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A Connecticut College tradition since 1976

Freshmen initiation leaves team conduct in question

By Michelle Remayne
Editor in Chief

"I have heard the rumor that it was a freshmen initiation... We were all interested in follow-up on that rumor. It is if a sailing team initiation then it will be addressed. I don't have any information to substantiate those claims," said Catherine WoodBrooks, dean of student life, of last Wednesdays sailing keg party.

Following Sam Vineyard's accident, the issue of the sailing team and its freshmen initiation was brought to light. While investigating the events surrounding Vineyard's fall, it was discovered he briefly attended a sailing keg during the evening. Team members have stressed that Vineyard was drunk when he arrived at the party and that the fall, though alcohol related, was not a result of the party.

Members of the team were asked to respond to the rumors that this was an initiation. Captain Seth Wilkinson confirmed the story, claiming it was a freshmen initiation designed mainly to scare but not to pressure the new members of the team. Freshmen were asked to bring a banana and a razor to the party but were not told for what they would be used.

"It was an initiation, but not one where most people would think," said one member of the team. "But we feel that the conditions of the initiation did lead to alcohol being brought to the party."

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Conn jumps four to 25 in U.S. News and World Report rankings

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"I'm so proud... I'm just so proud," said Claire Gaudiani, president of the college, at a presentation to the Student Government Assembly last Thursday.

It became official on September 7. A long sought after goal has been reached. Conn has finally joined the ranks of U.S. News & World Report's top 25 liberal arts and sciences schools.

Conn climbed through the report's ranks over the past five years. Number 41 in 1990, the college moved to 27 two years ago and received special recognition as a "top and coming college," then dropped to 29 last year. The achievement of top 25 status comes at the conclusion of the college's first five-year Strategic Plan, and is based largely on statistics for the class of 1998, which had the highest percentage of students of color in the college's history as well as the highest average SAT score in recent years.

According to Lee Coffin, dean of admissions, the move to 25 should not be a surprise. "From an admissions standpoint, we have been a top 25 school for many years... and now the public is finally starting to catch on," said Coffin. "A lot of what we do anyway will keep us there."

Coffin explained that the increase in the size of the college's endowment is another factor which contributed to the higher ranking. "We just had a fabulous year last year," he said, citing an increase in excess of 10 percent. Coffin added that endowment is one criterion used by U.S. News to gauge the overall strength of institutions.

Despite all the praise and celebration, few understand the process involved in selecting the top institutions. A complex formula is applied in which statistics are combined in a comprehensive matrix to create a profile of the college. The relevant data includes information regarding the percentage of students accepted to the percentage enrolled, the high school class standing of the incoming class, the average SAT score of that class, the percentage of faculty members with a Ph.D., as well as endowment strength.

The U.S. News & World Report rankings approximately 1,400 accredited four year colleges and universities each year. It evaluates schools under the categories of national liberal arts colleges, national universities, and by region.

According to U.S. News, the information is collected from surveys sent to colleges and university deans and presidents. The schools are asked to rank other schools in one of four quartiles and to provide information about their own schools. Each quartile has a point value giving a school four points for the top quartile, three points for the second quartile etc.

The points are added and divided by the number of schools participating in the survey. The reputational ranking is combined with the statistical information provided by the schools.

In the past, administrators have argued that our school's endowment has been much smaller than our peers, a fact which is likely to have kept us out of the top ranks.

Gaudiani received a standing ovation when she addressed the SGA Assembly last Thursday. Ted Shevlik, SAC chair, called her a "visionary leader," attributing much of the college's success to her efforts. But Gaudiani said that the credit belongs to the campus community as a whole.

"If you set your mind to being excellent everywhere, you can be really good in lots of places," she said.

The top three liberal arts colleges in the nation are Amherst, Swarthmore, and Williams, colleges that have maintained "top three" ranking for several years.

Conn is now ranked directly between those three and now the public is finally starting to catch on," said Coffin. "A lot of what we do anyway will keep us there."

U.N. Summit on Women:

Professors Baird and Gezari travel to women's conference in China

By Michelle Remayne
Editor in Chief

The UN conference on Women ended this weekend and two members of Conn's faculty will soon return home with much information to share with the college community.

Bridget Baird, professor of mathematics and Janet Gezari, professor of English, were among the many participants to attend the global summit.

The conference was a 10-day gathering of non-governmental organizations (NGOs) and representatives from over 180 countries. All reports indicate that this conference was a success.

Though there has been much controversy in the news over the conference and its host country, the conference's main function was to develop a plan to enhance equality for women around the world.

Baird and Gezari have been in touch with Claire Gaudiani, president of the college via e-mail. It seems that all reports of hardship conditions and poor planning were true.

"The physical conditions are shaming. We meet in hot, crowded, unair-conditioned school rooms, or in tents where it is difficult to hear. During the first day it rained, which exposed all the weaknesses of the site. The mud also marched on the
Interim dean of freshmen aspires to help first year students find their way

by Young Kim

Theresa Ammirati is the interim Dean of Freshmen, but she isn’t here to tell anyone what to do. Ammirati is here to help guide by making suggestions, and by being a friendly face in what can be a very cloudy world. “It really is tough to make choices. I’m here to help them decide their own priorities,” said Ammirati.

Ammirati has been at Conn for the last twenty years and is very excited about her new position. Last year Ammirati was Director of the Writing Center as well as an instructor of English. The new dean is not concerned by any lack of experience. She knows the school and she loves her new job. “I am having a great time. I know all the Deans and the faculty. This isn’t all that new for me. So far I have just enjoyed all of it,” said Ammirati.

The class of ’99 has a lot to deal with this year—new school, new environment, new people, and new standards—but they have been assigned someone with better hands than Allstate Insurance. The trials and tribulations of the freshman year are common, but the freshman experience remains a uniquely individual experience. Ammirati has no cure-all to solve everyone’s problems, but she does have an understanding of what she can do. “They [the freshmen] know what their own problems are, but they walk around and see all these people that seem like they don’t have problems. That just makes them feel worse about themselves,” said Ammirati.

To help the freshmen become sophomores Ammirati simply wants to help keep their heads cool, and enable them to succeed. Ammirati has seen and heard about many problems before. Moreover, this is a dean with a message: that students should realize they have the strength and the talent to do well at this level and beyond. “This class seems very well prepared, eager and enthusiastic. I think they just need to give it time. It takes a while to be at home here. I just want them to let it take, ease into it, and become who they are. I want them to find themselves academically, and socially,” said Ammirati.

In the past the MSSC has dealt with issues such as the number of minority students and faculty members on campus and the curriculum. Even if you didn’t hear about the process, the results are as obvious as the big blue ribbon in front of Olin. “The campus climate has changed a lot this year—new school, new environment, and it will be felt. The MSSC is here to make the administration as well as the campus aware of issues. Its members don’t just make up issues, they listen to what they hear, and they act upon it.” “We are here to represent and provide a voice. We don’t set our own agenda directly. We listen to the concerns of student and then do what we can,” said senior Luma Al-Shabib, the chair of MSSC.

The MSSC gives concerned students a forum to air their concerns, and a voice to activate change. “Any student can come to us and tell us what is making them upset. We want students to feel like they can really get something done,” said Al-Shabib.

“You just want people to understand they are as important as SGA. We want to let people know that we are a voice, and that we do have a loud one,” said Al-Shabib.

Currently MSSC is working to get a more diverse curriculum. The committee has spoken with the religious studies department for more courses on Islamic studies, and hopes to instigate more action in Africana studies. “We have questions about Islamic studies, and we feel the Africana studies major is unstable right now. We will be looking in these areas as well as others,” said Al-Shabib.
Freshmen initiation

party, the freshmen were made to cross dress. Those in attendance said that there was a half barrel and a bottle of tequila at the party, which was attended by approximately twenty-five people.

When asked to comment on the atmosphere of the party, coach Jeff Bresnehan characterized it not as an initiation but as "rite of passage that happens any time there is a new group.”

"I don’t condone anything,” added Bresnehan.

"If there are teams that have a tradition of drinking up before an event... if that is a practice, then we are skating on hazy,” said Wood Brooks. In the past there have been a few instances in which the administration has been forced to investigate such team practices. If a team is found to be practicing such traditions the issue will be addressed and there is a possibility of suspension and removal of funding.

Wilkinson emphasized that it was announced at the beginning of the party that drinking was not mandatory and that no one would be forced to take part in any activity which they found objectionable. “Actually, I was impressed by the way it was handled,” said Wilkinson.

A comment offered by one member of the team implies that this is perhaps a pattern of behavior common to this team, “Freshman initiation typically takes place at the halloween party and there would be a lot more hard liquor, God knows,” according to Kass, while campus safety searched vacant rooms for an intruder, they discovered Vineyard’s semi-conscious body.

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Under the new system, students only use their I.D. cards to check out the re- serve materials. The process for checking out a reserve book is similar to checking out a regular book. The I.D. is scanned with a light pen, and is then immediately returned to the student. This new pro- cess has confused more than one stu- dent. Freshman Lorin Peters, a student at Shain, said “The upperclassmen find it difficult to deal with the changes. So they sometimes leave their cards at the desk, because that's what they are used to.”

The student should be aware that the I.D. card has been used to enter the time he or she checked out the material. This information will be used to determine whether or not a material is overdue. If it is overdue, fines will be enforced. When the material is checked out, the student will be given a receipt stating when it is due, and falling on to the floor. It was a huge crash,” said Vanessa Kass describing the moments surrounding, senior, Sam Vineyard’s fall from his third story Free- man window. Vineyard fell at approximately 1:45 a.m. Thursday morning.

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An Evening With Dr. Jill Ker Conway

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Dr. Jill Ker Conway
An Informal committee discusses Cro renovations

BY JENNY BARRON
News Editor

During the past week, Dan Shedd, SGA president, has been talking with members of the college community about renovations in Cro. Specifically, Shedd and his informal committee have been looking mainly at The Oasis, the bar, and the old Coffee Grounds space.

"Whatever happens is going to last," commented Shedd. "So, it needs to be done well." He added that they are looking to combine all viewpoints in order to make these changes by the start of spring semester.

In terms of the Oasis, the environment and the food are the main items of concern. Shedd explained that many students have complained that the Oasis space is sterile. During informal discussions and meetings, several ideas have been generated. They include installing booths, couches, stuffed chairs, and new tables. Extensive decoration, such as wall murals, plants, and a neon camel sign, were also suggested. Shedd said that expanding the kitchen and upgrading the cooking equipment were also top priorities.

Shedd explained that students have been concerned about the variety of food served at the Oasis for many years. He said that students would like more vegetarian options and more novelty items such as pretzels, milkshakes, and latenight breakfasts. But, he added that beyond this, students have said they are generally satisfied with the food currently served.

Shedd said that the consensus among students he has talked to is that the bar needs serious attention. They complain that it is just a place to drink, with little space for interactions or just to hang out. He said that the committee is looking to create a more comfortable space with varied seating and room for games such as pool and darts.

Some students are concerned that by moving the bar from its current location, there will no longer be access to food, they therefore suggest a full liquor license. "There's a lot of drunk driving on this campus," said Shedd, citing the results of last year's alcohol survey. "We really need a real bar." He explained that if there were a good bar to go to on campus, less people would drive into town.

Shedd and his committee are still in the process of collecting ideas for these changes. They are working with Lynn Brooks, vice president for finance, Claire Gaudiani, president of the college, faculty, staff, and students to develop a final plan for renovations.
“Love at First Bite”:

Rosie’s Diner is vintage fun and only a short drive away

Imagine a time when people who wore leather jackets and slicked their hair back were considered cool. The 1990s, an age when the only buildings in town were the gas station and the diner. It was a time when girls wore poodle skirts, and guys drove around in big, gas-guzzling cars. The food was plentiful, cheap, and tasty, and none knew what cholesterol was.

Rosie’s Diner is not only a place to eat a greasy meal, but it is a prime spot to Groote to catch a bit of the local color. There was a surprising number of people in the diner when we arrived at 12:30 AM. The crowd included a purple-haired female wearing a black leather jacket with the words “Eat People” printed on the back and a man with a classic case of “plumber’s butt” busy shoveling greasy bacon into his mouth.

Norma, our waitress, immediately greeted us. With an offer of coffee. It was served in brown cups, a spoon submerged in each one. After scanning the menu again, we noticed the decorative burger stickers covering the ice machine. One read, “If You Think Education is Expensive, Try Ignorance.”

The waitress returned to scribble our orders on a green pad before hastily moving on to her next table, avoiding any unnecessary conversation.

As Norma placed the silverware on the table, painstakingly separating the knives from the forks, she replied to someone curious about Rosie’s whereabouts: “Well, ya know, I’ve been here workin’ for 35 years, that’s longer than Rosie has been here.”

“Not here now cause she works all day. She’s a hard worker,” Norma said with pride. When asked why it wasn’t “Norma’s Diner,” she let go a piercing laugh.

Rosie’s is no exception to the proverbial stereotype of diners being fast, greasy and delicious. We barely had to wait five minutes before our plates were literally thrown down on the yellow linoleum table in front of us. The food was soon followed by a “Congrats on the move!” shout from the street from Wal-Mart. Rosie’s Diner swarmed in a sea of butter that threatened to overflow when the plate hit the table. The syrup, perfect for drowning the cakes that covered each inch of the plate, was housed in a sticky plastic container at the end of the table. Nothing hits the spot better than a plate of pancakes at midnight.

“Something other than all-American music would have been unacceptable at a diner. Piped through a 50’s style jukebox, the musical menu for the evening consisted of tunes like the Allman Brothers’ “Blue Sky” that kept your toes tapping and the conversation loud.”

On a college student’s budget, Rosie’s offers the best food and atmosphere around, mumbled Frank Tu ‘99 in between bites of pancake.

“Why Waco?”

James D. Tabor’s and Eugene V. Gallagher’s new book, Why Waco, has been a tremendous success

Who can forget the disturbing pitches of our government raiding a compound in the middle of Texas? The 51 day standoff at Mount Carmel ended tragically with the fiery death of 74 members of the Branch Dividian religious movement, including 21 children. Was the action of the federal government justified? Could the ultimate outcome have been avoided?


The book was a joint effort between professors Gallagher and James Tabor from the University of North Carolina at Charlotte. Originally, Tabor wanted to talk to Kresh, but when he was unavailable, Gallagher suggested the book. They each drafted about half of the book and swapped. Pushed by their publisher, the book is aimed at the general public, rather than only in the academic world.

The book is intended to give the complete story of what transpired during the spring of 1993. Gallagher and Tabor try to give faces to the members of the religious movement and comment on the government’s actions without excusing Kresh’s actions. Labeling of groups as cults deems nothing, create stereotypes, said Gallagher. By doing this, the media creates stereotypes and doesn’t help people to better understand them, according to Gallagher. Using audio tapes, video tapes, government reports and the material presented at the trials, Gallagher and Tabor cover all that transpired from the trials, Gallagher and Tabor cover all that transpired from the death of the four federal agents up to the present. “It is a good book because it brings academic expertise to a broader audience. I enjoyed doing it because it works as a different method of teaching,” said Gallagher.

As books go, “Why Waco” went rather quickly. Tabor and Gallagher proposed it mid December of 1993 and had the contract later that month. After several drafts, the book was finished by the summer of 1994 and was released in July of this year. One advantage that Gallagher found was having his classes review and critique the drafts of the book. The book’s release was very timely and coincided with the Oklahoma bombing, the trials of Waco and the lawsuits of the survivors. So far the book has been very well received in both academic and non-academic circles. With countless reviews praising the work, including one from the New York Times, and only one bad review, the book proves to be a great success.

In professor Gallagher’s third book, he explores what has been called one of the worst exercises of governmental power in our history. “Why Waco, Cults and the Battle for Religious Freedom in America” takes a provocative look at constitutional rights and stereotypes of cults. Gallagher’s expertise in the field of religious movements is apparent through the pages of this book.
The Classical Music Genre:
Is there hope for the future?

by Michael Ackelson
Professor of Music
College Voice Columnist

Sometimes you just can't hear yourself think. That was the case last Thursday night. I was at a Greer Music Library working on this column when, without warning, unbelievably loud rock music started blaring from the walls. The Senior party had started. Irritated, I started to leave. Then it struck me; an interesting situation had presented itself that was intimately connected with the subject I was writing about: what do we use music for, and specifically, why are we symphony orchestras in such trouble? So, I stayed and talked with many se-

ior partygoers; I thoroughly enjoyed myself, by the way. I asked people all sorts of questions about the music they liked. Their answers were real ear-openers.

Symphony orchestras are in trouble, it seems, for several reasons. Nowadays, we hear virtually all of our music via recordings. Young people seldom go to concerts of any kind. Why? Recordings are cheap and readily available. One young woman said, "Ticket prices are around $50. I'd rather buy the CD, which I can then listen to 20 times." That's tough logic to argue against; when people decide to go to a live concert, it's usually something in the pop genre, not classical. That makes sense; who would want to spend all that money on something that you may not like? Even in this era of record-
ing technology, however, an orchestra's "live" experience is irreplaceable. Many symphony orchestras fall into a vicious circle of conservative programming. Ticket sales drop, and in their panic, orchestras in such trouble?

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The Doris Humphrey Dance Company will be performing on Saturday, September 26, at the College of the Holy Cross. For further information contact the Palmer box office at 670-ARTS.
Movie Review: Snipes and Swayze Bend Gender in New Film

By Mike McKinney

"Gender-bending" has always been a controversial form of expression, and no other facet of the human experience has expressed various examples of this ragtag topic more so than "the arts." First, in literature, playwrights and writers such as Virginia Woolf focused on the intricacies of a character who was "bending" his or her gender; the 20th century film medium, was the obvious next step in further exploring the art. Films such as "Too Toots," "The Crying Game," and "Ed Wood" are only a few examples. Now, director Beeton Kidron gives us "To Wong Fu...Thanks for Everything, Julie Newmar," a film that tries to humorously depict the gender-bending profession while simultaneously touching on the larger issue of discrimination.

The three "benders" in the film are portrayed the lascivious and luscious Norvema Jackson, a loud dresser with a rather generous upper-body. Patrick Snyders, "dirty-dancer" of old, no longer gets to "lead" his partner as Miss Vida Boheme. Finally, John Leguizamo, known previously for his own show "House of Buggin'" is transformed into Chi Chi Rodriguez, a drag-queen in training. The film opens at a drag-queen contest in New York City which both Norvema and Vida win. As a result, they are selected to go to Los Angeles where they will compete in the national contest. Chi Chi, a loser in the drag-queen contest, is pitied and asked to tag along. The plot becomes so multi-faceted that sorting through the various themes is a difficult task. The ultra-liberal cross-dressing drag-queens have to spend some time in a small, desolate, conservative town named Stonyville, a place where the trio's host is a woman married to an abusive husband, consequently establishing a rather serious subplot in the film. Racism also recur throughout the film as the three drag-queens head west. These subplots however, are poorly dealt with and resolved unconvincingly. The only real success in the film is the humor in the formative stages and the evolution of the humor by way of small-town vs. big-city culture shock. The specific success of the film's comedic elements lies with the believability of these three men as women. Snipes, in particular, removes all masculine traits from his character right down to his body language and facial expressions; Snyders does not betray the female persona with his natural male gestures, instead these gestures simply vanish entirely.

Cameo appearances are made by Robin Williams, an experienced "gender-bender" from "Mrs. Doubtfire," and real-life drag-queen Ru Paul. Despite the poor treatment of some very serious and controversial topics, "To Wong Fu...Thanks for Everything, Julie Newmar" is a very funny movie. Viewers may have some trouble putting all the events of the film in concise order, but each episode taken individually will still bring a hearty laugh to your lips. "To Wong Fu...Thanks for Everything, Julie Newmar" is now playing at Hoyts Cinemas in Waterford, Connecticut.

Rating: 


This Week In History

September 12, 1991, all charges against Oliver North, a key figure in the Iran-Contra affair, were dropped and the case was officially terminated.

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Peace in Geneva as Bosnian war intensifies

French officials say the army will have a visible presence as well as help with security checks at airports and border crossings. The government has also ordered increased security at schools across the country.

A car bombing outside of a Jewish school in Lyon late last week was the sixth such attack in as many weeks. Thirteen people were injured in the bombing. This apparent targeting of schoolchildren transformed fear into anger, fueling the government's determination to find and punish those responsible.

No arrests have been made in any of the attacks. Police detained three men after the Lyon bombing, but they were released after questioning.

Packwood resigns; admits guilt on senate floor

Oregon senator Bob Packwood resigned last week bowing to allegations of sexual misconduct while in office. Packwood says he will leave office by October 1st.

The senator's departure came on the heels of the Select Committee on Ethics' decision to expel him from the senate for sexual misconduct with 17 women over a 20-year period. The committee also stated that Packwood misused his office to find a job for his former wife, and hindered the committee's investigation by destroying incriminating evidence.

Last night, Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole stripped the disgraced senator and one-time ally of his power. Packwood will no longer lead the GOP effort to overhaul welfare nor will he serve as chair of the Finance Committee.

Gingrich says Powell would be strong candidate

House Speaker Newt Gingrich stated this week on NBC's Meet the Press that former chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Colin Powell, would be a strong candidate for the 1996 GOP presidential nomination.

The speaker went on to say that if Powell did enter the race, he would be the chief rival to current front runner, Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole.

Powell touched on his potential candidacy in his upcoming personal memoirs, which are to be published this week. In the book, he states that he had not yet decided whether to enter the race. But, Powell did say that he thought the country might be ready for a new political party.

The speaker disagreed, saying that if Powell decided to run as an independent, his campaign would be a "joke."

As for Gingrich's candidacy, the speaker said that he has not yet decided whether he will toss his hat into the ring. He says he will make a decision by December, in time for the first primary in New Hampshire in February.

Israel turns over more control to Palestinian officials

Several small ceremonial demonstrations were held in the West Bank on Sunday as the Palestinians took responsibility for statistics, insurance, trade, fuel, labor, agriculture, and municipal governments throughout the occupied territories.

The Israeli government has already surrendered a number of responsibilities to the fledgling Palestinian autonomy, and has dozens more to go.

Meanwhile, talks resumed on the expansion of full autonomy, including security control. The talks are currently dragging on much longer than expected. Negotiators are now focusing on the largest West Bank town of Hebron.

Tension is high in this area between the more than one hundred thousand Palestinian residents and about four hundred Israeli settlers.

Women's Conference

(banners and displays and there have been power failures. Many sessions have been canceled. The organization is baphazard and many sessions lack focus," said Baird and Gezari, in their email.

There have still been many good things to come from this conference despite the poor conditions.

"On the other hand, we have also attended several very good sessions, there is a lot of networking going on, and the overall spirit is festive, international and warm. The forum is organized into 12 themes: we are looking particularly at economy, human/legal rights, science and technology, media, education, health and environment," continued Baird and Gezari.

The Corn delegates will be giving presentations upon their return to share their experience with the college community.

Next week: Bridget Baird and Janet Gezari will discuss their recent trip to China.

France deploys army to fight terrorism at home

After a series of terrorist attacks, the French government has called out the army and imposed new security measures on everyday activity.

The speaker disagreed, saying that if NATO allowed Russia's neighbors to join the alliance, "the flame of war could burst on the road to peace, all sides have signs of peace from Geneva."

But, they also cautioned that the plan covers only a general outline of a final resolution.

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EDITORIALS

Letter to the Editor:

I would like to respond to Craig McClure’s editorial on date rape. I was really angry after reading that. Craig, along with many other misguided feminists, are leading the women’s movement in a dangerous direction. It seems we fought so hard in the sixties to remove the stereotype of women as wide-eyed innocent creatures who can’t take care of themselves and men as predators of the night stalking our purity. I would like to think that most women are secure and intelligent enough to say no. He presented in his article what he thought was a typical date rape situation: a girl who passively accepts that fact she has a guy violating her and he thought was a typical date rape situation: a girl who is just interested in sex who, according to this scenario, can walk from room to room and take any girl there incapable of speaking up when it comes to their sex and body. Craig seems to be asserting his own statement that “hormones and sexual urges can’t be controlled.” I am offended by the idea that Craig would like to label all women on this campus weak and vulnerable and incapable of speaking up when it comes to their sex and body. He is ushering in a new era of oppressive Victorianism.

Eden Savino
Class of 1998

A moment to smile, a year to keep doing our thing

You would have to be living under a rock to have missed the news that Conn has finally been ranked among the top 25 liberal arts colleges in the country. After a two-year hiatus, U.S. News finally broke down and recognized our progress with the endowment, the sciences, and the students. This is an extremely significant ranking, if only because it is perceived as such nationwide by college guidance counselors, prospective students, and their families.

But what happened on Thursday here at home? It started just like a regular day, with most of us going to class or work full of excitement and plans for a new year to surpass our last. Our new faculty members of color and freshman class, which has the highest percentage of students of color in the college’s history, were still getting settled in their new environment. Our new Vice President for Development was also settling in, putting the final touches on the largest capital campaign in the college’s history to be kicked off at the end of this month. More science students than ever before were registering for classes and buying books. College committees comprising students, faculty, and staff, were setting their agendas for the year. And everywhere, sports teams, music groups, and student clubs and organizations were getting in shape and having their first meetings.

Most of us were unaware of the U.S. News release until the evening when we received a voice mail and saw notices posted on our dorms. And then we used the first Friday Common Hour to celebrate the good news. The question is, are we changed? Will we now descend into the tasteless behavior often attributed to the so-called “nouveau riche” social class, intent on displaying our new status for the world to see?

Not if we know our own worth. We alone have retained a completely student-run Honor Code system for over 80 years. We are guided by shared governance, dependent on input and direction from each segment and every community constituency rather than on autocratic leadership from above. We have challenged ourselves to prioritize human diversity in admissions and through the new general education plan. And we have doubled our endowment in five years.

This matters in terms of the tangible proof it provides to the outside world of our growth and uniqueness. Let there be no mistake, this is a watermark. But our tide don’t rise and fall with the actions of a magazine in Washington, D.C.—they rise with us.

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Everyone knows that the official start of the new year is January first. But in reality the new year begins for us as the school year starts. Just as in New Years we all make new year resolutions and have I got something to say about this.

First let me just say, DON'T DO IT. You will be setting yourself up for a fall.

Let begin with some of my past year resolutions.

1) I will do my work in a scheduled manner allowing two hours each afternoon and three each night blah, blah, blah.
2) I will start my day early...I will get up at eight am, nine at the latest.
3) I will keep my room neat and I will never be behind.
4) I will set up a time table in which to do the ten page papers I have to write this semester.

The list is truly endless but let me tell you all from experience what will happen when you set up goals like this for yourself. If you are too hard on yourself it will be much harder when you set such high expectations. Granted some of these may come naturally and seem like realistic goals. However, my life gets very busy and I need more easy to meet goals. Here is what I know first hand.

It can sometimes be hard to maintain your work. This year it seems that even though I am opting for the reserved reading method rather than having students purchase textbooks. Okay, it is a little cheaper... well, a lot cheaper, you will be much harder when you set such high expectations. Granted, many of these may come naturally and seem like realistic goals. However, my life gets very busy and I need more easy to meet goals. Here is what I know first hand.

Let me tell you about reserved reading. It is pain for several reasons. One, the library is only open till twelve. Maybe, most of you go to bed around then but I certainly don't. Therefore, I run to the library at 11:45 and try to photocopy all 200 pages of reserved reading day before class. I am not your biggest fan and spent the entire week in the library to get over there so none of it is up to last minute. Another problem is that there are also twenty other people who need to use the text on reserve and you can't always get it when you want it. Also, you can't just sit down with all the material in front of you. The material is kept in separate folders and there is often more than one text on reserve. The rule of course, you can only use one at a time.

The BIGGEST PAIN is a new frustration for those who must do reserved reading...the library system. Now all the reserved reading is catalogued on the computers in the library. The new system is not easy to use. If you are crafty you may be able to use it in a while but here are some of the pitfalls I have overheard.

The computer at the counter in the library does not work or at least it wasn't when one student tried...there is no sign, apparently we are supposed to use our psychic powers to figure it out. When you realize you must go to the bank of computers, you must still proceed with caution. If you exit the computer's "workstation," the computer will have to be turned off and rebooted. Once you are in the system, be sure you know if you are looking for a book or an article. I haven't tried to find a book yet but apparently these are labeled differently. You must remember the number of the course or like one student you will have to open every psychology folder to see if you get to yours. Finishes may arrive before you finally find your text but if you know someone handy with computers as I do, you can just photocopy their reserved reading (thanks, Karen!) The system will probably become simple enough after a while but as a senior I find it difficult to adjust.

Now that I have explained the newest trend towards reserved reading allow me to revisit the schedule I described above. Here is what will happen to these goals of mine over the semester.

October - I will now study two hours a day, I will wake up around ten thinking hey, that is still quite a while before class, my laundry will have begun to pile up and I will have already provided a paper or two with spelling and some coffee on the time table I set up and I haven't really followed it anyway.

November - I will watch Days of Our Lives before I head up and read before class. I will wake up at 11 a.m. thinking hey, there is still a half an hour before class, my room will be difficult to walk through and the time table is now somewhere in my laundry basket so I couldn't find it and put it in my jays--just so I wouldn't forget it.

December - My texting is now under my bed and I spend more time looking for it than I do reading it, 11:35- gotta run to class but I am getting exercise, just where did my room go anyway and never mind the time table what do I do with the damn clothes?

Okay, I have exaggerated a little but it can get bad when you set up unrealistic goals. When you fall back a little you begin to feel like a failure. It is a non-winning situation. It is better to set some low and realistic goals so that you can obtain them. I know what I want--I want to graduate. This is a very realistic goal for a senior. I also want to have a good year and not get too stressed out. All things that are manageable. Here is something good for someone who wants to spend eight hours searching for a timetable, anyway?

All My Children: Noah saw Derek and Taylor coming out of an embrace. Laura was taken into surgery when Erica offered to carry a child for Maria and Edmund. Janet got a lift from Bobby, whom she didn't recognize as Palmer's granddaughter. Gloria was withdrawn as large amounts of money from the bank. Phoebe tried to persuade Pierce to return to Pine Valley. Wait To See: Haley is caught in a dilemma over Alec and Mateo.

Another World: Bridget collapsed during the Bay City heat wave. Ryan became increasingly concerned over Vicky's dis- appearance. When Matt's condition worsened, Matt told John he'd entered Michael's room without taking precautions. Morgan helped Courtney deal with committing a potentially fatal mistake in the operating room. After learning Grant planned to have her committed, Justice snuck out of the mansion leaving Vicky locked in chains in the dungeon. Wait To See: Josie risks her life as she gets closer to Back.

As the World Turns: The show was preempted Sept. 4 and 8 for coverage of the U.S. Open.) Jeff was stunned when Emily said she may be pregnant. A scheduled Sam learned she's the benefi- ciary of Kirk's insurance policy. Meanwhile, Kirk awakened on an island off Italy. Contor found Yuli hallucinating near the Snyder pond from which Mark later saved her. Kirk began to recall Sam. The custody battle for Luke began. Wait To See: Sam faces a grueling investigation into Kirk's "death."

BOLD and the BEAUTIFUL: Ridge grew increasingly upset when Eric asked to have more time with Eric, Jr. Maggie was devastated at the thought of losing Jess- ica that she and Dyan were in love and hoped to marry. Thorne noticed Jessica's hands trembling. Macy surprised everyone when she sang to Thorne after their wedding. Later, Dylan commented to Jessica that she looked dazed. Brooke put on a show of "family togetherness" for Taylor but Eric, Jr. wouldn't cooperate. Later, C.J. found him on the beach and got set for a fight. Wait To See: A new threat looms for Taylor.

Days of Our Lives: Kristen was devas- tated when she was rejected for the ex- perimental treatment that might have helped her have children. As they wait for the divorce proceedings, Bo realized he still loved Hope, but also loved Bill. Tony decided to kill someone and have John framed for the murder. Vivian was overjoyed that Victor finally wanted to make love to her, and ordered Ivan to keep Olga away, no matter what. Poor Ivan, "No matter what" meaning making love to Olga. Peter fell over the rickety railing and Jack rushed to try to save his life. Wait To See: Jack makes an- other puzzling discovery at Arrendale.

General Hospital: Alan was upset that Monica had reconstructive surgery without telling anyone. Later, he and Bob agreed Monica was becoming unbearable. Mac and Kevin tried to keep Lucy from probing their "under- cover" operation. A.J. gave a grant to a woman, unaware that she worked for Katherine. Laura was upset when she overheard LUCY blamed her for his par- ents' marital problems. Monica later as- sured Laura the Quartermaines weren't behind a discount store coming to town. Wait To See: Luke makes a difficult personal decision.

Guiding Light: (The show was pre- empted Sept. 4 and 8 for coverage of the U.S. Open.) Diahn decided to use Matt's deal about Roger to her advantage. Rick was shocked by Annie's news that they're still married. Overwhelmed by guilt for all the lies she told, Annie rushed away from dinner with Josh, Mariah, Shayne, Lillian and Hawk. An increasingly angry Brett (as Marrian) accepted Lucy's offer to toattend a rape counselling session. Hawk learned something about Annie that she tried to tell Josh. Wait To See Alan feels Reva is responding to him.

LOVING: The actual killer struck again in a gruesome form. Charles and Bros just reeled when Lorraine said she's her real father. As part of her plan for vengeance, Ally let Danny make love to her, and then screamed rape. Later, Ally was shaken by the possibility she could have con- tradicted AIDS. Jocelyn told Aria she had doubts about Ally's story. After a town meeting to discuss the killings, Ally and Gwyn were involved in an unfortunate accident. Wait To See: Ally faces a new crisis.

One Life to Live: Andy rejected Antonio's charge that Manzo is the crooked cop. David tried to seduce but Duran's scheme worked. A de- astated Nora told Hank about Rachel's addiction to drugs. Max shunned Blair's attempt to comfort him over Luke's death. Larry told Marty she had an infected kidney. Blair learned she's pregnant, but didn't tell Todd. Andy realized she had to get more evidence on him and was naming him as the dirty cop. Wait To See: Dorian makes a decision about her marriage to David.

Young and the Restless: Jack hid the truth about Lauren's illness from John. John, meanwhile, realized Mame was prob- ably out of his life forever. Paul stunned Chris with the news he'secured, which was followed by a night of making love in Minnesota. Phyllis collapsed after over- dosing on tranquilizers. Matt pushed away everyone, unaware that she worked for the woman he be- lieved shot him, and named Nick. The women's shelter counselors noticed how "Jane Doe" reacted to the name, Amy, on a song playing on the office radio. Wait To See: Sharon makes a potentially damaging (to Nick) decision.

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Weekly Horoscopes:

Your future in the stars

Libra (September 23 - October 22): You'll be more sure of yourself in the weeks ahead. A new start is definitely on your agenda. This week, the accent's on teamwork and you manage to get everyone motivated. However, don't force an issue with a friend.

Scorpio (October 23 - November 21): A cycle of increased popularity begins for you this week. You'll want to do something different now regarding entertainment. However, different doesn't necessarily have to mean expensive. This weekend, you are impatient with loved ones.

Sagittarius (November 22 - December 21): The weeks just ahead will bring major business developments. Some could even find themselves contemplating a complete career change. This week, you have the urge to redecorate your home. Don't allow weekend tension to escalate into an argument.

Capricorn (December 22 - January 19): A new cultural interest could fascinate you in the weeks ahead. Also, a new adviser could be coming into your life very soon. Enjoy social visits now, but avoid a romantic spat with a jealous lover this coming weekend.

Aquarius (January 20 - February 18): You'll have more money at your disposal in the weeks ahead. However, don't allow your gregarious side to lead you too much spending on pleasure. You still need to watch your pennies. You have a predictable week on the job.

Pisces (February 19 - March 20): You could be signing an important contract in the near future. However, a competitor is right on your heels and needs to be dealt with. Matters at a distance are favored, but keep peace with the family.

Aries (March 21 - April 19): This week brings new insights into a financial concern that's been on your mind. A cycle favorable to your work interests also begins. Something at home could upset you as the week progresses.

Taurus (April 20 - May 20): You'll have more time to spend with children or a romantic interest in the coming weeks. This week, too, brings happy social developments as you are at your popular and charismatic best. This weekend, use caution when driving.

Gemini (May 21 - June 20): You may be very involved with home improvements in the weeks ahead. However, don't neglect what must be done at work. Persistence leads to a career success. Don't squabble with loved ones over money this coming weekend.

Cancer (June 21 - July 22): Your communicative skills will be tops in the coming weeks. You'll be reaching important agreements and perhaps signing some significant contracts. Be patient on the job. Enjoy social opportunities this coming weekend.

Leo (July 23 - August 22): Changes to improve your income will arise in the weeks just ahead. A new approach leads to career gains this week. However, you don't see eye to eye with an adviser. Follow your own instincts instead since they are leading you in the right direction.

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A&E WATCHDOG

Now through October 1
Connecticut College Art Department
Faculty Exhibition
Cummings Arts Center
Mon.-Fri. 9 am-5 pm; Sat. & Sun. 12pm-5pm

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"An Evening With Jill Comerly"
Chorus of Westerly Performance Hall
119 High Street, Westerly, RI
Lecture: 7:30 P.M. • Gala Reception: 8:30 P.M.

Friday, September 15
"The Criminal Life of Archibaldo De La Cueva"
Connecticut College Film Society
Oliva Hall, Cummings Arts Center
8 pm & 11 pm

Saturday, September 16
The 1995 International Doris Humphrey Centennial Celebration
Doris Humphrey Repertory Dance Company
Connecticut College Palmer Auditorium
270 Mohegan Avenue, New London, CT
8:00 pm CALL 439-ARTS

Sunday, September 17
Craft Fair
Main Street between Court St. and Old Church St.
Middletown, Connecticut
10:00 am-5:00 pm (Rain or Shine)

Tuesday, September 19
John Tesh and the Red Rocks Chamber Orchestra
Garde Arts Center
325 State St., New London, CT
8:00 pm CALL 444-7373

Friday, September 22
"The Long Hot Summer"
Connecticut College Film Society
Oliva Hall, Cummings Arts Center
8 pm & 11 pm

Saturday, September 23
Art lecture by Professors Tim McDouell and Peter Leibert
Connecticut College, Oliva Lecture Hall in Cummings Arts Center
2:00 pm-3:00 pm (Reception will follow)

"Crazy for You"
Garde Arts Center
325 State Street, New London, CT
9:00 pm & 8 pm CALL 444-7373

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starring The Outlaws, Nite Shift, Young Neal & the Vipers,
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Friday, September 29
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Connecticut College Film Society
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Sunday, October 1
Charlotte’s Web
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CONCERT WATCH

September 12
• Juliana Hatfield + John Doe, Toad’s Place, New Haven, CT

September 13
• Ticket Master Showcase: Flipper Dave, Angry Candy, Nevergreen, 50
Feet Tall, & The Great Upsetter, Toad’s Place, New Haven, CT

September 14
• David Bowie, Meadows Music Theatre, Hartford CT
• Average White Band + City Limits Band, Toad’s Place, New Haven, CT
• Nine Inch Nails, Meadows Music Theatre, Hartford, CT

September 15
• Eric Clapton, The Centrum, Worcester, MA
• Michael Schenker & UFO + Triangle, Toad’s Place, New Haven, CT

September 16
• Nine Inch Nails, Great Woods, Mansfield, MA
• David Bowie, Great Woods, Mansfield, MA

September 18
• Korn + Orange 9mm, Toad’s Place, New Haven, CT

September 19
• The Robert Cray Band + Bob Margolin, Toad’s Place, New Haven, CT

September 20
• Blind Melon, Toad’s Place, New Haven, CT

September 21
• Jose “Wild Bill” Austin, Toad’s Place, New Haven, CT

September 22
• Nitty Gritty Dirt Band, Fair, Durham, CT
• God Street Wine, Toad’s Place, New Haven, CT

September 26
• The Bogmen, Toad’s Place, New Haven, CT

September 28
• Women in Reggae Tour: Judy Mowatt & Sister Carol, Toad’s Place, New Haven, CT

September 29
• The Fabulous Thunderbirds, Toad’s Place, New Haven, CT

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Schmoozing with Jay and the Mailman:

"If they can major in dance, why can't I major in hockey?"

BY JAY JARDO
& MATT "MAILMAN" MALONE
The College Voice

Ask the enlightened. It's questions like that that make us realize why the effective Top 25 has remained so elusive for so long. While the classes of Williams and Bowdoin seek eradication and the dorm rooms echo the sounds of engaging intellectual discussion, Conn stagers forward, reeking of bad beer and echoing the sounds of a '95 Stagg-convertible, of course. Now that we've made it, we at Schmoozing have decided to lend a hand by presenting to you some courses we feel will keep us within the ranks of the elite, while still enjoying that same bad beer within the ranks of the elite, while still seeking to challenge ourselves and keep us, and Conn, among the schmoozers, and not necessarily of the College Voice newspaper.

Women's Tennis:
Season opener
Mt Holyoke 5 Conn 4

Conn 0 Trinity 0
AMH 1 Conn 0

Men's Soccer:
Conn 1 Young Alumnus, 0

Field Hockey:
Conn 0 Trinity 0
AMH 1 Conn 0

The Voice Scorecard

Men's Soccer:
Conn 6 Alum. 1
Conn 1 Young Alumnus, 0

Field Hockey:
Conn 0 Trinity 0
AMH 1 Conn 0

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Conn 0 Clark 0

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Auto Racing
NASCAR
Miller 400
1. Rusty Wallace
2. Dale Earnhardt
3. Terry Labonte
4. Dale Jarrett
5. Bobby Hamilton

INDYCAR
Bank of America 200
1. Gil de Ferran
2. Paul Tracy
3. Mauricio Gugelmin
4. Michael Andretti
5. Al Unser, Jr.

The Christian Right in the 1990's
By G.G. Whitehurst, L.D.S. and Me-Prof.
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HIS 353: Lacrosse and Hockey: A Civil War? Prof. Burlingame

From Reconstruction to the salary cap. pre-req: stick skills.

Women's Studies 100: Women Good, Men Bad! Topics include the penis as a spear, Melissa Etheridge, and how to kill Sen. Packwood without really trying. Give it your personal best!

With such a well rounded curriculum we would certainly deserve that extra Barron's boost to the top of the elite club that is the "Top 25." Besides, that is the dream of every good Conn College student - an elite club. Nevertheless, we at Conn College must relish our own niche. Who needs that serious prestige? We say screw 'em. As the great Groucho Marx so eloquently put it, "I never join any club that would have me as a member." Amen, brother.

Next week on Gerald: Women who loved Rich Curran.

The opinions expressed in this piece are of the schmoozers, and not necessarily of the The College Voice newspaper.

* Tennis:
U.S. Open

Griff d. Seles
7-6 (7-5), 6-4, 6-3

Sampras d. Agassi
6-4, 6-3, 4-6, 7-5

*clinches title
Field hockey team will try to surpass their ‘94 season scores

BY VINCENT FARRELL
The College Voice
Welcome to another year of Camel field hockey. After one of the best seasons ever (10-4-1) and a trip to the United Kingdom this summer, the team is ready for another run at the ECAC title. Last year’s outstanding season ended in a disappointing overtime loss to Bates at the ECAC quarterfinals. Having graduated only four seniors, Coach Anne Parmenter feels confident that the team will continue a winning tradition.

Parmenter is joined this season by coaches Ms. Perkins, a local volunteer, and assistant Marnie Virden, a 1995 graduate of Middletown College.

Last season’s success and this summer’s trip to England have set a new precedent for the field hockey program. The England trip was “impressive but not demoralizing” for the team, according to Parmenter.

It was an eye-opening experience in the respect that the women played against different levels of skill. This not only aided in building individual confidence but also helped the team to unify at an early stage.

The team (last year) was not united and not focused, this group is more focused and has set high expectations for themselves, said Parmenter.

With a dedicated group that is committed and has set high expectations for themselves, the team will be a competition opponent against great teams.

This year, the Camel squad is led by senior captain Laura Bayon. Defensively, she will be joined by Katy “Woody” Wood (original nickname) and Sara Folkers. This defensive threesome will be anchored by veteran goalie Wendy Keard.

Three of last season’s stars are expected to contribute heavily this year. Natalie Jennings is returning with years of experience under her belt, while Dardenalla Swan Mulkad has moved from wing to midfield. Parmenter feels her stick skills and ability to move up and down the field will be more useful there. And Allison Kuecker, according to Parmenter, “has come back in the best shape I have ever seen anybody come back in.” She will definitely be an offensive threat.

Speaking of offensive threats, senior Molly “Speedster” Nolan has returned to the field as she has faced several injuries in her career (not only scoring goals, but also to talk a lot. Kim Holliday, better known as the “goalie, is ready for another improved season.

Some new faces might figure into the Camel’s future. Katie Ryan’s aggressive play will factor into the lineup nicely, while Danielle LeBlanc’s speed up front will hopefully put a few more biscuits in the net.

This should be a good year for Conn field hockey, as shown this past Sunday on Harvard-Green for Conn’s annual preseason playoff. Conn faced Amherst, Wesleyan, Wellesley, Trinity, Clarke, and an alumni team. Opening day is Saturday in Boston against Tufts. Let’s wish them luck.

Dave and Al's Totally Biased Football Column

Giants-Dallas game too riveting?
Dallas looked great; San Francisco did not. Steve Young doesn’t. The only thing that takes much of a beating is Greg Jennings’ recovery. Fans, there may be hope this is an article next week, as Dave is definitely in for dropping this one into the sewer.

This article is supposed to be an example of American high culture, and think of all the attention that Greg will get this week.

Did you know that the word Cincinnati uses only five letters? Enough about them. Denver came out on top in a game that we would like to have ended in a tie. Arizona’s own team, the Cardinals, with their starters out for the game. We still feel they may steal a playoff spot, Arizona’s own team, the Cardinals, with a loss to the Redskins in week one, are on their way to an unblemished season. We wanted to say something witty about Buddy Ryan, but we’ll just say that he is a rotten person all around. He should be beaten as hard as Steve Young was.

We promised you selections on this week’s games and here they are. George Hackett (Kent State graduate), former member of the New York Giants, and personal friend of Ozzy Osborne, likes Washington over whoever they are playing this week. The Hackett household is still reeling from the dethronement of the Giants. Algrunted Wham groupie, likes Minnesota over that Chicago team, and Aliggs (the part of Al that always loves the Bills) would say, “Happy painting everyone!” The rest is Cal Ripken.

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Legendary Record Broken:
Iron Bird soars passed Iron Horse breaking “unbreakable” record

It was the record that every- one thought was unbreakable. 2,130 consecutive games played. The statue that stands outside Yankee stadium commemorating the legend who set the record (among other things) says as much. 2310 games, “a record that will stand unchallenged.”

The great Lou Gehrig had left his mark.

Then, another kind of ballplayer with the same determination and love for the game. a farm boy from Havre de Grace, Maryland, challenges the great “Iron Horse’s” record - and succeeds. Wednesday, September 6, 1995, history was rewritten; the impossible was made possible.

Cal Ripken, Jr. broke Gehrig’s amazing record and continued his writing victory with every game he played.

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Cal Ripken, Jr. along with his brother Billy who also plays baseball, were raised in the small farming town of Havre de Grace about forty minutes northeast of Baltimore. Ripken’s father got him playing baseball, and he was the Orioles’ number four draft pick in 1978 where he played third base. Ripken’s streak began while he was still playing third base on May 30, 1982. Since then, Ripken has played 99.2% of the innings of the games in which he’s played. He was moved to shortstop on July 1, 1982 where he found his niche. “He was a very talented third baseman,” said his manager at the time Earl Weaver. “But, he’s a born shortstop.”

In fact, Ripken is a fantastic fielder. He’s the tallest man ever to play the position. At 6’4”, he’s also very agile, surprising for a man of his height.

Indeed, Ripken’s height combined with a strong mental game makes for a great player. Since Ripken’s streak began 13 1/2 years ago, there have been 5,695 players on the disabled list. He’s had 29 different double play partners including his little brother Billy. He’s held the same position for the past 131/2 years.

He’s a hometown hero; hometown player, homegrown in Maryland, and extremely loyal to his team. (He gave up free agency so he could be a permanent Oriole.) This could explain the celebration the city threw for him at Oriole Park at Camden Yards. The combination of hometown hero and the fact that he’s done the impossible made for a huge celebration that spread to ballparks and homes across the nation.

The game opened with a rendition of the Star Spangled Banner by Branford Marsalis and Bruce Hornsby. Everyone was anticipating the fifth inning when the game could be called official. Ripken lead off the second inning with the crowd on its feet and cheering. Appropriately in the fourth, Ripken hit a solo home run. He nodded a silent “thank you” to the crowd which went crazy. When the fifth inning finally rolled around, for 22 minutes and 15 seconds, the crowd just roared. To appease the crowd, a modest and low key Ripken made a victory lap and shook the hands of fans as he rounded the field.

At the end of the game, a ceremony was held. Orioles pitcher Mike Mussina presented Ripken with team gifts, one of which was a rock that weighed exactly 2,131 pounds with those magic numbers carved on the side. Among the speakers was Joe DiMaggio, Lou Gehrig, and Ty Cobb—-all are gone and can’t be brought back. But, this record was thought to be unbreakable, untouchable like the great legends themselves. Last Wednesday night a man named Cal Ripken, Jr. proved this wrong, and brought back to generations of Americans, if just for a moment, the true meaning and importance of the game.

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The event was planned to be a huge moment in American history. "I'm shocked, and I'm not even an Orioles fan," commented a freshman. One need not be an Orioles fan to comprehend the magnitude of this event. Indeed, the days of the legends such as Joe DiMaggio, Lou Gehrig, and Ty Cobb are gone and can’t be brought back. But, this record was thought to be unbreakable, untouchable like the great legends themselves.

Camels look to bench for success this year

The men’s soccer team enters its 25th season this fall, and coach Bill Lessig hopes to build on last year’s record of 9-5.

The Camels’ success will most likely depend on the bench, as the team is probably the deepest ever. Lessig will be looking to his captains, seniors Eric Stoddard and Cosmo Quercia, and junior Matt Raynor to anchor his surprisingly improved team.

Raynor could be the one to watch this season after leading last year’s team in scoring. “I know coach will be looking for more offense; I think we can step it up,” said Raynor.

Will freshmen be a consideration? Lessig likes to use freshmen, and this year we could see Ian Bower start in goal while John Ragona will see significant time in the backfield.

The team looked impressive on Saturday, defeating two alumni teams by a combined total of 7-1. The Camels open the season this Tuesday against Springfield College on beautiful Harkness Green.

Athlete of the Week

Cal Ripken Jr. wins this issue’s Athlete of the Week after breaking Lou Gehrig’s 2,130 consecutive games played record. His hard work, determination and love for the game is an inspiration to us all.