weight of our packs. Once we arrived due north of 'la jonction' we changed direction towards it up a very steep snow slope. This continued for some time as we wound our way up to the Refuge des grand Mullets (3051M).

The refuge is run by the French Alpine Club and is permanently manned at this time of year. To stay costs 40 F and for this you get a bed and cold water!. Such hospitality we could not resist and stayed that evening.

The next day we started out at 2.00am, as the final 1750 meters had to be accomplished in one day. The mild weather was having a worsening effect on the quality of the snow, All around us we heard and saw avalanches as both snow and rock tumbled down the mountainside. The previous day, an avalanche had claimed the life of one climber and injured two others in the party. Dressed for the elements and wearing Petzl head torches we ventured back onto the mountain slopes.



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### **U.L. SOMALITHON** the total should hit the £3,500

Last Thursday, the students of U.L. held a fundraising event in aid of the poverty-stricken people of Somalia, Several events took place during the course of the day, including a Slave Auction in which Enda Lonergan (S.U. Deputy President) offered his services as the slave and was sold to the highest bidders (a group of lively ladies) for the handsome sum of £6! Other fundraising events took place on the day including sponsored silences and fasts and also a generous donation from the Stables Club who contributed 10p for every pint sold which amounted to £235,40, Fr. P.J. Sommers, who will be holding on to the money until the last of it rolls in, said that he was very pleased with the support on the day - by the time all the money has been collected.

mark. All services for the day were provided free of charge by the ULSU Ents Crew. The final amount will be divided equally and donated to Concern and Goal, two of the major Irish charity organisations involved in trying to get aid to Somalia. Thanks to everyone for participating, organising and donating, especially to Fr. P. J. for all his help, to the Film soc. for their exceptional donation from the Rocky Horror Show, to Ber for all his help through-out the running of the events, to the Stables', and the Student Union Shop, and a mega thanks to Sinead & Yvonne of 3rd. business fame for all the dosh raised during their sponsored silences. Finally thanks to Billy K. and Caroline in the Print Shop. Well done to all concerned!

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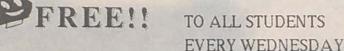
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Reflection: As anybody involved in mountaineering will tell you, timing and weather conditions play ' the most important roles' when it comes to planning an assault on a big mountain. We had a four day window in which to climb. The temperatures were high and more importantly, night temperatures stayed above freezing. This made the going tough and more dangerous, the higher we went.

Snowclimbing with 22 Kg on your back is 'no joke' and this would not be recommended in the future under such conditions. A third person in the party could have helped enormously in carrying some of the tent and cooking equipment and also in the safe crossing of the Glacier.

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# LIBRARY BEHAVIOUR

Over the next few weeks as the exams draw closer the need for quietness in the library for study will intensify as will the library's staff bid to enforce it. It is in everybodys best interest if there is a high level of co-operation between everyone, ie. between staff & students but also quite importantly between student and student. I am referring here to the sharing of library seats while people have to go to lectures, etc. Remember if you are absent from your seat for more than 15 mins then anyone is entitled to remove your stuff and use the desk. The library will remain open every night from Monday of week 8 to End of Term, until 23.00 hours.

# HARDSHIP FUND UPDATE

At the time of going to print the Fund is still closed, but there is a special meeting of the Fund committee to review the situation and hopefully get the fund reopened as soon as possible. Despite my last plea, money is still not being paid back into the fund so once again I am requesting indeed urging that people pay back whatever they can towards their loans, because without your assistance this fund will not work. The bank received their first £3000 repayment on Monday 2nd November so presently the account is empty, need I say any more.

### **CLASS REPS COUNCIL**

This Tuesday night at 7.30pm the next class reps council meeting takes place in the S.U. student centre, and all class reps are requested to attend.

The agenda is as follows:

- Introduction to the new S.U. Executive.
- Ratification of Clubs & Socs budgets.

# Milford-Grange Neighbourhood Watch.

On Tuesday last ( 3rd Nov. ) I attended my first meeting of the above mentioned group and was made feel very welcome as the student representative for the area.

It was also made very clear to me that they are very keen to get more students involved in the goings on in the local community as they recognise the integral role which you play in it.

On the matter of what was discussed at the meeting, there were a few items which bore particular relevance to all of us;- Firstly, one of the biggest problems in the local community is that caused by vandalising of public signs which costs the

County Council £20,000 a year to replace. Why this is of great concern to them is because they want to have a rumble strip put on the road and a small speed ramp at either side of the pedestrian crossing at the Milford Primary school, the County

Council refuse to do this however, as they believe that the signs to warn motorists of these would be pulled down.

down on a very fast piece of road. As a result of so many signs having been taken both in the past years and already this year, the neighbourhood watch group have asked me to ask that if anyone has signs in their houses could they please drop them into me in the Student's Union A.S.A.P. Another area of concern for the group is the problem beincaused by a teenage gang in the community. Many of you willhave seen them. They go around in groups of 5/6 all dressed in black and on bikes. They are believed to be responsible for a ot of the bike stealing on campus as well as the breaking the breaking into lockers, and breaking the plano in the S.U. centre, so if you see them anywhere on campus report it to security as soon as you can or to any of us in the S.U., it's about time these lads were sorted out once and for all.

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This system is on a trial basis for this term only and I must stress that its success is dependent upon you. If people start tearing out pages of the booklets then this isn't going to work. If anyone has any queries or problems with them address them to me ( Enda ) in the Student's Union not the Library staff.

College of Education students please note that any exam being set by your own Departments ( 2nd level Education & Physical Education ) are not available in the Library as the respective departments didn't have a catalogue of them. Both Maureen Kendall and Mary Smyth agreed to give a copy to each class rep if they go to them.

I would like to stress to all classes that it's the responsibility of each class rep to get a single copy which you may photocopy from them.

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Finally the group would like to welcome anyone who would like to attend their next meeting on Tuesday 8th December in the Salesian Hostel.

- Assisting in the compilation of accounts
- Selling and collection of advertising
- An Focal and publications administration
- Working with Societies or Clubs
- Assisting specific Union and Clubs/Socs projects

The new demands on the financial administration with business starting in the shopping mall, together with the development of advertising for An Focal are key new areas which we are looking to address as well.

For further information contact the Union or the Co-op Office who can furnish you with detailed job descriptions and background information. Alternatively why not have a chat with one of our current students Val (societies), Clare (information) or JJ (Clubs)?

Are you looking for a co-op placement?

The Students' Union is looking to appoint students for 6 month placements, commencing in January. If you enjoy working with students and have a particular interest in clubs, societies, publications or marketing why not apply to work in the SU.

Each position involves a mixture of project work in the field together with general administration work behind the desk in the office.

A summary of the current duties includes:

 General office duties-telephones,messages,exam papers,mail

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# The World According to You



### Dear Editor

I've recently learned that the Hardship Fund is closed! The reason being that over £20,000 extra was given out than should have been. This money is now on overdraft in the bank who are demanding payment soon.

I'm very annoyed that the fund we pay for out of our fees has been abused in this way. I think stricter rules for qualifying for the fund should be introduced and a tighter grip on the purse strings kept. I feel strongly that someone must explain the mismanagement of our fund.

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Ms McCurtain in her article in "An Focal" on 22nd of October describes the work of the group "Women Hurt by Abortion" as "imposing guilt on women who have had an abortion". As far as I know . most women in this group have had abortions themselves, and have suffered a great deal of anguish before and after the operation. They offer the benefit of their experience and a sympathetic ear to any women who may have had similar traumas as their own. Very often they get no financial assistance or thanks for their services from the wider community, nor indeed do they look for it. And Ms McCurtain still has the gall to point the accusing finger at them. Who is she to judge their intentions? What is she doing to help women to cope with possible psychological and physical side-effects of an

abortion. If some women who have had abortions suffer feelings of guilt, grief or regret for the death of their child, we may be able to help them if we actually face the problems. Scientific studies show that many women have these was carried out by Dr. Maria Simon, a psychologist in the Gynaecological Clinic of the University of Wurzburg. The followings are some of the findings of this study carried out among women who have had abortions :

\* About 60% have feelings of guilt.

• Between 30 and 40% have sudden changes of mood, often tending towards depression.

• Approximately 35% of the women cry more than before the abortion for no apparent reason.

 61% of women avoid thinking about the abortion and repress such thoughts.

• 52% of women do not like to see pregnant women because they are reminded of their aborted child.

\*70% of women often think about how things would be like if the aborted baby was alive now.

• 45% think that they made the wrong decision and they would like to reverse it , if that were possible.

• Up to 50% of the couples broke up after the abortion.

• Of the women interviewed , a third had no affiliation to any church, while 48%

all other similar studies carried out in countries where abortion is widely available?

I personally admire anybody who tries to help to do anything constructive to help these women, whether before or after they have an abortion, and therefore I cannot but be thankful for the work that 'Women Hurt By Abortion' do. I also have no doubt that they do it for the highest of motives.

> Yours , Dolores Ryan.

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For how much longer can Ms. McCurtain ignore this and

Union welcomed me with a pen and pad and ordered to write about the year off.

### The Year Off.

The year off my children, takes one to joy and to pain. You find yourself finding yourself flying off on fluffy faraway adventures one day and finding your privates in a madman's vice the next! I think it accentuates the normal ups and downs we all know because your first reaction to success or failure is "I chose this!"

> Also the year off fills the brain with rationalisations. You suddenly have the vocabulary to excuse everything. My marvellous sister, ( a very vigorous young woman ) whose welcome home hug has me in traction. concluded after an evenings pinting

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Yours, Gerald Healy, Chairperson. U.L. Students for Life.

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### They Do It With Mirrors.

My great band whose combined income falls just short of the price of a Moro, are making great progress none the less. Putsimply, England's response to us is nil, but France loves us! We get letters and radio play and orders and invitations from this simply sublime country and next year we will tour there.

We have to date released two EPs with a third one on the way, we have toured with The Sultans Of Ping and we have driven to Zurich to play Club Dynamo ( come on, you all know it! ). We are currently engaged in preparations for the third EP on Ger's (bassist, also a student here) little studio in our flat. When this EP reaches Ireland, all those in their teens will weep!

My scrumptious kittens, this is such a happy reunion! I could just gush upon you. It is I. Kevin, who wrote last year's editorials for first term, returned

to Limerick for a week having taken a years leave to pursue band life with "They Do It With Mirrors" in London. The Student's

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# SUNSCREEM

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To bow out the term, with the last big gig before exams start **ON FRIDAY 13TH NOVEMBER**, we will be presenting the best dance show ever with "Suncreen". This band that is based in Essex, comprise of Techno-Head Paul Carnell, Lucia Holm, singer and keyboard player, Darren Woodford (The man with eight guitars), Rob Fricker (Bass) and drummer Sean Wright. Unlike many Rave/ Dance outfit, Sunscreen are first and foremost a live band. Unlike similar bands who just sing to a D.A.T. soundtrack, Sunscreen have being playing the live circuit for two years now. This tour takes them into some 33 venues, mainly colleges in Ireland and the U.K. With them they have 2 dancers and a brilliant light show.

At the time of writing this their latest single "Perfect Motion" is No. 18 in the U.K. charts. Their previous single "Love U More" [As featured on the video] went to No. 22. Both tunes have strong, catchy vocals and excelent 12inch versions.

Along with Sunscreen will be a Dublin rave outfit "Bumble" who are singned to Mother Records (U2 label). They have a unique sound blending dance music with traditional, using the bass with the flute. As I speak their debut single has just gone Top 50 in the U.K. charts.

"Bumble" like "Sunscreen" play live. along with a really hip U.K. DJ. This gig is definitly going to be the gig of the term. The gig happens on Friday 13th November (Good time to invite friends) in the Two Mile Inn (2 Areas - Also standard DISCO). Tickets go on sale Tuesday 11th from 12-2 p.m. at the ENTS desk, Canteen. First 100 £3 - All the rest £5.



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# MARK THOMAS

### STUDENT CENTRE SPM FRI 13TH NOV ADM. £2

Currently the presenter of the highly successful BBC Radio show 'Loose Talk' and a founder member of the London Comedy Store's hard hitting 'Cutting Edge' show, Mark Thomas is regarded as "Exciting, challenging and outrageously funny" by Time Out and 'a refreshing member of the comedy aristocracy" by NME. He has also appeared in numerous documentaries on comedy including Channel 4's 'Banned Season'. The Guardian Newspaper describes him as "Iconoclastic boot boy" and a "topic comic at the top of his tree ... taboo breaking".

"The best full length standup set I have seen from snyonthis year. He is destined for greatness" (Time Out)





Andy White

### MOBY DICK, October 9, "

### Henry's", The

### Savoy, Limerick

This Dublin band are more familiar to me for their connections than for their music; but I nevertheless decided to give them a fair hearing. With Adam Clayton's brother playing the bass for them and sometime guest appearances and cowriting sessions with Maria McKee, it would appear that they have a leg up on most bands from the start.

One look at the equiptment they had and my (erroneous) assumption was that we had some aspiring "musos" on our hands. I'm talking about real top-drawer gear here, and I hoped their workmanship would match their tools.

Sadly, I was to be largely disappointed. From the minute they hit the stage with "A Step", it was always going to be a rough night. IN fairness, the rhythm section were quite outstanding. The drummer laid down razor-sharp beats, while the younger Clayton's basslines were invariably adventurous: recalling Peter Hook (CIRCA Joy Division).

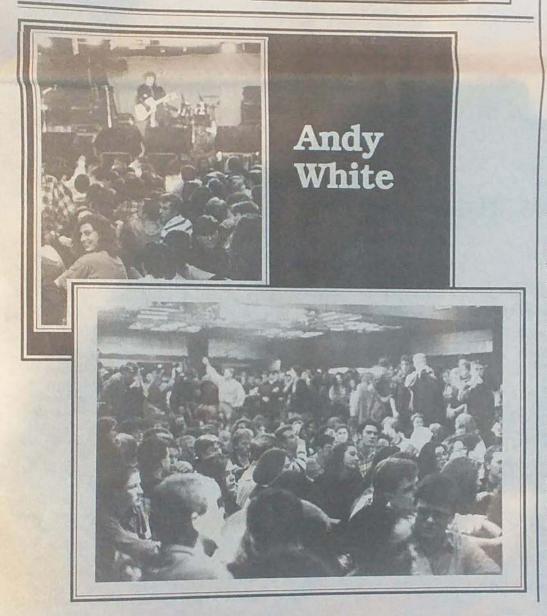
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should that be notionally ?) he doesn't make the grade. As for the vocalist and (attempted) rhythm guitarist, if I were to describe his true station in the strata of vocalists, you would get the impression that I harboured a vehement hatrêd against the unfortunate man. The worst thing about it is that I couldn't even be sued for libel; as all the critical ordure I could pile upon him would be meet and fit.

> So what can one say about such a "performance" ? It only qualifies under the definition of "performing" in the same way that performing fellatio upon a rather elderly and incontinent goat might. If I am being unfair, it is only because I so strongly object to being subjected to a night where the vocals ranged from a croak to a bellow (all consistently out of tune) and "the guitar solos were like a cheap vibrator overloading at the mains".

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While once again I must stress that the rhythm section are good, what "music" is made over them leaves a great deal to be desired. There is nothing wrong with musical minimalism, but do they have to be minimalist with their talent as well? With such a solid base to work from, the guitarist do nothing to enhance the sound, but if anything, actually disimprove it.

The guitarist was occasionally competent, but more often not. He managed to "grunge" it adequately for some of the gig, but for a band that are touring nationally (or meet and fit.

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In mitigation (although more likely, explation would be required), the crowd were disinterested, and the band seemed to be stoned. If they were having the mother of all off-nights I apologise; otherwise, its time for the rhythm section to find another band, MOBY DICK? I fear that Captain Ahab would have tried to hunt them down as well. Herman Melville would NOT have been impressed.

### ZEN "ISHMAEL" ZUCCHINI

# mBeal an Phobail

### **ELECTION FEVER**

Bréag agus Bréag eile! Nach iontach an rud go bhfuil sé chomh héasca an ruaig a chur ar Rialtas na hEireann. Direach as an am gceanna rinne an Aire Taistil suas a intinn faoi Stadus na Sionnaine. Ní chreidimse nach raibh aon cheangailt idir an cinne sin agus an ionsaí a rinne Al ar Dessie.

Dar liomsa, bhi s an cliste ag Al na votai a chinntiu saClar agus i Luimnigh an la cheanna a thosaigh an achrann seo. Agus ansin chas se timpeall agus duairt se linn nach raibh toghchain ag teastail uaidh no o Fianna Fail. Ni thuigeann an Spalpin Fanach e seo, nach 'temporary little arrangement' a bhi ann. Bhuel, feicfidh Al agus Pee Flynn nach mbeidh muintir na tire sasta le ceachtar den dha phairti sa Rialtas nuair a thogtar fadbhanna co-suil le difhosttaiocht, mortage interest rates and ele san aireamh.

### **ABORTION DEBATE**

Ni dhearna me aon tracht faoi ginmhilleadh go foill agus ni dheanfaidh ach beidh tionchar faoi leith le feicail ag an Reifreann ar an Togchain. Beidh an Spalpain Fanach ag breathnu go gear, an ndeanfaidh Fianna Fail iarracht usaid a baint den Reifreann. Seans mor a cloisfimis o Al agus a chairde nach bhfuil an 'extremists' (Na Pro-lifers agus na Pro-Choicers) i gcoinne an Reifreann mar gheall an ginmhilleadh. Mar sin, muna dtugtar bhur votal do Flanna Fail agus muna bhfuil sibh i bhfabhar an Reifreann gur 'extremists' sibhse. Ma dheanann an Taoiseach 'Shotgun Wedding ' idir an da rud beidh gear ga le a beith an curamach fad. Chuala sibh ar fad an sean-fhocall "Is minic a bhris beal duine a shron"?.

### IRREVELANT CAMPAIGN

Deanaigi dearmad ar an toghchain no an Reifreann mas maith libh. Ach na bigi ag taibhairt amach tar eis tamaillin. Bainigi usaid as bhur votai mar seo deis teachtafreacht a tabhairt do polaiteoiri nach dtiochfaidh aris Beir Bua

### If God is Six, then is the Devil Seven??

### (With apologies to "The Pixies")

In the beginning there was the Word, the Way and the Light, God's "Word", the only "Word".

However one soon comes to question the integrity of God's "Word". His teaching, His doctrine when one realises that for those whose beliefs fall within the broad parameters of "Christianity" it's the only "Word" available.

Despite the various theological differences between, for example, the Roman Catholic and Protestant religions , the cornerstone of both beliefs as the Holy Bible. Although they may choose to interpret various sections of it differently and to unilaterally ignore or disbelieve certain elements of it, for each and their professors it is regarded as the guide, along the perilous . temptation-ridden path of life to an eternal existence in "Heaven", "God's Heaven".

> And for those who believe, isn't "Heaven" the ultimate goal? isn't "Heaven" the light at the end of the tunnel? Isn't "Heaven" the only option. But why should this be so?. Why is it that for hundreds of millions of people this is their only option?. Why do people believe it to be their only option?. And

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12 politicians who spoke in the issue last week 2 were women. Ms. Frances Fitzgerald noted womens exclusion as she declared "How can womens voice be heard when they are sistematically excluded?" Her opinions offered many an ear at the Annual Dariel of Conell Workshop in Cokerry when she stated that "just as women had been excluded from public life for many years, men had been excluded in many respects from the private or personal life." Suddenly, a male dominated Cabinet. sub-Cabinet Committee & Oireachtas are deciding womens fate in the event of an idd fated pregnancy. Can this enable a sensitive and understanding decision to be made?

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Because God says so. And why, believe God? Because you have no choice. It's God and celestial omnipotence or the Devil and the burning fires of Hell. And no-one wants to go to Hell, Why? Because God says so. But since it is only through God's perspective we see Hell, through the eyes of one of the competitors for our immortal souls. How do we know it to be a true description of Hell? Because God says it is and God tells the truth. Who says He tells the truth? He does. You see the problem is that God has cornered the market in literature about the afterlife. His besotted followers wrote the Bible based on the teachings of His Son. God worded it. He crafted it. He imbued it with HIs own views and opinions and His own prejudices and biases. He handpicked the people to interpret it, that is , the Clergy. who in turn discouraged those who converted to the faith from reading this doctrine lest they misinterpret it.

### SIMONSNODGRA S

### FROM NEANDERTHALS TO THE UN

Planet earth was formed about 4800 million years ago which as you know, was not today or yesterday. After a while the dinosaurs came but they didn't like it much and they decided to become extinct.

Then the first Neanderthal people came about and these fellows have been with us ever since. Examples of Neanderthal people in contemporary life include prop Forwards, TDs from Clare and Saw Doctors among



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kept slaves - about 150 000 in Athens alone. Now I'm a man of simple tastes, I don't ask for much but de you think they'd let me keep a slave? Never - there's some fuddy auddy law preventing it. Thanks to the technocrats you have to pay for a lackey these day. The Greeks also got involved in many wars and some of these were Marathon affairs.

### ANCIENT ROME

After Alexander the Great's death Greece broke up and Rome became the new superpower. They had legions of armies and conquered most of Europe except Ireland which they had the good sense to avoid. The Romans enjoyed their comforts and build aqueducts so that they could have running water and succuzis and things. The Lit & Phil changed location to Capitol Hill and Cicero was elected auditor. Shakespeare's "Julius Caesar" was a huge success playing to packed houses wherever it went. A sport which has died down a lot lately is the one that used to be held in the Colosseums. Christians were chased about and eaten by Lions, still I suppose there's always coursing. All good things must come to an end and the barbarians put paid to the Romans wining and dining. The barbarians were basically a bunch of illiterate corner boys and vandals who when not doing strange things with horses enloved killing Romans and

money to Leonardo the Vinci and Michelangelo who did paintings and sculptures and stuff. I have included a photo of Michelangelo's Statue of David to placate my female readers.

Engineers need not fret. It wasn't all artists, writers and painters during the Renaissance. There was some nuts and bolds stuff you might understand. Copperknickers stated that planets move around the Sun and not vice versa and therein lies his fame. This I find strange as even schoolchildren are aware of this simple face and yet nobody remarks on it.

### THE DEFORMATION

Around this time it must be said. Popes were a bad shower. Simony (sale of Church offices) was the done thing and nepotism (promoting your relatives) was almost as widespread as in Ireland today. One of Lorenzo the Magnificents grandchildren was a cleric at eight and a cardinal at seventeen. He became Pope Leo X shortly afterward though he'd never said mass in his live. He was never ordained a priest you see.

All this was being watched with disgust by a professor at the University of Twittenberg Germany. Lex Luthor (later to star in Superman comics) had had enough papal bull, of surviving on a Diet of worms and of pondering to Catholic indulgences. He

came when the English got sick of the Mullardy and it was Charles I that eventually got the chop.

Oliver Cromwell came to power afterward, readily recognisable by his roundhead and Ironbackside. He had something of a Charles Mancon Streak in him and he enjoyed nothing better than a good massacre. The English got sick of him though, because he was dour and killjoy. After his death they brought back the Mullarkey. Charles II took over. He was known as the "happy Monarch " and why wouldn't he be for it is said he sired 17 illegitimate children.

### THE REVOLUTIONS



Before the English knew it they were caught up in a load of revolutions. In these revolutions everything improved in every way but few actually noticed because most were in busy sweating down in the coal mines. We finally got a middle class and they built houses in Castletroy and Foxrock where they could play tennis or golf all day and eat

cucumber.sandwiches.Mr. Marx



tempestuous and said he was forming his own society where people would listen to him. He emigrated to Italy where he wore a black shirt. Another fellow who was very interested in what Moss O Leeny had to say was Adolf Hitler. His crowd were called the Wasties. The Wasties were always plumping for a fight and soon fights started to fly. Moss joined in on Adolfs side but his lot were a sickly bunch and soon both of them got their comenpance.

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### MESOPOTAMIA

This was a land in the Middle East where the first civilisation developed. The great historian Constantinius Plantagenet in his book "We Learn from History that We Learn Nothing from History" described Mesopotamia as "a great place to live but very hard to pronounce". Babylon was its greatest city and it was home to millions of babblers. Big names at the time were king Hammurabi and king Nebuchadnesser but this was ultimately To be their downfall as the babblers could never remember their

names so they were overthrown. Henceforth all kings were called Ed.

### ANCIENT

Greece was where culture and learning really took off. The

Parthenon was packed nightly for Lit & Phil debates where the assembled were enthralled by virtuoso speeches from the likes of Plato, Aristotle and Socrates, Socrates incidentally was also a useful and he later played for Brazil. The Greeks it must be said, really knew what they were at . They

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### THE RENAISSANCE

for hundreds of years.

As your history teacher told you thousands of times "Renaissance means rebirth". A big scattering of

intellectuals got together and formed the ESB thus ending the dark ages (that joke was in

doubtful taste). The scholarly path came back into vogue and these scholars were called "humourists". Petrach and Boccacio were among the most most hilarious. Mind you these lads got into a lot of trouble with the Church because during the dark ages the only writing

had been religious stuff e.g. The Messenger Magazine. And these people thought that this was the only stuff worth writing.

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### THE MULLARKEY

England has had a mullsrkey for as ling as I can remember. One of the most famous of the mullars was Henry the Oaf. The man was described by renowned historian Constantinius Plantagenet as "a fat, ugly old brute". Evidently he was unlucky in love for he had six marriages. To his credit though, he only executed two of his wifes. Toward the end of his life he died and he had" many successors who were tutors like himself. But eventually a time



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### THE 20th CENTURY

The 19th century was followed by the 20th century which surprised few peoples. And to the best of my knowledge the 20th century is still happening. This century will be remembered most for its two world wars. Would War I happened because all the World leaders had lots of toys. Lovely little things - ships and planes and tanks and even little toy soldiers that moved. Naturally they wanted to play with them. In their little game a lot of toys got broken but they didn't mind because they'll always have new ones to play with.

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# SIMONSNODGRASS

### FROM NEANDERTHALS TO THE UN

Planet earth was formed about 4800 million years ago which as you know, was not today or yesterday. After a while the dinosaurs came but they didn't like it much and they decided to become extinct.

Then the first Neanderthal people came about and these fellows have been with us ever since. Examples of Neanderthal people in contemporary life include prop Forwards, TDs from Clare and Saw Doctors among



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### MESOPOTAMIA

kept slaves - about 150 000 in Athens alone. Now I'm a man of simple tastes, I don't ask for much but de you think they'd let me keep a slave? Never - there's some fuddy auddy law preventing it. Thanks to the technocrats you have to pay for a lackey these day. The Greeks also got involved in many wars and some of these were Marathon affairs.

### ANCIENT ROME

After Alexander the Great's death Greece broke up and Rome became the new superpower. They had legions of armies and conquered most of Europe except Ireland which they had the good sense to avoid. The Romans enjoyed their comforts and build aqueducts so that they could have running water and succuzis and things. The Lit & Phil changed location to Capitol Hill and Cicero was elected auditor. Shakespeare's "Julius Caesar" was a huge success playing to packed houses wherever it went. A sport which has died down a lot lately is the one that used to be held in the Colosseums. Christians were chased about and eaten by Lions, still I suppose there's always coursing. All good things must come to an end and the barbarians put paid to the Romans wining and dining. The barbarians were basically a bunch of illiterate corner boys and vandals who when not doing strange things with horses stand Hilling Domane and

money to Leonardo the Vinci and Michelangelo who did paintings and sculptures and stuff. I have included a photo of Michelangelo's Statue of David to placate my female readers.

Engineers need not fret. It wasn't all artists, writers and painters during the Renaissance. There was some nuts and bolds stuff you might understand. Copperknickers stated that planets move around the Sun and not vice versa and therein lies his fame. This I find strange as even schoolchildren are aware of this simple face and yet nobody remarks on it.

### THE DEFORMATION

Around this time it must be said, Popes were a bad shower. Simony (sale of Church offices) was the done thing and nepotism (promoting your relatives) was almost as widespread as in Ireland today. One of Lorenzo the Magnificents grandchildren was a cleric at eight and a cardinal at seventeen. He became Pope Leo X shortly afterward though he'd never said mass in his live. He was never ordained a priest you see.

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came when the English got sick of the Mullardy and it was Charles 1 that eventually got the chop.

Oliver Cromwell came to power afterward, readily recognisable by his roundhead and Ironbackside. He had something of a Charles Mancon Streak in him and he enjoyed nothing better than a good massacre. The English got sick of him though, because he was dour and killjoy. After his death they brought back the Mullarkey. Charles II took over. He was known as the "happy Monarch " and why wouldn't he be for it is said he sired 17 illegitimate children.

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This was a land in the Middle East where the first civilisation developed. The great historian Constantinius Plantagenet in his book "We Learn from History that We Learn Nothing from History" described Mesopotamia as "a great place to live but very hard to pronounce". Babylon was its greatest city and it was home to millions of babblers. Big names at the time were king Hammurabi and king Nebuchadnesser but this was ultimately To be their downfall as the babblers could never remember their

names so they were overthrown. Henceforth all kings were called Ed.

### ANCIENT

Greece was where culture and learning really took off. The

Parthenon was packed nightly for Lit & Phil debates where the assembled were enthralled by virtuoso speeches from the likes of Plato, Aristotle and Socrates. Socrates incidentally was also a useful and he later played for Brazil. The Greeks it must be said, really knew what they were at . They

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### THE RENAISSANCE

As your history teacher told you thousands of times "Renaissance means rebirth". A big scattering of

intellectuals got together and formed the ESB thus ending the dark ages (that joke was in

doubtful taste). The scholarly path came back into vogue and these scholars were called "humourists". Petrach and Boccacio were among the most most hilarious. Mind you these lads got into a lot of trouble with the Church because during the dark ages the only writing

had been religious stuff e.g. The Messenger Magazine. And these people thought that this was the only stuff worth writing.

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### THE MULLARKEY

England has had a mullsrkey for as ling as I can remember. One of the most famous of the mullars was Henry the Oaf. The man was described by renowned historian Constantinius Plantagenet as "a fat, ugly old brute". Evidently he was unlucky in love for he had six marriages. To his credit though, he only executed two of his wifes. Toward the end of his life he died and he had" many successors who were tutors like himself. But eventually a time





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obnoxious comments but nobody listened to him, the Chartists took up petitious and gradually parliament granted their wishes so that "Top of the Pops" was invented in 1918.

### THE 20th CENTURY

The 19th century was followed by the 20th century which surprised few peoples. And to the best of my knowledge the 20th century is still happening. This century will be remembered most for its two world wars. Would War I happened because all the World leaders had lots of toys. Lovely little things - ships and planes and tanks and even little toy soldiers that moved. Naturally they wanted to play with them. In their little game a lot of toys got broken but they didn't mind because they'll always have new ones to play with.

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### the strange path to "salvation" which he has taken, making some breathtaking leaps of logic along the way.

Following their widely

acclaimed production of the

Belltable Arts Centre with the

"Tempest", Island Theatre

Company returns to the

World premiere of The

Crunch", which is freely

adapted from "Tartuffe" by

4th to 14th. Paul Brennan.

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Island's 21st production,

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**ISLAND WILL TICKLE YOU PINK.** 

In "The Crunch", J. Anthony Murphy plays the lecherous Mr. Tartuffe with Des Braiden as Oliver - he who brings the art of gullibility to new heights. Joan Sheehy plays Oliver's long-suffering wife Emer, also the object of Mr. Tartuffe's desires. Pamela Blake plays Oliver's teenage daughter Marion, who is eager to move in with her cool boyfriend Val. played by Mark O' Halloran. Whether or not the two young people should cohabit become "the crunch", and when the letters sent by Uncle Clem to the Times shed no light on the complex moral issue, it could take sensible Aunty Dorry, played by Sian Quill, to save the day in this rib-tickling tale.

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Greencandle is an English based company who work in ducation, the community, with disabled people, those with learning difficulties and he elderly, their motivation is to bring dance into communides which may be disadvanlaged in their access to participating in dance.

The company is well known and have won awards for their large scale spectacle shows.

Their current show THE ROAD HOME tells through stories, words and dance the journey of four very different refugees, they the are refugees of any 1990's conflict, forcibly despatched on an unwanted journey.

Further information from: Daghda Dance Company, Room P1-012 PE Building ext 3004. leatures a character called Mr. Tartuffe, a hypocritical religious maniac who worms this way into the household of his way into the household of the Purcell family, dividing them and imposing his warped ideas on them, while being a ideas on them, while being a scoundrel himself. Oliver Purcell, the father of the family, is completely under the influence of Mr. Tartuffe and tries to lead his family down The there or not the two young people should cohabit become "the crunch", and when the letters sent by Uncle Clem to the Times shed no light on the complex moral issue, it could take sensible Aunty Dorry, played by Sian Quill, to save the day in this rib-tickling tale.

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Island Theatre Company "The Crunch "by Mick Finn

To my lover

The light, it plays about you It dances in your hair The rain does not touch you Shadow does not dare. Waves rush up to greet thee yet flee before your gaze. The river loses it's beauty When it falls beneath

your shade.

The tree's bow before you They worship thy majesty. The forest creatures greet you and hail you as their Queen.

You are my one sweet lever My font of ecstasy Banisher of Darkness Cherish only me.

P.S.

Just to let all and sundry know that Arts day, the mid-west's premier Art's Festival,for 1993, will take place from the 18th to the 22nd of Janary. Any bright ideas, suggestions or offers of help to John Hargaden and Paul Williams

### U.L BOAT CLUB (35 TROPHY)

Well our season has started, perhaps not with a bang but the way our mens novice 4 rowed last Wednes-

day

suggested we'll have fireworks by the time the Intervarsities come around. D.C.U took an early lead and looked at first to be easy winners but our boys battled back with great determination for a dead heat to be declared at the end. A good evenings entertainment was had by all in Nancy Blakes and latter on at the disco in the Stables.

P.R.O - Padraig Landers.

RUBGY

CLUB

## LADIES SOCCER

"And Bertie is running up the field and racing towards the goal, Bobby Molloy is in the defence, he challenges the attack, but Bertie plays the ball to Albie. Albie is on the wing he outsmarts Dessie O'Malley, and runs up the side. Bertie at this stage has moved into the centre, Albie releases the ball.. the tension of the spectators is now rising, Bertie shoots, he scores, what a goal and what a set up by Albert Revnolds..... the P.D's are out"

Theres a lot to learn from playing soccer! Firstly thank you to all

6 third year lads who cheered us on in our game during the 35 challenge.

Unfortunately we lost to DCU by one miserable goal, I can just see the ball now . rolling along nicely aiming a few inches wide from the goal when suddenly the Good Lord sent a gust of wind shaking it up and in a confused state of mind the ball lost its sense of direction and lo and behold it ended up at the back of the net!. Seemingly I heard later one of the DCU players had been out with her man the night before and when alone

had told him she was a good catholic and didn't believe in sex outside marriage. (Theres a moral there to be learned)

All joking aside, the game provided a great insight into the levels of skill, commitment and potential our team possesses. Since the game though, Miriam and Enda have been training us hard and evolving form this is a team spirit that will bring us out on top.

And on top we were last Sunday, when our freshers won the freshers league in Cork beating Maynooth 7 - 0 and Cork 2-0 and Carol O'Sullivan was picked as Player of the Tournament.

Lastly I'd just like to stress the importance of having supporters, tickets will be sold the day before the match and on a first come

first serve basis.

Secretary Maudy.







Just a brief note to let everyone know that a new beginners class has just commenced in Archery. (Archery - what's that?) Why not let your stress out on a Bow & Arrow - su come on down all you budding Robin Hoods & Maid Marrions - Join the Beginners course and giv it a lash! Go to the Sports Hallin

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### RUBGY CLUB

With the scason well underway the Rugby Club scored two fine wins. The first of these matches was against DCU in the 35 Trophy, fielding the 2nd XV we managed to overcome DCU in a very close match. Through some fine play in the backs, namely by Sean Madigan and Robert O'Sullivan, U.L eventually came through, the final score being 15 - 18.

The first match of the colleges ascent cup was played against DCU in Dublin last Wednesday. Despite many injuries the 1st XV fielded a very strong side , beating DCU 25 - 5. The next match in the cup is against Jordanstown next Wednesday, Kick-off 2.30 pm. netl. Seemingly I heard later one of the DCU players had been out with her man the night before and when alone Cork beating Maynooth 7 - 0 and Cork 2-0 and Carol O'Sullivan was picked as Player of the Tournament.





I realy wanted to be a Ballet Dancer !



"Can I have my ball back

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up, up, and, away!



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### **BUSY DAYS AT THE LIT+PHIL**

### MATTHEW HAMILTON

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This debate caused considerable interest for several reasons. Firstly, the event, hosted jobs, DCU reinforced the message of Mr. Clinton being tax + spend while Mr. Bush was the saviour of the free world. The UL teams would have none of that. First the P.D.S. and then the Lit+Phil castigated trickle-down reaganomics and its social costs. Furthermore, in a blistering attack, Mr.Lynch of the Lit+Phil accused Mr. Bush of being spineless - 'A President is supposed to decide, George Bush can't decipher'. Bush was further attacked on areas such as the environment, healthverdict went to the auditor of D.C.U. - Mr. Looney.

Having been ably represented by Hugh Gallaghar in the UCC Jazz debate on the Saturday of week 4, the Lit+Phil had no breathing space before organising an abortion debate in week 5. This brought together the Pro-Choice initiative and Students for Life groups for what proved an excellent evening. In what is a very emotive issue, it was welcome to see such an intelligent, reasonable and restrained

# EQUESTRIAN

# What's going down at the Stables?????



Well theres quiet a lot happening actually.

The Equestrian Club goes out riding every Wednesday afternoon. There are lessons for beginners, and the more experienced riders can try out the Cross-Country course at Smithstown or Drumoland. No special equipment is needed and transport is provided free. So come along to catch the bus outside the Stables at 2pm for plenty of fresh air and fun and exercise.

But the Equestrian Club offers more than just a Wednesday afternoon well spent :

 Next year sometime a weekend away for all members is on the cards and there will be plenty of horsing around.

- Also we are planning some talks and videos on matters Equine.

As well as all this, we find time somewhere to represent the University. Later on, at the Intervarsities (November), there will be a team of 4 travelling to Cork to take part in a Tetrathlon Competition. (For those who aren't sure, this event involves showjumping, shooting, swimming and running.)

There will also be the National Intervarsities in Colraine in February and we are hoping to send a strong team.

Well all this costs money - subsidised lessons, transport and competition expenses mount up - so where does it come from ?. Unfortunately our budget doesn't cover everything so we have to look elsewhere :

A bumper Christmas raille is in the process of being organised so we will be looking for your support - Please be generous - there will be many great prizes to be won.

So don't forget - Saddle up and join the fun-

BTW : Committee members , don't forget, next meeting : 11th Nov at 7pm.

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guarantied a topical and informative debate.

The event nonetheless had a somewhat bizarre quality with the 2 U.L. teams resplendant in the height of evening sartorial elegance and the 2 D.C.U. teams (a teammate short) debating in soccer jerseys and baseball caps. This didn't prevent an entertaining evening, however. DCU valiantly made the best of the difficult side of the motion - the proposition. They started with a robust defense of Mr. Bush's record - particularly in facing down the strong Brocoli lobby. Mr. Clinton, they added, was guilty of smoking the awful vegetable . With a few digressions such as suggesting Bex Angley and Go Walshe should swap

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After such an onslaught the House had little difficulty in rejecting the motion/ However the matter of who would be deemed best speaker was also at stake. The Lit+Phil were very greatful to Prof. Moxam Brown who kindly gave up his time to decide the issue. After some deliberation his

### LAW SOCIETY

the brilliant turnout at the seminar given by Paul McCutcheon. The topic

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That This House Would Termi-

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by the Pro-Choice group this in

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under discussion was the forthcoming referendum and all it's legal implications. Among the aspects discussed were the actual amendments to the constitution, the legal implications of each clause, the probable repercussions if the amendments are passed and the influence of the X case on the proposed amendments. There was an attendance of approx. over a hundred people and a discussion followed. The Law Society would like to thank all of those who attended, and a special word of thanks to Paul McCutcheon. The Law Society has planned trips to Limerick District Court and the Dublin Four Courts over the next two weeks and looks forward to seeing you in the future.

(November), there will be a team of 4 travelling to Cork to take part in a Tetrathion Competition. (For those who aren't sure , this event involves showjumping, shooting , swimming and running.) There will also be the

### STABLES CLUB NEWS

In order to make life easier for those of you with complicated lives the Stables Club is now going to organise a fixed Tea-time Special system e.g every Wed. the Tea-time special will be pizzas and on Thursdays it will be a fry. One less thing for you to try to remember.

### THEFT :

Something we would like you to think about is your goods while they are on our property.

It is Club Policy not to accept responsibility for any damage to or loss of goods while on the clubs premises -So unless you want to lose something , **BE CAREFUL**, Keep an eye on your property.



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### STABLES CLUB ENTS:

### Week 7 -

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Tues -> Bedasled Thurs -> Shantytow Fri -> Siobhan Week 8 -Tues -> Moonflower Thurs -> Paul Malon Fri -> Kevin

### VIEWING

As we've mentioned before the big screen in the club is available for use by patrons - If you have something you would like to watch/ have shown on the big colour screen, the talk to Declan, Brendan or Donal. They'll do what they can to help.

Finally if you have any suggestions for improvement you can pass them along to the S.U , Michele (Your club liasion officer) or Brendan. Declan and Donal (Behind the Bar).

# U.L KARATE CLUB

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Darren Dunphy Secretary J.J Kennelly - Treasurer Yvonne Ward - P.R.O

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### UNION EXECUTIVE 1992 / 1993

The following upstanding students will join our three sabbatical officers on the Students' Union Executive. They'll be kept very busy during the next nine months. kicking off with the gruesome task of deciding on Clubs & Socs budgets. Congratulations and good luck from An Focal. SecretaryShiela O' Keefe Treasurer Jennifer McSweeney Information Keith Piggott Welfare Elayne Devlin Equal Rights Sharon Kennedy Societies John O' Sullivan-Clubs Mary Grehan

### 2nd Hand Books :

Anyone who has left in books to be sold by the S.U please sort out your accounts now. Any books remaining will be donated to the library by Wednesday of Week 8.

- You have been warned -



Do you know that there is a canteen service in the Student Centre everyday between 11am and 2.30pm.

This area is open daily from 8.30am -> 10pm and you may watch TV there during the day, read The Times, Indo or Examiner or watch a video at 1 O'clock each day.

### LOST PROPERTY :

Please be careful with your property - try and label it as much as possible. The S.U office is becoming a dumping ground for a lot of stuff. We don't mind keeping lost stuff for a few days but the volume we are receiving is crazy.

### FOUND:

A gold necklace, possibly of sentimental value, with the names Siobhan and Brian engraved on it. May be collected from S.U. Office.

The next edition of An Focal will be out on Wednesday week 9, 25th November. All articles to be received by Tuesday

17th please!

College of education 1st and 2nd year students should meet in the main lecture theatre in the PE Building re TP update.

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### The Executive Committee

meets weekly; all items for the agenda should be submitted to Diarmuid Scully's office during the week before Monday meetings.

Just to let all and sundry know that Arts Days, the Mid-West's premier Arts Festival, for 1993 will take place from the 18th to the 22nd of January. Any bright ideas, suggestions or offers of help to either John Hargaden or Paul Williams (SPS) would be welcome. Call in to CM072.





Conductor: Clem Garvey

### EVERY WEDNESDAY 5 - 6 p.m.

Schappinger level 1

### **REGISTRATION:**

There is a list in the S.U. Office of students who have to register. There are also copies outside Student Services and on the Notice Boards in the Schumann and Schrodinger Buildings. Erasmus students should register in week 1 of Hilary Term and don't need to pre-register. The next edition of An Focal will be out on Wednesday week 9, 25th November. All articles to be received by Tuesday 17th please!





College of education 1st and 2nd year students should meet in the main lecture theatre in the PE Building re TP update.

### POST:

Please check the Mail List in the canteen for incoming post. You never know - someone may have written to you - collect at the S.U.

### TELEPHONE MESSAGES:

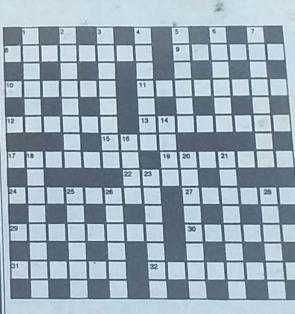
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### ACROSS

8 State of being alone. (8) 9 Public speaker. (6) 10 Causing death. (6) 11 A red gene causes a turncoat. (8) 12 Be sorry about. (6) 13 Close examination. (8) 15 Scene of happy innocence or rusticity. (4) 17 And Mona is a pop singer. (7) 19 Homer's epic poem. (7) 22 Man of great wisdom. (4) 24 Direct, uncurved. (8) 27 Delicacy, served with drinks usually. (6) 29 Container which reduces liquid to a spray. (8) 30 City now known as Beijing. (6) 31 Word which gives more meaning to a predicate. (6) 32 Male chic would produce this substance. (8) DOWN 1 Stick together or be consistent. (6) 2 Up to this time. (8) 3 Report of public news. (8) 4 This horrible disease distresses P sorely. (7) 5 Jack, who was wont to sit in corners. (6) 6 Legless grub. (6) 7 Reduce to fit into a smaller space (8) 14 Dutch shoe with wooden sole (4) 16 Rush with speed or violence (4) 18 Height above sea-level (8) 20 Translate a code into ordinary language (8) 21 Ancient language of India. (8) 23 Arouse liking, draw towards. (7) 25 Ring or band around an upper limb. (6) 26 Summer-house, folly. (6)

28 Person with whom one corresponds but doesn't meet. (3-3)

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