

Editorial Wasting money on ventilation provides the wrong solution to Skylight room smoke

Is spending 2960 college dollars on a filter in the Skylight room, which won't even eliminate the smoke smell, the right solution? The answer is no! Why not eliminate the Skylight room as a smoking section?

The ventilation in the Skylight room has not been very good lately. The smoke tends to drift to the non-smoking areas, which means that non-smokers are being bothered by the smoke.

To solve this problem a filter costing almost \$3,000 will probably be installed, but it won't help a bit. The smoke will be eliminated, but the smell still goes everywhere. With winter around the corner all doors will be closed, and no fresh air can come into the Skylight room. The smell will go to the non-smoking section, and even worse the cafeteria.

If the Skylight room would become a non-smoking section again all problems will be solved. No money for a filter will need to be spent and the irritation of having the smoke smell in the non-smoking section will be gone.

Keeping Randall and lower Barlow hall as smoking sections still will provide enough space for smokers to smoke. The Skylight room is a nice room and shouldn't have been made a smoking section in the first place. It's just too close to the cafeteria and the community center.

Right now two petitions are going around on campus to eliminate the Skylight room as a smoking section. Go out there and sign it, because spending money on a filter, which won't get rid of the smoke smell, is a waste of funds. With a levy that failed, the money can be spent better!

-CHAV-

Editorial Smokers tired of attacks

Those uppish non-smokers are at it again. Last year from the results of a survey, the college relocated the campus smoking areas to rooms that best served non-cigarette smoking people. The college, recognizing that this is a democratic society, provided for the 20-25 percent of the campus individuals who have chosen to smoke.

The people who smoke have quietly complied with the new rules. The campus security has issued no citations and very few verbal warnings concerning people smoking in the wrong areas. Unfortunately the non-smoking individuals have chosen to once again bare their talon.

A petition is being circulated by the "Wellness Team and Concerned Staff and Students" to further limit smoking areas on campus. The petition claims that the college is, "meeting the need of a few individuals." If the college eliminated every program that met the needs of 20% of the students the college would have to limit their offerings to auto body and welding classes. The petition also states that non-smoking individuals have been deprived of the multi-purpose use of the Skylight dining room. The purposes listed include musical performances which the music department no longer was planning to hold in the Skylight room anyway, seminars and workshops, breakfast meetings, receptions, and banquets. The foot traffic outside this area seems to make it a poor choice for such activities.

Concerning the gym lobby the petition states that, "smoke filtering into the gym while classes are going on is a real problem." One only needs to go observe this area to see that the problems the gym students are having are not with smoke.

The college in its wisdom has provided areas for both people who choose to smoke and people who choose not to smoke. Perhaps it is time for the hawks to let the doves alone.

-TG-

Editorial Join the crowd to fight addiction

As Nov. 19 nears, the commercials are aired, the posters are hung, and the nation waits to join in the Great American Smokeout. Everyone has a part in this campaign whether he or she is a smoker or not.

As a smoker a person is asked to stop smoking for a day, just one day, but if this person is able to make it through an entire day without smoking he's one day closer to becoming a non-smoker. There's a saying that goes "the first day is always the hardest." If this is true, then the days following the smokeout could be a breeze.

As a non-smoker a person is asked to support a smoker in his efforts to stop smoking. Smoking is an addiction and as with any addiction a person cannot quit on his own, he needs to know that someone cares enough about him to want him to stop.

So, join the nation tomorrow as it fights to save lives, lives that are cut short by the addictive habit of smoking. If everyone joins together a difference can be made. Be a part of that difference!

-SLV-

Student Opinions

Should CCC spend \$3,000 on a ventilation system in the smoking side of the cafeteria?



Yes, everyone is affected by the smoke problem. It is a very good idea. Money well spent!

- Sue Roberts -



No, it wouldn't get rid of the smell so I don't think that much money should be spent if the problem isn't totally solved.

- Kathie Jones -



I don't believe so. If the budget's too low they should not spend this money.

- Mike Schnelle -



I think there should be some way to keep the smoke from drifting into the cafeteria, and non-smoking sections, but using that much money for such a little change would be a waste. Maybe it could be blocked off from the rest of the building.

- Dena Nork -

Editorial Reagan should stop playing politics with Supreme Court

First there was Robert Bork, an overly conservative, male chauvinist, racist, who was once a socialist. Then there was Douglas Ginsburg, yet another conservative who smoked marijuana in the 1960's. Who is next? A fascist, cocaine dealer from New Jersey?

Where does President Reagan find these people? Is there a place where all of the weird judges of the country congregate?

President Reagan should take a moment to look in his files and find a judge who is in the best interests of the country.

The Supreme Court nomination should not be a decision solely dedicated to the interests of the political parties, but should be judged by the interests of the American people.

President Reagan and his constituents should be spending their time worrying about who can serve this country in its best interest as a Supreme Court judge and not who can serve the Republican party best.

Is being conservative such an important trait in a judge that the whole purpose of the Supreme Court is forgotten? Knowledge and fairness are much more important. It is time that personal beliefs are removed from the selection of the Supreme Court judges and the interests of the American people are thought of more.

-MKT-

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