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Alcohol promises a lie

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Sincerely yours,
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The faculty will hold one more meeting concerning the elimination of pubnights on Monday May 11 at 2 p.m. If you wish to speak or just attend, contact Professor Werner of Campus Life Committee.

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LAST WORDS
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B.R.C. Bank Donates All College Day. Or receiving a phone call from an anonymous tug threatening to cut your throat if you write anything more in support of Jesse Kissiah. Last year I was kidnapped by poodles and dropped, hound and gagged, on Theta Delta's porch during a pool party. Instead of freeing me, my hosts trashed me with their beer and called me a "fascist pig." After that, I really had to question the sense of what I was doing. Thanks to whoever imposed order.

One message I would offer, however, to those who found themselves so offended, is that perhaps they should not take themselves so seriously. My contributions were gauged to elicit reactions from the real world. And they did. All I could suggest is that sometimes it’s easier to laugh at yourself rather than to take offense so readily. Agreed, occasionally I went overboard and was deeply chastised. But for the most part, my confrontational attitude was encouraged by the colorful responses.

I had no intention of making this a senior reflection, but I cannot resist offering one reflective thought, focusing on the current social/alcohol dilemma which is this semester’s “hot issue.” At Lafayette, there is a lot of beer. And, you people drink too much. I believe that Lafayette College — unlike its excesses — is the single best Alcohol Awareness program conceivable. Students learn how to be submersed in a community where alcohol is available anywhere — just like in the real world. Should we let students face it here with the safety of friends, close homes and helpful programs, or do we hide it from them for four years until they encounter it where the environment is not always helpful and friendly?

Throughout the warfare over social proposals, I have come to gain great respect for a number of people. I recognize that Dean Alfirnello Hernandez has done a superb job at his first year in a tough position. His assistance to Greek leaders has been invaluable. And Professor of History and History department deserves all the praise he has received (and is surely going to receive) for his efforts to integrate one of our community is unmatched in the faculty. Every member of our community were as concerned as he, we'd have been in serious trouble. And on the newspaper, so many thanks are due. To the editorials editors who dealt with me, in a professional fashion. To EA Editor at Chief Tim Nolan, Ed Asnerman, and Mary Jane Nigro (morely Tim and Ed) for their patience.

For those who have taken the time to respond either verbally or in written form — or with protests — to my contributions ... thanks. It has led to an open and public dialogue about the opinions and points of view. After this experience, I feel as if I've really had a good chance at seeing the world and give him a break. Dean Alfirnello Hernandez has done a super job at his first year in a tough position. His assistance to Greek leaders has been invaluable. And Professor of History and History department deserves all the praise he has received (and is surely going to receive) for his efforts to integrate one of our community is unmatched in the faculty. Every member of our community were as concerned as he, we'd have been in serious trouble. And on the newspaper, so many thanks are due. To the editorials editors who dealt with me, in a professional fashion. To EA Editor at Chief Tim Nolan, Ed Asnerman, and Mary Jane Nigro (morely Tim and Ed) for their patience.

In closing, to all you pinkos out there — keep your damned hands off Jesse Kissiah. Keep your mouths shut at commencement, because if you have any doubts that he says, just remember: "God bless his grace on us, not the Commies."

The following people have been appointed by Student Government to fill positions on Joint Student-Faculty Committees. Any questions should be directed to Alan Hoffman at Box 6149.

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