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"One of the most insidious characteristics of cancer is that in its early stages it often appears to be only a harmless discomfort easily forgotten and certainly not worth the effort required to discover its origin!"

Dr. Marcus Casey Gannon

Dear Student Body?

The dome had been months in the planning. A few students and a few faculty members had gotten together. They learned about geodesic domes. Two faculty members from the math department spent many hours working out the mathematics of the dome. George Coder organized manpower (and woman power) and acquired materials. Months of planning came down to a Saturday morning and the threat of spring morning showers.

Ten or so people, several cars and a truck of materials were the plans ready for action. The steel grew together. Little gangs of people moved--a multi-limbed body--moved around the web of steel pipe and it grew like a spider web grows from the abdomen of the spider. A crane came just when it was needed. The crane people helped. A cherry picker came when it was needed. The cherry picker people helped. Finally, in the early afternoon, a 15 feet high, 30 feet in diameter, stood where no dome had stood before; a dome built by a few students and a few faculty, a dome not prefabricated and push-buttoned together, a dome not sent for from a catalogue, a dome that days before was raw steel tube lying in bundles tied together by hemp cord, a dome that a week before was made of paper and promises, a dome that a few months before was 4 or 5 excited people sitting on the floor of the faculty lounge playing with paper tetrahedrons.

What is the dome now? It is the first and only tangible evidence that life exists on Lima campus--proof that people can work to accomplish something, proof that faculty and student can work as equal human beings--learning together.

What has happened to the dome? New life is a very fragile thing; it falls easily to the rigors of a hostile environment. New life requires appreciation--apathy kills. The administration has failed to understand what the dome means. The students with their collective ignorance have failed to even recognize the dome's existence. The faculty, dealing only with its own esoteric concerns, has successfully avoided its responsibility to guide the student body. And so the idea of the dome and the dome itself nears death.

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It sure is fun to get letters and to answer the letters also in the Hot Flash!

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OSU-Lima Tennis Team defeated Mansfield 4-3 Tuesday at Stadium Cts.

OSU-Lima Golfers split with BGSU and Miami Hamilton. Lima Beat Miami
Hamilton 16½-3½ and lost to BGSU 9-6. Their record now stands at 6
victories and two defeats. But losses were to BGSU Firelands Campus.

Tuesday May 11th The Golf Team Travels to Fort
Wayne to play Indiana-Purdue at 1:00; Friday they
entertain Marion and Sinclair College here at
Hawthorne Hills at 1:00.

Saturday May 15th the tennis team plays Wright
State Celina Campus here at Stadium Courts at
1:00.

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The food was good while it lasted and we apologize for the
shortage. Last year the attendance was set for 200 and there
was food leftover, this year it lasted 45 minutes. Sorry!
Next year we will plan better.

There were 225 people at the dance Thursday night for the
best-attended event we've had on campus this year. Thanks to
everyone who attended for their cooperation in helping the
Student Senate create a success. Don Hawk and Beth Nicholson
were elected King and Queen and everyone had an enjoyable
evening.

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The people whose effort created the dome are becoming
disillusioned--are beginning to feel that no symbol
of life should exist here, are beginning to feel that
only the deadness of this place should be given recog-
nition.

Can we afford the loss? The answer is yes. We can go
on as before and as always. Death is easier than life.
Death requires no effort. If the dome dies things will
be easier. There will be no need for any student to
question the method of construction, no need to know
who Fuller is, no need to understand the principles
of solid geometry invaluable in its construction, no
need to wonder why it was built, no need to wonder,
no need to question, no need to think, no need.

Michael Tincher

There is no need for any words from me. Your letter
says it all. We welcome any and all response to this
comment.

Hot Flash Man

