

GRAPHICS LAB

There's a possibility that the Graphics Lab will reopen on a non-credit basis if enough interest is shown. The Dean says that if a sufficient number (exact number not stated) of students commit themselves to participating in such a program, the hiring of a part-time instructor and the purchase of requisite materials would be "seriously considered." Such an arrangement would depend upon active participation of students who committed themselves to taking part in the program. The non-credit program might be a way of reactivating the Graphics Lab as a credit course if student participation can be sustained. Anyone who would be interested in taking part in the non-credit Graphics Lab program is asked to contact Jim Linton (cell 349-7080 or leave name and home number in Student Council mailbox in the ASC office).

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ANNENBERGERS HEADED WEST

The 19th annual conference of the International Communication Association (ICA) will be held in Phoenix April 21-24, and a number of Annenberg people will be presenting papers. Well over 100 papers have been selected in open competition for presentation at this year's conference.

Klaus Krippendorff will present a paper, "Communication and the Genesis of Structure," at an Information Systems Division meeting treating Codes and Systems. Michael Eley's paper, "A Method of Assessing the Accuracy of Transmission," will be presented at a session of the Mass Communication Division discussing Theory and Method in Mass Communication.

Three papers by Annenbergers will be offered in two sessions of the Interpersonal Communication Division. At a meeting concerned with Communication Research Methodologies, John Clippinger will present his paper "Computational Methods for the Analysis of Discourse in Natural Language Texts." The next

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morning, at a session treating Interpersonal Communication Research, "Mediated Interaction Through Television--With Self and Others" will be presented. Authors of the paper are James Taylor (listed as affiliated with University of Montreal... so apparently not the singer), Paul Haley and ASC alumnus Michael Mills. Paul Licker will also present a paper at the session, "The Role of the Family as an Informational Impedance Matcher."

Robert Mwankwo's paper, "Role-taking in Inter-Cultural Communication," will be presented at a meeting of the Intercultural Communication Division dealing with Conceptual Problems, Language Studies and Education in Intercultural Communication.

The authors of these six papers are to be congratulated. Through their efforts the rest of the world can take note that ASC is actively engaged in the production and dissemination of knowledge involving a wide range of communication areas. The initiative displayed by the authors is particularly commendable in view of the fact that most of them must bear the cost of their transportation to the conference, lodging, making available copies of their papers, etc. The School, which reaps the benefit from the presentation of these papers, will help pay expenses only for fully-affiliated faculty and staff.

Sidelights: ASC is fairly well represented with six papers, following Michigan State and Wisconsin (both with 9) and Illinois State and Purdue (both 6). ASC is represented by papers in four of the five ICA divisions. The fifth division is Organizational Communication, an area probably best left to the Wharton School anyway.

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COMING ATTRACTIONS --

TUESDAY, APRIL 13: Faculty Seminar (students invited) at noon in the Conference Room--Louis Seagull (Poli Sci, U of P) will speak on "New Perspectives in the Study of Voting."

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14: Annenberg Student Colloquium. 1:00 in the Student Lounge.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14: Psychology Colloquium, 2-26 Stitler Hall--Martin Seligman, U of P, will speak at 4:30.

FRIDAY, APRIL 16: Open competition to determine seedings for the \$150,000 Greater Philadelphia Invitational Scrabble Tournament. 3:00 in the Lobby. Advance reservations for tables recommended.

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REVISIONISTIC LOBBYISTS
EDUCATED TO RIGHT-THINKING
IDEOLOGY

The School's "lobbyists" raised a couple of points in an article last week that some faculty members felt should be clarified. First, the Dean points out that the course list for pre-registration is not an accurate indicator of courses to be offered in the fall. Negotiations are underway to bring various people in to give courses for the fall semester, and present faculty may be designing additional courses for fall which are not yet formulated fully enough to make public. Thus, we may have a wider selection of courses available in September.

The Dean also objected, as did Sol Worth, Director of Media Labs, to the interpretation that scheduling a joint meeting of the TV and Film Labs was a first step in doing away with them. The joint meeting is to be seen by students as an experiment in moving toward a "Media Seminar." So really this new move is an attempt to better integrate the media labs with the rest of the Annenberg program.

We are sure that the lobbyists will see the error of their thoughts after reading this article.

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LOTSA QUILLS

Atlanta--A porcupine has about 30,000 barbed, needle-sharp quills that protect it from most predators.

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DEDICATED, THAT'S
WHAT THE ANNEBERG CENTER IS

Last Thursday, April 8, the Annenberg Center was officially dedicated. The dedication was highlighted by speeches from Dean Garbner, Acting Director Kirschmer, Martin Meyerson (University President), and Nancy Hanke (Chairwomen of the National Endowment for the Arts), the presence of Walter H. Annenberg and, most importantly, free booze for everyone present. Among those who were not invited were the entire student body of the ASC (with the exception of the Student Council)..... which makes one wonder just how close the Center and the School intend to be. Penn students con-
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ducted tours of the building for all the VIPs. Some of the guests devised a special short tour of their own, directly to the free bar. ASC students should take the time to wander over to the new Center and see the facilities available for both creative experimentation and social research.

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FILLER

Paleo-Indians who roamed Virginia about 9000 BC downed giant mammoths with grooved stone spear tips.

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TODAY'S HOT STONED GROOVY TIPS:

Don't bet on horses. Sacrifice is necessary for achievement.

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BARGAIN BASEMENT PROFITMONGERING

Here at ASC we all work together. Faculty and students get together for classes, but when the class breaks so too does the social group break into classes. The faculty amble off to the ASC office where free coffee is awaiting them; while the students must trudge down the stairs to the coffee machine where they pay Macke 10¢ for their coffee, if the machine works. To top it off, the administration gets a percentage of the profits from Macke (yes, friends, a kick-back!). The students are the only ones to pay for their coffee, should not the students also gain the profits from the coffee machine for their own uses?

The Post-Times raises this vital issue as a part of its continuing efforts to alert the student masses to the fact that they're getting screwed. In future issues look for exposés on the pop machine and candy machine, as well as news of a Five Year Cooperative Coffee Pot Plan.

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