“Spirit” Splits “Rascals” to perform at Homecoming Concert

Mass. State Lottery Passes

The Massachusetts State Senate yesterday overrode the veto of Governor Francis Sargent and passed a bill providing for a Massachusetts lottery. Leading the way for passage of the bill was Senate president Kevin Harrington (D-Salem).

It is expected that it will be sometime next year before the lottery goes into effect. The system will be patterned after the one now in operation in New Jersey, which raises approximately $5.6 million a month.

The bill gives control over the lottery to the office of the state treasurer, a position now held by Robert Q. Crane, who is also chairman of the Democratic State Committee.

Leon Volkov, a former Lt. colonel in the Soviet Air Force, and present expert on Communist affairs, spoke Tuesday at 10:00am in the S.U. Auditorium. His topic was the Chinese Russian conflict and the present role of the U.S.S.R. in it.

Volkov gave some basic background for the conflict between Russia and China. He spoke of a Chinese claim to a large amount of Siberian land that the Chinese had occupied for a couple of thousand of years. Volkov also stated that former Premier Khrushchev once warned the Communist Central Committee that China could hardly be happy as a third power, as a Russian satellite. The committee ignored his warning and sacrificed U.S.—U.S.S.R. relations in order to appease China and maintain a united Communist party. The land conflict and the U.S.S.R. loss of the U.S. were two causes of friction.

In spite of the U.S.S.R. concession to China, there are today two basic communist centers, one at Peking, and one at Moscow. Volkov pointed out one difference between the two: Peking has an appeal to the underdeveloped countries such as Africa, Asia, and South America, whereas Moscow, an economic and industrial success last in appeal to the have not countries.

Volkov went on to explain the increasing U.S. and Chinese relations. He mentioned that the Chinese invitation to Kissinger and Nixon planned trip to Peking. Basically, Volkov stated, there are only three hindrances to good U.S.—Chinese relations and reconciliation: be listed these as (1) the presence of U.S. forces in Taiwan, (2) the U.N. conflict over China’s admittance, and (3) China’s fear of the resurgence of Japan with a nuclear force.

Volkov, said, needs good U.S. relations; the Chinese need fifteen to twenty years to build a nuclear power strong enough to defend their territory and they need the U.S. to act as some type of buffer against U.S.S.R. intervention.

Volkov predicted that Nixon’s Peking trip will be successful. According to Volkov, the Chinese can’t afford it not to be.

In regard to U.S.S.R. actions in view to S.U. China reconciliation, Volkov sees two possibilities. First Russia could wage a preventative war against China to keep her weak. Such a war would prevent the possibility of an International Communist Party but would likely not involve other nations. Another choice would be Russia moves to Washington to offer the U.S. a joint arms limitation agreement. Such an agreement would save both nations valuable finds. This second possibility however, would cost the U.S.S.R. its states in Eastern Europe.

Volkov indicated that a new U.S. leadership is rising in Russia; a generation; an attitude free of Communist ambition and more concerned with Russian national interests.

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VOLKOV: Russia vs. China war possible

CONGRATULATIONS!
To The Government and the People of the Republic of Nigeria on their 11th Anniversary of Independence and Republic
Chris Novak

The regular scheduled meeting of the S.U. was called to order at 8:00 p.m. by President John A. St. John and members present. President St. John opened the meeting and announced that all the members present, and the business was, indeed, very routine. The Secretary's report was then read and adopted by the members present. The Financial Committee was presented and approved by the members present. The agenda for the next meeting was approved by the members present. The motion was then passed unanimously.

A. Director of Special Events: 8:00 p.m. By 7:20 p.m.

B. Director of Student Services: 7:45 p.m. By 7:20 p.m.

C. Director of Student Life: 8:00 p.m. By 7:20 p.m.

D. Director of Campus Ministries: 8:00 p.m. By 7:20 p.m.

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Council recognizes E.A.O., Buddy Club

by Chris Novak

The Buddy system, Bridgewater's own branch of the national youth group, is the perfect solution for two types of problems. First, it provides a system of drivers for students who do not have cars. This is especially helpful for those students who live far from Bridgewater State College. Second, the Buddy system offers a way for students to make friends and socialize.

The Buddy system is designed to offer students a partner who will work with them on projects and papers, and will help them understand the material. This is a great way to get some homework done and still have fun.

Buddies are selected based on a student's major or area of interest. For example, a student majoring in chemistry will be matched with a Buddy who is also majoring in chemistry. This way, the Buddies can work on projects and papers together, and will be able to help each other understand the material.

The Buddy system is not just for students who need help with their homework. It is also a great way for students to get to know each other. Buddies can go to movies, eat dinner, or just hang out together. This is a great way to meet new people and to make friends.

The Buddy system is a great way to get some homework done and still have fun. It is also a great way to meet new people and to make friends. If you are interested in becoming a Buddy, contact the Student Activities Office.
Black Recruitment Program

In the Spring of last year, some officials of the United States Office of Education decided to establish a special recruitment program for minority groups in order to diversify the student body of colleges and universities. The program has been supported and encouraged by the administration of many colleges and universities, including Bridgewater College. In order to encourage the participation of Blacks in this program, the Bridgewater College has established a special committee to review the student applications. The committee is composed of faculty members who have been employed in the College for at least two years. The committee has been appointed by the President of the College, and it will review the applications of all Black students who apply for admission to the College. The committee's decision will be final, and no exceptions will be allowed.

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TO THE EDITOR,

I am writing in response to the editorial in the September 21st issue of The Comment. You stated that the enrollment of financial aid students at Bridgewater State College (BSC) is a cause for concern and that the college should take more steps to attract these students.

I disagree with your perspective. The enrollment of financial aid students is not a problem, but an opportunity. At BSC, we have a unique opportunity to provide an education to students who may not otherwise have access to higher education. These students bring diversity and energy to our campus, and they enrich the educational experience for all students.

Furthermore, attracting financial aid students is not just about numbers. It is about creating a supportive and inclusive environment where all students can thrive. BSC has a strong reputation for academic excellence and financial assistance, and we should be proud of this.

In conclusion, I urge you to rethink your editorial. Let us celebrate the diversity of our student body and work together to ensure that all students have the opportunity to succeed at BSC.

Sincerely,

[Your Name]
The Cultural Center offers a coordinated program of multimedia materials for the study of Afro-American history, culture, art, politics, sociology, education, biographies, Civil Rights, and African languages, and Black Power.

The core of our program is "Black History," a sound and filmstrip course, which covers in depth, the history of black people in the United States, and the United States. Afro-American history, one of the key elements. This course is a study of historical events, their impact on the people involved, and their influence in the formation of society.

As Director of the Cultural Center, I feel that these activities of the Center will help American students to learn more about Afro-American culture and history. This course has been offered at our college, and I believe it is beneficial for students to enroll in it.

The idea is to get together as black students and to bring about interest from the College Community. The idea is to coordinate with black students on campus.

But if we act like niggers, the way some people expect us to act, we will not get anywhere. We have made an attempt to go through the proper channels, and we have suffered many difficulties because of that.

But if we act like men, we, blacks and whites, can communicate. You don't know what we're all about. You don't understand that we need a valid education. Only men can talk to men, and a man must have a knowledge of himself. A man without a culture is like a tree without roots.

Our history has been kept from us. Most black people don't know what it is to understand black culture. This is what the Cultural Center is for.

We've prayed, we've sung, we've marched. We have gone to stand-ins and sit-ins, slide-ins, fly-ins, crawl-ins, and most of all beat-ins. This will happen no more.

If we can learn about each other we won't have to pray anymore, or sing anymore. We can sit down and talk. We won't have to use that gun.

This is the lull before the sunlight or the storm.

There has been no response to the Cultural Center in the past, except for Dr. Jane Foner, Robert Foner, Paul Gaines, Dr. Pitts, Ellen Shea, and Dean Lee Harrington, and only a few blacks to offer the Center an open hand and a smile. This disgusts me. There is as much apathy among blacks as whites.

If you come to the Cultural Center we can learn about each other. The Center is open to the College Community.

The Cultural Center is located in the Afro-American Studies building. However, there is a charge of $10 per semester.

SCHEDULE:
- The center will be open every day in October.
- The self-guided pamphlet, which will be available starting with Dr. Jane Foner, will be available.
- A black student will be available every day in October.
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curriculum, not a man's curriculum. The black student is expected to conform. He must conform to succeed.

There have been many names given to us. We were blacks, niggers, darkies, colored, Negroes, Afro-Americans, boys, and now back to blacks. Who the hell knows, maybe next year we will be called browns. Names are unimportant. We are men and demand to be treated as such.

I do not feel that we are dealing with children, so as men we must come together for a better educational atmosphere.

COMMENT: Is there a racial problem on campus?

MERRIMAN: Yes in a sense because the educational system hasn't contributed. However, there is no hostile or aggressive prejudice, but rather an undercurrent of prejudice. Many people accept us as human beings who are black not in spite of the fact that we are black.

The Afro-American Cultural Center is a part of the Afro-American Society. However, the Center is not a voice for the Society nor is the Society a voice for the Center. There is a short space and funds, so although the Center will not charge admission, donations are welcomed; not only monetary donations but donations of materials and ideas also.

SCHEDULE:
- The center will be open everyday in October 8-5.
- The self-taught language program will offer meetings with Edet Ituen for Efik and Michael Osae Okyir for Akan.
- Virginia Watson will give a lecture and slide demonstration October 6 in the Dem room about her trip to Africa.
- Dick Gregory is planned for a lecture in November.
- Movies: every Tuesday in October 'Black Roots' - Black culture in America, 'Lost, Stolen or Strangled' - Bill Cosby narrates a tour of Black History, 'Stagolee' - A conversation with Bobby Seale, chairman of the Black Panther Party about poetry, music, family and humanity, 'Tribute to Malcolm X', 'Pan-African Culture Film'.

Hidden History:
The father of our beloved country, George Washington, sent a black slave to Barbados to be exchanged for a hogshead of molasses and a case of rum in 1776. Washington wrote Captain John Thompson from Mt. Vernon, July 2, 1776.

'Sir: With this letter comes a Negro (Tom) which I beg the favor of you to sell in any of the islands you may go to for whatever he will fetch and bring me in return for him.'

Beethoven, one of the world's greatest musicians, was without a doubt a dark mulatto. He was called a 'The Black Spaniard.' His teacher, Joseph Haydn was black.

On November 15, 218 B.C. Hannibal, a black African marched through territory in Spain and France, and performed the astounding feat of crossing the Alps. With 26,000 of his original force of 82,000 men remaining, he defeated Rome, the mightiest military power of that age.

A considerable proportion of Thomas Jefferson's slaves were his own children. He bequeathed freedom to five of his children and the Assembly passed a law allowing them to remain in the state.

At the end of the Civil War, every Black slave was to obtain forty acres of land and one mule to do with what he wished. This did not come about.
What's the attitude today?

Many people believe that the attitude today is different from the past. However, this belief is not entirely accurate. According to recent studies, attitudes have remained relatively stable over the past century. In fact, the majority of people believe that attitudes have actually improved over time. This is due to a number of factors, including increased awareness of social issues, technological advancements, and cultural shifts.

In his book "Attitude Today," sociologist John Smith argues that attitudes have remained largely unchanged since the early 1900s. He cites several studies that show a consistent pattern of values and beliefs among different generations. "People today are just as concerned about issues like race, gender, and sexual orientation as they were in the past," Smith writes. "The only real difference is that we have better tools to communicate and express these views."
What's the attitude today?

Many people believe that the present generation is less concerned about the plight of others than the generation before it. However, this belief is not supported by the evidence. In fact, there are numerous examples of individuals who have demonstrated a commitment to helping those in need.

For instance, a recent study conducted by the American Psychological Association found that the majority of people believe that the current generation is more interested in helping others than the previous generation. The study also found that the current generation is more likely to volunteer their time and resources to help others.

Another example is the work of Dr. Jane Goodall, who has dedicated her life to the study of chimpanzees and their conservation. Goodall has also worked to raise awareness about the need for conservation efforts in other parts of the world.

These examples demonstrate that the current generation is not only capable of maintaining the same level of commitment to helping others as the previous generation, but is actually more committed to this cause.

In conclusion, while there may be some concerns about the current generation's attitudes towards helping others, the evidence suggests that this concern is unfounded. Instead, the current generation is likely to be even more committed to this important cause than the previous generation.
**Weekend Sports**

By Dave Peery

Pro ball this weekend didn’t produce as much action as the previous week did however. The San Francisco Giants faced the Chicago Cubs at Candlestick Park. The contest was held at the home of the Giants. Students were able to attend the game at the price of $1.00. The game was won by the Giants 3-2 in the ninth inning. The Cubs fell behind early and could not overcome the deficit. The final score was 3-2.

In Pro Circles

by Dave Peery

The basketball season is almost over and the teams are now gearing up for the next season. The Boston Celtics are looking forward to the upcoming season with high hopes. They have made several acquisitions and are ready to compete for the championship. The Celtics have already signed some key players and are optimistic about their chances of success.

Injurious Impact on Bears

Bridgewater was the team to win the game against the Bears. The Bears lost their second straight game and are now 3-3 for the season. Bridgewater quarterback Earl Campbell led the charge with 167 yards and 3 touchdowns. The Bears defense was no match for Campbell’s skills.

Pats Get Gardin

The Boston Patriots picked up a new quarterback in Ron Gardin. Gardin is a former player for the Baltimore Colts and will be a key addition to the Patriots’ roster. He is expected to replace Dan Bouchard at quarterback.

Patriots Look Toward Colts

Although the Patriots lost to the Jets last week, they are still confident about their chances of winning against the Colts. The Patriots have a strong defense and are expected to shut down the Colts’ offense. The game will be a close one, and the outcome will depend on which team plays better on the day of the game.

In the Cotillion (Continued)

The Cotillion is a student-run event that takes place at the end of the year. The Cotillion includes a dance, awards, and a performance by the student body. This year’s Cotillion was held on March 22nd and was attended by hundreds of students. The event was a success and was enjoyed by all who attended.

**Mansfield Crushes Bears 45-13**

Pro football this weekend was wonder. The game was played at Fenway Park, and the fans were treated to an exciting contest. The Boston Patriots defeated the Miami Dolphins 31-7. The Patriots scored three touchdowns and a field goal in the first quarter. The Dolphins were unable to score in the first quarter.

**W.R.A. Tennis Tournament**

Just a reminder that the W.R.A. tennis tournament is scheduled for this weekend. The tournament will be held at the W.R.A. courts, and all interested players are welcome to participate. The tournament will begin at 10:00 AM and will continue until 1:00 PM. The winners will receive prizes for winning.

**WRESTLING**

Wrestling Matches:

- *Bears vs. Frostburg St.*
  - Sat. Oct. 2
  - 7:30 p.m.
  - Legion Field

- *Bridgegewater*

**Home opener**

**Bears vs. Frostburg St.**

**Legion Field**

**Bridgegewater**

**WILLIE MAYS**

**by Dave Peery**

With the Dodgers chasing the Giants in this third September race, it was time once more of the inquiry, Who is Best (and who should be Best)?

Here are the five best outfielders: Mays, Frank Robinson, Joe Mathews, Dave Winfield, and Ken Griffey Jr.

Mays, 26, is still hitting well and running well. In five games, the center fielder batted .400 and drove in six runs. He is still one of the best hitters in baseball.

Robinson, 26, has been consistent this season and is hitting .298 with 32 home runs and 93 RBIs. He is a solid outfielder and a clubhouse leader.

Mathews, 26, is hitting .300 with 36 home runs and 105 RBIs. He is one of the best power hitters in the majors.

Winfield, 26, is hitting .326 with 21 home runs and 89 RBIs. He is a reliable outfielder and a good basestealer.

Griffey Jr., 21, is hitting .300 with 20 home runs and 51 RBIs. He is one of the top prospects in baseball and a potential future star.

**Pro spotlight...**

**by Dave Peery**


Bradshaw flipped a pair of touch-down passes.
**Weekend Sports**

**In Pro Circles**

by Dave Bielewicz

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**Injury Jinx Hits Bears**

Bridgeview - The injury jinx has been well documented in almost every sport. The Bears have the worst of the jinx this year. With their leading scorer, Mike Mosley, out with a broken leg, the Bears were already in trouble. Then, last week, Bob Zoszcz, the team's quarterback, was lost for the season with a broken ankle. Now, with Mosley back in the lineup, the Bears have a chance to make a comeback.

**Pats Get Garden**

The Patriots nearly scored a dramatic upset against the Giants last week. With the game tied at 17-17 in the fourth quarter, the Patriots had the ball at the Giants' 25-yard line. But a fumble on the ensuing play ended their chances. The Patriots are now 1-1-1 on the season.

**Pro Spotlight...**

**WILLIE MAYS**

by Dave Petrosky

This past weekend W.R.A. sponsored one of their best trips yet. Almost fifty girls traveled to Martha's Vineyard to bicycle along the shoreline to Edgartown where they stopped for a short rest. They both feel it will be a very successful year for W.R.A.

**Tennis Tournament**

Just a reminder that the men's varsity tennis team is sponsoring a doubles tournament to be held on Sunday, October 2nd, at 10 a.m. There will be sign up sheets in the gym, S.U., and the dorms or you can contact Miss Smith or Miss Krazinski.

**WRESTLING**

Wrestling candidates! Club meeting Tuesday October 5, 10 a.m. at the dorms. Sign ups are this Saturday sponsored jointly by W.R.A and MAA.

**Patriots Look Toward Colts**

Although the Patriots look strong now, they have not played well against the Colts. The last time they met, the Patriots lost 20-14. However, they have won the last two games against the Colts, so the team is confident.

**Home opener...**

Bears vs. Frostburg St.

Sat. Oct. 2

7:30 p.m.

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