

News From The Other Guys

AROUND CAMPUS

WHAT'S REALLY IMPORTANT at a football game? Answers are becoming clearer at the U. of Tennessee, where officials have reversed field and outlawed alcohol in Neyland Stadium's new skyboxes. Students cried hypocrisy when the boxes were exempted from the school's rule against booze in the ball field. So, what do tenants of the \$24,000-a-year boxes think? "We'll still have good food and air-conditioning," said one. "If we can have soft drinks and sandwiches and bathrooms, then we can wait," seconded another.

EVERYONE'S NOT RAH-RAH over college sports. More than half of the adults surveyed by a Media General-Associated Press poll say sports are overemphasized and that overzealous fans often violate the rules by giving money to players. College grads were far more likely to say there's an overemphasis on sports than adults with less education.

GRACIOUS GAMES. "Profanity, racial comments, or other intimidating actions directed at players and other team representatives will not be tolerated at Mississippi State athletic events," the university says. Students who continue unruly behavior after being warned by security officers will be ejected from events. MSU will also encourage students and faculty to form hospitality groups to host visiting fans at baseball games.

A ONE YEAR SUSPENSION awaits any U. of Texas-Austin students found guilty of possessing, using, or selling drugs. This spring, the legislature required all state schools to adopt automatic suspension for drug offenses but left the length of the suspension up to each university.

CAN I HIDE MY EYES. The U. of Tennessee is considering a new way to detect drug use among its athletes: eye tests. Officials say a pupilometer test, which is cheaper than a urinalysis test, uses a small flashlight to chart the response of eyes to light. It can indicate whether drugs such as cocaine, marijuana, PCP and heroin have been used in the past three to four days. The new test won't replace the urinalysis test; it'll indicate whether a follow-up test is needed, says one official.

MARILYN MONROE IS STILL AN ICON, and a major heroine to college males, says a U. of Wisconsin-Madison psychologist. Other, contemporary heroines include Madonna and Christie Brinkley, — as well as students' mothers, Mother Teresa and Nancy Reagan.

ASSOCIATE DEGREE GRADS EARN twice as much as their high school counterparts, says an Ohio U. economist. His report, "Vocational Education Graduates: A Study Based on Federal Income Tax Data," reviewed income information for more than 10,000 technical education graduates of 46 community colleges.

GOOD NEWS FOR LIBERAL ARTS GRADS. Humanities grads had 29 percent more job offers than last year and a 5 percent higher average starting salary — \$20,256. College Placement Council also reports the merchandising and services industry provided more than half of the job offers to humanities grads. Meanwhile, grads in technical fields, especially petroleum engineering, faced a much tighter job market. They experienced an 82 percent drop in job offers and a 6.6 percent decline in the average salary.

FOREIGN STUDENTS MUST PAY MORE. Massachusetts Governor Michael Dukakis has signed legislation requiring international students to pay the true cost of their education at state schools. Foreign students could be charged as much as \$8,000 in tuition, or about twice as much as out-of-state students pay.

GOOD IDEAS

TRIPPING ALONG TO SCHOOL. The Transit/Ridesharing/Parking (TRiP) program in downtown Berkeley has targeted commuter services to U. of California staff. Faculty members tend to have campus parking privileges, and students often live near campus. But staff have the most difficult commuting problems, says TRiP's manager.

HANDS ACROSS OWEN FIELD. The grand finale of the U. of Oklahoma's New Sooner Orientation was the formation of a living OU logo. Current students, cheerleaders, and members of the pom-pon squad joined hands, forming the outline of the school's initials. Any new students wearing a red shirt could then help fill in the logo. The Student Development Office plans to sell photographs of the completed human logo.

GREEK LIFE

THE U. OF MISSISSIPPI and the Chi Omega Sorority have received more than \$45,000 in donations honoring five women killed during a walk-a-thon last March. The gifts will pay for scholarships and several specific projects, such as publications for the library and the planting of trees on campus.

IN CLASS

YO HO HO AND A BOTTLE OF RUM. Underwater archaeology students at Florida Keys Community College get to study timbers from the Spanish treasure vessel, the Nuestra Senora de Atocha, shipwrecked in 1622 off the Florida Keys. Shiver me timbers!

GRADE-POINTS HEAT UP DURING THE SUMMER. That's what they found at the U. of Alabama — an average increase of .20 for undergraduates during summer term compared to the fall. For graduates, the difference was .37. Officials, researchers, and students put forward several theories to account for it: a faster, more stimulating pace; increased pressure (both of these due to the brevity of the term); fewer courses. And this from a junior business major: "I think it all depends on what courses you take."

MSU Presents

Outdoor Recreation!!

Windsurfing Class — Oct. 8 & 11. \$35.
Classroom & Lake Mead Experience.

Sky Diving — Oct. 11. \$110 — Tandem: \$152
Static Line

Intermediate I Rock Climbing — Class Oct.
10 & 11. \$70

Grapevine Canyon Day Hike — Oct 11. \$16.
Easy Hike. we provide lunch.

Zion Narrows Backpacking — Oct. 10-11.
\$139. Moderate/Difficult Hiking in Beautiful
Zion National Park.

Swiftwater Rescue Technician Class — Oct.
9, 10, 11. \$175.

Movies!!

Thursday, Oct. 15	<i>Lethal Weapon</i>	7pm & 9pm
Friday, Oct. 15	<i>Lethal Weapon</i>	1pm & 3pm

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