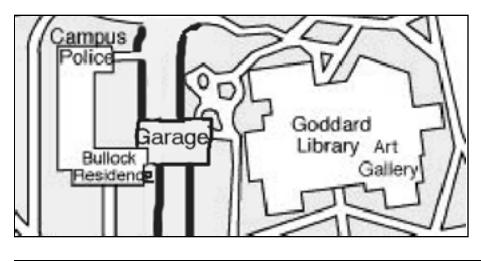
Introducing ... CUP-FA (No, not another course requirement) By Jeremy Lesniak

Alot of people came up to me, asking many questions re g a rding the StudCo elections. Mostly, why I ran. Now that the elections are o v e r, and I was not elected (actually I was defeated by abstentions, supposedly), I feel I can answer this question.

First off, you're pro b a b l y wondering why in the hell I would want to waste my time with Council. The answer is simple- I had intended to use my influence over Council to start a new student group, the Clark University Pro-Freedom Alliance. Also called the CUP-FA, for short. What is the CUP-FA? Well, as politically incorrect as the term is, and despite the fact that it will drop a lot of mouths, the CUP-FA will be what the rest of the world calls a "militia". Now, before all of you jump to the conclusion that I intend to take over Clark, make the administration my personal servants, siphon off tuition dollars to purchase myself a new Lexus and buy a summer home in Barbados, let me explain.

As long as people have existed, so have groups. And since the beginning of time, people of common beliefs have banded together for safety. Well, the CUP-FA is nothing more than a



group that believes in the personal, inalienable rights of the Constitution, such as f reedom of speech and the right to bear arms. Until recently these groups, often associated with religion or extremism, have been left alone. But beginning with the events at the Branch-Davidians in Waco, the US Government decided to essentially rewrite the ATF's directives: the ATF is now nothing more than an anti-"cult"/"militia" organization, bent on the destruction of anything remotely resembling one of these groups. Ironically, the very Constitution that ultimately cre a t e d the ATF allows for these g roups. If the US Government wants to do away with them, they need to do away with the Constitution.

So, how does this relate to Clark, and why the hell do we need such a left-wing o rganization? The answer is, we need this about as much as a hole in the head, or any other Clark group for that matter. But, in this case, the group will be doing something to actually better campus life. Maybe even take care of the apathy problem so many are concerned with.

The CUP-FA proposal I have written up and will present to Council establishes the following:

The restriction 1. of f i rearms on campus will be revoked. Instead, any person in possession of a legal gun permit will be allowed to possess firearms. There will be allowed no more than 10 per person, and ammunition will be limited to 10,000 rounds per weapon, or a maximum of 100,000 rounds.

2. After the requisite period of time, Council will allot an initial budget of \$100,000 to convert Bullock Hall into real barracks. This а includes the removal of the few windows. and the installation of security doors, including a card entry on the front door. Students that would normally be placed into Bullock will now be housed in Wright Hall. The rooms are too big for two people, anyway.

3. The right for the CUP-FAto use Tilton Hall as a target range, whenever there are no conflicts of time, provided a munitions-pro of backdrop is used.

4. The establishment of the required executive board.

5. Once funds have been a c q u i red, the building of a Garage attached to Bullock Hall on the Goddard Library side.

6. Establishment of a military-style escort service, thus eliminating the need for the Campus Police equivalent.

7. The reopening of the elusive tunnels. These will be either reinforced or sealed up, according to their location, usefulness and state.

8. Transfer of ownership of the mystical Clark Hovercraft to the CUP-FA.

9. A yearly budget of \$75,000.

I am sure that a lot of you are probably screaming your heads off right now. "Clark doesn't need a militia!" Well, aside from what I said before, I really think we do. I feel that the creation of this o rganization would add a lot to campus life. The benefits off e red would be as follows:

1. All students would have the opportunity to join, thus establishing a new way to meet people. 2. The opportunity to practice with firearms, a true benefit living in Worcester.

3. The opportunity to be trained in the operation of military vehicles, such as H u m Vees, APC's and various assault craft.

4. An actual use for the Hovercraft.

5. A real escort service. One that will be prompt and effective.

6. Defense for Clark in the Event of the Apocalypse.

So, you see that the CUP-FA would be a wonderful addition to the Clark comm u n i t y. We could join the other college militias and have competitions. Perhaps a new varsity sport could even come out of it. I encourage everyone to join, or at least support, this worthy drive. Thank you.

WheatBread Joke of the Month:

Where do you find a turtle with no legs?

Right where you left him.