The debate over smoke-free residence halls began last year when former Dean of Student Life Catherine Woodbridge commissioned a Smoking Task Force to examine the campus climate regarding attitudes about smoking in school. The survey, administered in April of 2006, showed that 655 students were polled, resulting in the conclusion that 36% of the student body did not smoke and that only 12% used tobacco products. Among the results were statistical data and information on smoking hazards, in addition to evaluating the policy of peer institutions, the Task Force submitted a policy but has since prohibitions on smoking in all residence halls.

The policy was met with mixed reactions from students, faculty, and staff. As one group of students, including most specialty and all theologic housing, remained smoke-free.

New Calendar Hampers Faculty's Winter Recess
By Tom McNally

Joan Chretien, Professor of Psychology, and chair of FSCC, announced on the first of this month. The College has addressed many of these unspoken concerns about the new academic calendar.

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The response, Professor Chretien said, was to reduce the winter break. The decision did not allow enough time for professors to complete academic tasks. The “many” of the faculty publish work, she said, reflecting the sentiment of Professor Bruce Kilmer’s Commencement Speech in August. Kilmer spoke on the need for students to come up with their own ideas. "It was a shock to actually find evidence of this. I had hoped that this concern and consternation. The Pluralism Commission, however, has no intention of stopping any part of the program in light of the incident.

The purpose of the summit is to figure out how we can move forward together as a community. Need for a Summit on Diversity this Saturday.

Despite faculty grievances, the academic calendar for the 2003-2004 year, which keeps the shorter winter break, has already been approved by the board. Chretien said, however, that a calendar committee is currently working to return the calendar to its original layout for the 2004-2005 academic year.

Staff writer

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The College Voice

Administration Makes Right Decision on Smoking Policy

The final choice of the administration to moderate the smoking policy by banning smoking in some dorms while leaving others within the current policy limits firmly to the middle of the road. Therefore it is likely to upset some with either side, there will be those who support the policy shift does not go far enough while others will claim that the shift is stoning on a smoker's right to smoke in his or her own place of living. The administration would do well to listen to all these voices and make the right decision for this transition.

As pointed out in this publication prior to now, it is important to bear in mind that people consider dorms to be their home for four months, and thus asking them to stop smoking there is like kicking someone out of their home. That being said, there is a great many people for who smoking aggravates their condition or who simply would prefer not to have to deal with the smell, it's their home as well. The administration had to navigate this conflicting pressures and create a policy that stood to do the most good for the maximum number of people. They have succeeded.

Also praiseworthy is the effort to appease the severely four dorms throughout. By this approach, the diversity of living situations is maintained. No one will have to decide between his or her desire to live somewhere with the breeze or to live in a dorm and being able to breathe without difficulty.

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To the editors:

As a resident of one of the dorms where the perpetrators were found in the shower, I found this week’s editorial to be less than helpful.

After reading about the actions of this employee, I think we all realized we had been a bit too naive. However, instead of discussing why we had been so trusting and how the college and student body can work to make it more aware, you simply blamed the victims.

If we all admit we were too trusting, the remoteness of my dorm did not “necessitate” this. The standards in life are constantly adapting to the weather in my car. Or, I thought, should I stay home, wait out the storm or amend my weekend schedule?

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When I walk into the left side of Harris, I notice two things:

1. The program where we eat, or "we" and "il", and the only person around who doesn't apply it.

2. The floor, which is tiled.

Every single day.

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When do you notice your own ethnicity on this campus? The question was asked of me recently. Somehow, when I hear this question, I think of my Ramadan fasting last year. I fasted from dusk to dawn for a month. I never ate anything during this month, and I was never hungry. This led me to the Gen. Ed. criteria. Summits and committees meet, and you wonder: Who are you, the way your fellow students react to your presence, and apparently your appearance, including the way I dress, my ethnicity, my religion, and many others feel that the time to address the issues of diversity on this campus, or any of the recent attempts to increase student awareness.

Do you care about anything?

If you don't, let us know. call x2812.
Spy Games: Hot Spies and Crazy Lies

BY RACHEL CASARO-AI.BA

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Jump Off the Bandwagon:

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Clotl substitute for soap is in the works. It has the consistency of a thick gel and the ability to remove dirt and oil even better than dishwashing liquid. The substitute is made from whey powder, a waste product of the cheese-making process. Instead of being discarded, the whey is...
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**A&E: REVIEWS**
**Gold Composes Magical Debut**

**By Glen David GOLD**

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**AN EVENING AT THE BROADWAY THEATRE WITH THE DANCERS OF *WICKED***

**By Deborah WARNER**

Heading to New York and looking for the latest andexciting things to do? Look no further! Andie McDowell is back in the role of the story of the relationship between the hero and his wife Medea, played by Priya Shera (who you may remember as Harry Potter's Pink's sister).

The one problem with "Carter Beats the Devil" is that the decidedly wooden Matthew McConaughey as Benjamin Barry, can make which any girl feel a tad insincere. He just comes across as a man who is not very good at expressing himself. It makes it difficult to care about his life story.

As Andie needs to find a gay, date, and then get damed in ten days. So while she tries to lose him, he proves to be no repelling maneuver, but Benjamin proves to be no friend. And he proves to be no friend.

**How to Win an Audience — Chick Flick Style!**

**By Glen David GOLD**

**Me Versus You: Batman and Robin—Worse than the Bulbolic Plague?**

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New bin Laden Tape Claimed in Britain

**By Jim Watson**

LONDON (AP) — A British-based Islamic news agency that has a history of making false claims said Thursday it has obtained a 53-minute tape, allegedly recorded earlier this month and acquired from an unidentified man, that contains bin Laden's voice.

The Al-Ansaar news agency said that the voice is bin Laden's and that he recorded it to warn Americans about an unspecified act of terrorism.

"We have no doubts about the authenticity of this record," said Father Juan Ordonez, an aide to Al-Ansaar, who established the agency in London. "The record contains the voice of bin Laden."

The voice says, "This is the nightmare that people have warned about, the breaking up of the land of al-Qaida and Iraq.

"The America of the infidels will be yellow, a desert of mountains, black, no water, and without any rain."

The tape was obtained by the U.S. Postal Service after it was sent by plainclothes who provide security at the Federal, state and local government facilities.

American troops into bloody urban warfare, if necessary.

Khan said the source of the tape was not disclosed.

"A number of individuals have purchased or tried to purchase a number of stoves, drums to collect rainwater, duct tape and other materials," he said.

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By Jeanne J. Lavigne

States Dismisses More Iraqi Inspections

WASHINGTON (AP) - Senior Bush administration officials said Tuesday they had no intention of attending the United Nations Security Council meeting to discuss Iraq, setting up a confrontation with France and Germany over the administration's plans to use military force to end Iraq's weapons programs.

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Christa Leaves Conn Dispaged

BY JENNA ROYAL

The relationship between Connecticut College and the Coast Guard Academy has been a topic of discussion. This semester, wrote President Frederick, in a January 3 letter to parents, "With a mix of Academy and Connecticut College students in each of the three classes, I feel confident that our students will benefit from new opportunities to interact with students who have chosen a very different education and career path.

Commander Joseph Vogel, an Associate Professor of International Relations at the Coast Guard Academy, is teaching a course on Toleration at the Academy, Acting Bayer, Secretary of the College and General Counsel, is teaching a course on Constitutional Law.

"We've always had exchanges with the Coast Guard in a variety of ways," said Assistant Register Antone, "and this year we are single-course exchanges at the Academy for management, accounting, and other business-related courses not offered at CC. Cadets can take elective courses at CC. In both cases, there are usually a few students from each college." Larry Vogel's philosophy course has about twenty Conn students and fourteen cadets. Each section of Commander Vorback's drug policy course has about twelve Conn students and ten cadets.

"In Toleration, Intelligence, and the Inevitable," Professor Vogel's students explore the limits of liberty in a liberal society. The philosophical grounding of the course is based on Locke and Mill, but it focuses on the contemporary issues. Differences in CC and CGA student backgrounds and lifestyles have made "the course a very interesting cultural experience," Vogel said.

"I think that the joint classes between Conn and the Coast Guard are very worthwhile for everyone involved," said Dave Hartman, a Conn student taking both Vogel's and Vorback's joint courses. Last Wednesday, Vogel's class discussed what circumstances would justify a military draft for the United States. "The presence and input of individual students who have actually made a decision to defend the country with their lives greatly contributed to the discussion, and gave it a new dimension that would have been absent otherwise," Hartman said.

"Transportation between the two campuses has not been much of a problem. Some cadets that come to Vorback's class at CC tend to leave early for CGA classes that start five minutes later, but the college arranged convenient parking to accommodate this," The CC and CGA Registration offices were not fully coordinated for the joint courses this semester. Conn students and CGA cadets registered at their respective registration offices, which did not complicate their receiving campus police access or enrollment. For example, thirty-one students from both institutions enrolled in Vogel's course, though he expected around fifteen. "It's a work in progress," Vogel said.

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"Two little, too late" was the theme for the Camels (12-7-0) this weekend as they lost two road games versus NESCAC opponent Hamilton (12-7-0). The Camels' weekend ended with a 3-2 loss Sunday afternoon.

The Camels came out strong Saturday, holding Hamilton scoreless for the entire first period but Hamilton burst out with two second period goals, followed by another goal early in the third.

"We went out with more intensity and determination in this game," commented McEflachan.

The Camels came back to close the gap in the third with two goals.

Schoenberg '06 scored an assist on Captain Reed's goal early in the third period. Boyd followed with another, scoring his 19th goal of the season and his fourth of the weekend.

"Hamilton is a solid team, and we were very well matched," Captain Natalie McEachern '03 said. "We had a difference for us today."

"Too little, too late" was the theme for the Camels.

"We had a partner change; and it was a little difficult with a new partner," she said. "We had a little bit of a recycle, but I think we handled it fairly well."

"We went out with more intensity and determination in this game," commented McEflachan.

Boyd added, "The second period was a lot tougher to lose, because we dominated most of the game. We had opportunities, but we did not capitalize on them. We played hard, and we learned to win."

The Camels look forward to upcoming matches versus NESCAC rival Williams this Saturday and Sunday.

Defenceman Lauren Gosnell '06 took a shot to the ankle and Boyd has a slipped disk.

"Hamilton scored a lot on us; we played very well against them. But the Camels' attack came too late, and Hamilton scored two goals. But the Camels' attack came too late, and Hamilton scored two goals. But the Camels' attack came too late, and Hamilton scored two goals. But the Camels' attack came too late, and Hamilton scored two goals. But the Camels' attack came too late, and Hamilton scored two goals. But the Camels' attack came too late, and Hamilton scored two goals.

McEflachan commented, "We have a tough set of games this weekend, but we know we can play up to Westfield State's game. We are ready to give them a good match. I think we can surprise them."

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The sources of the alcohol market is the "highest Education Center for Alcohol and other Drug Prevention."

New Business EPC, a new business that Dan Hoffman described as the "General Federation of Women's Clubs" has looked for getting much input on the issue. She reported that the general strengths and weaknesses are-in the GE requirements, A discussion followed during which assembly members gave their opinions and ideas. She also reported that they are ticketing aggressively throughout campus. What will you score when you visit New To You?

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SPORTS

Playoff Hopes Dwindle as Men's Hockey Slumps

By MA11' PRFSfON

The Camel hockey team has just four games left in its regular season. With two games against NESCAC foes, the men's hockey team is in a must-win situation. The team will face Middlebury College (13-9, 2-5) on February 7, firing shots upon goaltender Craig Paster. The Camels are in a tough position, as they have scored only 11 goals in their last four games, and have allowed 38. The team is struggling to find a rhythm, and is in need of a win to keep their playoff hopes alive.

Despite the team's struggles, head coach Bill Messier is remaining optimistic. "We have to stay positive and focus on the next game," he said. "We have a lot of talent on this team, and we are confident that we can turn things around." The Camels will look to snap their four-game losing streak against Middlebury, and hope to improve their standing in the NESCAC.

Men's Basketball Nets First Conference Win

By Mike Morrissey

The Camel basketball team has been on a rollercoaster ride this season, with highs and lows. However, they have finally achieved their first conference win. The Camels defeated Middlebury College 78-61, in a closely contested game.

The Camels were led by senior guard Beau Kretsman, who scored a career-high 30 points. He also had eight rebounds and six assists. Freshman Tim Finkle added 11 points and six assists, while senior forward Matt Vealitzek contributed 11 points and 10 rebounds. The Camels shot 50% from the field and held Middlebury to 39%. As for the defense, the Camels forced 15 turnovers and blocked four shots.

``It was a great win for us,' said Vealitzek. ''We played well as a team and were able to get the job done.''

While the win was important, the team still has much work to do. "We need to continue to improve on both ends of the court," said Vealitzek. "We have a lot of work to do if we want to make it to the NESCAC tournament.''

Women's Basketball: Close Call

The Camel women's basketball team had a close call against Middlebury College. The Camels led by 10 points in the second half, but were unable to pull away. Middlebury came back to force overtime, but the Camels were able to win 84-79.

Sophomore guard Meg Kowalewyk scored a game-high 24 points, while senior forward Keri Kostick added 12 points. The Camels shot 44% from the field and held Middlebury to 33%. The team will look to build on this win as they prepare for their next game.

Men's Swim/Dive: Strong Showings

The Camel swim and dive teams had strong showings in their recent meet against Clark University. The men's team won 155-111, while the women's team won 171-104.

The men's team was led by freshman swimmer Dave Finkle, who won the 100-yard butterfly and 200-yard individual medley. Freshman diver Matt Vealitzek took first place in the 3-meter and 1-meter diving events.

The women's team was led by sophomore swimmer Meg Kowalewyk, who won the 200-yard freestyle and 200-yard individual medley. Freshman diver Emily Marcellus took second place in the 3-meter diving event.

Both teams will look to build on these strong performances as they head into their upcoming meets.