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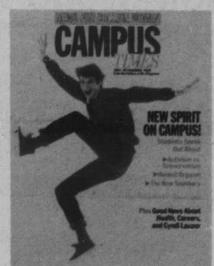
'Campus Times' examines college life

"Campus Times" is not a newfangled "Glamour." It doesn't try to be.

It is, however, a magazine for women, launched by the editors of "Ms." magazine and co-edited by the well-known feminist founder of "Ms.," Gloria Steinem. This week, the second annual edition of "Campus Times" will be distributed free on campus.

The magazine strives to provide what the editors term "alternative news specifically addressed to college women." It features articles on issues such as campus activism, careers, women's programs and sexual values.

A report on the new rightwing student press publications on campuses across the country is also included, and "Jobs of the '90s: From Surefire Hits to Impossible Dreams" gives an overview of the careers of the future that show the most (or least) promise.



Co-editors Martha Nelson and Ruth Sullivan take a pragmatic view of their magazine: "We recognize that college doesn't just prepare you for real life — it is in fact, real life."

"During the last decade, media reports on college life have painted a dramatic, if sometimes dreary picture: students obsessed with 'making it,' oblivious to social issues, enchanted only with tradition,' they say.' This (magazine)...reexamines this image and draws on student voices to tell what is really happening on campuses today."

The articles, written by students, professors, freelance writers, critics and magazine editors from across the country, constitute a well-rounded publication — one that examines the intellectual, physical and emotional aspects of college life for women. The issues are approached in a sophisticated and mature manner, but not without a keen sense of humor.

Although Campus Times is aimed at women and deals mainly with women's and feminist's issues, it provides an excellent forum for both male and female points of view. Whatever your gender, pick up a copy. After all, it's free.

Lori Stephens

The quest for the quintessential word

The Random House Thesaurus College Edition Random House Books \$14.95

"A powerful agent is the right word. Whenever we come upon one of those intensely right words in a book or a newspaper the resulting effect is physical as well as spiritual, and electrically prompt," once wrote the venerable Mark Twain.

Often writers, when searching for that elusive "meaningful combination of letters," characteristically turn to their ever-faithful Webster's, disregarding the more valuable tool: a thesaurus.

"The Random House Thesaurus — College Edition" is a newcomer to the field, introducing a refreshing, helpful format.

This thesaurus not only provides the reader with an example of each word in context, but also lists more than 200,000 synonyms and antonyms to 11,000 words in an alphabetical, dictionary-like format that's easier to use than traditional index formats employed in many thesauruses.

The book, published this year, was compiled by Jess

Stein, Editor in Chief Emeritus of Random House Dictionaries, and Stuart Flexner, present Editor in Chief. It spent more than six consecutive weeks on the New York Times Book Review Best Sellers list.

So the next time, instance, occasion you need the perfect expressive, eloquent, powerful word, consult, inquire of, consider, refer to this valuable, significant, utilitarian, helpful guide.

You won't be sorry (regretful, crestfallen or unhappy) about your decision.

Kim Carlson

This Sunday All You Can Eat

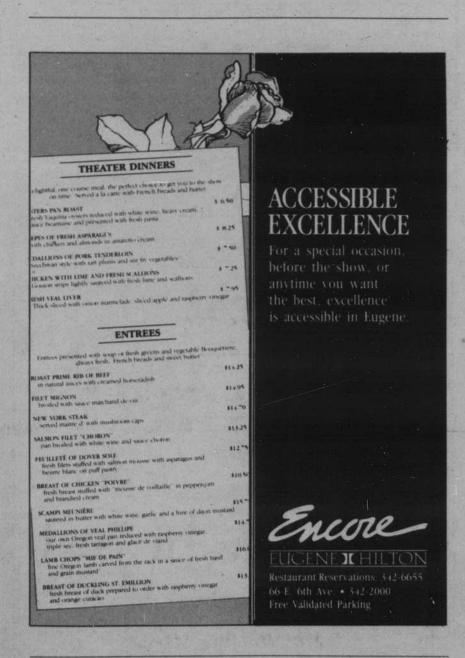
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