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# newsletter

Issue #7

Compiled from the Dean's Office, Thomas Jefferson College, GVSC.  
29 August 1974.

FROM EARL HEUER

- My term as Acting Dean ends on August 29.
- I've enjoyed pretending to be Lee Kaufman and Dan Gilmore over the summer. I have comforted the multitudes who have harassed, harangued, humored, or harnessed me over this summer. I have been inordinately patient, but I have observed all tactics with interest! I hope that I have not slowed down your creative learning.
- On a less facetious note, the Lee Kaufman role is being rewritten to fit Dennis Winters, who has recently been appointed Associate Dean. He will begin his duties early in September. I welcome him warmly. Very warmly indeed! The T. Dan Gilmore role will continue to be filled by T. Dan, who returns from his stint at the Center for the Study of Higher Education, Berkeley, in early September. I welcome him back very warmly also. I draw the imminent arrival of these gentlemen to the attention of those of you with administrative problems or complaints. They are paid to listen and solve.
- A few words about Thomas Jefferson and the Grand Valley State Colleges. I have become more impressed than ever with the creative energy, good intentions, and sometimes even intelligence, which we have here. I am, of course, partial to TJC, since I think we have some very good things going. We are going to have a really good year. And also, I think the other colleges are doing exciting things and are going to have a good year also.
- I'd like in particular to thank Mary TePaste, Kathy, kaje, Sue, Bruce Loessin, Lora Robinson, Chick, and Bert. They have been most helpful. Indeed, everyone has been cooperative and nobody has screwed things up. Thank you all very warmly and very sincerely.
- The only problem is that now I've got this power addiction...

[MARY'S CORNER]

DEAN GILMORE

- He will be returning to the TJC fold on September 9, 1974, fortified with all the study and research he did at the University of California in Berkeley. Welcoming him back will be a real pleasure.

ASSOCIATE DEAN WINTERS

- We especially welcome Dr. Winters, who will be assuming his position as Associate Dean on September 2, 1974. He will be replacing Lee Kaufman; and you will find him in Lee's former office, 164 Huron. Dennis, like Lee, is easy to talk to and be with. He has an extensive background in Speech/Communications, as well as a variety of interests and experiences in universities and cities throughout the United States and Europe. He has also lectured extensively and has had some books published and others ready or near-ready for publication.

EARL HEUER

- Earl will be terminating his stint as Acting Dean, and I must say it has been a real pleasure working with him and for him. Earl is a person who is concerned about others and has a high level of social consciousness and sense of fair play which governs his actions and decisions.

ORIENTATION

- Don't forget the all-TJC PICNIC at Johnson Park on September 25th. Check the TJC office for details. There will be lots of food, refreshments, camaraderie, music, and just plain FUN.

R. RANGARAMANUJAM AYYANGAR

- Yes, our distinguished septuagenarian from Bombay, India is back. In addition to offering his course in theory and application of South Indian Carnatic Music, he is offering a course in Indian Epics and Legends. It will be offered on Tuesday and Thursday evenings. See the current TJC Schedule Addenda for a description of the course.

TJC STUDENTS, ALUMNI, AND GRADUATES

- Larry Schumer is teaching scuba-diving and enjoying the sun at the Sugar Beech Resort and Condominium Estate in Golden Rock, Christiansted, St. Croix, the Virgin Islands, USA 00820.
- Rick Knott is in administration with the Midwest Kamusaki Service Trainer/Dealer Center. He has also written a book on stereo electronics.
- Frank Reid is working as an Administrative Assistant for the Grand Rapids Symphony Orchestra. Frank says he plans to go to graduate school next year.
- Rick Brunson plays electric guitar, keyboards, and back-up

vocals with a band called "Spoon Muffin" playing all over the Midwest. He mentioned that he had been accepted at Boston University, the University of Michigan, Yale, and others for graduate study in the visual arts. However, his ambition now is to be a member of a successful, artistically superior rock-and-roll band.

- Patrick J. Sweeney is spending the summer as a waiter in a New Jersey resort area, and has great hopes of finding a job in journalism, advertising, or technical writing.
- Charlie Klivans will be doing graduate studies in psychiatric social work at Western Michigan University. He has just come back from a seven-month study in Japan and further travel in the Orient.

#### CORRESPONDENTS FOR "COLLEGIATE REVIEW"

- Beth Amante says she will have detailed information within a few weeks for TJC students interested in being correspondents for the "Collegiate Review," a publication with contributions from students in colleges all over the United States. The Editor is Tom Hagood, who can be reached after September 10th at P.O. Box 1724, Davidson, North Carolina, 28036.

#### FACULTY NOTES

- Each NEWSLETTER, or maybe every other one, will solicit an autobiographical sketch from new faculty members, so that you can get to know them. Here's Arthur Cadieux (Artist):
  - I plan to teach painting and areas related to the visual arts, including philosophy, aesthetics, and the creative consciousness and unconsciousness. In short, I want to help students experiment and find themselves through the vehicle called Art.
  - TJC expresses the concept of personal freedom and responsibility. It is a place where one can look in depth at a subject, take it as far as one wants, go beyond the boundaries of the class; a place where one can become positive in a sometimes negative world; a place where the process of learning is just as important as the product. In other words, I'm just as interested in how the painting is developed as I am in the final outcome.
  - At TJC I can instruct the way I always wanted to. In Art an equalization takes place between the student and the teacher; they become one, "sympatico," in the pursuit of knowledge; and the only difference between teacher and student is, perhaps, experience.
  - A person must become one with the object of his art, get inside it, feel it, know it, then interpret it visually. Often the subconscious takes over, or the intuitive process becomes active: then the process reaches a higher plane.
  - Many people say it takes a lifetime to become an Artist; I concur. When one reaches the point in his/her work of being satisfied, then most likely he/she is through developing as an artist.
  - I want to teach and explore many areas of art at TJC; I feel that here one is limited in his education only by his imagination.

EMERGENCY FUND

-- A recent TJC graduate, who knows what it's like to be in desperate straits, has requested that an emergency fund be set up at TJC for students in urgent need of money. Despite her own limited resources, she has contributed to the fund in hopes of getting it started. Students in dire need should see me, no questions asked. Hopefully, these same students will pay this money back when they can afford to so that we can keep the fund alive and circulating. Any others who wish to contribute: we welcome your help.

SUE LASKOSKI, TJC FACULTY SECRETARY

- Sue will be leaving us on Thursday, August 29, to follow her yen for travel, distant places, and California in particular. Those of us who know Sue will miss her friendly, bright, outgoing personality, and her willingness to help at all times. We wish her "Bon Voyage and Bon Chance." Now you figure that one out!
- Replacing Sue will be Brenda

I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING ALL OF YOU ON SEPTEMBER 25 (OUR TJC JUBILATION DAY).

REMEMBER: SEPTEMBER 26 IS THE FIRST DAY OF CLASSES. YOU HAVE FOUR DAYS AFTER THAT TO DROP-AND-ADD WITHOUT PENALTY. THE ONLY LIMITATION IS THAT IF YOU DROP ALL YOUR CREDITS YOU WILL ONLY GET 75% OF YOUR TUITION PAYMENT BACK, AND THAT IF YOU ADD MORE CREDIT HOURS YOU WILL HAVE TO PAY A LATE FEE.