

SWARTHMORE COLLEGE
SWARTHMORE, PENNSYLVANIA
OFFICE OF THE DEANS

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Don Mizell
Chairman, SASS

Dear Don:

I continue to communicate with the SASS group through you because it is convenient. Let me know if another route is preferable. As you know, it is important that all of us understand the ground rules concerning the use of Lodge 4. Mr. Cross has asked me to summarize them in writing, which is the purpose of this letter. I hope you will make certain that the information reaches all members of SASS. I will pass it along to other members of the administration and staff who are involved. If questions arise, we can arrange a meeting of interested parties.

1. Lodge 4 has been designated as a facility which SASS can use for educational and social purposes. It is my understanding that the top floor will serve as an office and tutorial room, while the main floor is available for meetings, parties, etc. The kitchen in the basement can be used in connection with social events. If you need help with furnishings, you are welcome to consult with the House Director's office and the Superintendent's office to see whether the College has anything in storage which you could borrow.

2. I know that you are aware of the various provisions of the Civil Rights Acts which require us to make all facilities of the campus open to students regardless of race and religion. It is important for everyone at the College to know that the kitchen and meeting room of Lodge 4 are available to all members of the community. In practice, SASS undoubtedly will use these areas more than other groups, but it should be understood the requests for use by individuals and groups other than SASS will be honored if they do not conflict with your schedule of activities. At present we will refer requests for use to you so that SASS will be informed about general use of the space. If problems arise and it seems desirable at a later date, Mrs. Irwin and the Deans' Office can help to determine the schedule of events in Lodge 4.

3. You and I have discussed on several occasions the problems that could be created by noise coming from Lodge 4. The location is not ideal from that standpoint and all of us will have to work hard to see that guests and other students are not inconvenienced. I hope SASS members will inform themselves of the schedule of activities in Bond and will avoid those times when arranging for social events in Lodge 4. Windows should be kept shut (unless suffocation threatens), and the general noise level should be kept within reasonable bounds. This is particularly important during the latter part of the evening when occupants of neighboring guest rooms will

be trying to sleep.

4. The closing hours for Lodge 4 under normal circumstances should be 12:30 a.m. on Sundays through Thursdays and 1:45 a.m. on Fridays and Saturdays (actually Saturday and Sunday mornings). These hours conform with those of other social facilities and will, I hope, seem reasonable. From time to time you may wish to request a later closing hour for a special event. Please let Miss Townsend or me know when these occasions arise so that we can inform the night watchman. In the absence of special instructions, the watchman will close the Lodge at the hours given above.

5. We will be working on further changes in the College's liquor rule early in the semester. In the meantime, the Lodge should not be used for drinking.

6. You are free to work out your own decorating schemes for the space. You certainly can consult with Bill Cline or any of the rest of us whom you think might be helpful. I hope you will make it known to the rest of the community if you have exhibits that are of general interest.

These points seem to me to be basic to our attempts to inaugurate a successful center. It is important that we make it work and I hope it proves to be a useful adjunct to your program. I realize that problems will occur and will appreciate your help in working out those that we cannot avoid. Let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely yours,

Robert A. Barr, Jr.
Dean of Men

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