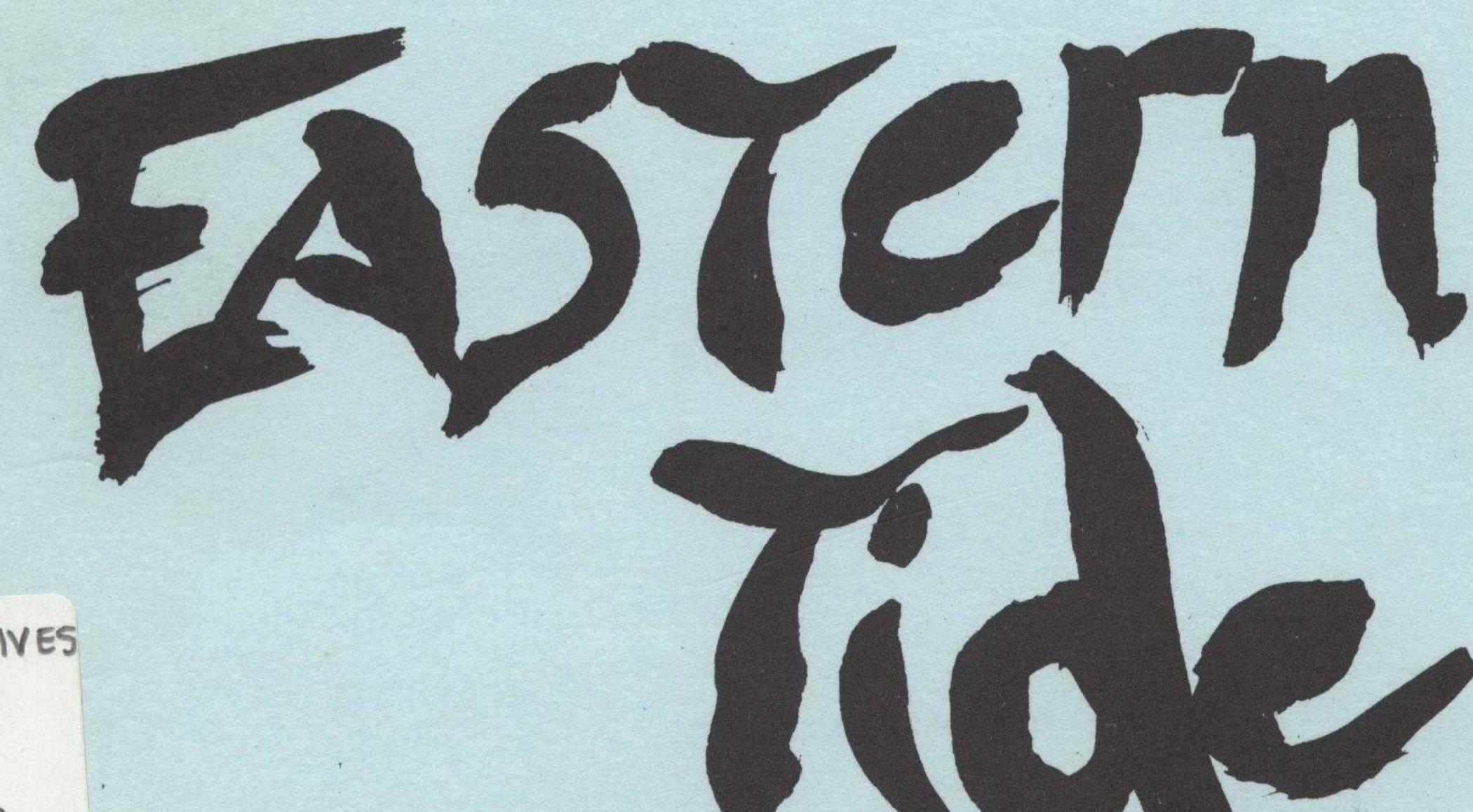
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Commentaries

Proclamation of Protest

We bitterly criticize the barbaric action of the Soviet authorities on September 1, 1983.

The shooting down of the Korean civilian airline by the Soviets is obviously a grave violation of human rights and an act of murder.

The date of September 1, 1983 shall remain forever unforgettable to the Koreans, and the world will clearly record on its history this despicable act of the Soviets.

It will be hard to maintain world peace by letting the Soviet communists remain without a word of apology for their vicious act. We, the Korean students of Brandeis University, are united as one in denouncing this inhuman behavior of the Soviet regime and exposing their sin to every corner of the world.

The atrocity of Soviet communism has long been a known fact to Koreans through our own painful experience with the division of our land on August 15, 1945, and the Korean War on June 25, 1950. Yet, it is still incomprehensible how they, as human beings, could be so vicious.

What excuse could the Soviet authorities give for the act of destroying a civilian airline, killing 269 people?

We do not believe the reports that the Soviet government gave in justifying their crime. They claim that the Korean airliner was on a spying mission over their sensitive military base, Sakhaline Island. At the same time, the Soviets blame the United States for the death of 269 passengers. However, we believe it is the Soviets, not the United States, who are responsible for the death of 269 human lives.

Despite many political and legal points of view, we ask you, we ask you in the name of humanity - what acceptable reason could anyone give for killing 269 innocent men, women, and children? After all, this is not wartime, and the unconditional shooting down of the unarmed civilian aircraft is undoubtedly an act of international terrorism.

We all know that the Soviet terrorism and ambition for world dominance has threatened the world peace for a long time. Their acts of invasion can be traced as far back as the Czar era of

Russia and have occurred as recently as the invasion of Afghan-istan.

In retaliation to this Soviet aggression on the Korean civilian airline, Canada, England, the United States and many other countries have denied permission for landing of the Soviet planes in their countries. In times such as now, all nations must unite as one against the Soviets to punish and to stamp out such barbaric behaviors. In this, the United States must be a strong and confident leader in uniting the world.

Despite many possible economic and political policies that could be taken against the Soviets, the position of the United States is a difficult one. Nonetheless, the most important thing is that each and everyone of us must appeal to our conscience and humanity to denounce this barbarism of the Soviet Union. And, we must strive toward the safety and peace of human lives in our world.

HEREWITH WE DECLARE THE FOLLOWING PROTEST:

"We demand an immediate stop to the invasive and terroristic actions of the Soviet authorities and the assurance that they will not repeat such an attack on civilian aircrafts."

"We demand that the Soviets claim responsibility for this incident, present a sincere apology both to Korea and to the world, and give full compensation for the lost lives of the Korean civilian airline passengers."

THE KOREAN-AMERICAN STUDENTS OF BRANDEIS UNIVERSITY

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Commentaries

A Thought For BAASA

During the years I have attended Brandeis, I have seen many changes within BAASA. The club has come a long way. It was first founded to serve the political and cultural needs of the early Asian Brandeis students and to serve as a collective Asian voice on campus. Now the club has evolved into an organization that serves almost exclusively the social aims and functions of its members. There has been a lot of concern over this issue; some members feel that there is more to life and the real world than just having parties and a good time. By focusing only on the social events, some important political and cultural aspects of life are being neglected. I know that you can't please all of the people all of the time, but a balance of political/cultural and social events is attainable. I feel that such a balance will make the club more attractive and meaningful to more people.

It is my hope that the new officers for 1984-1985 share my
views and will try to reach
and maintain this balance. I
know this is not an easy job;
this is the challenge facing
the new officers. With imagination, initiative, resourcefulness, and a lot of
enthusiasm, I am sure they will
meet this challenge. On behalf
of the new officers, I ask all

BAASA members to please give their support and encouragement to help realize this club's potentials.

I truly cannot say that my term as an officer has been a smooth and easy one. There have been a lot of criticism, discontent, and apathy circulating among the members. The officers have not been able to fully deal with these problems because they had plenty of problems among themselves. Problems such as lack of communication, apathy, childish antipathy, and intolerance have resulted in resignations of three key officers. I really hope that the new administration will not have such problems; another problem-plagued year will really push the club over the edge. I wish all the officers good luck.

In conclusion, I would like to thank all those people who gave the club their help and support. All help have been very much appreciated. I hope this help will be extended to the new administration; again, it will be much appreciated.

My final comment - it was certainly an interesting year.

Debbie Kwong

... Go For IT!

A complete collegiate education encompasses a combination of experiences including academics and extracurricular activities. Too often, some students still adhere to the philosophy that the primary collegiate goal is academic excellence and its mean requires total dedication to studying. However, such a school of thought does not maximize the total education a student can obtain from the college experience. The collegiate career would be incomplete unless the student pursues activities outside of academia. Extracurricular activities are abundant in the collegiate environment and they serve to supplement the student's regular academic routines. Such activities take the form of employment and participation in social organizations and student government, but the student must take the initiative to take hold of the opportunities. Participation in these activities can create experiences that would contribute to the collegiate development and refinement of the person within the student. Beyond the rigor of studies, extracurricular participation serves to develop a sense of responsibility and confidence that would benefit the student continuously. Also, the activities can benefit the student as a form of release for

tension and stress and as a form of recreation. With a proper distribution of time commitment between academic studies and extracurricular activities, the student would complete his collegiate studies as a well-rounded person learned in academia and confident with a background of accumulated extracurricular experiences. Therefore, the student should enter college with an open mind and take advantage of the many opportunities that a college can offer --- there is much to benefit from and nothing to risk, so reach for it.

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Community News

In Search Of...

by Joseph Lee

On a calm Sunday morning, June 25, 1950, Communist North Korea invaded South Korea. This was the beginning of the bloody Korean War which lasted for three years. During the chaos of the war, millions of families were separated for more than thirty years, until a recent television program, sponsored by the Korean Broadcasting System (KBS), changed all this.

Commemorating the thirty-third year of the Korean War, KBS sponsored a special program where selected people appeared

Through this program, more than ten thousand families were reunited after more than thirty long years of separation. Many could not hold back their tears of joy, including the program's hosts and viewers who were often speechless.

KBS-TV and the Korean government are also processing all
of the applicants' data into
a computer, a step that could
make locating lost relatives
easier. The South Korean Red
Cross is helping by registering families, who are seeking
issing relatives, at its
ocal offices. It is estimatd, as many as ten million
prean families were broken
b by the war.

of the placard or the names on it.

The response was so overwhelming, KBS-TV adapted this program, "Searching for Separated
Families," as a weekly telethon
airing for twelve hours starting on every Friday night.
It has become the most viewed
program in Korea, receiving as
much as seventy-eight percent
of the television audience.



Jutside, posters with the names of missing kin

Community News

3rd World Probo

by Herbert Wong

This was the first semester in several, years that the Third world Programming Board has made a conscious and united effort in bringing diverse activities to the Brandeis Third World Community. The board consist of chairperson Juan Mayol Alvarez '84 and at least two representatives from respective minority groups at Brandeis, BAASA (Brandeis Asian-American Student Association), BBSO (Brandeis Black Student Organization), and Nostros (Hispanic Student Organization).

Among the programs planned and implemented by the board was a monthly Third World coffee house at Cholmondeley's. Three coffee houses were held on the first Sunday of every month for the fall, 1983 semester. An average of thirty students attended each coffee house. Refreshments were provided as well as live student entertainment, which included singing and piano playing, that created a joyful and energetic atmosphere. Most attendance found the event to be quite relaxing after a week of studying.

A student-faculty dinner at the Stein on October 18, 1983 was also sponsored. Approximately forty people attended the dinner including seven faculty/administrators. The event provided an opportunity for students to interact on a more candid and informal level.

In its final event, the board sponsored its first Career Night on November 2, 1983. Director of Career Pla led the pathree professionals, including

three professionals, including BAASA's own Carol Lee '83, Yevette Bonaport '83, and Millie Tan Steward. The discussion centered around their experience in their particular fields, likes and dislikes of their jobs, and professional politics.

Overall, 18 students attending found it quite informative.

With Third World Week in the spring of next semester fast approaching, it would be interesting to see what the Third World Programming Board has in store for us.

Tickets Anyone?

by Joseph Lee

In order to raise money for the Eastern Tide, raffle tickets were sold by five staff members: Joseph Lee, Herbert Wong, Ilsong Ahn, Sy Kim, and Mi Young Lee. The tickets were a dollar each, and one hundred of them were sold. On November 3, 1983, the three winners were randomly drawn. First prize was a dinner for two at the Hyatt Regency which was won by Marc Bloostein '85. Second prize was a movie pass for two at the General Cinema and was won by Stephen Tsang '84. Third prize was a large bag of jellybeans, and Susie Choi '84 was the lucky winner. Many thanks to those who helped sell the tickets.

BAASA News/Sports

Undying Spirit

The true spirit of the Women's BAASA Volleyball Team was prominent at the Intercollegiate Chinese Student Social Committee (ICSSC) Invitational Volleyball Tournament held at MIT on the first and second of October. Their undying spirit was evident throughout the tournament. At first, the team had a slow start, losing two games (15 to 1 and 15 to 3) to Simmons College. However, the third game proved to be a most challenging one against Simmons College. There were many exciting plays which included, Betty Szeto scoring the first point with her potent spike. Brandeis University was leading the game until, a sudden turn of events occurred, which gave Simmons College the ability to take the lead, and to eventually win the game, 15 to 10.

The next three games were played against the University of Pennsylvania. The outcome of the games were, however, totally unexpected. In the first game, as it was reaching the climax, Karen Lee suddenly pulled a muscle, causing a lost in concentration of the other players and eventually of the game. The final score was 15 to 4. The second game was very exciting with many of the new freshmen girls playing.

Their abilities were shown to be remarkably developed in such a short period of time. The freshmen girls really pulled through! The outcome of this game was, unfortunately a 15 to 8 win for U. Penn. In the third game, Brandeis University was leading with a score of 13 to 9. However, lady luck seemed to have gone to the aid of the U. Penn team allowing them to win with a score of 15 to 13.

The last three games were played against Yale University. In the third game, during an effort to save the ball, Debby Chui was injured. This caused her to leave the game with an injured eye. The scores of the last three games were 15 to 1, 15 to 2, and 15 to 5 wins for Yale University. Throughout the games, there were many saves made by Susie Choi and others. A fine effort was given by all. The final outcome of the tournament was:

First Place: Queensboro College

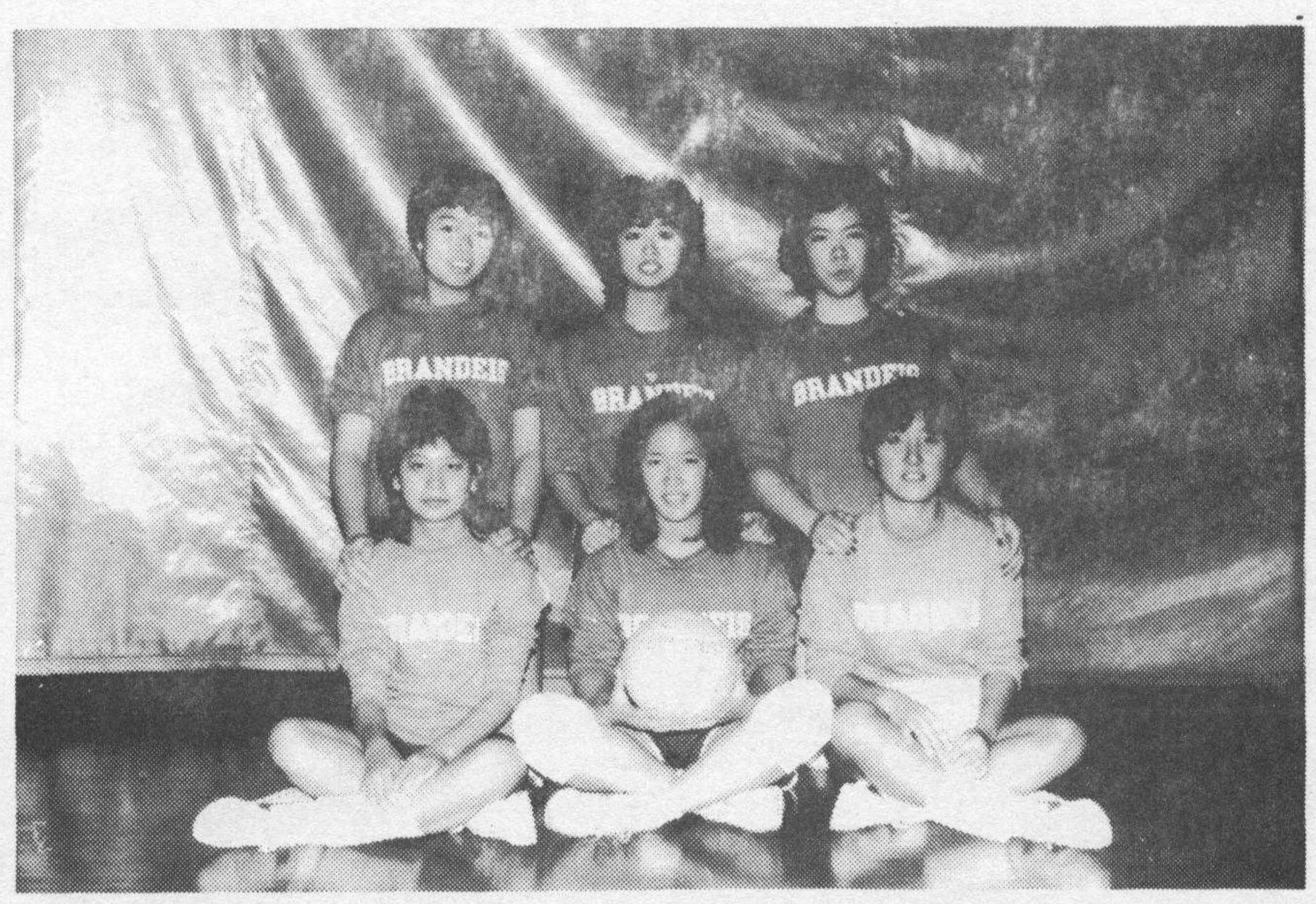
Second Place: Boston College

Third Place: Brown University

Fourth Place: Harvard University



ICSSC SPORTS TOURNAMENT
BAASA volleyball team A: (first row) Debby
Chui, Mi Young Lee, Ya-Lei Huang; (second row) Susie Choi, Tina Chu, Maria Lee.



ICSSC SPORTS TOURNAMENT
BAASA volleyball team B: (first row) Angela
Chin, Joanne Yee, Helen Kwon; (second row)
Debby Kwong, Betty Szeto, Karen Lee.

BAASA News

Constitution Ratified

On October 13, 1983, nearly two years after it was first conceived, the General Assembly of BAASA finally ratified the newly rewritten Constitution. Of the 19 members present at the meeting, 18 of them voted in favor of ratifying the Constitution, 1 person abstained and no one voted against. The newly ratified Constitution became effective immediately and replaced the Constitution written in the mid 1970's.

The idea to rewrite the Constitution was first brought forth in November, 1981, under the Wong Administration. It was apparent then that the existing Constitution was inadequate in governing the club. It was clear that a new set of guidelines was necessary for what was becoming a more active club.

During the spring and fall of 1982, various proposed changes were considered by the administration and by September, 1982, the Wong Administration had written the first draft of the Constitution. After a delay of nearly 8 months, the Constitution Committee was formed to review the first draft and to make any necessary changes.

The Constitution Committee, co-chaired by Herbert Wong '84 and Karen Lee '85 with its

supporting members, Raymond Cheng '83, Susie Choi '84, Debby Kwong '84, Carol Lee '83, Joseph Lee '85, and Careen Ngo '85, officially met for 6 meetings and a total of nearly 30 hours which was spent deliberating, arguing, and sometimes screaming at various issues and points. Every conceivable point and problem were discussed at great length. The product of their efforts was a 6 page draft.

On September 15, 1983, this draft was distributed to the General Assembly. Consideration was given to proposed changes. Two minor changes, however, were accepted by the Constitution Committee.

Nearly two years of hard work has been spent writing, deliberating and ratifying the Constitution. Everyone on the Constitution Committee should be applauded for their efforts and especially for their tolerance during the final months of deliberation. They did a great job!

The following is the Constitution of the Brandeis Asian-American Student Association ratified on October 13, 1983.

BAASA Constitution

by The Constitution Committee

PREAMBLE

We, the Asian students of Brandeis University, in order to form an effective representation of the Asian Community; ensure the equality of Asians in administrative, financial, and educational matters; develop the interaction within the Asian population; secure the right to express our cultural presence; voice our concerns; and encourage the growth of the Asian population at Brandeis, do hereby ratify this Constitution to establish and govern the Brandeis Asian-American Student Association.

ARTICLE I MEMBERSHIP

The membership of this organization shall be open to any Brandeis student who is supportive of the cause, concerns, interest, and goals of the Asian people and who upholds the spirit of this organization. Any student who does not honor these provisions will not be considered a member.

ARTICLE II GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Section 1 - General Information

(1) The General Assembly shall consist of all voting members of the Brandeis Asian-American Student Association.

(2) To be a voting member, one must help implement at least two events, attend at least two general meetings, or participate in any combination of both of the above.

(3) Each voting member in the General Assembly shall have one vote in

all legislative procedures, elections and impeachments.

(4) Absentee ballots will be granted upon request by any voting member for all legislative procedures, elections, and impeachments and must be submitted to the Executive Committee or the Election Committee prior to the voting of the issue in question.

Section 2 - Meetings

(1) The General Assembly shall meet bi-weekly. Regular meetings shall be scheduled for a specific time and place by the Executive Committee as designated by this Constitution.

(2) An agenda shall be distributed by a member of the Executive Committee at least two days prior to and at the beginning of each regular meeting of the General Assembly.

(3) The presentation of progress and financial reports from all committees shall be regular items on the agenda, followed by discus-

sion of any other pertinent issues. The President of the Executive Committee shall moderate all discussions.

(4) A copy of the minutes will be posted in a designated place within

four days after each general meeting.

(5) Emergency meetings may be called by any member of the Executive Committee with the notification of as many members as possible.

ARTICLE III EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Section 1 - General Information

(1) The Executive Committee shall consist of five officers elected

in the manner prescribed by this Constitution.

(2) The officers responsible for the effective operation of this Committee shall reside in the offices of: President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Advisor.

Section 2 - General Responsibilities

- (1) All officers shall be responsible for upholding the spirit of the organization, representing the association's administrative, financial, political, and educational interests as well as initiating and implementing policies and events of the organization.
- (2) All officers shall attend all Executive and general meetings and participate in all events, with the exception of time conflicts or emergency situations, provided (s)he notifies at least one other officer.
- (3) Any officer shall have the privilege of abstaining from any acttivity (s)he feels is objectionable, even when there is majority approval of such an event, only after (s)he has exhausted all attempts to reverse this decision or has previously indicated why (s)he cannot actively participate in the event in question.

Section 3 - Officer's Responsibilities

- The President will be responsible for calling all meetings; overseeing the administrative, financial, and social operations of
 the organization; representing the association to all groups including the Brandeis Student Senate, Brandeis Student Allocation
 Board, Brandeis Third World Committee, and Brandeis Office of
 Student Affairs; formulationg, with the Treasurer, the semester's
 budget to be submitted to the Brandeis Student Allocation Board;
 and delegating all other responsibilities not explicitly stated
 in this Constitution.
- (2) The Vice-President shall assist the President in the execution of his/her duties and assume presidential power during the period when the President is absent or unable to fulfill his/her duties.
- (3) The Secretary shall be responsible for the taking of minutes at all meetings; keeping an updated list of all members; the sending of meeting notices; distributing pertinent organization literature; organizing and keeping the records of all association activities; and implementing all correspondence necessitated by the

Executive Committe.

(4) The Treasurer shall be responsible for the planning of fund-raisers, formulating the semester's budget with the President; recording the use of all association funds; securing of all association funds and assets; attending Allocation Board meetings; and performing any other financial duties called upon by the Executive Committee.

(5) The Advisor shall assist the President in the execution of his/ her duties; offer suggestions relating to association policies and events; and act as mediation between members of the associ-

ation and the President.

ARTICLE IV DISCRETION, POWER, AND LEGISLATIVE PROCEDURES

Section 1 - General Assembly

(1) The General Assembly shall have the authority to elect four of the five officers to serve on the Executive Committee in the

manner prescibed by this Constitution.

(2) The General Assembly shall have the power to approve or reject, after discussion, any proposals, actions, or endorsements that carry the name of the organization presented by the Executive Committee or any other committee by the affirmative vote of two-thirds of a quorum. A quorum shall consist of at least one-half of the voting membership.

(3) In the case of an emergency meeting, the affirmative vote of at least three-quarters of the attending members is required for the

passage of the proposal in question.

Section 2 - Executive Committe

7(1) The Executive Committe has the authority to oversee legislative procedures; the absolute power over all financial matters; and the power to formulate and terminate committees by majority vote and delegate responsiblities prescribed by this Constitution.

(2) Before any proposal is voted on by the General Assembly, a motion to close discussion shall be made by the Executive Committee.

(3) Any member of the Executive Committee has the power to call an emergency meeting, and at least one officer must attend in order for the meeting to be valid.

ARTICLE V ELECTIONS

Section 1 - General Information

(1) Any member of the General Assembly may run for an office. No member may hold more than one office concurrently with the exception of temporary assignments by the Executive Committee.

(2) Elections for the offices of President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer shall be held in November of each year and conducted prior to the Thanksgiving break.

(3) The time and place of elections shall be announced by the Election Committee at least one month in advance.

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- (4) A written statement of candidacy should be submitted by each candidate to the Election Committee at least two weeks prior to the elections.
- During the voting for each office, the candidate receiving the most number of votes shall assume the responsibilities of that position.
- If a tie occurs, and all candidates for the position being voted on did not receive the same number of votes, the General Assembly shall vote again among the candidates with the most number of votes.
- (7) If all the candidates for one position receive the same number of votes, they will be asked, individually, two pre-prepared questions by the Election Committee. Following the candidates' responses to these questions, election procedures shall continue until a candidate has been elected into office.
- After the elections, if any office is not filled, the incumbent and the newly elected Executive Committees shall appoint a member of the General Assembly to assume the responsibilities of that office.
- (9) If any office remains unfilled, the newly elected Executive Committee shall assume the responsibilities for that office.
- Absentee ballots shall be counted as originally submitted.

Section 2 - Election Procedures

- (1) Election shall begin promptly at the designated time and place.
- (2) The officers will be elected in the following order: President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer.
- The voting shall be conducted by a closed ballot.
- Votes shall be counted openly by any two members of the Election Committee.
- (5) Any candidates not elected may run for succeeding positions.
 - (6) The President-Elect shall have the authority to appoint an advisor with the appooral of the newly elected Executive Committee before the commencement of their term.
 - (7) The newly elected Executive Committee shall officially begin their term at the commencement of the spring semester.

ARTICLE VI RESIGNATIONS, IMPEACHMENTS, AND DISMISSALS

Section 1 - Resignations

- (1) If the President resigns, the Vice-President shall assume presidential power. The new President shall appoint a Vice-President.
- If any other officer resigns or can not carry out his/her duties as an elected official, the President shall appoint someone from the General Assembly to fill that office with approval of the General Assembly under legislative procedure.

Section 2 - Impeachment Procedures

- (1) Any officer can raise charges against a fellow officer and thus necessitates a formal impeachment hearing before the General Assembly.
- (2) A petition of one-fourth of the General Assembly necessitates the Executive Committee to proceed with a formal impeachment hearing before the General Assembly.
- (3) The opposing parties shall determine the time and place of the hearing within two weeks after the petition is submitted.
- (4) The officer in question must be notified of such procedures at least one week in advance for any ruling to be valid.
- (5) A member shall be randomly selected by each of the opposing parties to moderate the hearing in the most unbiased manner possible.
- (6) The impeachment of any officer shall require the affirmative vote of at least two-thirds of the General Assembly present at the hearing.

Section 3 - Dismissals

The President shall have the discretion to dismiss the advisor at any time and appoint a new one with the approval of the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE VII COMMITTEES

Section 1 - General Information

- (1) The Executive Committee shall be responsible for initiation and terminating committees by majority vote and insuring the exsistence of the following standing committees: the Admission Committee, the Election Committee, the Newsletter Committee, and the Third World Programming Committee.
- (2) Each Committee shall have the discretion to appoint or dismiss a chairperson for that Committee with the exception of the News-letter Committee.
- (3) Any Committee, in addition to its allocation from the Executive Committee, may sponsor independent fundraisers for its own purposes with the consent of the Executive Committee.

Section 2 - Admission Committee

- (1) The Admissions Committee shall consist of volunteers acting as liasons with the Office of Admissions and serving in the recruitment of Asian students.
- (2) The Committee shall be responsible for contacting and/or sending any correspondence, and representing the association to prospective Asian students, as well as assisting new students.

Section 3 - Election Committee

- (1) The Election Committee shall consist of at least two members of the General Assembly who are not candidates.
- (2) The Committee shall be responsible for all election procedures, including the scheduling of a forum and the election; the col-

lecting of statements from the candidates; the distributing of absentee ballots; the moderating of the forum and election; the preparing of the questions to be used in the case of a tie; the counting of votes; and any other duties pertaining to the elections.

Section 4 - Newsletter Committee

(1) The Newsletter Committee shall consist of editors, writers, artists, staff members, and anyone who helps in the publication of the organization's newsletter, The Eastern Tide.

(2) The editor-in-chief shall have the responsibility of overseeing

the full effective operation of the Committee.

(3) The editor-in-chief shall have the discretion to formulate the Newsletter Committee as well as appoint his/her successor. If a successor has not been appointed by the time the editor-in-chief's vacated, the President of the Executive Committee shall appoint one with the approval of the Executive Committee.

(4) At least one issue of the newsletter shall be published each semester. Failure to publish an issue is justification for the removal of the editor-in-chief by the Executive Committee with the consent of the General Assembly under the impeachment processes

designated by this Constitution.

Section 5 - Third World Programming Committee

(1) The Third World Programming Committee shall consist of at least one member of the Executive Committee and one member of the General Assembly.

(2) The Committee shall be responsible for attending Third World Programming Board meetings and formulating and executing plans

for Third World Cultural Week.

Section 6 - Ad Hoc Committee

Ad Hoc Committees may be formed at any time by any member of the organization with the full knowledge and consent of the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE VIII AMENDMENTS

Any member of the General Assembly may propose changes in the Constitution. A petition of at least one-fourth of the General Assembly is needed for any proposal to be considered for ratification. Proposed change in the Constitution must be announced by the Executive Committee at least two weeks in advance of the date on which the proposals are to be voted. Any amendment or revision of this Constitution shall require the affirmative vote of at least three-fourth of the General Assembly. The final copy of any revision must be distributed to all members at the earliest possible date.

Resignations

by Herbert Wong

Three officers, either elected or appointed for the 1983 year, had resigned from their respective positions within 8 months of their terms in office. The number of resignations in one administration is unprecedented in BAASA history and is believed to be the highest.

The first resignation came at the last BAASA general meeting for the 1982-1983 academic year on April, 1983, when Mark Cheung'85, Treasurer, announced his resignation. Cheung cited that he did not feel that he had the time to fulfill his duties as Treasurer of BAASA because of his responsibilities as Assistant Residence Counselor. He felt that it was in the best interest of the club for him to resign. The Lee Administration decided it was best to delay elections to fill Cheung's position, since finals and the semester's end was near.

In the election on September 28, 1983, to fill Cheung's position as Treasurer, Mi Young Lee '87, defeated Mei Chin '84, 11-9, with 3 abstentions.

On October 7, 1983, in a surprise move, Karen Lee '85, resigned as Advisor to the President. In her resignation letter, Lee cited communication problems between officers and unfair distribution of work among them as factors in her

decision. Lee's resignation came after the men's basketball team had announced their decision not to play in the upcoming ICSSC sports tournament because of injuries. Lee worked hard organizing this event.

Less than a week after Karen Lee's resignation, Donald Lee '85 announced his resignation from the Office of the President on October 13, 1983. In his resignation letter, Lee cited that "the lack of club cohesion" and "the uncertainties of (his) duties and of club expectations has frustrated (his) efforts to direct this organization." With his resignation, Vice-President, Debby Kwong '84, became the Acting-President. Kwong and the remaining officers, Secretary Debby Chui '86 and Treasurer Mi Young Lee '87, decided it was in the best interest of the club to jointly assume responsibility of the vocant positions (vicepresident and advisor) until the elections in November, 1983.

Elections

After what has become one of BAASA's most chaotic semesters, elections for the officers of 1984 was finally held on Nov 17, 1983. At the election, the General Assembly elected Debby Chui '86, President; Mi Young Lee '87, Vice-President; Angela Chin '87, Secretary; and Sarah Tom '87, Treasurer.

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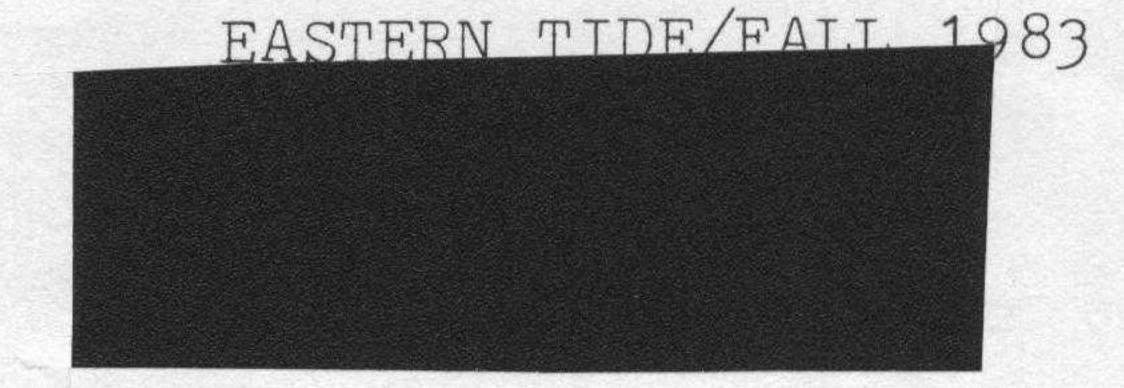
Although all candidates ran unopposed, the General Assembly did have the opportunity to question the candidates on various issues. Debby Chui cited her experience as an officer as qualification for Presidency. She stated that she would try to alleviate the communication problems between officers which had plagued the Lee Administration. She also voiced the need for more interaction between officers and members. When asked about planned activities for the Spring of 1984, Chui stated that she had no definite plans but was willing to listen to proposals from the members.

Angela Chin, when questioned, responded in a similar fashion. She cited that need for greater officer-member interaction and stated that she would be supportive of proposals made by the General Assembly. She stressed, however, that it is important that members voice their opinions.

Sarah Tom, although relatively new to the club, stressed her to work with the

MIT TOWING THE MAD WHADTE to attend the elections due to illness.

In the final balloting, Debby Chui received 14 votes for President with 2 abstentions; Mi Young Lee received 12 votes for Vice-President with 3 abstention; Angela Chin received 14 votes for Secretary with 1 abstention; and Sarah Tom received 13 votes for Treasurer



with 1 abstention.

The elected officers consisting of one sophmore and three freshmen, may be the youngest administration in recent hisrtory. With help from the General Assembly and ample leadership, BAASA should be able to stand tall again.

Halloween Party

by Sy Kim

On October 29, 1983, BAASA sponsored a Halloween party at Grad Commons. This party was the first campus wide party since the one held nearly two years ago on November 21, 1981 at International Lounge with about 50 people attending. The Halloween party proved to be very successful with people dancing to non-stop music from 9:00 P.M. to 2:00 A.M.

The high spirits of the 80 people, who attended the party, gave the room an atmosphere of excitement. They, for 5 hours, forget about their academic worries and danced the night away. One element which added to their spirits was the music provided by D.J. Yee. The songs ranged from "disco" to "new wave."

What kind of Halloween party would it be without costumes? Several people really showed the spirit by coming in original costumes.

The party was a great success. Many thanks to those who organized the event, as well as the person who made the punch.

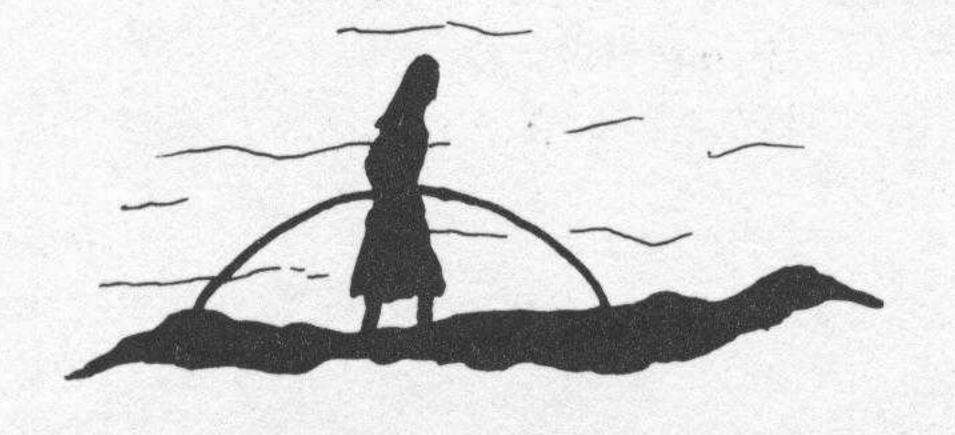
Walking At 6:00 A.M.

Ilsong Ahn

Walking along The air of whispering dawn,
tinkles my sleeping senses, like
woman's soft touch, like
mother's gentle comfort.

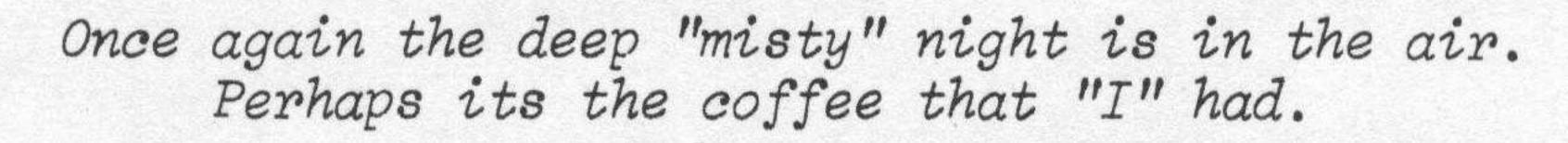
Walking along The air of whispering dawn,
fills my sleeping senses, with
the thoughts of the old days, and
the promises of the new day.

Walking along The air of whispering dawn,
caresses my sleeping senses,
it's time to rest, and
it's time to wake.



"The World of Boo Ung Ee"

llsong Ahn



As we stretch through the night, it seems
A few remaining hours of the morning is
getting so long and "so boring."

We finally see the burning sky of the morning, but with a blurry vision. But, unmoved"It is all nighter for" us.

We are compelled to share this "misty" darkness.

"Joy of boredom" is not our favor book. But,

"The desire" and the passion we possess is invincible.

Well - almost invincible.

What is our purpose?

Our purpose is our future. Our future is our present. Our present is what we are.

We live for the sake of tomorrow. We live to see the rising tomorrow. But, a thought lives in us. A thought of the tomorrow's today.

A Gentle Breeze

Carlton Chin

Unbounded by natural forces,

I wander from place to place.

Like a whisper in the wind,

touching the souls of life.

Death beware--you have no

common ground with me;

I bring about eternity.

In my purpose,

I need not know why, or how,

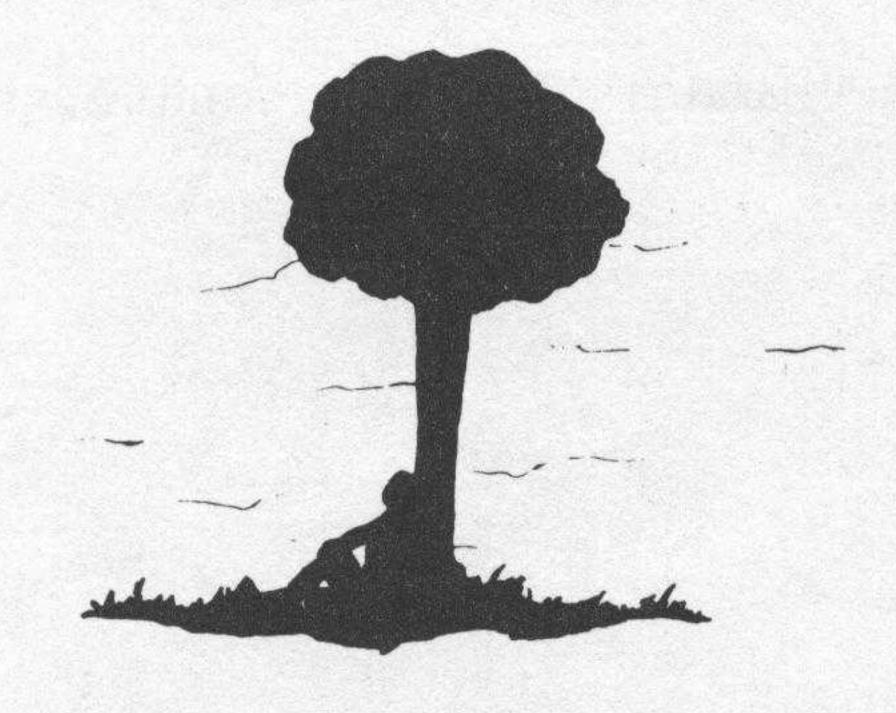
Just that I do.

Life is short.

Frailties are too sacrificial.

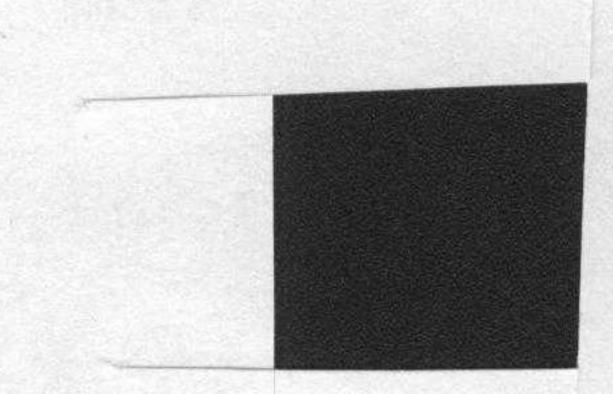
Look forward, not below nor for me,

For I am the whisper in the wind.



Nothing To Say

by Carlton Chin



Looking abroad, over the rolling green hills, I stared at a yellow flower, gentle and breath taking-one of nature's surrounding beauties.

I look high above and saw nothing.
The sky was blue with brilliance.
A gentle, cool breeze whispered through the air.

Yes, this was a place of peace.
It was life untampered with, since its birth.
For a second, I said farewell to all that was dear to me.
Anger and paranoia succumbed others, but not I.

Yes, I was at peace.
Though confronted and dismayed at humanities ignorance,
I had nothing to say.

Over the rolling hills, I saw the ants scurrying for their shelter. One last futile crySuddenly, I heard a tree fall, then another and another.
The sound was terrifying.
It seemed like an entire forest fell.

As the earth trembled, I dare not look up. Still, I stared at my wilting flower-embroiled with ugliness and fire.

I gave one last cry and...

Literature

History of the E.T.

by Joseph Lee

Reflecting back on the history of the Eastern Tide, Journeying back through the Twilight Zone, Traveling across the boundry of our imagination, The first issue of the Eastern Tide was being created.

It all started on a boat called the "Eastern Tide,"
Drifting toward the gate of Port Brandeis,
Founded and edited by Tommy Chi,
In the fall of 1981, the so-called first issue was published.

The editor, Tommy Chi, and
The new assistant-editor, Joseph Lee,
Trying to improve on the so-called first issue,
In the spring of 1982, the second issue was NOT published.

Transforming itself into a newsletter/journal, Including poems, short stories, news, and interviews, Still not giving up hope, In the fall of 1982, the second issue was published.

The new editor, Joseph Lee, and
The new assistant-editor Herbert Wong,
Taking the office,
Made every effort to improve this publication.

Adding new sections such as letters to the editor, Introducing color to the cover page, Adding more flavor to this publication, In the spring of 1983, the third issue was published.

Changing the title of editor to the editor-in-chief, Promoting the assistant-editor to the associate-editor, Appointing two new assistant-editors, Sy Kim, and Carlton Chin, The Eastern Tide has become an empire.

Further improving on the old issues,
Adding even more new sections such as commentaries,
Further increasing its circulation,
In the fall of 1983, the fourth issue of the Eastern Tide IS published.

Literature

Parables



Parable I

The car crawled at 35 on route 98 late August. Melting in the back seat, Sue begged for the air conditioner to be turned on, but her mother said no, fresh air was nicer; she was enjoying the long drive. The three stopped at a roadside snack stand, but her father refused to buy hamburgers or hot dogs, looking forward to a lunch of cold rice and spicy pork. Sue was quiet as they ate on a plastic picnic table in the middle of Jimmy Joints picnickers.

They arrived at the school, and when they got to the dorm, Sue ran up, eager to meet her new room-mate. She forgot to help with the luggage. Ready to scream at her parents, Sue was desparate to talk alone with Debbie. She thought it strange that Debbie didn't smoke, drink, or have a boyfriend. Still, it was interesting that her father was a car dealer, and Sue wondered if she should bother to tell Debbie that her father was the cook in a restaurant near Chinatown.

Sue's parents announced that they had better start the drive back; home was a long way. Sue breathed relief. They asked her if she had enough money, and Sue said yes. Sue was surprised to feel her forehead tingle as she watched her parents change into comfortable shoes.

Sue took her mother's hand as they walked towards the car. Debbie made an odd look from behind. Kisses good-by, the car drove down the hill, Debbie was sure Sue was choking back a tear.

Parable II

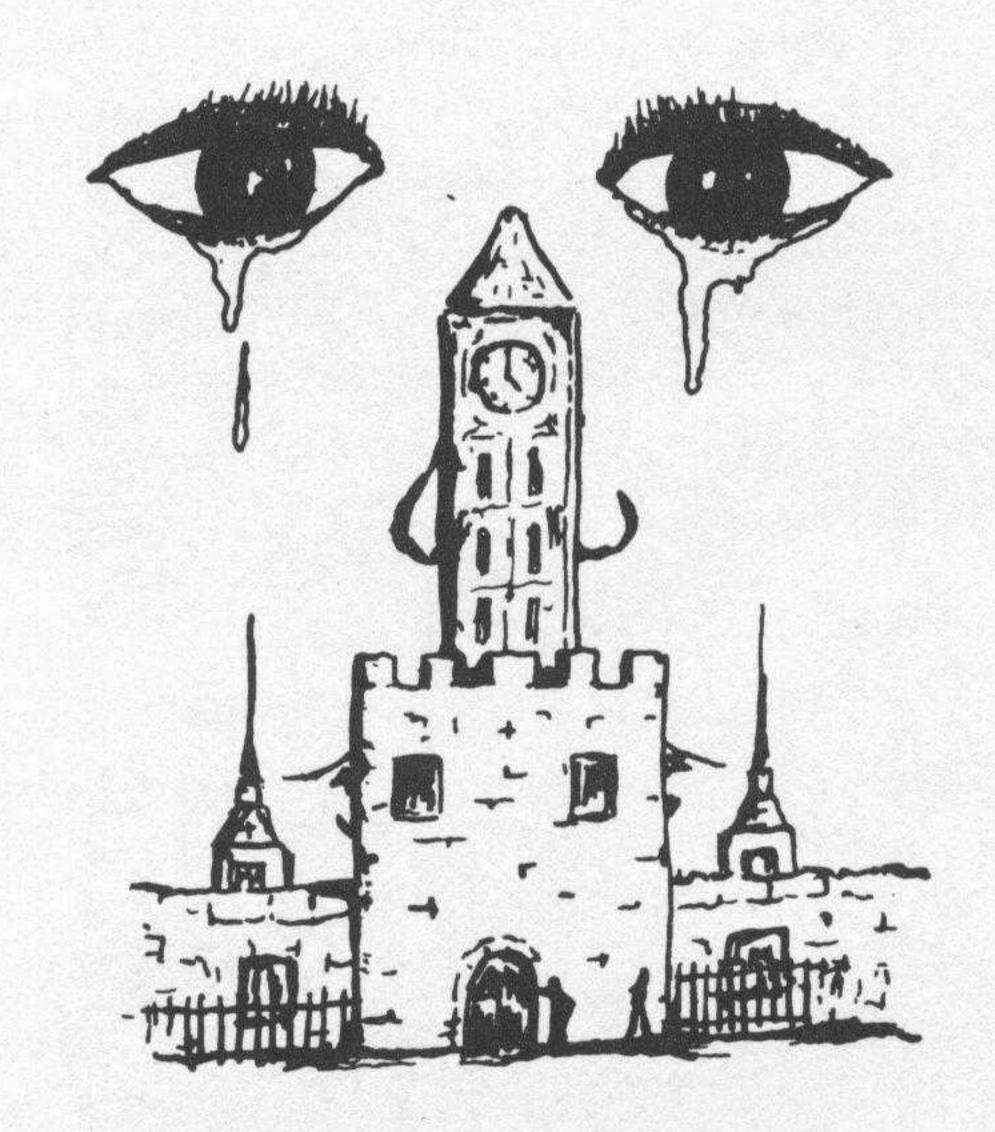
Hyde Park! Sue shook her amazement. She had finally made her junior year abroad. Walking along the gravel, Sue looked up at Gothic towers and marveled to think of kings, and queens, and fairy princesses.

Literature

An old man came up to her and asked her, was she from Malaysia? Startled, Sue smiled at hearing the funny accept and said no, she was an American, studying in London. The ld man said to enjoy the town and wish her good luck. She was a further and saw two rows of school girls all in blue and whi matching blue uniforms. Sue had to giggle. The straight out of her childhood story books.

Sue walked across a patch of lawn when she glanced at a boy of about 10, in a crew cut and black leather jacket, smoking a cigarette. As she stepped faster, the boy belted out - hey you chink!

Moral: Be careful of fortune cookies.



The Innacent Daisies

The little girl walked in the rubble of old buildings and fallen concrete. She was very amused as she playfully searched every crack of rubble. Her hair was blonde under the crust of dirt, and to match her hair was her ragged dress, that once was sky blue. Even with the dirty clothes and tangled hair, her face was bright and loving. Stopping every few inches, she put her hand into the shattered particles and would pick up something. She picked up small articles like keys, jewelry, and things that glittered. As soon as the little trinkets were found, they vanished into the pockets on her dull blue dress. The little girl moved gracefully over the concrete chunks, which stood in her way. Only would her momentum stop, when she would peer down to the rubble to pick up something. On one occasion, she stopped and kneeled down and started to wipe the dirt off a metal sheet. "Hey Johnny, come here for a minute," the little girl screamed and in the distance, a boy looked up from picking up a trinket. He ran smoothly over the rubble as did the girl and soon reached her, out of breath. "What do you want?" he asked. "Brother, look at this sign, and tell me what it says." "Well, let's see here," the boy mumbled as he tried to figure out the words. "It says here, Wel-come to New York." "Brother, what does that mean?" The boy looked at his sister with a dumb face and said, "Beats me." With a motion of his hand he said, "Let's get home, it's getting late." The two children walked toward the massive city-like dwelling that they called home. The huge remaining buildings in front of them cast a huge shadow from the declining sun.

"Hey Jenny, what do you want to bring to Park to eat?" the boy asked. "We could go into this food place here." The little girl delightfully replied, "I feel like having some apricots today." The two made their way into and through the crumbled doorway of the building. Inside the building, it was misty with dirt and bricks lay scattered on the floor from the shattered ceiling. They made their way through the first aisle. Rats crawled around the brown and black food particles. "Hey Johnny, what does that sign say?" The boy responded quickly saying, "It says, Veg-et-tables." With a smile, the girl complimented her brother on his fine reading. With some effort, the two made their way to the aisle of cans. Thousands of cans were dusty and were rusted with weather. "Ah", the boy sighed, "Here we are, apricots. We can't

find them better than these." "I love apricots," the little girl added as she looked eager and delighted. After some collecting of rusted cans, the two escaped from the hole in the wall and went home.

They went through passages which were covered with broken concrete. Johnny led the way carrying the cans and sister followed. By the end of their journey, they covered a considerable amount of distance, to them at least. "Here we are Jenny, home at last." The boy spoke very proudly and looked upon his home as a kingdom. The two romped and played and they joked with pleasure only kids would know. "Madame Jenny, what does that sign say?" asked Johnny jokingly. "Oh Duke of Park, the sign reads Park Ave. Oh your Lordship, what is Ave?" "Well my dear Madame Jenny of Park, it means kingdom. Yes, it means Park kingdom and it's all ours." The boy was proud and he held his head high in honor as he walked through the road. Jenny equally found delight and walked like a princess in a ball. "Here we are, Madame Jenny," said Johnny pointing to the huge building. "May I escort you in, Madame?" "Oh, thank you, Duke," Jenny said softly as she curtsied. The two walked into the nice building. They walked into the halls and climbed the stairs. Both bounced proudly as they eyed their home.

"Here we are Madame, and welcome to Park. I believe everything is ready for you, and I hope you enjoy your dinner." The girl smiled and softly said thank you. Johnny was delighted and he quickly opened the cans with a knife. He emptied the contents of the cans and poured them into bowls. Jenny complimented Johnny on his cooking expertise and Johnny took a bow. They ate heartily, not having eaten all day. Soon however, the apricots vanished and both were full from devouring the fruits. "May I say Sir, that the chef of Park is extraordinary," said Jenny as she sipped the syrup. Johnny then replied, "Well, I'll be sure to tell the chef of your kindness."

After finishing, Johnny took the lamp and brought it over to the terrace. He peered into the sky and he stared at it. Then he redirected his attention to the city. There were no lights to be seen. Everything was black and dead. Nothing stirred and all was still. "Hey sis, I wonder why there are so many crumbled buildings and where are all the people like in those pictures. Where did the people go to? Did they forget to take us? Did they leave us behind when we were babies? I remember some things but I don't remember a lot." Jenny walked over from the living room with a magazine. "Hey Johnny, look at this soft book," she whispered. Johnny took the magazine from his sister and looked at it. "What does that say Johnny?" his sister asked. Johnny, being able to read said, "It says T-ime Ma-ga-zine." "Johnny, what does that mean with the S and the line through it and a bunch of numbers after it, like on that soft book?" "Jenny, I think

it means that you have to give somebody that much and give cents." The girl was amazed and shrieked, "You mean for that soft book, you have to give somebody 300 cents?" Jenny stood in a state of awe. "Hey Johnny, how did you know that?" Johnny just stood and smiled.

Both children under the same light looked over the pages of the magazine together. Johnny read with difficulty and his sister listened intensely to her brother's professional reading. Johnny read and Jenny asked who and what the pictures were. "Hey Johnny, who is that man?" she asked pointing to a picture. "It says here that this man's name is Re-agan. He is the pre-sident of some place called the Unit-ed States." "What is that bunch of words saying Johnny?" Johnny looked closely at the magazine article and read it with great difficulty. "Jenny, I can't read some of the words, but I think I know some of them. These words are talking about some nu-cle-ar dis-arm-ament. I don't know what that is though. But I think that it's important because the same words keep on coming up. Hey Jenny, where did you get this here soft book?" Johnny asked eagerly. "I got it from the ground today," the girl replied. "Look here at all these people. They must have gone to this place called the Unit-ed States. I think they forgot to take us when everybody was going. They must have forgotten that we were in the round room under the dirt." Johnny trembled with excitement as he spoke. "Maybe we can go and find them and we can talk to them, right?" Jenny nodded her head with pleasure as she got happier with her brother's sudden arrival of joy. "Oh Jenny," said Johnny, "we're going to meet some of those people in the place called the Unit-ed States and maybe we'll meet this Re-agan man and we can talk to him because we're lonely. Jenny, get some sleep and tomorrow we have to get things ready for our trip." Johnny thought to himself the pleasures he would encounter meeting new people after all those moons have passed. For a long time he had wondered where all the people had gone to and he was upset that they had not taken him and his sister. However, he was willing to let them enter his life. His life was adventurous but it lacked the many friends in which to share it with.

In the morning, Johnny woke up to see his sister crying on the terrace. He raced to see what was the matter. "Jenny, what's the matter, did those itchy bugs come back into your hair?" The little girl replied, "No." She stopped crying long enough to ask her brother, "Are we going to forget about Park, our home?" "Are you crazy Jenny, of course not. We're only going to visit the Re-agan man and we'll come right back after we talk to him for a while. I just want to meet some of the people living in that place." Jenny stopped crying and gave a

big smile. "Anyway," reassured Johnny, "would I give up being a Duke?" With a burst of laughter, both children hugged each other and decided to eat breakfast. Eagerly, they finished the remaining cans of apricots and the same routine of compliments were exchanged. They hurried to get their bags so that they could collect things that they could use in their quest.

They were out the door and into the world again. Out before them lay shattered buildings and wrecked streets. Nothing was moving except the graceful youths. All was extremely still and quiet. There was no life anywhere, not even those green sticks were coming up from the ground. The ones that Johnny had read about were not anywhere. Only in his great variety of books can he find these. They also wondered where all the animals went to. Animals that they read about were, they believed, taken along with the people. "Hey Johnny, should we go to the food place for food so we can have something to eat on our trip?" The boy thought for a second before answering. "Well, I don't know if we should, because I saw the food places as far as the central park and even as far as the broken metal thing by the water. I wonder what the metal thing was used for?" The girl thought and trying to look intelligent said, "Maybe they used it to walk across the water." Her intelligent answer and her continuing quest for intellectual acceptance made Johnny turn away saying, "Maybe it was and maybe not. But most likely it wasn't." The little girl shrugged and waited for another time when she would have the chance to show off her growing education.

The two walked far from home and they walked gracefully as birds can fly in the air. It was as if the two were born from the rubble. As a matter of fact, Johnny remembered coming out from under the rubble when he was very small. He remembered the small, underground room that he and his sister were in. In any case, Johnny walked a step ahead of his sister and he picked up what he thought was to belong to the Duke. Jenny therefore picked up things that Madames should pick up. Only on occasion would they split up and scavenge on their own. "Here we are Jenny, central park." The little girl was amazed because she had never gone this far with Johnny before to a place so different. Johnny never let his sister go with him when he went on long trips because he said she slowed him down. It was on these trips that Johnny found these great things. Jenny had to look around Park when Johnny was not home. "Johnny, I don't like this place," she said with a blank face. "This place looks real spooky." Despite her reluctance to wander through central park, she followed Johnny in. They went walking in and they spotted a bent sign. "Johnny, what does that say?" Johnny looked and tried to pronounce it a few times and said, "It sounds like goo or zoo." "Oh Johnny, do you think that

this is the place where they used to keep the animals? Don't you remember reading about it?" the little girl persistently asked. "You know what I think Jenny, I think it is," Johnny confessed. They both ran in, maybe in the hope that they could see some wild life refuge, where animals, never seen before, roamed. However, they were disappointed. They expected to see animals walking around but all they found were clumps of dust in empty cages. "Johnny, why are there bars?" "I think, Jenny, that's where they kept the animals." Jenny looked hurt and said, "Do you think that the animals like me and you were put into them?" Johnny looked at his sister and said, "No, I don't think that I would ever do that to you."

After seeing much and collecting some tings, they headed for Park. They arrived hungry and tired. Both were eager to throw open their aprons and let their trinkets fly to the floor. Jenny collected some bottle caps, a doll, a few scorched laces, and things that beautified her. Johnny found some old tennis balls, a few knives, pencils, highly prized magazines, and things of that nature which pleased him. He also found something prized by himself and his sister, a bag of marbles. Johnny admired the big blue one with the white swirling cloud in it. Equally, his sister found favor in the big blue one. "Hey Johnny, can I hold that blue one for a while?" asked the little girl shyly. "Oh no," Johnny said, "Madames don't touch things like this; it isn't right. Besides, you can play with some of the things you found." The little girl persisted, "But I want to play with the blue circle thing. I really do." Johnny looked at his sister and said, "No, you can't because the oldest gets to hold it and you're not the oldest." Jen v, feeling the power that her brother possessed, declined and went to her room. She sobbed a liitle and realized that Johnny was unfair, but she was not daring enough to challenge him. After all, he could read.

After eating some canned fish, the two read. It was more like Johnny read. That night, Jenny was not in favor of reading with Johnny. She was a little sore and Johnny, like usual, read the books. With renewed interest, Johnny decided to finish the article from the Times Magazine. He read out loud and tried to understand the words. "Let's see here, it says that this Re-agan man wants to stop this Nu-cle-ar thing, but he has no power to do this. I wonder what it all means. It says that people would get killed if they have this nu-cle-ar war."

Johnny looked at the pictures of an atomic explosion. The mushroom shaped cloud filled the picture colorfully. Under the picture was a caption, and Johnny read, "The nu-cle-ar mis-siles can cause cities to be reduced to nothing but rubble. Many people will be killed and only a few are expected to survive."



Johnny looked out into the city and saw the rubble. He wondered what had happened. He asked himself why they would do such things to themselves. In that moment, a small rat appeared on the terrace. The rat was trying to steal away a molded piece of apricot that Jenny had left the other day. All the while, the rat watched Johnny.

Out from the other side of the terrace, there appeared a fat rat. It saw the small rat with the apricot and it immediately attacked it. The big rat was not even scared of Johnny's presence. After being bitten, the smaller rat, with great ferociousness, retaliated and both were fiercely fighting. Blood squirted out from the chaos and the outcome was clear. The smaller rat was limp and the body was lifeless as the city. Having won its prize, the rat swallowed the apricot and quickly disappeared. Johnny was amazed and he stood over the dead rat. He wondered what makes them want to fight against themselves. Surely the rats came from the same family. Then all of a sudden, he felt enlightened for he knew all that had ever happened.

Seeing what had happened, Johnny got up and stared into the sky. He mumbled the word nu-cle-ar over and over again. With his head down, he went into his sister's room. Throwing the marbles on Jenny's bed, he said, "Here, you can have them." Jenny looked up and said with an amazed tone, "I can keep the blue one?" "Yes Jenny, you can keep all of them." Jenny smiled and said, "But I'd rather share them with you." Johnny smiled and then both of them broke into laughter. "Hey Jenny, we won't be going on that trip after all. I figured that nobody is going to watch Park if we go." Jenny giggled and said, "That's okay because I didn't want to go. I'd rather stay here with you even though there aren't that many people to talk to." Both laughed and Johnny said, "Madame, may I escort you to the reading room?" "Why of course, your lordship of Park."

Carol,

Did you finish your apples?

JCL

T.A.

I want your body and I think you're sexy.
R.S.

K.L.

Congratulation on your upcoming wedding! Many happy blessings!

H.W.

Elena and Julie,

Happy Christmas and Merry New Years!

Joe

TKL

CA via AC and LV.

JCL

Maria,

Oh wait a minute! I have to go to the bathroom! Oh my God! I can't believe that!

MYL

Maria,

I have to stop off at the bathroom. Stop eating or you'll shee..."One summer night, the stars were shining bright..."
Star light, star bright first star I see tonight...I wish I may, I wish I might have the wish, I wish tonight. Tonight, I celebrate my love for you..."
Maybe!

Chem partner

Sy,

Are you awake? Hey woman.

I love Chemistry. I'm so hungry,
but it's my second entree. Sy,
you have to stop drinking or else S.K.
you'll get drunk!!!!

Helen & Maria

Julia,

I'm not too embarrassed! Julia stop socializing, get to work. Wake me up at 8:51 AM! Did anybody called?

Maria

Joe,

How was your test? A? B? I was in the library all day. I'm so tired.

Maria

Il,

I'm your business manager.
You get 10% and I get 90% profit.
Maybe? That's not too nice!
Maria

Debby,

Yoo...I'm so picky when it comes to food.

Helen

Vu,

Hi Toan, Sorry Vu! Next time I'll get it right. Helen

Hey sis,

No more chocolate chip cookies! How's Jeffy? He's so cute!

Little sis

Hi ya Tiptop!

So what's up? Oh my gosh.

How was Saturday night? I'm
serious! Really? Yeah! Why don't
you go rags instead of riches!

From Riches
\$25 Taxi Fare

Steve,

Yo! So what's up!! Awesome!
Helen & Maria