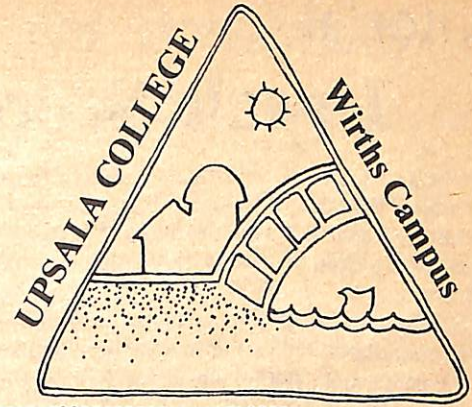


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High School Seniors Forced To Meet Deadline

by Desa Lazar

An eleventh hour reprieve may rekindle the educational hopes of high school students who face the loss of social security insurance benefits.

A Pennsylvania congressman has introduced a bill which would extend the May 1 enrollment deadline. If passed, 1982 graduating high school students whose parents are either retired, deceased or disabled, would receive continued benefits under social security, provided they are enrolled in a college by September.

Congressman Joseph McDade's proposal is similar to several bills before the house, one of which would restore student benefits completely. Other proposed Legislation would extend the cut-off dates to July 1 and October 31 of 1982.

For some students full-time enrollment in college before May 1 was the only means of continuing their education. The ill-timed deadline created a rush of students who sought early enrollment. Many are still high school seniors. Two students who attend Upsala's Wirths Campus found themselves in this predicament. Both agree the work load is no simple task.

Since no official notice of the budget cutting action was given, students learned of the action through their local high schools or through the media. This was the case with Upsala students Wendy Litland and Margo Levy.

Wendy is finishing her senior year at High Point Regional High School and is a full time student at Upsala. She is taking Calculus, English Composition and Environmental Science, leaving



Wendy Litland and Margo Levy

little time for anything else but her studies.

Wendy and her mother learned of the May 1 deadline date from an article in the New York Times. They arranged for her enrollment following normal admission procedures.

Across state lines, Margo Levy attends Port Jervis High School and Upsala. Margo's Classes at Upsala include English Composition, Art and Earth Science.

Margo learned of the cut-off date through her high school. An announcement was made in school for interested students to see their guidance counselors about early enrollment. Approximately 60 Port Jervis students were placed in area colleges.

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Editorial

Upsala Scores Well

The lead sentence in an article printed in the Education Section of the Sunday Star Ledger, Feb. 21, 1982, stated that contrary to popular belief, since the 1960's, many colleges have not been producing "broadly" educated people.

The article placed the blame on the demands initiated in the '60's for "relevance courses".

In response to the pressures from reformers and students at that time, many colleges abandoned their general education courses . . . but not Upsala.

Our East Orange parent never gave in to these demands. It had faith in its academic program. Yes, Upsala's plan paid off.

Recently, Upsala in E.O. was invited to participate, along with 150 other institutions, in a program designed to "measure" the effectiveness of a general education.

How is this effectiveness measured?

College Outcome Measures Project (COMP), a national testing program of the **American College Testing service (ACT)**, devised a test to determine if students actually acquire the attributes associated with a liberal education.

The results for Upsala were outstanding. In a range of 0-20, Upsala students gained 17 points after 4 years at the E.O. campus.

From this accomplishment, Upsala College has been asked to explain how they do what they do so well, to a conference to be held in Washington, D.C.

Joseph Steele, a research psychologist with ACT said, "When you're in an area of 17 to 20 points, you're at the top of the list of gains shown by students; Upsala's growth was considerably more than the national average gain."

Nationally, students gained 9 to 10 points.

Well done Upsala-E.O.! We're pleased to have been born of such noble parents.

Marie Colligan

Dear Friend:

by Charlotte Skinner

Each day the mail brings them. Those letters begging for funds. I add today's to the pile on my desk. I guess I'm saving them for a more prosperous time. I spread them out on my bed, wondering where I can send my few dollars. Do I have any to send?

Greenpeace says I do. For the price of the Sunday Times I can save a seal's life. These small white seals look so vulnerable. Who can resist such a simple solution? Do I really need the Sunday Times? Not at that price.

Shall I do that "extra mile" with Eleanor Smeal. It's now or never she

says. If I do, will she send me that green button that says "59¢". It means for every dollar a man received for a job a woman in a similar job receives only 59¢. You bet I'd wear it.

The Union of Concerned Scientists sent me a dotted map of Nuclear Power reactors in the U.S. The dots swell before my eyes covering the entire country. I shudder.

NARAL and CLU tell me "liberties for millions of women are on the line". Then, I remember that picture of Jessie Helms kissing Mrs. Kilpatrick's hands on the front page of Wednesday's paper.

My political bones ache.

Letter to the Editor

I am responding to Dean Lawson's letter to the Editor in the February 16 issue of "The Bridge".

The Dean is correct in stating that all complaints should go to Upsala first. And so, that is exactly what I did. In the fall of 1980, during Bette Distler's class, several of us were discussing the deplorable bathroom situation. I mentioned to Bette that I had already telephoned the Barn, and spoken to a woman who told me that the bank was responsible. I did not have the foresight to ask her name. I would appreciate her recollecting my conversation with her, and coming forth.

I also recall asking Bette, if as a faculty member, she would prefer going down to speak to someone in the bank. "No - you're quite capable", she said.

The woman in the bank, seated at the desk to the left of the entrance, listened to my complaint, and called a gentleman I assumed to be the manager. He told me: "I will take care of it - I will speak to the custodian". If the bank were not responsible, then I should have been given another reply. I inferred from his reply that the bank was in fact responsible. Wouldn't you?

I waited one year for conditions (as regards the bathroom) to improve, then became irritated enough to write the "Herald". The intent was to spur the landlord - the bank - to attend to the situation. There was no intent to embarrass anyone, especially the college.

As for the parking situation, no - I did not research the ownership of the lots, but I still maintain that the town benefits from the college, and should try to improve the parking situation and not issue fines to the students or faculty.

I am glad that there is now an effort to improve the parking, thanks to Dean Lawson conferring with the Borough Council.

The bathrooms are now maintained satisfactorily, and I thank whoever is responsible.

Natalie Levner
Montague, N.J.

ANOTHER PERSPECTIVE

"Man - despite his artistic pretensions, his sophistication and his many accomplishments - owes his existence to a six-inch layer of topsoil, and the fact that it rains."

-Anonymous

New New Jersey Cracks Down On Drunk Drivers

by Phyllis Rosenberg

New Jersey is among the more than 22 states that have either passed or are in the process of enacting stiffer legislation against drunk drivers.

President Reagan, too, is expected to create a special commission to study ways to rid the nation of what has become an ever increasing problem.

What has awakened the American public and spurred its pressure upon state legislatures, judges, police, and other agencies to get drunk drivers off the nation's highways?

Statistically, more than 25,000 persons are killed by drunk drivers each year. In fact, drunk drivers were reported to be the largest cause of highway fatalities in 1981. It is estimated that this year alone drunken drivers "will kill 70 people a day and injure 2,150 more." A popular monthly magazine recently projected that "on any Friday or Saturday night one out of ten cars will be driven by a person too drunk to control it." Yet, very few such drivers are ever arrested much less convicted. Because of this, some have termed "drunk driving manslaughter as an accepted form of homicide."

While many readers of such figures may assume this to be a problem associated with "youth" or that

segment of society labeled "alcoholic", the alarming reality is that it is composed of a large portion of middle class and otherwise law abiding citizens. "The recreational use of alcohol, drugs, or both, by those of virtually all ages in our society is an indisputable fact" stated a recent report compiled by New Jersey Departments of Criminal Justice, Motor Vehicle, Alcoholic Beverage Control and State Police.

It may be difficult to consider that "a good guy", "fine neighbor" much less yourself as occasional social drinker could be numbered in the drunk driver category. A blood-alcohol reading of .10 percent is but one indication of a drunk driver. It does not necessarily mean that the individual has consumed a tremendous quantity of alcohol.

No one has to favor prohibition to realize that alcohol and driving is a formidable combination. Driving is a multitask process requiring two or more actions simultaneously. Reaction time, coordination, visual awareness, attention, and judgment and information processing are impaired by alcohol and can be compounded by drugs as verified by the Institute for Social Research at Michigan University.

In addition to the impersonal

statistics given to support the need for greater legislation has been the lobbying of grieving parents and other relatives of the innocent victims. Organizations such as Mothers Against Drunk Drivers (MADD) founded by Candy Lightner in California and Remove Intoxicated Drivers (RID) by Doris Aiken of New York have been a major force behind the presentation of these facts to the American public.

Bills calling for "mandatory sentence of at least 10 days community service, plus fines, participation in alcohol-treatment or traffic-safety programs, plus mandatory license suspension for up to one year for first-time drunk-driving offenders and for repeat offenders the same, plus mandatory sentencing of at least 10 days imprisonment and drivers' license suspension of at least one year" have been brought before both the U.S. House of Representatives and the Senate. States failing to meet these requirements could risk forfeiture of federal highway funds.

In January Governor Brendan Byrne of New Jersey signed a bill stiffening the penalty for drunken driving the amendment to the existing "driving under the influence" statute or R.39:4-50(a) had become law in New Jersey. This amendment will be elaborated on in a subsequent edition of *The Bridge*.

German Students Dine At The Red Mill Inn



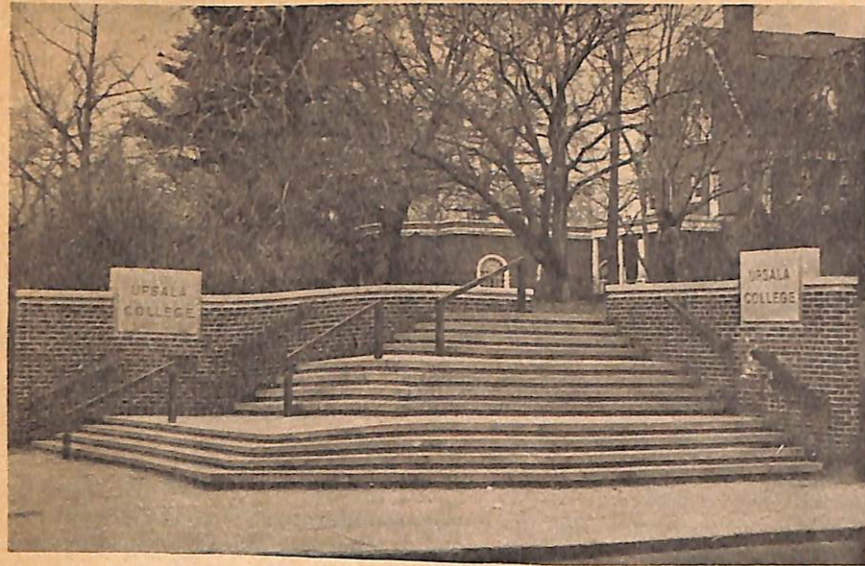
Prost! Twelve glasses were raised by the students of Her Ten Eyck's German II class at Bernard's Red Mill Inn.

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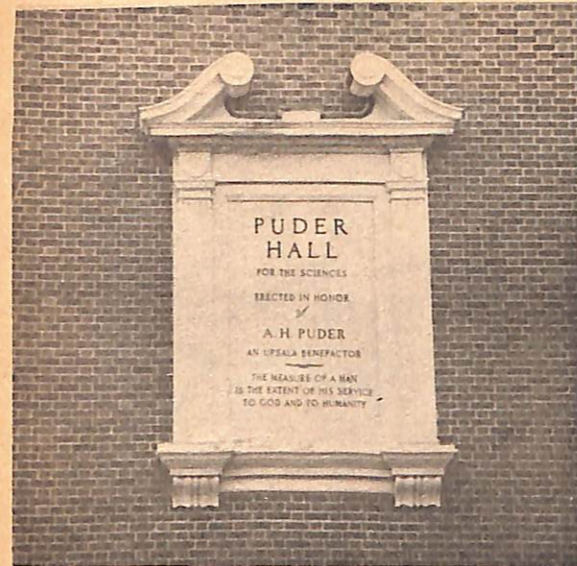
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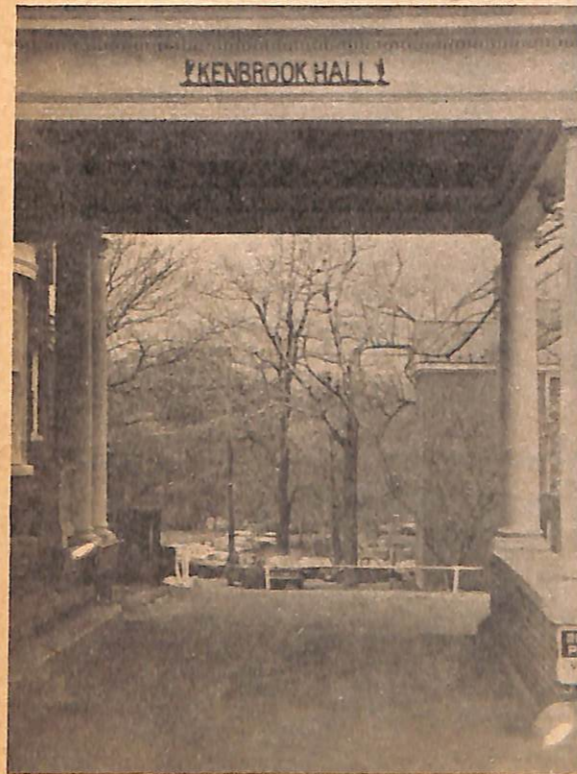
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Ski Touring In Sussex County

by Charlotte Skinner

A group organized by the Nordic Ski Club of Branchville, was skiing on a recent Sunday at High Point State Park. It had been snowing steadily and as the powder deepened the glide was smooth and good.

They skied up to the Park Monument and then down into a White Cedar Bog. Tim Probert, a seasonal Ranger with the Park Service, came along on the tour. He told the skiers it was the most northerly white cedar bog in that part of the country. He also explained that there was a concentration of deer in the area.

Ski touring such as this tour at High Point is increasingly becoming a popular form of recreation in Sussex County. More people are taking advantage of the numerous trails and unplowed roads made available to skiers in the Delaware National Recreation Area, Stokes State Forest, High Point State Park and Wawayanda State Park.

Cross Country skiing was introduced into New Jersey after World War II by the National Ski Touring Council of Vermont and in recent years was popularized by the New Jersey Touring Council.

Today in Sussex County there are two ski clubs that offer tours and two ski centers that provide rentals and various accommodations.

The Nordic Ski Club, Inc. of Branchville is an active and enthusiastic group with a membership exceeding 50 families. The club has been promoting touring in Northern New Jersey since 1974 when it was organized by its founder Ian Hill.

The Club actively participates in all areas of cross country skiing. They offer a full schedule of ski tours during the snow year. Throughout the winter they have survival and waxing clinics. They provide information on where to rent equipment and offer free ski lessons. Overnight tours can be arranged.

This season the Club toured every weekend from mid December to mid March.

Leading each tour is a member of the New Jersey Nordic Ski Patrol. These highly qualified, certified ski patrolers, Redgie Kelly and her husband Jim Merritt, are prepared for any



Sussex County Citizen's Race on Feb. 14, 1982 which was organized by the N.J. Nordic Ski Club at the annual winter carnival.

emergency.

Steve Spafford, vice president of the Nordic Ski Club, Inc. ran the Citizen's race at the annual Sussex County Winter Carnival. The race was sponsored by the National Bank of Sussex County.

"It was a strictly fun race," Steve said, but serious ski competitors were welcomed and would have received points toward their national competition.

Individual dues for the Nordic Ski Club are \$10, for juniors \$3, for a couple \$10 and \$20 for a family. For further information call Steve Spafford 948-3895. There is no charge for the tours.

The Sierra Club of North East New Jersey sponsor several local ski tours during the winter. The last tour was the Big Pocono ski outing of February 28th. The group met at the "Pack Shack Adventures" Main Street, Delaware Water Gap, and went on to ski the seven and a half mile loop.

The Sierra Club yearly membership

is \$12 and there is a \$4 charge for the day tours, and an additional \$12 to rent skis, poles and bindings at the "Pack Shack". Guests are welcome on all outings. They have inexpensive out of state weekend tours for members throughout the winter. For more information call Len Frank in Hacketstown 852-0597.

The Walpack Cross Country Ski Center is in operation for the third year and it is open from 8 am to 5 pm on weekends. They are housed in an especially designed and weather conditioned ski equipment trailer.

The Center has 80 to 100 pairs of skis available for rent. The rate per day is \$12.50. They use the trails on the grounds of Walpack Inn and also tie into trails in Stokes State Forest.

One half hour lessons are \$3 per person. Group rates are \$10 for 10 or more people. They also have tours to Shawnee and Big Baldy in the Poconos in conjunction with the "Pack Shack Adventures Inc." The phone in

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An Honest Look At Divorce

by Debby Tarpey

The honest interpretation of the painful effects that divorce can have on a family is the story behind the film **Shoot the Moon** starring Diane Keaton and Albert Finney.

Keaton and Finney portray a couple with four daughters who find that their marriage has become one with a lack of communication and mutual respect. Keaton finally confronts her husband with the fact that she knows of his affair and wants him to leave.

The remainder of the film deals with the characters acceptance of the situation and their growth because of it. Ms. Keaton, who gives her usual fine performance, meets a younger man, who she hires to build a tennis court. The working relationship eventually turns into a romantic one. Through it Keaton shows a gradual climb from dependency to self-reliance.

Finney shows us a man full of pain and frustration who tries to understand why his marriage failed and tries unsuccessfully to pick up the pieces of his life. He continues his affair with the

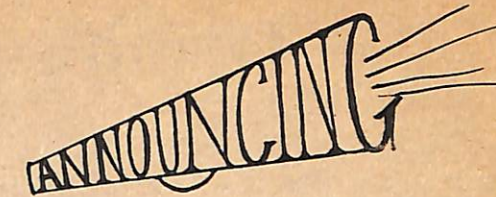
younger woman portrayed by Karen Allen of **Raiders of the Lost Ark** fame. She gives a convincing if somewhat shallow performance of the other woman's attempt at dealing with her lover's children and the problems and tensions caused because of her assumed role in the breaking up of the family.

The children, four girls ranging in age from seven to twelve are realistically portrayed by four fresh young actresses.

Dana Hill, the veteran who plays the oldest child, gives one of the best performances of the film in her role as an adolescent who is affected severely by the split in her parents' marriage. She finds herself torn between her love for her father and the resentment she feels towards him because of the unhappiness in her life.

Ms. Hill who is actually seventeen lends and air of realism and depth to the already emotional story.

The movie, **Shoot the Moon** is a powerful adaptation of a book which tells of the experiences of very real characters who find themselves in an emotionally tearing situation.



Forsythia

A sure sign of spring at Wirths campus is the appearance of **Forsythia** . . . not the flower, the campus literary magazine.

After reworking first drafts, making editorial corrections and typing into copy ready material for the printer, the second issue of **Forsythia** will be available soon. Look for it in about a month. Copies will be obtainable at the campus library and in the **Forsythia** container outside classroom #2 at N.C.B.

Art & Lit Club

The Arts and Literature Club will meet on Wednesday, April 14th at 1 pm at the Bank. Marie Colligan will speak on the "dos and dont's" of preparing a fiction, non-fiction or poetry manuscript for publishing houses.

Brown Bag

The next meeting of The Brown Bag Discussion Group on Wednesday, April 7th at 1 pm, will include a hike around Wirths Campus. Bring a picnic lunch and wear sturdy shoes. On Wednesday, April 28th, Linda Hendrixson is scheduled to speak on Women and Sexuality.

Ski Touring (cont. from page 6)

Walpack is 948-4834. Ask for Joe Kupcha.

The YMCA of the Oranges, Maplewood West, Essex and Sussex sponsor a cross country ski center that has been in operation for four years in Stillwater up at Fairview Lake.

The Center is open 9 am to 4 pm seven days a week. There are 20 miles of groomed and set trails.

Ski rentals are \$8 for bindings, poles and skis. Beginners are required to take a ski lesson before going on the trails. The cost for a one and a half hour lesson is \$6. The total cost for rental and lesson is \$17. If skiers have their own equipment the cost to use the trails is \$3. Group lessons during the week for 10 or more persons is \$12 per person. Call 383-9282.

Student To Be Published

Debby L. Cortright, a student at Wirths majoring in English will be included in the anthology, "Our Twentieth Century's Greatest Poems," will be released late in April. It is published by the World of Poetry Press.

Her two poems which will be published are "Fatalistic Waltz" and "The Oak and the Lily".

She is a member of the Arts and Literary Club at Wirths and was recently appointed chairman of the Student Activities Committee.




Debby Cortright

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Demolish Nelsenius \$1 A Shot

By Vinnie Guarini

Upsala College, in a move designed to curtail its financial woes, has decided to turn its version of the Edsel Nelsenius Hall into a money making vehicle.

Starting April 5, the school will charge \$1 to all students, faculty and administrators to "Hit Nelsenius with a sledge hammer."

The purpose of this event is twofold. One, it will lead to the removal of the prevalent campus eye-sore and, two, the funds raised will go to aid the Capital Campaign.

"Let's face it" said Dean Paul "The Wrecking Ball" Hogan, "The Fourth Cavalry led by John Wayne riding Mr. Ed couldn't save Nelsenius."

But there's more to this seemingly innocent fund raising event. Nelsenius Hall, closed since December, has been the center of much controversy and discussion ever since. The Hall was allegedly closed for renovation but "outside factors" have stopped this. But the GAZETTE has found out the



real cause for Nelsenius being closed. Upsala College was really renting out the hall to gypsies, crooks on the lam; and illegal aliens with "no place to go." It was only after the GAZETTE exposed these facts to a red-faced administration that this most recent event was brought forth. In fact when Dean Hogan was asked by this reporter if this was indeed the case, he replied "I guess I'm supposed to say no."

President Rodney Felder, on the other hand, seemed less concerned

about the demise of the hall and more involved in the money-making end of Nelsenius. President Felder told this reporter that he had contemplated the destruction value of Nelsenius and that he was optimistic." The president however, did admit that Nelsenius did have one appeal in that some of its former residents are well known. "We're counting on a lot of faculty and student money on Eric Goldman's room" said Felder, who admitted, "I'm even going in for a buck."

This article was taken from the East Orange newspaper, the Gazette.

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