Follow the NIC Team’s advice

Last week, two representatives of the National Interfraternity Conference in the persons of Henry Poor and Ron Kibbe, visited Lafayette at the invitation of the President’s Council of Social Living Groups. They were charged with the task of objectively evaluating the Greek fraternity system at the college, and giving recommendations which fraternities and sororities across the board could implement, which would hopefully improve the Greek system as a whole.

All things considered, we would like to commend PC for taking the initiative in bringing these outside evaluators to the campus. All too often, it’s too easy to get into a set frame of mind; you wind up getting into a rut.

This is not to say that the Greek system has been in a rut. But in these changing times, it’s becoming very important to be able to reevaluate the Greek system. However, if you are an active part of it on campus, you tend to lose a lot of objectivity—that’s a given fact.

PC showed its commitment to moving forward and continuing its dynamic AIDS education an urgent priority

We applaud the initiative of the students behind the AIDS Outreach, who took the initiative last Tuesday night to begin what hopefully will be a continuing campaign of educating the general public about AIDS.

AIDS, both as a disease and as a phenomenon, has become and will continue to be a serious issue confronting society today. No other disease, except phenomena, has become as widespread as AIDS. It’s bad enough that the scientific community hasn’t found a cure for it. AIDS victims already know that they face death as long as the cure remains unknown. To have to die, that’s even worse.

The AIDS Outreach is correct in recognizing that AIDS patients are people as well. They had friends before they contracted the disease too, their friends who were uninformed would have probably dropped the friendship once they found out about the disease. What they don’t realize is that it is during this time that their friends, the victim, needs the most support.

We feel that the AIDS Outreach will continue to provide useful and important programs for the community in general. At this point, education is the only knowledge of the prevention of the disease are the most important countermeasures against AIDS. Those are the only things that can be done until a cure is discovered.

Believe it or Scorn

Holocaust. The word conjures up images of darkness and despair, death and destruction. A word which does little justice to the realities it attempts to portray. For some Holocaust survivors, describing their experiences is a way of coping with the anguish and the sense of lost time. It is an analytic to relive the pain for which there is no cure. Only through telling their stories do they find redemption from the horrors they endured.

But many survivors cannot face their pain. To them, it is like opening a wound a wound which they wish to close. Those people deal with their pain by forgetting the experiences as much as possible. They, too, have no wish to recall it. This is completely understandable since they have endured an unimaginable horror.

For those who have their stories burning inside and seek to inform the world of the atrocity they faced, their motive for speaking out is not only a relief of personal pain, but also a desire to prevent future Holocausits. These people cannot come even remotely close to describing the hell that millions suffered through, they serve to remind us that these appalling incidents occurred only two generations ago.

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