

**What's on your mind
September 2005**

“What we need is ... we need strippers and poles, flamethrowers... and stuff like that, is what we need”

Under the Fair Labor Standards Act, we have had to terminate all of our strippers and the SMU Fire Inspector has banned the use of flamethrowers in the buildings. The poles were recycled as parking meters. ☺

“Great job on the new dry-erase boards!!! And the vending machines !!! Now if y'all would just be open for 24 hours!!!It would be GREAT!!!!!!”

Central University Libraries is still working on that. Fondren Library Center is open 24 hours during exam week.

“When is the hole in the ceiling of the women's restroom going to be fixed? It is an eye sore!”

We are happy to report that it is now fixed.

“Less bugs on campus on campus so that visitors won't freak out.”

Volkswagen Beetles have made a comeback. Exterminators regularly service Fondren Library to keep our bugs under control. Limiting food to the student lounge will keep ants and roaches from infesting the study areas.

“Buffet?”

“You know it sure would be nice if we had a cotton candy machine in here. Cotton candy is so much fun; it sure would lighten the mood in here. And maybe a juggler. Jugglers are great too! So exciting.”

“Full-Library buffet? It will increase studying.”

No food in the library except snacks in the new Student Lounge in the basement of Fondren Library East. Jugglers were released from employment in compliance with the Fair Labor Standards Act as well although many of our student shelvers can handle large number of books with dexterity and grace.

“Who picked the ugly paint colors for all of the study rooms? They look like the Easter Bunny threw up. I suggest you contact Trading Spaces ASAP.”

Many students have said they like the new bright colors. The redecoration freshened up the dirty dinghy walls and has helped students stay awake while studying.

“Since SMU finds it utterly impossible to keep the temperature in the info commons above that of a meat locker, how about 1) issuing sweaters to all patrons, 2) Filming a CSI morgue scene here 3) selling space as a sperm bank. Seriously, the info

commons is miserably cold due to the insanely excessive AC and all SMU seems capable of doing is making excuses. Don't we have an engineering school? And we can't fix HVAC? Come on."

"The temperature in library needs to be increased for learning enhancement purposes."

"The main first floor computer is absolutely freezing."

I don't know if the SMU School of Engineering assists the SMU Campus Planning and Plant Operations. Library staff have been in continual discussions with campus Hot/Cold Service.

"Who is that weird old guy that wears the big ear muffs?"

He is a regular patron of the Information Commons.