DO INMER SUMMER 193 WVBU 90.5 FM Bucknell University

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Dear WVBU staffers,

What is this world coming to? Can you believe Pee Wee Herman got arrested for masturbating in an adult theater in Florida? You wouldn't believe the jokes I've heard on the radio stations around here about him....

I hope that you are all enjoying the summer as it winds to a close. I'm sure that all of you have spent the entire summer dutifully planning for the coming year at 90.5. I've done some thinking, but nothing really substantial. Things are pretty slow up here in Cow Hampshire. I've found a couple of progressive stations to listen to around here and I can't wait to get back to the studio and listen to some of the albums that have come out over the summer.... let's just hope that we are still receiving music from those particular companies. I'm also looking forward to seeing the Lalapalusa (spelling?) concert in a couple of weeks. This is the eight hour concert featuring Jane's Addiction, Nine Inch Nails, Living Colour, Souxie (spelling?) and the Banshees, Butthole Surfers, and a couple others that I can't remember. So far though, the highlight of the summer has definitely been my trip to the doctor's office. I was experiencing back and abdominal pains and the doctor couldn't figure out what was wrong. So, he did an ultra-sound (what they do on pregnant women to see the baby) and I got to look at my kidney, gallbladder, and liver. You'll all be happy to know that my guts are all fine. (and they looked kinda neat too!) In the end, the doctor still didn't know what the problem was, so he said it was probably just gas. I think that it was probably the most expensive visit I've ever had at a doctor's office, and he tells me it's just gas.... cool summer, huh?

On to some serious news though, Craig and John have had a more productive summer down on campus and have been busy improving/destroying (pick appropriate word) the station. (It seems that painted footprints have appeared on the glass between the on-air studio and the news studio). Some other improvements include a dimmer switch for the lights in the on-air studio, and a newly built wall-to-wall CD rack in the old news studio.

In the bad news department, when Craig arrived for the start of the summer session, he found that even more music had been stolen. This was all reported to security but so far there have been no leads. Also in the "bad news" category, it seems that we ordered CD's from a very unscrupulous company in New York City. After cashing our check, it took them a couple months and several phone calls before they sent our order. When it arrived in Lewisburg, Craig found that they had somehow "cancelled" the rest of our order with no explanation and no refund. Craig and TJ are currently working on the problem.

On a brighter note, we may be closer to finding an advisor who actually cares about us. Arnaldo Lopez, who is currently a graphic artist for administrative services, has expressed an interest in the position. Arnaldo was a DJ for over four years while at Bucknell and served on the Board in various capacities as well.

I know that most of you aren't ready to think about 'VBU stuff yet, but please start getting into gear. Quite a bit got blown off at the end of last semester because everybody (including me) got a bit overwhelmed with their workloads. This means we need to make up for lost time as soon as we get back and before we all get swamped again. The first order of business is the fall program schedule itself and underwriting for it. Next, we need to get a program guide out. These were things we had talked about getting done in the spring but never got around to.

I'm returning to campus on the 18th and plan to work in the station from the 19th until the 23rd. After that, I have a week of RA training and I won't have much time for anything else. If anybody wants to give me a call that first week to talk, try the station first (524-1326/524-3489) then try my room (523 - 4543).

I would like to have our first board meeting ASAP so we can at least arrange the fall schedule and decide when showpicks are going to be. I'll put a note in everybody's box so when you all get back, we can get together right away.

Finally, I can't stress enough how much we need new DJ's!!!!! When the class of '91 graduated, we lost over 50% of our DJ's. To try and attract the freshman class to WVBU, I'd like us to go on the air one evening during the freshman orientation weekend. Those of us who are back in time for this could go on for five or six hours and have an orientation party of our own. We could play all the different kinds of music heard on 'VBU and have giveaways every hour. (Craig: can you set aside some promos to give away during this time?) We would heavily advertise the evening and use the air time to tell the class of '95 how they can become involved in college radio.

I'm not sure of an exact date yet because I have to check with the orientation schedule to pick a relatively free evening so we will get a lot of listeners. Right now the potential dates are Friday, Saturday or Sunday: August 30, 31 or September 1. Give me a call if you'll be back on campus in time to help out or if you have any suggestions on how to improve it.

Anyway, enjoy the rest of your summer and please, at least try to think of what you'd like to accomplish this semester.

See you all soon,