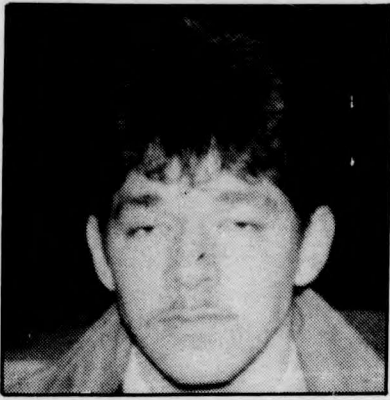


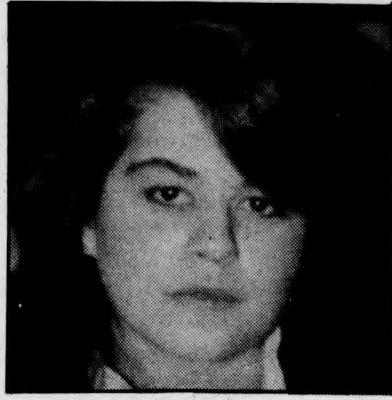
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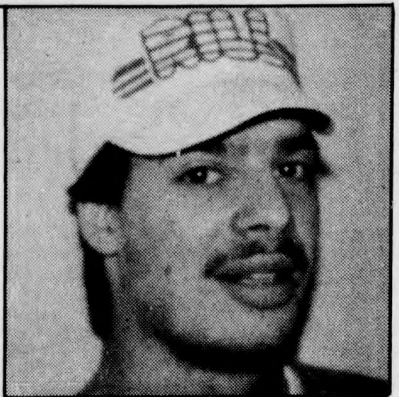
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Would you answer *Excalibur's* 'The Question,' and why?

Simon Soares Robinson, Business I
"Yes. I would answer the question, because I think 'The Question of the Week' is the best part of the *Excalibur*."



Mary Kourakos, Arts II
"Yes, because I enjoy reading *Excalibur* and I think it is a benefit to the staff *Excalibur* for the experience."



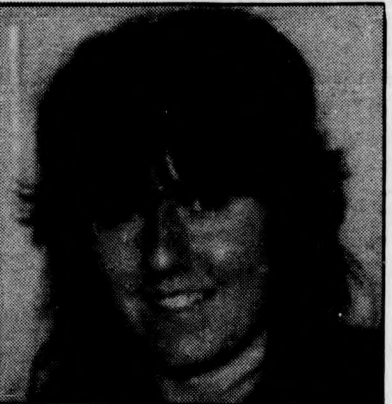
Dave Boxer, Phys. Ed. II
"Yes. It gives personal views, it's good for a joke, it's interesting to hear, and it lets others know your opinion."



Helen Vernezos, Arts II
"Yes. I would because it's great that *Excalibur* takes time to ask people's opinion."

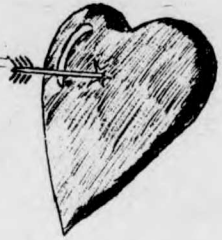


Dee Dee Cunningham, Arts II
"At present, subject to a reassessment at later time frame, I would have to respond to your query with a definitely guarded negative."



Wendy Haslett, Arts I
"Yes, I would. If I had something intelligent to say on the subject."

Ms. Lonely Hearts



Dear Ms. Lonely Hearts,

I am a 23 year old guy. I have been going out with a certain girl for almost a year but it seems as if the relationship is stagnating and we are just biding our time.

Any attempts to deal with this problem or break up the relationship have been rebuffed or resulted in a vicious fight. This makes it very difficult for me to form another relationship because I am still emotionally entangled and yet the state of my present relationship is quite unsatisfactory. What would you suggest?

Casanova

Dear Casanova:

It's time to make some heavy decisions. Pretend you're John Wayne and then imagine your relationship is a barroom brawl which you must end in order to maintain law and order in the western frontier.

This is not to say in any way that I am advocating violence or physical aggression but rather I am suggesting that you be mentally assertive so that you can find some peace.

If your love is lost then you are left with nothing. Things will continue to deteriorate until you have lost a friend as well. If "certain girl" won't accept your attempts at reconciliation or termination then you have to resort to a different mode of communication.

Some ideas: Mail her a card with a stop sign on it or a deeply moving diatribe. Perhaps you could cultivate a hideous appearance. Start wearing hats, grow a goatee and insist on taking her to polka marathons.

Seriously. It's time to move forward. Try to end it kindly, and if this doesn't work be frank and insistent. If this doesn't work move to Wyoming.

Ms. Lonely Hearts

Dear Ms. Lonely Hearts

About a year ago I broke off with my boyfriend for very many personal reasons. But although we are no

longer seeing each other he is always on my mind, no matter who I happen to be with or dating. I'm obsessed with him.

Now he wants to get back together.

On the one hand there is nothing I would like better and on the other I know that if we do get back together we would have the same old problems all over again. His friends, besides himself, will always come first, and if I'm lucky I might fall tenth. What should I do? Help!

C.E.T.T.

Dear CETT

You might have a point. It does seem logical that if you begin to see him again the same problems will occur. You have, it seems, two options:

1) Yield to your undying lust and devotion and see him again. If you choose this solution, try to work out your mutual problems. Ask him why he feels more comfortable with his (assumedly) male peers. Are they simply fine sports and pilsener fans? Or is he a closet misogynist?

See if you can find some interests that you might share. You might embark on a scintillating hobby together. Golf! Coin collecting! Afghan weaving! The world is your oyster.

OR

2) Accept your incompatibility with this man despite the obvious attraction and forget him. Force yourself to meet new people who you are more attuned to, that will make you feel less insignificant. Try simple behaviorist therapy. I like this trick: Wear a rubber band around your wrist and snap it when you think of him. Draw rude pictures of him and tape them up around your home.

Above all, follow your heart—you'll make the right choice.

Ms. Lonely Hearts

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