

# An American Religion

by Mark Sabu Persky

"We are gathered together to form an American Religion, a religion which truly expresses the values and beliefs of our country. We must discover the nature of the American spirit. We must find those unique characteristics which have built America and made her great."

"I'll buy that."

## Snow Daze

from the deans list

An occasional paper from E. T. Sweeney  
(courtesy of the UH News/Liberated Press)

The recent near-blizzard, as with other crises in human affairs, seems to have brought forth the usual array of saints and sinners. It seems in order to cite some of the more outstanding in each of these categories.

Kudos to Mr. Sanderson and his crew for heroic (and frequently round-the-clock) endeavors to return campus traffic and other activities to normal; to the skeletal Sunday staff of the Campus Center, who kept things going in most admirable fashion; to the Resident Directors and counsellors who kept their "cool" and seem to have inoculated those in their dorms with the same; to Mr. Broughton and his staff (again, a Sunday skeleton) who, somehow, kept cooking on all burners. No doubt there are some unnoticed heroes and heroines who performed above and beyond the call of duty and to them my apologies.

As for the sinners, in my opinion some remonstrances are in order:

1) A preserved parsnip to the young woman who called me that snowy Sunday afternoon to declaim: "We're starving; when is food going to be brought to the dorms." Since I had been in contact with two of the Resident Directors within the hour I suspected that there was no new Biafra in our midst. However, and I must confess, with some impatience, I explained that there was to be 1888 revisited we would see to it that, somehow, food would be gotten to the dorms Monday morning. I must confess that I thought my response to such CHUTZPAH quite reasonable; had I really spoken my piece she would have developed the most famous ear (and over the phone) since Jenkins and Van Gogh. In any event, having failed to elicit the requested snowmobile smorgasbord from me, she further displayed her FEGATACCIO by calling the Chancellor.

2) Several other students called me regarding the closing of school. Since this is not in my province, I could wish they hadn't; perhaps they were (and are) unaware that we have a snow (and other natural catastrophe) officer who is supposed to "blow the whistle" on classes in such circumstances. For the record such announcements can be heard on WWUH, WTIC, WDRC, and WPOP as soon as a decision has been made. Don't call me: tune in.

3) One final award, an air-conditioned anemometer to our snow officer who displayed the traditional pattern of awaiting the closing announcements of virtually every other school in the state before calling off our classes, despite the fact that we have the highest percentage of commuting students, faculty and staff of any institution in the area. This seems to me, in all fairness, to reflect the "empty vessel epistemology", a theory of learning that embodies the curious notion that all learning goes on in the classroom and, hence, we must never, never cancel a class if humanly possible. Perhaps there is some better answer, yet I have been seeking it without success for the past twelve years. If we cannot do better than this perhaps we should introduce courses in "Dog Sled" and "Snowshoe."

Owing to an unprecedentedly busy weekend I shall have to leave further comments to future papers.



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E.T. Sweeney

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"U.H. NEWS LIBERATED MESS!"

A FARCE IN TWO ACTS

CAST FOR FIRST ACT	
John Volkswagen Hardy	Editor
Sabue	Ass. Editor
Dandy Hazelton	City Editor
Dave Kowalski	News Editor (token polack)
Bill Clement	Feature Editor & Chaplain
Charlotte Yale, D.A.R.	Art Editor
Hank Mishkoff	Keeper of the Flame
Helene Weitzner	Photography Editor
Bonnie Sinyzer	Layout Editor
Leut. Frank	Vice Squad, Correspondent
Bob Feld	Business Editor
John Zanzal	Artist
Vincent Coffin	Portait in exile
Pete Cunning Ham	Staph Conservative
Joe Infantino	Theatre Critic
Arthur Warren IV	West Yarmouth Aristocrat
Bob Brody	Staph Capitalist
Archie "Phantom" Woodruff	Latvian Correspondent
Welton "Cool" Johnson	Head of Typing Corps.
Erica Bramesco	Staph flute-freak

ALSO WITH (IN ORDER OF HIEGHT)

Sara Owen, Greg Oviatt, Ewart Skinner, Chuck Fyler, Bob Clement, Pam Reid, Ben Holden, Louis Sampliner, Dan Hovey, GOD, Peter Waite, Jim Carter, Dave Rinaldi, Nick Galluccio, Michael Rubenstein, and Bonnie Orangehat (In Exile) JOHN CRONIN, Jeff Roth, Laura Abrams, Larry Schwartz, Gomer, Hartford, SuZan, N Harris, and the West Hartford Police Farce.

CAST FOR SECOND ACT

Nick Mitsos Sports Editor  
Wipo Coach of the team

ALSO WITH (IN ORDER OF WEIGHT)

Mark Greenberg, Marty Danher, Jim Donnelly, Russ Pottle, Bob Ohmar, Dave Katz, and Jack Repass.

# Notes From the SFA

## S.F.A. Meets??

by DAVE KATZ

At 8:00 p.m. Wed. Feb. 5, 1969 Big Ben Holden tried to hold a Student Faculty Association meeting. Unfortunately a quorum could not be raised even after a scouring of the student union. Because of the low attendance no action could be taken even though the reps. that had attended went through the motions of listening to various committee reports.

The activities commission report pushed for a constitution which it apparently never had, although quite lengthy, the report sounded worthy of support. The Sports Promotion Committee reported on the success the Hawks have been enjoying athletically this year and anticipate Derby Day, Feb. 22, when we expect to defeat Trinity College by a substantial margin.

That will be homecoming weekend which, incidentally, saw a change in entertainment plans because of contract breaks in which the groups contracted for and used the act of God clause many times. All the rumors you have heard about top name entertainment were true. Due to circumstances beyond S.F.A. control these plans never materialized. S.F.A. had little choice and did the best they could, so do not criticize what has been provided for you homecoming weekend. Even though the groups are not top name they are very good (4 big name groups broke contracts with the S.F.A.).

The next scheduled meeting will be Tues, Feb. 18 at 11:15. The meetings are open. For that next meeting Ben has threatened to print absent reps.; pictures in The Liberated Press. I will not chase people around with a camera, if Ben wants to that's his prerogative, however it will be the policy of this column to print the names of all missing reps., in the future. If any rep. misses these two meetings he will relive his actions in print around election time in the spring. Now that you know what goes on with your student govt., kiddies, it is up to you to do something about it.

From M. Kevin Fahey, Jr.  
Vice President

TO Dr. David Komisar  
Dean of Faculties

After much discussion and a favorable vote, the Student Faculty Association is requesting that the Dean of Faculties look into the possibilities of having the date that we are due to return from Easter vacation changed. The present date is Monday, April 7, the day after Easter. We are requesting that this be changed to Tuesday, April 8.

The reason for this, we feel is quite understandable. As it stands, our students are forced to return to school on Easter Sunday. Aside from the fact that it takes many students away from their families on this Holy Day, the students are forced to travel on one of the heaviest traffic days of the year. We feel that this situation is very similar to that which occurs at Thanksgiving, and it is our hope to eliminate many problems and much rushing to hurry back to school, that could cause serious problems. We feel that it will be to the definite advantage of both the students and faculty to

ATTENDANCE: Holden, Lane, Onorato, Schleuderer, Cohen, Diamond Benson, Lederer, Pronovost, Rice, Chasin, Fahey, Attenborough, Brody, R., Adams, Gross, Silan, Hunter, Randall, Watson, Tobias, Aronson, Magnano, Libby, Scott, Jacobs, Sullivan, Lugli, Firstenberg, Carter, Lupinacci, Field.

ABSENT: Ally, Freshman Education; Dupont; Business; Smith, Jr. Music; Magnano, C.B.S.; A. Brody, Faculty-Arts & Science; Teso, Fac.

DORM CURFEWS -- As of four week-ends ago, the on-campus dorm students have not had curfews on weekends. This was all made possible by your S.F.A. The administration claimed that they could not afford to pay for extra security, that the no-curfew would ensue. The Resident Judicial Board then turned to the S.F.A. for financial aid. The S.F.A. agreed to pay the security fees for a four-week trial basis.

Last weekend was the fourth weekend. Thus a new motion was proposed at yesterday's S.F.A. meeting. Kevin Fahey, S.F.A. Vice President, moved that the S.F.A. allocate an additional \$1487.52 to cover the security expense for the remaining twelve weekends, on a weekly basis. The motion was seconded by Debbie Rice, Jr. Ed. Rep. The vote was 28 yes, one no.

EASTER VACATION -- Next Kevin Fahey read a proposed letter to the cabinet asking that school open Tuesday, April 8th, rather than Monday, April 7th, following Easter vacation. The letter requesting the change was sent to Dean of Faculties David Komisar and a copy appears in this week's newspaper. A vote was taken 27 yes, 2 abstentions (both faculty), in favor of the proposed change.

CAMPUS CENTER HOURS -- In response to Saturday night's unauthorized party in the campus center lounge, President Holden opened the floor to discussion of the issues of the center's closing hours. Many students voiced opposition to the present hours. Hank Mishkoff, one of the party's organizers, noted that on-campus students have no place to go after the end of partial hours at 12:30 on weekends, and thought that the center should be open all night. S.F.A. Activities Commission Chairman Tom Lupinacci stated that the Executive Board of the commission which programs the center, was in favor of a 3:00 A.M. closing. A motion was then passed requesting that the campus center be kept open until 3:00 A.M. on weekends by a vote of 18 yes, 2 no, 6 abstentions.



be given this extra day before returning to school.

I sincerely hope that you will foresee the situation that will arise and that you will be sympathetic toward those that will be out of state on Easter Sunday. We hope that action will be taken to correspond to our request.

Passed 27-0-2  
cc: Messers Sweeney, Koch, Woodruff, Hardy, Holden, Addley

As of Wednesday February 19, the cafeteria personnel will no longer be picking up after you dirty people. So, when you finish eating, take your DAMN trays back.

love and kisses

Jack Hardy—editor  
Ben Holden—president  
Gomer-food comm. ch.