

Furor over law school 'Dissent' leads to temporary constraints

Controversy surrounding "The Dissent," the University Law School publication, has created the possibility of establishing a set editorial policy for the satirical publication.

A Sept. 10 article, entitled "WLF Forum," which stood for White Lesbian Front (WLF usually stands for Women's Law Forum), is at the center of the controversy. The article began with some "Not Funny Jokes" about Jewish American Princesses and portrayed women's organizations as having lesbian memberships "dedicated to the promotion and protection of women's rights generally and white lesbian's rights in particular."

Following the publication of the article, temporary guidelines for the paper were posted by Steve Baldwin, Student Bar Association president, that include signing of articles and establishing an editorial policy which would be printed in each issue. These guidelines may be permanently adopted in 1983.

"It is my hope that these rules can provide a foundation for constructive dialogue in The Dissent," he said in a memorandum. He had no other official comment.

"I would hope that they (the editors) will not mistake their constitutional leeway as license to ridicule," said Derrick Bell, dean of the law school, in a Sept. 16 memorandum.

Dissent editor Steve Kaiser had no official comment but indicated the next issue of the paper would be a bit toned down from the first issue.

The Women's Law Forum members were outraged at the time of the article and attended a meeting discussing the problems the article raised. A spokeswoman said the sentiments have now cooled down, but she would make no official comment.

Articles in The Dissent are submitted by law students and faculty and the motto is "All the News that's Print to Fit."

Housing council must confront budget cuts with less spending

Like other University committees, the Residence Hall Governance Council will have to learn to live with a decreased budget.

The council will decide how to spend an estimated \$10,000, down from last year's \$26,000, says Housing Director Dan Williams.

An RHGC deficit during the past four years caused the budget cut, according to Williams. That deficit was subtracted from this year's total budget, he added.

The council works under a constitution adopted last year. The constitution is designed to define clearly the council's goals and objectives, Williams says.

The RHGC distributes and manages equipment, such as a van for residence hall trips and entertainment equipment. It also decides how many issues of the residence hall newspaper will be published.

The council consists of one resident representative from

plexes, one housing department representative, an area director, an ASUO representative and one resident assistant.

The RHGC helps the housing department decide housing policies and resolve disputes among hall residents and the housing department.

The council also has approved co-ed residence halls, alcohol policies and other rules and regulations of the housing department.

IBM gives grant to psych department

International Business Machines Corp. awarded an unsolicited \$25,000 grant to the psychology department in recognition of the department's "outstanding competence in human factors research."

Hiring faculty members skilled in research dealing with human cognition and thought processes is one possible use for the money, according to Myron Rothbart, psychology professor.

This is the second time the department has received money from IBM for research. Last year the department was one of 40 schools in the nation to receive \$25,000 from the company.

The psychology department

conducts research dealing with memory, the effects of noise on behavior and health, aging, smoking and dealing with depression.

IBM initiated the grant pro-

gram in 1980 because of concern about academic research, says Louis Robinson, IBM director of the University relations. The grant is renewable for one more year, he says.

Organ concert celebrates 10th anniversary of pipe instrument

Organist John Hamilton will present a concert celebrating the 10th anniversary of the installation of the Ahrend Pipe Organ in Beall Concert Hall on Monday, Oct. 18 at 8 p.m.

Hamilton says the organ, built by Jurgen Ahrend of East Friesland, Germany, is considered a unique concert instrument in

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