Olin holds first classes, students, faculty review

BY NATALIE HILDE
Features Editor

With a dusting of snow blanket-
ing the campus, a sizable group of
faculty, students, staff, and admin-
istration braved the frosty morning
air on Monday to christen the F.W.
Olin Science Center, a seven mill-
ion dollar facility that has been as
many years in the making.

"So many of us have worked to-
gether to make this day possible,"
Claire Gaudiani, president of
the college, said in an address to
the group. "Today is the family open-
ing; all of us gather together to put
it to work for the family.
"After the facade and ribbon-cut-
ting ceremony, the doors opened to
the first day of classes in the state-
of-the-art building. Some students,
however, were surprised to find that
their classes had been temporarily
relocated to other buildings as work-
ers hurried to install seats in the
lecture halls.
"The building is 98 percent com-
plete," estimated Steve George,
manager of Capital Projects. "We're
still working on purchasing audio/vi-
deo equipment for the auditorium.

We decided we need to buy higher
quality products for certain compo-
nents, and we'll be installing those
by March 1.
"We'll be receiving the [new 20-
inch reflecting] telescope in late
March," George said, adding that
two small labs in the basement,
housing an accelerator and a laser,
will be finished next summer. "It's
an extremely positive move for
physics," said Professor
McMullin. "All you have to do is walk
through Bill Hall to see the differ-
ence.
"It was a bit of a rush to get the
building open for classes," admis-
sed McMullin. Over winter break,
some science majors worked with physi-
cal and an outside moving
company to get the departments
ready for students while workers
finished up on the interior design.
Peter Siver, professor of botany,
seems equally pleased with the
move. "I think we're going to be
really happy with the building, and
the difference because those are the
faculty and students are

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Political Correctness debate
resurfaces as students react to
comedian Larry Myles

BY MICHELLE ROSAYNE
A&E Editor

First there was the uproar over
Chivas Clem's senior art exhibit
"Reservation 1993" which featured
hate speech, then Marie Martin in-
titulated gender neutral language in
her Psychology 101 course last
fall, and now many students are raising
their voices in concern over a com-
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Mables failed a campus-wide refer-
endum after the SGA passed it. The
budget must pass both bodies in
order to be enacted.

Last year, the SGA agreed to di-
rect approximately 15 percent of its
Student Activities Budget to the
college's operating budget, accord-
ing to Poirier.

This year the college's acting
controller, Beverly McMillen, who
had never calculated student activi-
ties funds before, said she withdrew
the 15 percent of the total allocation
again as a result of a miscommuni-
cation. As a result, the Student Ac-
tivities Budget will receive an
extra nine dollars per student, ac-
cording to Poirier.

In addition, McMillen's estima-
tion for the funds that students con-
tribute for health insurance turned
out to be three dollars more than
necessary. These two factors in-
creased the funds that are taken
from each student's tuition for stud-
ent activities from $135 to $147,
according to Poirier. Poirier hopes
that a new budget will be presented
to the SGA by February 16.

Clubs and organizations will
continue to deficit spend as long as
their expenditures are approved by
the Student Organization Fund,
which approves all of the checks
written by student-run organiza-
tions.

"If the budget doesn't pass by
spring break, we're going to have to
freeze accounts," said Poirier.

After the budget failed the cam-
pus-wide referendum, three mem-
bers of the Finance Committee
resigned from their positions: Sonia
Shah, member at large; Dan Traum,
house senator of Branford; and
Charmeine Servis, member at large.
Alex Cote, house senator of
Blackstone, was elected by the SGA
as one replacement, Elia Drum.
SGA parliamentarian, was ap-
pointed to the finance committee as
a non-voting member in order to
facilitate the process.

Electons for the final two of eight
voting positions will be held for
students at large at the next SGA
assembly meeting.

Student Activites Budget
receives correct funding

BY JENNY BAERON
Associate News Editor

Members of the Finance Com-
mittee, responsible for developing
a budget for campus clubs and orga-
nizations, learned at the end of last
semester that they would have ap-
proximately $15,000 more to allo-
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"I think the students will be too," he
commented.

Though the building is opera-
tional and its engineers are very
pleased with the outcome, the
critics whose opinions matter most are
those who will be learning and work-
ning in it. Faculty and students are
finding some things to be more satis-
factory than others after their first
week in Olin. "We're developing a

needs and wants list, which you
always have at the end of a project,"
said George. "We're working on
that right now.

While some student complaints
are as small as the color scheme of
the interior, others find more seri-
ous design flaws. "My butt didn't
even fit in those seats," said junior Aly
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by Rick Stratton/Photo Editor
The linguistics of equality

This week, two comedians entertained hundreds of Connecticut College students in the Camel Club, formerly the Coffee Ground Café. While many were entertained by the performers, other students were offended, not only by the jokes but also by the language used. In response to this humor, some students shouted out their criticisms. For example, when one comedian used the word "girls" in an audience member responding by saying "women." Events such as this one represent the larger issue of political correctness.

Political correctness is a threat to one of the most cherished rights in this country, the freedom of speech as granted to all citizens by the First Amendment. It is not that laws will eventually be written to enforce political correctness. It is that society will eventually pressure all of its members to speak a specific language and think in a certain manner.

There exist linguistic theories which state that if a society does not have words to describe something, then that something cannot exist. Therefore, theoretically, if our society begins to use a language which is gender-free, sex-free, and race-neutral, then our society will become more equal. No one can deny that something has to be done to eradicate the racism, sexism, and homophobia which are so prevalent in today's society, but limiting one's freedom of speech to do this is absurd.

However, where does political correctness become more than a language of equality, and instead, impose upon one's freedom of speech? Should every individual be pressure to speak a language which they truly do not believe?

These are questions that need to be discussed. While there may be no answers, people need to be free to present their personal belief; however, this is not to say that people's beliefs should not be challenged. It simply means that in a country where the freedom of speech is granted to every citizen by the First Amendment, people should be allowed to speak freely.

Connecticut College is talking on this issue on February 4th during Campus Day. By hosting a Satirical dialogue on the issue of political correctness, students, faculty, and staff will be challenged to defend their views on this issue.

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Resources are available for campus activities, if students are willing to ask

As the school year progresses, it seems like more and more people are complaining that there is nothing to do on campus this year. Even the Student Government, who are to blame for this sorry phenomena, is of the entire student body.

Each week there are literally dozens of activities that are taking place at Connecticut College. These events are all

Many may argue that the events which are taking place on campus are "just not their type of events," but this is not the case. This year, there will be approximately $16,000 allocated to SAC for Co-Sponsorship of an absolutely and purely informational event. This money will be used to encourage current CC students to learn about the college community and to help the college community become engaged.

Furthermore, there are programs such as Human Endowment which will help the entire student body to be listening to grunge, we'd be, like, doing stuff. But who am I kidding, Melrose is on at 7:00. We're busy, and if you are one of those people who believe that there is nothing to do on campus, it is your own fault! Obviously, you have not taken advantage of the numerous programs that Connecticut College has to offer. Either attend the present programs or create events with the college's available resources, or SHUT IT.

Ted Svevik
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Help! Connecticut College really needs to start laughing again

Last week, in the mail, I received a clipping of a Sean Hanlon Viewpoint piece ("Assert your views in the Voice!") which was a lot more exciting than any of the other Viewpoint pieces I've received this semester. It was a personal reflection on just what I was doing at College and a call to the entire student body to step forward as a smart-ass. For twenty-three grand a year and four years of our society and our planet are dying Slow and miserable deaths When you drive through Groton with the windows rolled down his window; and as the

I'm writing this straight, though. I'm not suggesting someone needs to be standing up in the middle of Harris and

Can we be anything about world problems like acid-antidote disapproving anymore?" They're just other indicators of how bad our society and our planet are dying Slow and miserable deaths. When you drive through Groton with the windows rolled down — right past Pfizer and General Dynamics — and take a big whiff, you're reminded of this fact. Yep, this country stinks about as bad as the second-floor bathroom of Morrison on a dank Sunday evening. And unfortunately, every time we turn on the ignition in our car, throw out our trash, buy a Disney princess, or go on a Corey Haim movie, we're just encouraging the Earth's decline. But we can't help it; we're Americans, It's what we do.

I mean, I guess we twenty-somethings could all get really motivated for some positive change, like at the same time, or something. Kind of like we did at Pepsi's 'Chrysler's/Von'Sons Woodstock '94 — except that we wouldn't have to be listening to grunge, we'd be, like, doing stuff. But who am I kidding, Melrose is on at 7:00. We're busy.

However, I didn't write this letter to condone apathy. (I'm actually kind of making fun of it, I think.) I'm writing to implore someone on that campus to step forward. Last week, in the mail, I received a clipping of a Sean Hanlon Viewpoint piece ("Assert your views in the Voice!").

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Student remembers Auschwitz liberation

January 1995 marks the 50th anniversary of the Red Army's liberation of Auschwitz, the Nazi death camp, in Oswiecim, Poland - a small town located outside of Krakow. As World War II was winding down in 1945 and the soldiers started liberating the extermination camps, the world was confronted with the inhumane realities of Hitler's "Final Solution" - the massacre of the European Jewry. Although Auschwitz was the largest Nazi concentration camp, where more than four million people once lived, nothing remains of their existence as their bones and ashes were scattered by the wind long ago. Auschwitz, the site of Dr. Josef Mengele's monstrous medical experiments, was one of the many Nazi concentration camps where innocent victims perished in the gas chambers or died from torture, starvation, and disease. Now, as a result of this symbolic date, stories about the significance of Auschwitz are prominent in the media, ranging from the untold terror experiences of the survivors to the Germans coming to terms with the most atrocious chapter in their history. In addition, survivors are presently meeting at the camp in Poland to honor the Jewish suffering and face the memory of the most horrific Nazi concentration camp in Europe and the site of the largest mass killing in history.

During this past month, I have been reflecting on my visit to Auschwitz last summer while backpacking through Eastern Europe with a friend. Arriving at the camp on a beautiful summer day, I immediately felt like I had encountered a massive amusement park as numerous vendors were selling everything from ice cream to hot dogs; ironically, everyone walking around the grounds was munching on something. While the parking lot was filled with brightly colored buses and cars, people were sunbathing on the grass; the old barracks, a large tourist attraction, now house a hotel. The horrendous living condition and the magnitude of suffering of Auschwitz has disappeared and been replaced by a gallery of photos, documents and films. The camp museum, neat, efficient and small, made me feel as if I were visiting another historical museum in Europe. Although much of Auschwitz is still intact, the camp is now orderly and antiseptic.

The tourists that visit the site of Auschwitz today have no means for fully comprehending the misery and despair of its victims. How can this camp, with its blooming landscape and brightly colored leaves, accurately depict the horror of the life or death sentence, the evil of the SS, the smell of the burning bodies, or the sight of the smoke from the gas chambers? While many barracks contain confiscated possessions, such as hair, combs, dentures and artificial limbs, the core, the substance of the Holocaust - the daily camp life has disappeared. Auschwitz today, like Disney World, is simply another tourist attraction. In an effort to memorialize the concentration camp, we may have lost sight of the intensity of suffering and anguish that occurred there; how can we prevent the commercializing of reality in our attempts to create a physical shrine? As Auschwitz epitomizes the horror of the Nazi's crimes from over fifty years ago, how can the preservation of memory come close to the actual suffering and misery? I was extremely disappointed by my trip to Auschwitz; I was left feeling that the core of the experience was a replica of a tourist attraction as my visit raised questions on the gap between re-creation and reality. However, I still believe that it is important that the site of Auschwitz remain as a tribute to those who suffered and died there.

Rebecca Rosen
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Sale of paddle court meets with opposition

By April Orland
Editor-in-Chief

Although it remains on campus, the paddle court outside Cro was sold two years ago. The sale did come to light, however, until just before winter break when some paddle tennis players discovered it would be removed soon.

Several students have expressed dismay over the sale, saying they are angry that the court was sold without a thorough investigation of the amount of use it receives and without making the sale known to the campus at large.

According to Malekoff, director of athletics, a buyer approached him twice in the last two years, offering a sum of $5,000 for the courts, which can be removed intact from campus. He said he did not make a definite decision at the time, but rather brought the matter up in discussion with the Athletic Advisory Board.

"I tried to get as much information as I could," said Malekoff. "It seemed that the use of the court was quite limited."

Malekoff said that the decision to sell the court, which was made in consultation with Lyn Brooks, vice president for finance, was made on the basis of several factors, including the cost of maintaining the courts, which regularly need repainting and the quality of the removal service which would be provided by the buyer.

Malekoff said that if he could change one thing about the sale, it would be to publicize the sale so that more people would be aware of it. He added, however, that he could have had the court removed over the summer, but decided to wait until the fall semester began so that students would not be surprised.

Senior Nigel Mendez is a frequent paddle tennis player who is upset at the sale of the court. He said he found out that the court had been sold only a few days before winter break, and talked to Malekoff soon after that.

Marinelli Yoder, SGA president, announced at last Thursday's SGA Assembly meeting that the funds from the sale had been used to purchase two new stepping machines for the Athletic Center.

Malekoff acknowledged that, in discussing the potential sale with students and faculty members, a few answered that they were not in favor of the sale of the court. However, said Malekoff, "You have to realize... you have three other racquet sport options at the college, limited use of the paddle courts, and something which seems to serve a small constituency."

"I don't think if two people protest... you don't stop it if it would affect thousands of people," Malekoff continued.

Mendez said he was concerned that Malekoff had not gone through the appropriate collegial channels when he approved the sale of the courts. Although the Athletic Advisory Board was consulted about the effect of the sale of the facilities, Malekoff said that the Board, which he believed mostly consisted of varsity sport players, should not have been the only means by which the sensitive body was consulted.

Malekoff said that the Advisory Board, which he said consisted of students interested in athletics, not merely varsity players or inter-collegiate athletes, discusses many issues which are not directly related to inter-collegiate athletics, including intramural sports, recreation, and physical education. "It has been a voice for needs other than those that serve inter-collegiate athletes... these are students that happen to be inter-collegiate athletes."

Mendez said that he felt uncomfortable with the student athletes on the Athletic Advisory Board being the major source of input from students on the sale.

"It's like asking the Board about people who jog on campus they don't know about it," said Mendez.

Mendez and other students upset at the sale feel that the college is losing something distinctive with the sale of the court. He said that it was his understanding that only a handful of small liberal arts colleges maintain paddle tennis courts, and while he understood that this was one of the reasons the college thought that could part with the courts, he viewed it instead as a reason for keeping them.

"If it is something that sets us apart, then I don't think we should get rid of it," said Mendez.

Zach Manzella, another senior who is angered at the sale of the paddle court, said that while it is true that few students use the paddle court, it is also true that the school neither offers playing equipment nor classes in the sport. While there are many students and faculty members who play racquet sports and might enjoy paddle tennis, it is not as accessible to them as racquetball, squash, or regular tennis,

Mendez suggested that it would take little for the school to facilitate interest in the sport.

"For a minimal amount you could purchase paddles and a ball and keep it at the Info desk," said Manzella.

The sale is final, and the court is to be removed soon.

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"I think we would have had a small constituency."
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people were too sensitive," said freshman Alec Todd.

"If he dealt with issues that are touchy on this campus... I wouldn't say that it was because of political correctness, it was just poor taste," said Michelle Fortin, a senior who attended the event.

"I believe if a comedian is coming, he should research his audience... politically correct isn't what comes to mind... people are just more open minded and accepting of differences here... people don't tolerate that kind of humor here," said senior Kirstin Howard.

There seem to be a number of people, with both positive and negative reactions to Myles' act, who attribute the dismay of the audience to an atmosphere of political correctness at the college.

"Even in a comedic environment we are critical and analytical... it is hard for us to just sit back and laugh... [it is] exactly because of our politically correct atmosphere that we have a more critical and analytical mindset. He just didn't know his audience... it wasn't his fault," said Wynn Keaten, a senior.

Todd agreed that the audience's reaction was indicative of an atmosphere of political correctness at the college.

"He definitely lost steam and confidence when the people had a negative reaction," added Shah.

The campus debate over speech continues. While many are against jokes that "go too far," others seem to feel that the issue of political correctness itself may indeed have gone too far. The latest incident raises questions about whether a comedian or any other artist should change his regular material to suit the "atmosphere," at the college or, hopefully, the reaction to the comedy routine will be the impetus for the campus to engage in a dialogue that strikes at the heart of the issue—the right to free speech.

many did not appreciate his reference to females as "girls."

"He was going places he had no right going... you have no right making fun unless you have a hand in it... jokes relating to women was fueling the fire, objectifying women. The entire audience seemed more uncomfortable than amused," said sophomore Rachel Howell.

She added, "[The negative reaction] was definitely due to political correctness... he should have realized that a college would not be the right atmosphere for that type of humor... I don't know if they would even be amusing anywhere else."

Freshman Sonia Shah believed that many who were critical of the performance were being too sensitive. "Both comedians were excellent, and if we relaxed a little we would have laughed... there was no need to be so uptight."

"There were a few jokes that maybe went too far... but he was generally funny... when you start heckling a guy in the middle of the performance it really ruins it," said Todd.

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Perhaps, as many students have said they hope, the reaction to the comedy routine will be the impetus for the campus to engage in a dialogue that strikes at the heart of the issue—the right to free speech.
ACCUSED: Ralph / Edward
ACCUSER: Convience Store
CHARGE: Shoplifting (Art Supplies)
EVIDENCE: Written Statements

DISCUSSION: Both students admitted their guilt and added that there was no excuse for their behavior. They expressed regret for their actions. When asked whose idea it was, they responded that it was a mutual and spontaneous idea; neither could remember who first had the idea.

Each of their totals were under $10 (approx. $8 and $5). Both said that they paid for the stolen items within the time of the incident.

Mr. Jim then came in and asked to borrow his ID. Yuri explained that in his�����ns, he didn't really want a fair recommendation. One student had not taken immediate responsibility for his actions because that was his natural instinct. He also said that he didn't want to work because he didn't really want to deal with the angry neighbors he had woken up. He pointed out that although he did not avoid responsibility that night, he rarely tried to hide the fact that he had broken the law. In fact, he told a friend to come with him to the house and show his name and number, to tell him that he was going to take complete responsibility for his actions, and that he would pay for the damage he had caused. (All verified to be true).

REASON: Students admitted their guilt.

RECOMMENDATION: Three shifts of work hours (a total of 9 work hours) in the bookstore, to be completed by Thanksgiving Break. Writing a paper was unacceptable because of the inconvenience. Then the work hours would be completed in Dining Services.

Social probation was considered but evidently decided against.

DECISION: GUILTY

For: 5
Against: 0
Abstain: 0

ACTION: All members were present.

CASE SUMMARY #3

ACCUSED: Arnold / Gordon
ACCUSER: Campus Safety
CHARGE: Trespassing (On the Oliva Construction Site)
EVIDENCE: Written Statements, Campus Safety Report

DISCUSSION: Arnold admitted that he wanted the cinder blocks to raise his bed higher, not for an art project, as he had told the campus safety officer at the time of the incident. He explained that he lied as a panic reaction to being caught off guard by the officer according to him, the theft was a quick decision based on convenience, as there happened to be cinder blocks at the construction site. Arnold admitted that that isn't think of it at wrong at the time, they weren't trying to hide what they doing. It was not a "secret, covert mission" in fact, in their eyes it seemed harmless. He admitted, however, that he never really thought about the consequences. Gordon, who drove the car and remained in it for the incident, admitted that at the time he didn't think what was happening was harassous. His rationalization was that the cinder blocks weren't worth taking, and that they wouldn't be missed.

Arnold expressed immense guilt for having brought his friend Gordon into the situation, and made it known that he wanted to take full responsibility, as it was all his idea. Gordon felt that he should receive equal blame because although it was Arnold's idea, he didn't "chive" to be a part of it. Gordon did add that, in his opinion, work hours would be unjust because he already knows how his actions were. "I wouldn't "put in his hole any more."

RECOMMENDATION: Arnold: Guilty of Trespassing, Guilty of Theft To College Property

For: 4
Against: 0
Abstain: 0

ACTION: All members felt that guilt for theft was apparent in both cases, considering they had accepted full responsibility. Gordon had never left the car, and thus was not trespassing, hence the not guilty vote.

RECOMMENDATION: Arnold received four hours of volunteer work, on his own choosing, to be completed by Fall Break. He is to handle the arrangements of this work on his own without the Board coordinating the placement, and will provide a short description of what he did to the J-Bord coordinator. Gordon received a letter of censure.

For: 5
Against: 0
Abstain: 0

ACTION: All members felt guilt was relatively obvious.

RECOMMENDATION: James will be on alcohol probation. Any drinking behavior connected to alcohol will be a violation of probation, and immediate suspension will be considered. This probation will be in effect until Spring Break. In addition, James is to meet with David Brailey before Thanksgiving Break for alcohol counseling. He is responsible for cleaning, fixing or replacing all damaged items (mouse pad, notebooks etc.)

For: 6
Against: 0
Abstain: 0

ACTION: This was seen as an appropriate measure. Although it resulted largely from ignorance Yuri is responsible for his own ID.

ATTENDANCE: Les Baquiran was not in attendance.

CASE SUMMARY #4

ACCUSED: James
ACCUSER: Campus Safety
CHARGE: Underage Drinking
(Failure to Control Bladder)
EVIDENCE: Written Statements, Campus Safety Report

DISCUSSION: James stated that he began drinking rather early that evening, and estimated that he had consumed 20 shots during the night, though he admitted that it might have been more than that. He explained that his recollection of the events is vague, and that although he remembers Campus Safety being there, he doesn't recall anything aside from taking the hour-long four-hour test, and cleaning up. He stated that he must have thought the room he was entered was the bath-room, and must have mistaken the desk for a urinal.

James expressed concern over the condition he was in that night, saying that it is something he feared he let himself get into due to an devastating situation by drinking so heavily. He felt the incident was "out of character" for him and he is now afraid to drink.

James did claim, however, that he doesn't see alcohol as a problem for him, and does instead see that night as an isolated incident. In closing, James reiterated that this was not a malicious act and that it would never happen again.

Both residents of the room were woken by the incident and were apprehensive about the necessity of this. Both stated that they hold no grudge against James, and that there was no perceived threat. One of the affected desk explained that James cleaned the mess thoroughly, and that everything is now fine.

DECISION: Guilty of Disorderly Conduct

Guilty of Underage Drinking

Guilty of Unauthorized Entry

For: 6
Against: 0
Abstain: 0

ACTION: All members felt guilt was relative.

RECOMMENDATION: James will be on alcohol probation. Any drinking behavior connected to alcohol will be a violation of probation, and immediate suspension will be considered. This probation will be in effect until Spring Break. In addition, James is to meet with David Brailey before Thanksgiving Break for alcohol counseling. He is responsible for cleaning, fixing or replacing all damaged items (mouse pad, notebooks etc.)

For: 6
Against: 0
Abstain: 0

ACTION: This was seen as an appropriate measure. Although it resulted largely from ignorance Yuri is responsible for his own ID.

ATTENDANCE: Les Baquiran was not in attendance.

CASE SUMMARY #5

ATTENDANCE: All members were present.

CASE SUMMARY #6

ACCUSED: Billy / Butch
ACCUSER: Campus Safety
CHARGE: Failure to Comply With a College Official, on 2 counts:
1. Failure to Stop Car
2. Running from an Officer

Butch: Failure to Comply With a College Official (Running from an

Dining hall slip

DISCUSSION: Yuri was guilty of the possession of two ID's: one valid one, and one invalid that he stated that on the day of the dining hall incident he was in his room taking a nap. His friend Jim then came in and asked to borrow his ID. Yuri explained that in his government class allowed John to take the invalid ID without question. Yuri mentioned that he did not realize the wrong in this because of the hall regulations concerning ID's were never explained, and so he felt dishonest. Yuri also mentioned that Sally did not look like him, so he felt the woman who checked the ID at the dining hall was partially at fault in Billy's admittance to face. As for other details concerning that day, Yuri explained that he couldn't remember much else because his memory is bad.

DECISION: Guilty of Misuse of Dining Privileges

Not Guilty of Deception

Not Guilty of Forgery

For: 6
Against: 0
Abstain: 0

REASON: Yuri was guilty of Misuse of Dining Privileges because he lost out his invalid ID, but the other two charges no longer applied to the situation, given his explanation of the events. (Which The Board accepted).

RECOMMENDATION: One shift of work hours (3 hours) in the dining hall, to be completed by Thanksgiving Break.

For: 6
Against: 0
Abstain: 0

REASON: This was seen as an appropriate measure. Although it resulted largely from ignorance Yuri is responsible for his own ID.

ATTENDANCE: Les Baquiran was not in attendance.
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He explained that it was a spontaneous act, and that if he thought he'd be endangering anyone, he wouldn't have done it. As for the actual charges, they both agreed they were guilty of failure to comply, Billy on both counts. The students explained that they felt the scene because they anticipated that the officer would not be understanding of their actions. In order to clarify his motivations, Billy gave the analogy of a gambler, who, in attempts to get out of debt. Keeps gambling, only to find himself deeper in debt. Billy explained that this situation has had a definite effect on him. He mentioned that he feels humiliated to have to come in front of the Judiciary Board for such a ridiculous incident. Butch made it clear that he was not proud of himself.

DECISION:
Billy: Guilty of Failure to Comply With a College Official, on both counts.
Butch: Guilty of Failure to Comply With a College Official.

For: 7
Against: 0
Abstain: 1

REASON:
Both students admitted their guilt.

RECOMMENDATION:
Four hours work at Physical Plant, to be completed in the Arbor- return, by Thanksgiving Break.

For: 7
Against: 0
Abstain: 1

REASON:
The majority of the Board felt that the recommendation should be more than a letter. However hecky voted against the recommendation because she felt that a letter of censure would be enough. Les abstained because he felt uncontrollable with the lack of severity. While running from the officers was inappropriate, the individuals involved obviously felt they had been juvenile, and work hours would have accomplished very little. (Billy was not charged with reckless driving to avoid double jeopardy. He had already received fines for recklessness and speeding.)

ATTENDANCE:
All members were present.

CASE SUMMARY #7

ACCUSED: Trevor/ Robert
ACCUSER: Student Life
CHARGE: Trevor: Illegal Keg
Deception
Robert: Illegal Keg

EVIDENCE:
Written Statements, Housewell testimony

DISCUSSION:
Trevor and Robert both admitted they were drunk, but made it clear that they didn't think this was relevant to the situation. They said the the living room was not signed out, so they went to knock on Gus's door to do so. Because Gus wasn't around, they weren't able to sign out the living room; however, both students admitted that they didn't leave him a message telling him about the situation. Gus returned shortly, and after being told by Trevor that the beer (which was being drunk in the living room from plastic cups) was found from individual cans, he found a keg in the dumbwaiter. Trevor addressed the deception charge by stating that he was just kidding around about the beer coming from the half empty cans in his refrigerator. He said that he was being sarcastic because he thought he was already caught, and didn't think Gus would take him seriously anyway. Gus responded, saying that he felt Trevor did act with the intent to deceive. Both students in question de- threatened to argue his way out of the living room rather than in a hallway (a reason kegs are illegal because it causes safety hazards around the kitchen if it is tapped in a confined space). However the Board realized this could be a further attempt to avoid being caught, rather than a "considerate gesture" as Trevor felt to defend or to define it. Trevor was given an additional shift of work hours, on account of his deception.

ATTENDANCE:
All members were present.

CASE SUMMARY #8

ACCUSED: Miles
ACCUSER: J-Board (student turned himself in)

CHARGE: Cheating

EVIDENCE:
Written Statements from professor and student witnesses

DISCUSSION:
Miles admitted to cheating on his chemistry exam, but stressed that his medical circumstances are such that he is not directly responsible for his action. He explained that because he is a manic depressive, he is under medication which affects his memory skills and makes it difficult for him to concentrate. Miles mentioned, however, that he did not want to inform his professors about his illness because he did not want to be seen as a less capable student or one who needs "special" treatment (such as extended test-taking times). Throughout the trial, Miles stated clearly that he felt he should only lose credit for the question on which he cheated. He focused entirely on his medical condition, even when directly questioned about having cheated he expressed little to no remorse.

DECISION:
Guilty of Cheating

For: 7
Against: 0
Abstain: 1

REASON:
The Board felt that this was the most appropriate reaction to the offenses. The Board accounted for the fact that the drinking took place in the living room rather than in a hallway (a reason kegs are illegal because it causes safety hazards around the kitchen if it is tapped in a confined space). However The Board realized this could be a further attempt to avoid being caught, rather than a "considerate gesture" as Trevor felt to defend or to define it. Trevor was given an additional shift of work hours, on account of his deception.

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ATTENDANCE:
All members were present.

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Kristin abstained because over the course of the deliberations she remembered information that would have biased her.

ATTENDANCE:
All members were present.
College Days spells fun for winter weary

BY NATALIE HILDT
Features Editor

Picture it: twenty-six Twistermats going simultaneously, wobbling bodies entangling further as the announcer calls the move, "left hand on left hip!" Sounds pretty wild, doesn't it? The giant game of Twister will kick off eight days of fun and games, and even a bit of intellectual stimulation for College Days '95.

Mark Hoffman, director of student activities, brought College Days to Connecticut College last year saying that "It helps the College Center fulfill its purpose of bringing together students, staff and faculty."

Hoffman has designed College Days as a kind of mini-vacation, and he plans to decorate Crozier-Williams in a tropical beach motif. "I think it helps with the winter doldrums," he said of the week. "Winter, especially February, is a very depressing time for a lot of people."

The great prizes, free popcorn and the dessert contest are back. In addition, popular favorites like the College Bowl, billiards and table tennis return. Winners of those tournaments will compete at the regional level against about 20 other schools. "We hope to build the College Bowl into a big tradition," Hoffman said, adding that 16 teams matched wins last year and went on to send the winners to Boston. Connecticut College won most-improved in that competition, in part because of its debut, beating Dartmouth University.

"I've tried to infuse College Days with some new activities to keep it interesting for the campus and me," said Hoffman of the new events he has cooked up. These include card tournaments, a mock summer fashion show, free caricature portraits, and salsa dance lessons co-sponsored with La Unidad.

On Saturday night, what could be better than a movie and some dancing? The twist: the 1941 room will be covered with sprawling mattresses for the screening of Spike Lee's "Crooklyn." After that, things will clear out for some platform dancing as Umoja joins U.F.O. in co-sponsoring a Soul Train dance.

Other featured events include a Socratic Dialogue on political correctness and a panel on study abroad opportunities. Also, Bokoff Travel Agency is sponsoring a meeting on planning your summer trip.

Sign-up for the competitions begins Tuesday, January 31 at the Information Desk. A three dollar security deposit will be requested for the more serious tournaments to be refunded upon entry. Hoffman needs volunteers to help run the tournaments, which are being co-ordinated by junior Penny Assay. "It's going to be a lot of fun to see events like Twister and the College Bowl, and volunteers get a free T-shirt," Hoffman said.

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ISD WEEK GIVES STUDENTS UNIQUE LEARNING OPPORTUNITY

BY BEN RUBIN
News Editor

About 130 students returned to campus one week before classes began in order to participate in the intensive Skills Development program which offered classes in Conflict and Negotiation Resolution, Public Speaking, and Multicultural Topics.

Roger Fish, a professor of law at Harvard Law School and director of the Harvard Negotiation Project which taught the workshop here, spoke on the opening day of the negotiation workshop and appeared in several movies during the five day course.

He is author of the book Getting To Yes and has assisted in such conflicts as the Iranian Hostage Conflict in 1980, the Persian Gulf Crisis, and negotiations among the major political parties in South Africa.

The Public Speaking program was taught by three Connecticut College graduates: Tom Bell, Kerry Messer, and Warren Erikson.

The multicultural workshop was run by Judy Kirmse, Myrii Panelli, and Joan Vanderkoot, and included representatives from the New London community.

"The facilitators had good things to say about how we ran the program," said Dan Traum, a member of the student-run committee which plans the ISD program. Traum also took part in the public speaking workshop.

During the negotiation workshop, Connecticut College students worked as facilitators and learning assistants, working alongside the Harvard representatives who teach the workshop.

Students attended lectures during several "plenary" periods and then practiced the skills they learned after breaking into working groups. In these groups, participants negotiated hypothetical conflicts and then discussed and analyzed their negotiations with the aid of the learning assistants.

"There was a tremendous positive response to all of the facilitators in the program," said Traum. Chris Kinball, a sophomore who returned early for the negotiation workshop, said that the course made him feel more confident about the prospect of negotiating with his boss, a professor, or even his family.

"The workshop was really fun to take part in, and it also taught me skills which I never realized could work so well," Kinball said.

Alex Cote, another sophomore, worked as a facilitator for the negotiation workshop after taking it the year before.

"After I learned about the theory I was intrigued. I thought teaching would be a way to get more involved with the theory and share my knowledge with other people," said Cote.

In addition to learning public speaking skills, the public speaking workshop also created a forum to discuss ways to include the skill into the Connecticut College curriculum. The discussion was enhanced by many of the faculty members in attendance, according to Traum.

The middle three days of the five day public speaking workshop included the learning of effective public speaking skills such as body gestures, voice projection, and the use of visual aids.

Participants spent a day learning effective ways to present their resumes during job interviews.

"I thought it was good, because it got me to focus on things that I never thought were important before, like gestures and eye contact," said Cameron Arterton, a participant in the workshop.

"I thought the instructors were really good... they were terrific at making us all feel comfortable," she continued.

"I was given valuable tips on how to interview well," said Traum. He added that the learning process was overwhelmingly received during the last four days.

The multicultural workshop consisted mostly of discussions groups and included a talk from New London which is involved in learning about effects of multicultural issues, according to Carl Schultz, a participant in the course.

Schultz said that an interesting and difficult exercise involved groups which each had their own card with a description of their hypothetical culture. The groups had to work together with their differences to solve a common problem.

"The course was incredible, it changed a lot of my life... it gave a lot of promise for better relationships in the future," Schultz said.

"It was really an intensive workshop, a lot of people got angry and frustrated, but it was extremely illuminating," Schultz explained.

Amy Sleeper, a sophomore participant in the program, agreed that the course was very intense.

"It was so great because it wasn't like a usual class, people were still talking about it after the day ended," Sleeper said.

"We talked about system thinking and how new changes require a new way of thinking... since I am the political chair of SOAR, it was very helpful one morning when we talked about why more white students don't go to Unity House. It was really interesting, because I am a white student who is comfortable there, and I got to learn about why people aren't comfortable," Sleeper said.

She added that she learned that making people do something different is a big step.

Each of the three workshops presented a skit at a dinner ceremony in the 1962 room of Cro on the final night, celebrating the new skills and ideas which were gained during the week.

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Camel Connection

Middlebury College - A weakened pipe burst last week in the administrative building of the college spewing 2,000 gallons of water. Officials have said that they do not believe that cold weather caused the break.

Workers and administrators, including the president of the college, have been working all week to dry out everything from light fixtures and computers to oil paintings.

A dollar amount has not yet been estimated for the damage.

University of Massachusetts at Amherst - The University's men's crew team recently broke a record on the ergometer for 336 straight hours, or 14 days. The 64 member team, including 8 female coxswains, beat the record set by Simon Fraser University of 288 hours.

Each team member rowed about 7 one hour shifts. The team raised over $8,000 to help buy a new racing shell.

West Chester University of Pennsylvania - The University opened its doors to shelter the homeless over winter break. When local churches had to suspend their programs due to holiday activities, the university asked the campus to step in.

The University turned a ballroom into sleeping quarters for about two dozen men and women. All supplies were provided by a local organization, popular University officials said that providing the space was easy with students away for the holidays.

*All information Compiled by The Chronicle of Higher Education
The Chaplaincy Advisory Council has approved a recommendation on the proposal for Yom Kippur, as stated in the following article:

**News**

Chaplaincy advisory council writes statement on Yom Kippur proposal

By JENNY BARRON
Associate News Editor

The Chaplaincy Advisory Council forged a consensus statement on the proposal for Yom Kippur to present at a meeting last Wednesday night. SGA had requested that the council make a recommendation on the proposal before it went before the Faculty Steering and Conference Committee.

The report of the Council recognizes that accommodations have been made in the past for other religious holidays or at an event held over. It states, “Therefore, we believe that a similar accommodation may be extended to Yom Kippur.” A revision and strengthening of the current holiday policy is also called for.

The Council’s report also mentions issues raised during their deliberations such as the fact that Jewish holidays start and end at sundown, concerns over whether athletic practices should be held on the holiday, whether or not the proposal should apply to the staff of the college, and the fact that cancellations of classes may open the door to other religious groups. The Council decided not to take a side on the proposal, because many in the group felt it would be fractious to the unity of the group. “We have achieved a document which exemplifies consensus and unites us,” Father Larry LaPoints, Catholic chaplain of the college, said.

At the beginning of the meeting, the council took comments from people in the audience. Among them was Walter Brady, associate professor of mathematics. He said that the way to deal with the issue of Yom Kippur was not to give the day off but to revise the current holiday policy so that students could miss classes on that day more easily. "Multiculturalism can exist. We can accommodate each other without making demands on the academic calendar," Brady said.

He explained that by having a rotational attendance of classes on Yom Kippur for Jewish students, faculty are made to practice religious tolerance in a way they would not have to if the day were not a holiday. Brady recommended that the council make sure that students were informed of the current policy and ask them to suggest changes.

Steve Schmidt, chaplain of the college, wrote the draft of the report that came out of the meeting. He said that he was glad that the council could produce a statement that everyone could sign and support. "I view it as a positive statement, others may view it as not a totally unqualified endorsement," Schmidt said.

Schmidt said that he understood that some people were upset that the council did not decide the issue at the meeting in December. "I think that we felt that we were delaying the train that this was on. All we tried to do was to make the fact that the course was straight and that the train wasn't moving so fast that it would in a way push us on its own initiative," he explained.

Schmidt also said that he was saddened by the fact that people who questioned the proposal were seen as being against it. "Both Father Larry and myself were most disillusioned to find that Yom Kippur, which we felt would be beneficial to Jewish community, is not being discussed for this reason," Schmidt said.

The statement will be read at this Wednesday’s faculty meeting.

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**News**

Dean Ferrari explains campus-wide common hour at SGA meeting

By BEN RUBIN
News Editor

A common hour, to be used for convocations, discussion groups, and other campus-wide events, may be put into effect next semester. Arthur Ferrari, acting dean of the college, discussed the plan with the SGA assembly Thursday, and it will go into effect next semester if the faculty approves it at its next meeting.

According to Ferrari, there would be a block of time on Fridays, currently scheduled from 12:30-2:00, when no classes or meetings would be per- formed for students. Events at this time would include "Cornell West-like speakers," an idea presented by discussion groups; however, nothing is set in stone and the faculty is still open to ideas, according to Ferrari.

Next semester, the college will have a new theme each common hour. "It's an attempt to take back Fridays on this campus," Ferrari said.

A small number of classes will have to be rescheduled if the common hour is instituted. For example, one o'clock classes would begin at two o'clock on Fridays.

Ferrari said that he hoped that the new common hour would facilitate attendance at campus events.

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**News**

Guest passes not good for meals at the snack shop in the college Center

By JENNY BARRON
Associate News Editor

Tired of being short of cash at the snack shop? Beginning this semester, student guest passes will not be good for purchase meals at the Oasis Cafe in Cro. Each student is given eight guest meals per year. With an incoming freshman next year would total unqualified student population of 2,000, the purchase come in more than four dollars, the student may either pay the balance in cash or use their additional meal on the pass.

"More and more college dining you are seeing blended dining options," explained Matthew Fay, director of dining services. He said that it was too late in the year to redo the meal plan to include such an option, but the Dining Services Committee, which developed the program, wanted to give students the opportunity to decide how to use their guest passes. He said that an estimated 15 to 25 students took advantage of this program on the first night.

"It's kind of a rush job," Fay said of the program, "but sometimes you are better off just jumping in and swimming." He commented that he would like to expand this dining choice into the meal plan next year, maybe as a $50 credit for snack shop meals. He also suggested the idea of dropping down to a plan of 19 - 20 meals per week; this would produce a larger saving.

Fay said that the inclusion of dining choices in the college meal plan would depend on funding, student input, and the faculty's approval of the change.

"This is a very positive move," commented John Biancur, SGA presidential associate and chair of the Dining Services Committee. He said that he would also like to see the Board of Trustees allocate the funds for such a program. "Everything is kind of up in the air," he explained.

The committee has also recommended to add a new snack menu to the bar in the college Center (an idea initiated by the Alcohol and Tobacco Review Committee), a potato and pasta bar in the Harris dining hall, and a frozen yogurt bar in Burdock.

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The week in SGA...

Marinelli Viders, SGA president, announced that the paddle tennis court was sold last summer. See article, page 4. Arthur Ferrari, acting dean of the college, spoke about a proposed campus-wide common hour. See article, this page. Viders also announced that the move of the Coffee Grounds Cafe from Cro to KB has been delayed because of renovations in building handicap regulations which must be done in KB. Therefore, the cafe may remain in Cro for the next several weeks.

Jessica Friedman, chair of academic affairs, announced that the faculty will review the two proposed gen ed plans at their meeting next month. The booking of advisory chairs met before winter break to discuss the professor evaluation systems, excluding new questions for the student evaluation forms. Bronwen Wodos, assistant to the chair of academic affairs, is looking for suggestions on handling evalu- ations of tenured professors. Dan Shedd, J-Board Chair, is looking for volunteers to create Honor Code Committees. Shedd also announced that he is looking for students interested in discussing the Honor Code. He wants to form an informal group which would work to outline general responsibilities of individuals living under the Honor Code since no such statement exists.

Shedd announced that the J-Board will be printed in next week's issue of The College Voice. He apologized for the delay, as this is the first time this year that the log has been printed.

Jesse Roberts, SGA PR director, presented a proposal for election rules for the one remaining junior class representative to the J-Board, which passed 23-11.

Ben Tyrell, SAGC chair, announced that there will be a debate in the 1962 room of Cro on February 18 from 1-5 p.m., which will feature three rounds. He also said that there will be a murder mystery at the Camel Club on Friday.

Ryan Paliter, SGA vice-president, announced that Else Drum, SGA parliamentarian, has been registered as a non-voting member of the Finance Committee. See article, page 1.
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Singleton's "Higher Learning" depicts grim portrait of today's University Life

By Michelle Ronayne
A&E Editor

If you thought you had problems interacting with your round halmates, then spend a week at Columbus University. It would probably change your mind.

Columbus University is the setting for director John Singleton's new movie, "Higher Learning." The film attempts to cover every possible problem that could arise in a multicultural environment. This seems to be the film's one downfall, but though not minor, it does not detract from the merit of this film.

The film begins by introducing various freshmen that are followed throughout the course of the film. Malique Williams is an African-American student. He is angered to be there for that has been there a little longer than leader to the young students and brain."

A racist and prejudiced film, "Higher Learning" does not the answer to the problems. It seems to be the way everyone handles their differences through-out the film. Perhaps that is the reality of it all.

The quality of the acting and the importance of the social issues the film takes on make it worth watching. However, don't expect an escape from reality; prepare to take in and accept that we need more than a Band-aid to fix our social problems.

This is a very in-your-face film. This might be uncomfortable to some, but the issues of racism and prejudice sometimes need be thrown in the faces of viewers. It makes the film a little hard to take at times, because it seems on this campus there is a race war going on between the black and the white students.
Why is it always so hard to come back second semester? One would think that five weeks at home would make any of us eager to come back, but then again good food and a warm room are sure hard to beat. Fall semester never seems to be so awful as expected, but even now’s stacked fridge and your comfy old bed wear thin after a while, and after a long summer, people seem ready to get back and be with their friends. It just must be something about those winter months that makes people want to crawl in bed and pull the covers up over their heads.

It also seems to be a time for taking stock. Much time is spent reflecting on the past, maybe because of the New Year, and thinking about how you could do things differently. Now taking stock is a good thing, but too much can do you harm. I believe it was Sachal Page who said, “Never look back—somebody might be gaining on you,” (though I thought for a long time my dad coined the phrase). I am still unsure if he is right or not. We, after all, a baseball player and had a lot of people running after him. We also spend much time preparing ourselves for the coming challenges. The New Year always takes people resolve to change things, and then they are upset when it doesn’t happen. My dad also used to tell me, “Don’t wish your life away,” and it’s amazing that he had a line for every problem.

There is a certain amount of inner harmony one can gain from reviewing the past. I know that recently I have been thinking of all the changes I want to make—be sure to get better grades, try to be more neat, a little organized—things along those lines. I have also given a lot of thought to resolving past differences and learning to get over past disagreements. To a certain extent, these realizations are helpful, but after a while you can get bogged down in the melancholy and have trouble finding your way out. The future isn’t any different. I want to plan for it—be prepared—and as such I have also spent much time brooding over how to increase the potential that I will actually be able to get a job in a year and a half. The point is that while it is good to realize past mistakes and work on fixing them, the past is not a place where you can live and neither is the future. Dwelling over things you can’t change isn’t worth the time and energy. In reality, though decisions we may or may not have made may be mistakes, they are a part of who we are. We probably would do a lot of the same things given the same circumstances.

If you find yourself caught up in problems to which there are no easy answers, take heart. You are not alone. These long and cold winter months bring out the dweller in all of us. I am sure that some seniors are pretty frantic, but it will all work out—it has to, because I will be leaving this hallowed hill in a year, and I have to believe that I will be pursuing a career.

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In my mind, the key difference between the two is plot vs. character development. While both shows have intriguing characters and captivating storylines, the differences between them make, in my mind, “Chicago Hope” my favorite show. With “ER” you get lots of plot. The show is fast-paced and has a younger crowd consisting mostly of interns and residents with some medical students thrown in for good measure. The very nature of the ER setting makes it move quickly. The characters are younger and newer to the game of medicine than the characters on “Chicago Hope.” It makes sense that “ER” would appeal to a younger crowd, as they might be able to relate to the woes and self-doubts of the newer doctors. Sometimes the characters seem too self-absorbed, making it harder to like them.

Recently on “ER,” Dr. Benton, the young resident who wants to be chief surgical resident, has had some issues to deal with. His mother is aging and has Alzheimer’s, and now the doctor’s sister must make all the decisions, which Peter doesn’t like at all. There are many other social issues on “ER.” Kids being abused by their parents, mothers being abused by their kids, teenage runaways and a host of other “hot” social topics. The story is good, but the characters are underdeveloped and not as likable, making the show a little lower quality than “Chicago Hope.” The show is still worth watching every once in a while, but the reasons to watch “Chicago Hope” are greater.

With “Chicago Hope,” you get heart and lots of it...sometimes even on the floor. The characters on this show are a little older, and most of them are heads of their own departments. The characters have been allowed to reveal themselves a little bit at a time, making their lives all the richer. Plus some marketing genius for the show aired an entire week of the show so that people were bound to see it at least once. For people that watched every episode, the show was all the more enjoyable and the characters became real.

They have mishaps and issues as well. Camille, the head surgical nurse, drops a heart in the middle of a nonce jubilee operation, leaving her feeling very guilty. Dr. Geiger is a brooding, somewhat gruff surgeon, who still loves his wife despite the fact that she drowned their baby and he knows that she will probably never recover from her mental illness. Dr. Geiger is revealed to be more than just a busy surgeon in many ways, but this viewer finally had her doubts put to rest on a recent episode when he got involved helping his wife with the holiday pageant at the mental health center where she resides. He sang a very special song, just for her, admitting he loves her even though she will never be the same.

Personally, character is much better, but some people are more into plot, and maybe some just want to be loyal to the show that they watched first. Me, I always watch “Chicago Hope,” but I keep close tabs on “ER” as well. Which is better? The choice is yours, really. A piece of advice, though—never confuse the two. You’ll only embarrass yourself.

BY MICHELLE RONAYE
A&E Editor

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Both “ER” and “Chicago Hope” were up for Golden Globe awards (the misguided judges gave it to a show of a different breed, NYPD), and people definitely have opinions about each show.

Now, to the non-obessive viewer the two shows may look alike—both hospitals, lots of sick people, lots of blood and one crisis after another. The two shows are, however, very different.

Chicago Hope is, in my opinion, the better show. I love Mandy Patinkin’s character, Dr. Geiger, and the interactions of all the other characters. They blend well together. There is, however, another group on campus with a different opinion. Kristina Garland and her other senior friends have a Thursday evening ritual of watching “ER” before they head off to the bar. This fan group also includes Elsa Droman, Indra Hopper, Holly Brabson, Jessica Schoonmaker, and Leza Walker, and they watch it faithfully in Barick every Thursday night at 10 p.m. They even tape it for their friend Ben Tyrrell who must miss it.

“Chicago Hope” is, in my opinion, a very different show on television.” The person sitting in the room inquiring? The reply by my companion was, “I love it.”

“Chicago Hope” and “ER” running neck and neck in Living Rooms

I agree with my companion. I love both shows, but some would have a hard time choosing which one is better. There are advantages to both shows. Which one is better? The choice is yours, really.

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The poet lights in the souls of the Camels were lit brightly during the first ten minutes when Conn would go ahead to an early two to nothing lead. Mark Rooney roofed the first and later Skip Miller tipped in a Brooks Walesnap shot to lead the Camels. Then suddenly the Camels lost their spark. Holy Cross quickly countered with two goals to make things even at the end of the first period. Conn never regained their zip and eventually lost 5-2.

Saturday saw Conn hosting the Babson College Beavers, who have been on a rampage lately, most recently blowing out Trinity. For the second night in a row, Conn jumped out to the early lead with Gerry Rinn's tap around to make it 1-0. But Babson came right back with two quick goals to take the lead at the end of the first. Sound familiar?

But Conn would not fade even after Babson went up 3-1. Skip Miller and Dave Roberts each scored to tie things up. Then Babson again pulled ahead, but Conn would not fade, as David Giersch scored to tie the game at four goals apiece. Babson eventually proved to be too strong and scored two goals at the end, one on the open net, to win 6-4. This next weekend brings the toughest road trip to date for the Camels, as they travel to Maine to take on two perennial powers, Bowdoin and Colby. What does this weekend mean to the team according to junior defender Sean Segalla?

"Well, we played Holy Cross and Babson tough, so if we can carry our play over into next weekend, we'll produce something positive."

Schmoozing Returns for the Home Stretch

By SCOTT UHLTON and JONATHAN RUDNICK

Welcome back, sports fans, to another semester of Schmoozing. In case you haven't noticed, the NFL has overcome its petty little disputes between the players and owners and returned to the ice. There will be an abbreviated 48 game season, but we strongly believe that this is better than no hockey at all.

The Stanley Cup champion New York Rangers put on a sickening display on opening night as they introduced the Stanley Cup to the world's must ugly arena. First, all the lights went out, a signal that Conn Ed has finally caught up to them. Apparently Neil Smith took all that money to sign Mark Messier from the utilities fund.

As the Stanley Cup descended towards the ice, hockey fans worldwide wanted to snap, and the Cup would fall to the ice, preferably landing on Messier's head. Next they raised the banner up to the ceiling, where it was placed next to the decaying, tattered banner from 1940.

The sickest part of the evening was when the Rangers failed to even mention Mike Keenan, the man who was finally able to bring them a Cup. Hopefully we won't have to witness a ceremony like this again until 2048, another 54 years.

The only good part of the evening was at the end of the third period, when the Sabres skated back to Buffalo with a 2-1 victory over the Rangers.

At long last, we would finally like to give you our picks for this year's division winners. In the Northeast Division, we'll take the Buffalo Sabres to beat out Montreal.

Look for the New Jersey Devils to take the Atlantic crown away from the Rangers. In the Central, Keenan and St. Louis will battle the Maple Leafs for the division, but it is in English. 1 Course offerings are diverse, for example: women and equality, environmental policy, international relations, Scandinavian literature, European history, public policy, politics, health care, the revolution in Eastern Europe, economics, film, live with a Swedish family or in a university dormitory. Program excursions to Bergen, Norway and Copenhagen.

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Men's basketball struggles: lose to USCGA, Lehman, and Trinity College

By Erik Raven
Sports Editor

When you were at home during winter break doing nothing but watching TV, eating Doritos, and wondering what happened to those great high school years, January probably seemed like a pretty long month. Then consider how long January must have felt to the Camels, fighting to rebuild the basketball program while being held back by injuries and seven straight losses.

The Camels crossed Mohegan Avenue on Tuesday to take on the Cadets. Conn played well in the first half, keeping the match to a 34-34 stalemate. The Cadets pulled away in the second half, giving Conn a 87-73 loss. Coast Guard was led by Joe Morgan, who had 20 points on the evening. Aaron Guckian was the game's high scorer with 31 points. Bob Golub followed up with 27 points and 3 three pointers. The Camels moved on to Lehman College on Thursday but were unable to find the win column. Despite 21 point efforts from Guckian and Golub, Lehman held on 81-69.

Conn hit the road one more time Saturday night, visiting Trinity. Trinity has put together a great season with a 12-1 record, and a #4 ranking in New England. Trinity put on a scoring show by spreading the ball around, led by Craig Moody's 17 points. Aaron Guckian had his own show working, however, scoring 31 for the Camels. Tom Sampogna and Justin Prien scored 12 a piece, with Prien sinking 4 threes.

The overall strength of Trinity was simply too much, and they cruised to a 101-71 win. The loss gave Conn a 3-10 record for the season.

Wheaton visits Dayton Arena on Tuesday, and then the Camels pack up for games at MIT on Thursday and Manhattanville on Saturday. With the new semester barely underway, there's no excuse not to show up and root on the Camels against Wheaton.

Women's basketball comes out roaring

By Erik Raven
Sports Editor

Prior to winter break, the Conn women had compiled a 3-5 record under first year coach Carol Anne Beach. Not a bad start, considering a new coach and some bad breaks resulting in losses. Since returning from the break, however, the team has been firing on all cylinders.

Conn took on Coast Guard on Tuesday, and the Camels' defense was in high gear. The Cadets were limited to 28 percent shooting, and Bern Macca's 20 points and 7 rebounds provided the offense for a 61-50 Camel win. Tara Sorenson contributed eight points in the game.

On Thursday the team hosted Eastern Connecticut State University and was anxious to make a show for the local crowd. Strong offensive play put the Camels up at the half, 32-27, but ECSU wouldn’t roll over.

Dani Currant's 20 points and nine rebounds complemented Bern Macca's 30 points and four three-pointers, and Conn came through with a hard fought 60-57 win.

Up next for the women was a trip to Trinity, which seems to be doing its impression of UConn's basketball program, with Trinity having only one loss between the men's and women's teams. Trinity's women's team has compiled a 13-0 record this year, and Conn's strong record in 1995 was clearly in jeopardy.

Trinity did indeed prove too strong for Conn, winning 74-51. Despite the loss, Macca put 19 points on the board, and Currant chipped in with 10.

What is the cause of the team's sudden improvement? "We're a young team, and we have just really come together," said Dana Currant. "I also really enjoy Coach Beach's coaching. She has really brought the whole team together... Everyone has also improved a lot individually."

The Camels have a short rest and then return to action on Thursday at home against Albertus Magnus. On Saturday, Conn heads out to play Manhattanville. Be sure to catch Thursday's game at Dayton Arena.

Athlete of the Week

Men's basketball's Aaron Guckian garners our Athlete of the Week honors. Guckian stepped forward with several stellar performances over break, with 32 points against Coast Guard and 31 against Trinity.