Congressional bill would impact students’ financial aid package

By April Order
Editor in Chief

If passed, a bill pending in the U.S. House of Representatives would impact the amount of financial aid that Connecticut College students receive.

According to Elaine Solinga, director of financial aid, the measure, a component of the GOPAC Contract for America, “will have a devastating effect for students on all financial aid programs.”

Chris Cory, director of college relations, said that 49 percent of Connecticut College students received financial aid, with 46 percent receiving aid directly from the college.

According to Solinga and Claire Matthews, vice president for planning and dean of enrollment management, the college administration has officially taken a stance against the proposed legislation.

Marinell Yoders, SGA president, made an announcement about the proposed cuts and the college’s position on them at the Student Government Association Assembly meeting last Thursday night.

She said that SGA will look into taking action on the matter.

Solinga said that the proposed “major cut” to financial aid which students should be aware of is the elimination of federal subsidies on student loans.

Currently, she said, taxpayers pay the interest on student loans while students are in school. The proposed legislation would change this, so that the students themselves would pay the interest while they are still in school.

“This is very, very expensive,” said Solinga.

In addition, the federal work-study program would be eliminated, a cut which Solinga called “devastating.”

Students who participate in work-study earn money which they often use to pay for textbooks and other necessary supplies, said Solinga.

Other programs which the House is likely to consider cutting include the Federal Perkins Loan program, a program which Solinga said “serves students with the least ability to pay,” and the Federal Supplemental Education Grant.

Although Solinga was not sure which House committee the bill would eventually be brought in, she said it may be in the Education Committee, where proponents of the bill are gathering information about the costs of financial aid from the

“Education Department.

Matthews stressed the need for those opposed to the bill to take action quickly, saying, “We’re thinking now that [the bill could come to the floor] in a couple of weeks.”

Solinga said she has written a letter to all students who receive financial aid, informing them of the proposed cuts, and encouraging them to write to their U.S. representatives to express their views on the matter.

Matthews said that the proposed cuts may also affect students who are not on financial aid. “There will be a tremendous impact on undergraduates, but even a greater impact on graduate students. Many students whose families paid for their college educations ... pay for their graduate school educations themselves, and must apply for loans,” she said.

The most effective way for students to oppose the legislation, said Matthews, is to write individual letters to their congressmen detailing how the proposed cuts, particularly the federal interest subsidy, would personally affect each of them and their families. She emphasized that form letters are not as effective as personal letters in swaying representatives.

Solinga included the names and tax and telephone numbers of each student’s representatives in the letter which should arrive in boxes on Tuesday or Wednesday, she said.

Judiciary Board appointees granted right to ask questions by SGA Assembly

By Bob Rubin
News Editor

For the first time, two appointed members of the J Board have the right to ask questions during trials.

Last Thursday the Student Government Association Assembly passed a proposal which will allow the coordinator and the assistant of the Judiciary Board to ask questions during trials, a freedom which, in addition to the conventionally held ability to participate in deliberations, separates appointees from elected members only by the ability to cast votes of guilt or innocence.

“All of us need to come to the best decisions possible in the situation ... we are trying to draw out information, and there are two people sitting there who can’t ask questions, it’s two people who have a different insight,” said Dan Sheed, J Board chair and a sponsor of the proposal.

The J Board is comprised of two representatives from each class elected by the class members, a chair elected by the entire student body, and an assistant to the chair and coordinator who are appointed by the chair.

Before the proposal was passed, the eight class representatives were the only members who voted on cases. At that time, all but the assistant and coordinator were allowed to question the accused, although each participant in the deliberation of the trial.

Deirdre Hennessey, senior class president and former member of the J Board, was opposed to the proposal. “Last year when [a similar proposal] failed, it failed for a good reason. Not much more has changed. I trust that people are getting a fair trial. This [proposal] is not necessary at all,” said Hennessey.

According to the “C” Book and J Board Handbook do not specifically state whether the assistant and coordinator can ask questions during trials.

Theoretically, J Board can [decide to allow the assistant and coordinator to ask questions] anyway, but I don’t feel that it would be appropriate to make that decision on my own,” Sheed added, saying that only one member of the board is against the proposal.

Many Assembly members argued that even though two additional questioners may turn out to be useless, they are not being elected by the student body, so they should not be involved in the questioning process.

“We shouldn’t allow a non-elected person to alter the perception of the elected representatives. I find that this proposal is unnecessary. It is placing SGA jurisdiction over J Board,” said Jesse Roberts, SGA PR director.

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CONNThought

Student was unprepared for offensive comedian

When I arrived at the Camel Club on the night of January 27th I expected to enjoy a night of amusing entertainment. I had heard that Larry Myles was doing a special stand-up routine which included a lot of offensive material. I was excited to see what he would have to offer.

However, when I arrived, I was disappointed to find out that the comedian was not Larry Myles. Instead, it was a woman named Rachel Howell. I was not interested in seeing a woman perform stand-up comedy, especially not one who was unprepared for the material she was going to perform.

I was even more disappointed when I realized that the woman who was performing the stand-up routine was not even a comedian. She was simply a student who had been asked to perform for the night. I was not interested in seeing a student perform stand-up comedy, especially not one who was not prepared for the material she was going to perform.

I was not the only one who was disappointed. Many of the other attendees were also disappointed with the performance. They were not interested in seeing the student perform stand-up comedy, especially not one who was not prepared for the material she was going to perform.

In the end, I was not satisfied with the performance. I was not interested in seeing a student perform stand-up comedy, especially not one who was not prepared for the material she was going to perform. I was not interested in seeing a woman perform stand-up comedy, especially not one who was unprepared for the material she was going to perform.
What a relief it was to open the February 7th edition of the Voice and read Roger Katz's view on theudly attention that some women have been paying to Connecticut College’s female terrorists. This in fact constitutes the first real reaction to thegalvanizing effect produced by a reader's letter. Mr. Katz has been justified in saying that his deciding to address this issue and to consider the alternatives open to the campus community is an important step on the road to far-needed improvement.

Mr. Katz stated that the words of a woman, even if she is a Connecticut College student, are entitled to respect. He went on to say that Connecticut should be proud of ites female students, including its TerryCommittee members. Mr. Katz made the point that the college community has been slow to respond to the behavior of the female terrorists, and that it is time to take a stand against thistype of conduct.

I wholeheartedly agree with Mr. Katz’s article. I believe that it is important for the college community to stand up against the behavior of the female terrorists. The college must take a stand against this type of behavior, and it must do so in a way that is respectful of the women who are being targeted. I agree with Mr. Katz’s statement that the college community has been slow to respond to this issue, and I believe that it is time for the college community to take a stand against this type of behavior.

I would like to see the college community take a more active role in addressing this issue. The college should use its resources to help the female students who have been targeted, and it should use its resources to help the college community as a whole. The college should also use its resources to help the female students who have been targeted to understand that their behavior is unacceptable and that it is not tolerated by the college community.

I believe that Mr. Katz’s article is an important step in the right direction. I believe that the college community should take a stand against the behavior of the female terrorists, and I believe that the college community should use its resources to help the female students who have been targeted. I believe that the college community should also use its resources to help the college community as a whole.

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CONNThought

SGA Vice President discusses new budget

Yes it is February, and yes the student budget has still NOT passed, but I have confidence that this will be so over that students can take more of an active role at Connecticut College. However, before I tell you why you should vote for this new budget which will be presented in SGA this week, allow me to provide a brief history. The SGA Finance Committee presented a $51,411.62 budget for the 94-95 school year. A $17,342.36 increase from the previous year's budget. The Finance Committee then received input from SGA Assembly as well as from other members of the community. We then presented budget #2 to SGA. After discussion and debate, it passed. Next we brought the budget to the Finance Committee from the student body, and an attempt to gather student input, a new and improved finance committee has developed budget #3.

This is written in many ways. The initial difference exists in that the finance committee is composed of a different group of people with a fresh perspective. Three people have resigned and two voting members in addition to an appointed person have been added to the committee. The Finance Committee operates under guidelines that are based on a perspective which is closer to the needs of our campus as a whole. In addition to having new members on the committee, we also had new goals in mind. Our primary goal is to get this budget passed, and so doing, to meet the needs of students on this campus by providing funds for student organizations. However, please keep in mind that human minds do error, and we are not exception to that rule. We do acknowledge the possibility of some flaws, but we believe this budget is the best option for not only student organizations, but for our campus as well. Please also keep in mind that consensus decision making is not an easy task, and when making decisions with a group of individuals, differences do arise and can potentially lead to some inconsistencies.

In an attempt to maintain consistent, when we determined allocations, the finance committee used some general guidelines which applied to all organizations.

1. The finance committee wanted each event or item proposed in each budget request to be as accurate as possible. Any organization was rewarded or punished based on their actions.

In keeping with these general guidelines, let me explain the process we used to construct budget #3. Finance Committee acknowledged that we had made some decisions which did not fall in line with the feeling of the majority of the campus community. In an attempt to maintain consistent, when we determined allocations, the finance committee wanted each event or item proposed in each budget request to be as accurate as possible. Any organization was rewarded or punished based on their actions. Although response was not overwhelming, the response was overwhelming and outlined some trends which we needed to consider (yes that's all of those 104 seniors who told us the class of '95 needed more money!).

Based upon this and other informal discussion about the budget, I present to you the budget which we believe to be the consensus of the student body. Let me jump right to the seven page report as a starting point. This report outlined specific changes for several organizations. Any member of the finance committee was allowed to make suggestions which were not included on this report.

The Finance Committee then proceeded to allocate funds. After finishing allocation we totaled up our expenditures and realized that fortunately, we did not need to cut any organizations. You may be confused, thinking, "How did they give out more money which they allocated all the money the last two times?". Due to misconception, we realized that the college did not give us the correct amount of money for our total allocation. We increased our total by approximately $13,000.00. This made our job a bit easier this time around, as you can see from some examples of what budget #3 contains.

First I want to highlight some of the differences between the other budget proposals and budget #3. The following changes were made:

1. J-Board's income was decreased, increasing the tax allocation to $769.25 from $104.25
2. SAC's entire budget was re-examined. In reviewing it, finance committee decided that several increases needed to be made. Some of these include the cost of their campus events such as Salsa Night, Spring Break, and Summer Break. SAC's working budget was previously allocated at $51,411.62. SAC's new working budget is $55,779.36. The other dimension to SAC's budget is co-sponsorship. SAC's working budget was previously allocated at $51,411.62. SAC's new working budget is $55,779.36. The other dimension to SAC's budget is co-sponsorship.
3. The Committee will be having a Contact Session for the Campus Community on Monday night in the Common Room, SGA will be voting on this budget. Please express your opinion to your House Senator with questions or concerns. Your House Governors are also trying to implement programs which involve faculty, students, and staff to strengthen our campus. Some of these include traditions such as the Winter Formal and Floral. Other events include a Harlem Renaissance Ball, athletic competitions, opportunities for outdoor recreation, Earth Day, and creative expression evidenced through the Voice Magazine, Blats, Comedy Club, MOBROC, Koine, one of the language clubs, the Dance Club, WNCl, Film Society, or Gaming Club.

This budget meets the needs of our campus as best as it can, based on budget requests. Myself and finance committee believe that this money can be put to good use to improve the quality of life on this campus. However, this is ultimately an individual responsibility. As individuals we have an obligation to improve each of our lives as best as we can, and then apply this to the community. At Connecticut College we have the opportunity to do this more than at most colleges. The budget is simply a vehicle to capitalize upon this responsibility.

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The American Heritage Dictionary of the English Language defines a newt as "a slow-moving amphibian having porous scaly skin and four, often weak or rudimentary legs." What better way to describe our new Speaker of the House? Newt Gingrich has descended upon the Capitol spouting hot air of which hasn't been seen since Hurricane Andrew destroyed a large portion of southern Florida. The difference is that Newt's destruction can be felt in all fifty states. Term limits, the balanced budget amendment, and the line-item veto are some of the most well known aspects of his "Contract with America." What isn't widely publicized is his intent to slash federal education spending. Often at Connecticut College, we find it easy to detach ourselves from the outside world and let much pass by unnoticed. Newt's plans for education cuts may affect a large portion of students at our school. If you are currently depending upon Federal loans to help pay for your education, you may soon see increased costs on those loans. Don't be fooled by Newt's message that there is a need to cut spending. While it is true that Federal spending should be decreased, especially with the impending tax cuts, it is important to see where that money is coming from. Certain programs should be considered more essential than others. Federal spending on education isn't money thrown away never to be seen again. It is an investment in the youth of our country. Newt's slash and burn ideology is going to hurt our country for years to come. The result of a deal to bring a new team to the D.C. area is not really important; it is an investment in the future.

Baseball should be about the togetherness you feel as you stand with fifty-thousand fans and sing The Star-Spangled Banner and Take Me Out To The Ballgame. It should be about that knot you get in your stomach when your favorite player faces a three-two pitch. Its about the exhilaration you feel as you watch a baseball spill against a blue sky and then disappear beyond the outfield wall.

"There is no joy in the Majors—mighty baseball has struck out"
Financial Aid

This is not the first time the college has been in the Position for political action. This time the college is taking a stand on the issue of financial aid. A group of students have started a petition to increase financial aid. The petition was launched after a meeting with administrators and faculty. The group is hoping to get enough signatures to make the college take notice.

Socratic Dialogue

When the conversation went on to the topic of controversial issues, such as the debate over the proposed cuts, students expressed mixed feelings.

"I think that the debate is healthy," said one student. "It's important to have open discussions so that we can understand each other's perspectives.

"But I don't think it's productive to focus on disagreements," said another. "We need to find ways to respect each other's opinions even if we don't agree.

"I think it's important to have discussions about controversial issues," said a third student. "It helps us to learn and grow.

"But I also think that we need to be careful not to be too political," said a fourth student. "We need to keep our discussions focused on the issues, not on the people involved.

When the conversation ended, it was clear that the students were committed to having open discussions, even if they disagreed. They were committed to finding ways to respect each other's opinions and to learning from each other.

Election

According to Tyrell, the main reason for this year's proposal from SAC's perspective was to make the election process more transparent. SAC proposed a new format for the election process that would allow students to vote for candidates who had not been chosen in the previous election. This would give all students an equal opportunity to be involved in the election process.

"I think it's important for students to have a say in the processes that affect them," said Tyrell. "We need to make sure that everyone has an equal opportunity to be involved in the decision-making process.

The proposal was supported by a majority of students, and it was approved by the SGA executive board. The election process will now be conducted in a more transparent and fair manner, allowing all students to have a say in the processes that affect them.

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Due to a miscommunication, the Finance Committee discovered that the student government had an additional $130,000 to allocate to student organizations. As a result, the Student Activities Budget will be presented to SGA on Thursday.

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William Inner, house senator of Harkness, agreed. "What we are doing now is saying this body will tell that body how to operate. If they want the assistant and the coordinator to ask questions, then let them.

We can say that they can ask questions, but that would be overstepping our bounds," said Inner.

Bill Robinson, house senator of KB, remarked that even if the present assistant and coordinator were competent and trustworthy, passing the proposal would be empowering other non-elected members in the future, people whose qualifications are not yet known.

"I wonder if seven years down the road we would want people who can appoint efficient assistants and coordinators by stating that questioning is that creating our bounds," said Inner.

"I believe that the senior class in this just - for the most part - it would be disruptive (to the present J Board), completely arbitrary ... I don't see any demonstrated need for it," said Lesmann.

Kristen Page, the junior class J Board representative, said that by passing the proposal, the Assembly would be giving the accused the respect they deserve by providing them with the fairest trial possible.

John Biscuir, SGA, presidential associate and former J Board coordinator, was in favor of the proposal as well.

"No harm can come from this. If the J Board supports it, then we should support it too," Biscuir said.

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**Proposed general education has a broader base**

By Ben Rieh

The Educational Planning Committee's two proposals for general education were presented to the Student Government Assembly by two of the committee's representatives, Lawrence Vogel and Stanton Ching.

Vogel, assistant professor of philosophy, said that the current plan has become a "laundry list and not a conception of what general education means or does."

"The plan does not ensure the breadth of education" that a general education plan should provide, Vogel said.

One problem with the current plan is that a student can fulfill 3 to 4 of his or her general education requirements within their major department. This is unfair to departments who cannot offer this opportunity, according to Vogel.

The majority of the EPC have formulated a plan in which, "Area courses" - will consist of eight courses from eight different departments or programs outside of the major "for breadth."

Vogel described three major initiatives of the new plan, which will give students a broader base to their education.

The first is that students would fulfill each requirement from a different department.

The second change involves liberal arts foundations which are classes that could be fulfilled simultaneously with general education requirements if necessary.

The foundation requirements are not yet completely developed, but courses on the current plan will give students a broader base to their education.

The foundation requirements include two Writing Intensive or Writing Enhanced courses, at least one of which must be Writing Intensive.

Courses across the curriculum have not been determined as such by the Writing Across the Curriculum Committee. The two other currently proposed foundations include the foreign language requirement which already exists and one course in quantitative reasoning and logic.

Foundation requirements which are under construction include Human Diversity and Inclusion, Information Research and Computer Skills, and Public Presentation and Negotiation.

The third change is a new advising system for freshmen which would require them to attend meetings with their advisers as well as 12 general education courses such as courses throughout their four year career.

The proposal favored by the minority of the EPC, submitted by Dick Held, John Coats, and Frederick Paxton, is less stringent than the proposal for the primary proposal, calling for one course from each of seven different areas using seven different departments, and a language requirement and the same cross-curricular writing requirement.

The language requirement of the minority proposal requires a foreign language course at the intermediate level or two semesters of a new language at the elementary level.

"Both plans have tremendous benefits over the current plan. There has been student input all along, but I thought it was important not to prematurely vote on it," said Vogel.

However, Vogel said that the minority plan "re-raises the check-box current proposal requirements include two Writing Intensive or Writing Enhanced courses, at least one of which must be Writing Intensive."

"I don't think you are going to get a large list...of restrictions in the number of courses that you can take," said Ching.

Vogel and Ching could not provide detailed answers to some specific questions of SGA members, mainly because many areas of the plan do not have specific details outlined yet.

These questions dealt with subjects such as a service learning option, students having to take courses in areas in which they are already skilled, courses which are difficult to get into, transfer students who must fulfill general education requirements, and methods to integrate the ISD program into the general education plan.

Wes Simmons, house senator of Wright, asked about the possibility of taking a certain number of general education courses from one department so that students would be more motivated to take courses in subjects that they may not feel comfortable taking, rather than reverting to "Mickey Mouse courses...you know the ones that I am referring to."

William Inner, house senator of Harkness, stated that he would like to see more courses above the 100-level available to fulfill general education requirements.

Vogel responded by saying that general education courses should provide a foundation which introduces a subject area, are not fulfilled by 100-level courses.

Area A of the majority plan is titled "The Creative Arts" and requires one course from "disciplines that create the visual, kinesthetic, and written expression."

Area B, "The Humanities," requires three courses from "disciplines that study the world of human meaning."

Area C, "The Natural Sciences and Mathematics," requires two courses involving the "study of mathematics and disciplines that study natural phenomena using mathematics and the scientific method."

Area D, "The Social Sciences," requires two courses from "disciplines that study human phenomena using interpretive and scientific methods."

Area C's current plan has eight area requirements which are very similar to the areas in the new plan, according to Ching. However, curricula courses from the same department can be used to fulfill more than one area requirement.

Vogel expects the faculty to vote on the proposals at their meeting next month, and if passed, its likely to affect students with the fresman class next year.

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January Internships:

Two Conn students gain international business experience in Bahrain

BY RYAN SHAW
The College Voice

While many Conn students worked at home over January break, two were fortunate enough to work in Bahrain, a small country in the Middle East. At least two seniors never expected such a result when they first ventured to the Office of Career Services early last semester.

Three students from Connecticut College showed interest and were sponsored by John Eely, class of ’85, an executive at Citibank. They all sent in their resumes and were interviewed at the Citibank offices in New York. Although Rob Erda and Emilia Gary were ultimately chosen, Erda made it clear that the positions were openly advertised and not exclusively to Connecticut College students. “It wasn’t exclusive,” he said.

Originally, both had wanted to work in New York City for a promotion. “I was hoping, in hopes of gaining knowledge and experience about the financial world. Instead, they were presented with an all-expenses-paid internship to work at the Bahrain branch of Citibank.

Students at Connecticut College may have faculty, alumni and OCS to guide them to internships, but earning an internship in Bahrain was not an easy process, according to Gary.

She said, “I heard about [the internship] through the Office of Career Services and wanted to do something in a major bank... and to work internationally.”

Originally, the internships were going to be based in New York City, but at the time, Eely was working out of Bahrain, so he invited the interns to go with him to the Persian Gulf. It was the first time either had traveled outside of the U.S.

For those who haven’t heard of Bahrain, it is a small island (30 X 12 miles) located in the Persian Gulf near Kuwait. Geographically, Gary explained that the island is divided into three sections. The northern third is comprised of the only city, Manama, in which the internship program is based. The middle third consists of desert and oil wells, and the bottom third is used exclusively by the military.

“I loved it,” Gary said of her time in the country. “It was very, very interesting. The people were extremely open and friendly and enthusiastic.”

Both Erda and Gary agree that Bahrain is not the best vacation spot. They said that in comparison to Europe, there seems to be a better work-life balance in the country. Erda didn’t fly to Bahrain for a weekend getaway — the opportunity they were given in Bahrain was not available to them in Europe.

“Bahrain is a financial center because of its location,” Erda explained. “They were eager to teach,” the two said of their co-workers. Regardless of the long, hard hours that the interns put in, they still had time to soak up some of the Bahrainian culture.

“The people couldn’t have been nicer!” said Gary. Erda enjoyed watching the Bahrainis as they paraded through the streets, where many go to market dressed in robes and head pieces. At times, they were struck by the cultural differences; both agreed that watching Bahraini women eating underneath their veils seemed very strange from an American perspective.

One of the most eye-opening things about the predominately Muslim nation was the call to prayer five times a day. Erda said that the first takes place at 4:30 a.m. It seemed to him that the entire city reverberated with the sound of prayer as its inhabitants turned toward Mecca.

The juxtaposition of the people’s religious devotion with their fast-paced business life was striking to Erda. He said, “In one of the most high-tech work rooms in the world, four times a day you could hear the prayers to Mecca.”

He contrasted the fact that the “ancient Muslim religion is so strongly present” with the workplace atmosphere in which, “the New York market could make a huge adjustment because of unemployment” in “four seconds.”

There was an experience like few others; an opportunity to set foot in the business world and to travel to a land few American college students see.

“Citibank saw us as an extended interview for a long-term job,” Gary explained. Since her return to the States, she has been offered a job at the Bahrain branch of Citibank, and she has no doubt that many future opportunities will be afforded her because of her experience. “In two years, a job like this is comparable to eight years in New York,” said Gary. “It was a very positive experience.”

SGA does not follow its own election rules

BY JENNY BARRION
Association News Editor

SGA Executive Board and Young Alumni Trustee elections will probably be held in mid-April, because an addition to a proposal passed by last year’s Student Government Association, which would have moved the election of the SGA executive board, will probably be held in mid-April, because an addition to a proposal passed by last year’s Student Government Association, which would have moved the election of the SGA Executive Board and Young Alumni Trustee elections will probably be held in mid-April, because an addition to a proposal passed by last year’s Student Government Association, which would have moved the election of the SGA Executive Board and Young Alumni Trustee elections is expected such a result when they first ventured to the Office of Career Services early last semester.

According to Jesse Roberts, SGA PR director and chair of the Executive Board chair also has the records, but neither of the

Roberts said that the SGA Executive Board did not realize that records of proposals passed by last year’s Assembly were discarded by the former presidents. Therefore, SGA now has only partial records of its proposals. Roberts said that he heard about this proposal two and a half weeks ago while talking to Dan Traum, house senator of Branford, and Deirdre Hennessy, senior class president. He explained that, while he did attempt to find information on the proposal, there was not enough time to implement it this year.

“It would be such a rushed and haphazard process that it wouldn’t be feasible and I don’t believe in doing things halfway,” he said. Roberts said that because of the circumstances, SGA was being forced to go 180 degrees from last year’s decisions.

Hennessy said that she has most of the records from last year, but that no attempt was made to contact her. “I think that every effort should have been made,” she said. “If we can’t respect our own decisions, how can we get respect from the campus?” Catherine Lippman, house senator of Smith and last year’s junior class president, and Sara Spoonheim, last year’s SJA chair also had the records, but neither of the two were contacted.

Roberts said that the SGA Executive Board did not realize that records of proposals passed by last year’s Assembly would be necessary to this year’s SGA. When they did realize it two weeks ago, he contacted Hennessy. “We’re lucky that some people do keep records,” Roberts commented.

Ben Tyrrell, SAC chair, described what he could remember about what took place last year. “There were two parts to the proposal — the original part was just for the SAC chair, then it got shifted to include all of SGA Executive Board,” he said. Tyrrell said that the point of the proposal was not that Executive Board members would “take away over right away. It was a longer lame duck period basically.”

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The Camel Connection...

Rutgers University— It was revealed two weeks ago that in November, President Francis G. Lavine made a remark in which he referred to the idea that disadvantaged students at Rutgers were a “genetic, hereditary background” which contributes to their poor performance on college admission tests. Since then, several student groups have called for his resignation. Lavine said that his remarks were the result of a verbal “slip” and did not accurately reflect his views or his record on minority recruitment.

Last Saturday, the Board of Trustees reaffirmed Lavine in a vote of confidence, stating, “we affirm our support for continued service by [Lawrence] as President.” The Board then stated that it repudiated Lavine’s comment. It also ordered the university administration to propose a blueprint for “multi-cultural life” on the university’s three campuses by the end of the spring semester.

University of Illinois— A federal grand jury in Chicago is reportedly investigating whether scholarships to state universities in Illinois have been unfairly handed out by legislators to friends and supporters. The Chicago Tribune says the University of Illinois and the Illinois State Board of Education have been served with subpoenas seeking their records.

News

With smoking prohibited in many public areas, campus smokers light up outside

BY CAROLYN CARLSON

The College Voice

Believe it or not, Conn made Sports Illustrated again — but not for its athletic prowess. You may have seen the clipping taped to the window of the archives office on the third floor of the library.

There are, one of many in a humorous list of "potentially offensive" names for school mascots. Since the camel mascot promotes smoking, the author suggested that perhaps we should nickname Conn's team "The Packages." Sure, we laugh. But recent changes to the alcohol policy, as well as recent data from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, are prompting some to take a serious look at where we stand as smokers, nonsmokers, or non-smokers who must share the same space.

The Department of Health and Human Services data shows that 14 percent of Connecticut students smoked at least once cigarette per day in 1992. Nine percent smoked at least half a pack per day, with women lighting up slightly more than men. Since the beginning of the decade, there has been an increase in the number of college students who smoke. "My observation is that I'm seeing more second-hand smokers," said David Brailey, health education coordinator, "and this is of concern to me."

One sophomore smoker shares Brailey's view. "I've noticed more and more people smoking," she said. "It's like we have so many people at this school smoke."

Nobody knows this better than Jesse Ruff, an employee of the convenience store. He reported that the top-selling brands of cigarettes are Camel Lights, Marlboro Reds, Marlboro Lights, and Marlboro Mediums. Camel Lights lead the pack, however, with almost half of the packs from the sales of an average week. "In nine months, we sold a Camel over any other brand. "A college campus is supposed to be a place where we're free to make our own decisions. I hope we're not going Villanova's route," he said. "Even if there was just one cubicle of space in the classrooms, that would be great. I'm starting to feel like working's illegal, the way we're being outraised. I complained all the time, but [then again] I would have been putting food on my face."

Others say they do not feel affected by smoking restrictions. One sophomore does not feel that college rules infringe on her lifestyle. "It doesn't bother me at all that there's no smoking in the buildings. I wouldn't understand them to be, actually," she said. "So many people have gotten into the non-smoking thing, especially Dan. Don't worry about going non-smoking... I don't think non-smokers should have to be subjected to my smoke."

The week in SGA...

Dan Shedd, J Board chair, Alex Cote, house senator of Blackstone, and Quinn Sullivan, president of Quinn Sullivan, Morrison, introduced a proposal to allow the J Board assistant and coordinator to ask questions during J Board trials. See story, page 1.

Ryan Poliier, SGA vice president, announced that the student activities budget will be voted on at this week's Assembly meeting. He said that any community member who is interested may attend the meeting, which is held at 10:15 p.m. in the 1941 Room, SGA Assembly meetings are held on Thursdays at 6:45 p.m. in the 1941 Room.

Lawrence Vogel, assistant professor of philosophy and chair of the Educational Planning Committee, and Stanton Chang, assistant professor of chemistry, presented the proposal division requirements for the new gen ed plan. See story, page 3.

Marcella Yeders, SGA third-termer, said there will be a contact session for students interested in the proposed changes to student away programs with Alex Hybel, dean of national and international programs.

Bess Tyrell, SAC chair, announced that Hearstrings, the SAC-sponsored concert which will take place this Saturday, will not serve alcohol. He said that events in which alcohol is served, the room becomes so messy that those who clean up afterwards must spend hours on the job, something which he believes is not fair to the workers.

Also should said that Pro- fessors Antonio Rosa, visiting professor of English, and Kelechi Kalu, visiting professor of government, bring a great deal of talent and diversity to the campus. In all of the faculty that Antonio Rosa teaches Swhilt and Kelechi Kalu teacher a class in Conflict Resolution. He encouraged interested students to think of a way to entitle them to remain faculty members at this college.

With an actomyca, fam- ily permanent and high vice presi- dent of the junior class, said that the junior class will sponsor a "bring clothing from J. Crew, L.L. Bean, and possibly Victoria's Secret to Cro."

Socratic Dialogue engages panel members and audience in debate over PC

BY MICHlle ROSENAYE

A&E Editor

"The problem, as I see it, is that political correctness has created a pervasive, smothering atmosphere on campuses," said Bill Frasier, professor of government, sharing his views on political correctness at the Socratic Dialogue last Wednesday.

The students who attended the Ethics Committee and our campus saw a socratic dialogue and thought it would be a good thing to do at Conn. What's the best topic than as an issue at all PC?"

An eight member panel included Mark Hoffman, manager of the college center and coordinator of student activities; Kelechi Kalu, visiting professor of government; se- nior Ed Blumenthal, member of the SAC executive board and president of the SAC; Bill Frasier, professor of government; Dr. Peselman, dean of planning; Judith Kirmmse, professor of government; and Kevin Ondis, editor in chief of The College Voice. The panel was moderated by Jeff Berman, 93, a second year law student.

The purpose of such a dialogue is to pull from each of the panel members their true beliefs on the issue of at hand. The moderator was responsible for keeping the dialogue moving, and as such, he had hypothetical situations in mind where the participants would respond from their viewpoints of their roles on campus. Berman began with the caveat that the views he would express were not necessarily his own but those of a moderator attempting to pull opinions from a panel. He be- gan with a hypothetical situation in which a fictitious "Professor Berman" makes a racist remark to a woman of color. When the student says she believes that affirmative action would be beneficial to the advancement of minorities, the professor responds with the statement in fact, less affirmative action is warranted, and that mi- norities are genetically inferior. For example, he tells him to read The Bell Curve for class on Monday. Berman then asked each panelist to suggest what their response would be. Peselman responded that he would disagree with the professor, and after speaking with College, asked class, would call the other students in the class together to discuss the professor's remarks.

"I would resign myself to doing two things... pretty quickly," said Peselman. "First is that I would work to educate myself to dispale your ideas in class on Monday. Then I would call my News Editor." Peselman stated that he would want to do an article to alert the campus to the situation and to gauge student reaction.

When Berman asked what Geece would do, he replied, "It would say that hope- fuls will cause the campus to have an open, honest discussion about the issues rather than just an emotional, knee-jerk reaction."

The panelists agreed that they would want to see some open, hon-
Hey, Michelle, how’d that BLIND DATE thing turn out, anyway?

Phil Bowen wasn’t expecting the beginning of a romance when he stepped out of the car to present his blind date with roses. “I was very excited to go on the date. I didn’t really care what she looked like, because I wasn’t looking for a hook-up or a relationship. I wanted a nice dinner and good conversation,” Phil said.

However, Phil did make the effort to look decent as he threw on some wrinkled khakis and a sweater and decided to leave his tattered Washington Capitals hat behind as he left his room.

It seems that Phil’s first impression of Beth was above and beyond his expectations. “My first thought was that she was cute and very well-behaved.” Hopefully, Beth’s first impression of Phil was not marred as he slipped on some ice while stepping out of the car, extending his roses and proclaiming, “These are for you.”

“Two of my friends went into Larrabee and brought her out and then made me pop out of the car like a jack-in-the-box,” Phil explained.

“Once we got to the restaurant, we had to wait 15 minutes for a table due to the incompetence of the Voice staff. Our table had heart shaped balloons which scared me because you could see them out of the corner of your eye, and it looked like there were people staring at you,” Phil said.

The restaurant experience was very enjoyable without any awkward moments, according to Phil. “She was honest and seemed like a nice, innocent freshman.” As the date began to come to a close, it became clear to Phil that a relationship beyond a friendly date was not likely to occur. “She was nice and talkative, but she was not someone that I would want to continue seeing. I definitely had a good time, but we were too different, our worlds just didn’t intertwine,” Phil said.

“The end of the date was very passionless. We said goodbye and I asked her again what her last name was and told her that I might call her sometime,” Phil explained.

“I had a good time, but I think I disappointed her when she strongly hinted that she wanted to see Pulp Fiction with me later that night. It wasn’t because I didn’t like her or didn’t have a good time though. I told her that I needed to go to sleep early because I had crew practice the next morning,” Phil said.

Phil was spotted later that night watching “Pulp Fiction” from the balcony.

As for Phil’s appearance, she thought he was very attractive, though that is not the most important thing to her. “Looks are nice, but they’re nothing to build a relationship on,” said Beth. “She would really like someone who says bless you when you sneeze. That is a direct quote from ‘Singles,’ my favorite movie,” said Beth.

As for the date itself, it went very well, and there “were no long, awkward pauses during dinner,” explained Beth. She enjoyed Paul’s great deal and “would love to eat there again.” She was quite pleased with her chicken parmagiana and was “very happy that I did not spill any red tomato sauce on myself.” She mentioned that Phil was clearly very hungry. “He had just finished crew, so that would make sense,” explained Beth.

She really enjoyed her date with Phil and would like to see him again. “I would love to go out with him again, if I knew his last name or if he calls me.”

Though she wanted to see Pulp Fiction, she did not get the chance because all her friends had already attended the earlier showing. Instead, she went to the KB crush party and danced the night away.

Beth Bonnett explained that she was just looking for “an exciting adventure, a cure for the winter blues,” in accepting the Voice’s blind date. She said she had done the random hook-up thing and was looking for something different, because they are just “nice for that one night, but then after that.”

Having just finished a project for another club, she didn’t really have time to think about being nervous, though she explained, “I hate to admit it, but yeah, [I am] a little bit [nervous].”

“Personality is number one, no question,” said Beth. She didn’t have any high expectations and believed the date went “surprisingly well for a blind date.” She was ready for the challenge and she explained, “like they say at the SAT’s, expect the worst, hope for the best.”
AQUARIUS (Jan.20-Feb.18) You will find time to get your act together, thanks to the love and support of your friends and loved ones. Don’t stress too much, and find time to party. Don’t let your homework get you down!

CANCER (June 21-July 22) As those mild terms start rolling closer and closer, you are feeling trapped. Do some work and then procrastinate the day away playing computer games. If you don’t give up hoping of finding someone to hold you—is this the week for anonymous Will-you-be-mines. Be sure to get that mysterious stranger a chance.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) You are feeling moody this week. Calm down and help those around you. It’s not necessary to work you have gotten yourself into. Go and ask someone to dinner, as friends are the only thing that happens. Just have some fun!

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) Don’t give up, prove to your friends that you’ve worth it and all your trouble will be settled. Remember to keep the lines of communication open if you want others are there for you if you need them.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Tell that significant other you like them and take them out to dinner. Virgos are strong people, so put aside your lust and go for it—this is the week for declarations. You will feel better.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) You miss hanging out with your friends like you did before. Don’t get too wrapped up in other things, and remember that real friends will always be there for you. Be careful not to fall behind in your work.

Sorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) Enjoy time by yourself, as it is something you ram on your list of things. Don’t give up hope of finding someone to hold you—this is the week for anonymous Will-you-be-mines. Be sure to get that mysterious stranger a chance.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) Don’t let life get you down. Believe it or not, there is a solution to every problem, times. Just don’t losesight of the light at the end of the tunnel, and life will be picking up soon.

Gemini (May 21-June 20) Try something new. It probably feels like years because you have had some excitement, go out and go wild. You won’t regret it. However, getting too wild would have some complications, so be careful.

This is Rudi’s Column.

It’s the downfall of many a CoT student’s studying time: spent on the Internet. I’m not immune to this—at any almost time, I can be found e-mailing a friend, either sending a new Web access program (Netscape, which totally blows the doors off of NCSC’s Mosaic), I’ve been creating a rather large list of “pages” which I frequent.

In following many leads, hitting many dead-ends, and laughing a lot, I’ve found many interesting Web sites for the musically inclined. The Web addresses for the mentioned pages are found at the back of this column.

The GENERIC is a rather basic tool to point my starting point on this electronic toes: the Lynch Home Page (http://lynch.cmu.edu), which features much of the most thorough search libraries on the Internet. You tell this server, through some fill-in-the-blank forms, what you want to find which is usually many to choose from. The Lynch Home Page (http://lynch.cmu.edu) contains many items to keep Floydian fans happy: complete lyrics, cover art from their new albums, and much more. The truly great thing about this server, is that it features the “Holy Grails” for any serious Floydian: the Echoes Frequently-Asked-Questions list. This document, often cited as the best of its kind on the Internet, will answer practically any question regarding Pink Floyd, in the world of Pink Floyd. If you like Pink Floyd (a true soft spot in my heart will always be for them), there is a super page run by Greg Humphries at Princeton. The Pink Floyd Home Page (http://hugger.student.princeton.edu/floyd/) is a virtual rave.

If you like Pink Floyd (a true soft spot in my heart will always be for them), there is a super page run by Greg Humphries at Princeton. The Pink Floyd Home Page (http://hugger.student.princeton.edu/floyd/) is like a virtual rave. One of my personal favorites is the Cool Site Of The Day (http://www.isfi.net/cool.html), maintained by people with too much time on his hands. I’ve found wonderful musical sites, weird-romantic pictures, a few online concert stores, and a Virtual Pub and Beer Emprorium (http://agor.brown.edu/1089/ concert_emp.html), which contains a motherlode of information on beer and its various relatives.

THE CAMEL PAGE: GLORING: Don’t let big snowstorms keep you from finding your crutches to the Web, you can now do all of your CD shopping from your dorm room. CDNow (http://www.cdnow.com/) and Soundwire (http://soundwire.com/) offer excellent shopping opportunities at very reasonable prices. Both have large inventories and can find most obscure and imported titles with relative ease. Shopping is a simple process: just point and click, and the item is in your “shopping cart.” Give them a try!

TWO FOR THE SHOW: If your tastes lean toward Techno, there is a wonderful resource on the Web: the Hyperpool page (http://hyperpool.com/) is like a virtual rave. Our favorite Valentine has recorded 10 albums throughout the 1960s and 1970s, and a small sampling of his singing—rather, his heartrendingly talk—-is featured on this page. Use at your own risk!

SURF’S UP! I hope you enjoy your trek and were not tempted to check out the other obscurity of this Web page—a selection dedicated to the recorded output of Mr. Scott, that man!, that stard, that precious Leonard Nimoy. Our favorite Valentine has recorded 10 albums throughout the 1960s and 1970s, and a small sampling of his singing—rather, his heartrendingly talk—-is featured on this page. Use at your own risk!!

FAMOUS LAST WORDS: “Drink to me, drink to your health—you know I can’t drink any more.” —Pablo Picasso
Arts & Entertainment

The Saga Continues: Bad Manners cancel, Bloodvessel signs heads.

By CARL SCHULTZ
Associate A&E Editor

While the fiasco over payment at the EI N’ Gee last weekend caused the ska band Bad Manners to pack up their gear and leave, the evening was not a total loss.

After being surrounded by audience members begging for the band to play, former photographer Buster Bloodvessel, the band’s front man, kept up good band relations by inviting the inflamed individuals to partake of a large cooler of Miller Lite Ice in the back room, and then sat around until after signing pictures and people’s heads, and encouraging fans to see them in NYC in March.

Buster, imposing even in a head shot, turned out to be a brilliantly funny man, a side of which was at the fore of his discussion during the post-concert sound check interview I mentioned in last week’s article, many people who are into the ska scene have often wondered what happened to the band; even friends have called up Bloodvessel to make sure he was still alive and kicking.

“My guess goes ‘round making up things like that. I guess I must have that look about me, like Uncle Fester or something that died,” he said.

Bad Manners covered everything from the Allman Brothers to the Kinks, in part because the originals were favorite songs of the band members throughout their lives.

“A lot of the ideas are definitely from childhood... I had a great childhood, I really enjoyed myself. I’ve got lots of songs to write,” Horgan explained.

Bloodvessel also enjoys himself these days, never forgetting that the experience of being in a band should be humorous and fun. “I love things that make me laugh in music. It’s a very special thing that not enough bands do," he said. "I don’t think that every band should be funny," he explained. "I just find that most bands are politically based, are serious, and have some deep message they want to put across, which I think is a lot of bull. They’re out for as much money as they can get, and it’s quite obvious to anybody that looks at what they’re doing." Okay, you know you’ve been waiting — the scoop on Bloodvessel mooning the Pope. He chuckled at the mention and delighted at telling his story.

“It was on the tele, on a show that the Pope watches. There was Barry White, Dire Straits, and Bad Manners, and I wanted to blow them both off-stage. So I thought it would be interesting if I showed my bum, I’d get a strange reaction.”

—Buster Bloodvessel

Another Conn College Mystery Solved:

Why does that steam come out of the ground?

You must have wondered about it yourself many times; a question that probably even your dad couldn’t answer. At least mine couldn’t. Why does steam come out of the manholes on South Campus?

In my constant quest for enlightenment, I went to someone who could answer this burning question. Peter Horgan, energy systems manager, explained to me the basics of the campus heating system. He even confirmed my suspicions about why a radiator clanks as if someone were banging the heck out of it at six a.m.

It all starts at the powerhouse — you know, that building with the steamline, it starts to bubble,” Horgan explained in layman’s terms. "Because it’s warmer than the air above it, when the moist air rises and hits the cold air, you can see it. ‘Aa, so that’s why it happens."

Now, back to those darn radiators.

After the steam is made (but’s not too technical here), it’s forced through a pipe that is eight inches in diameter and runs all over campus. Where there are manholes in the ground, there are valves in the pipe. Sometimes a little bit of steam leaks out of the pipe and cooks and collects as water under the manhole.

"When the water hits the steamline, it starts to bubble," Horgan explained, in layman’s terms. "Because it’s warmer than the air above it, when the moist air rises and hits the cold air, you can see it. ‘Aa, so that’s why it happens."

Other than this, Horgan said, "the only reason we have to have the radiator clanks is if someone were banging the heck out of it at six a.m."

Although you may be kept up by your clanking radiator, you won’t lose anymore sleep over how it works.

The temperature of the water should be about 200 degrees, and the steam it makes is at about 160 degrees. The steam then goes to the various buildings and is used to heat the buildings. When the temperature of the steam drops below 160 degrees, it is released back into the system.

Horgan also explained that the steam is used to power the condensate, which is used to heat the buildings. The condensate is then released back into the system, where it is used to power the condensate again.

Bloodvessel commented on the reliance of radio these days to cover the ska scene. “The whole scene revolves around radio and clubs, they don’t want really groups involved at all, they want individuals. It means live music is on its way out. Nobody thought the drum machine would take over drums, but who uses a drummer in the studio, not many!”

When Bloodvessel isn’t touring, he goes to sea on his old ammunition carrier from World War II. However, Bad Manners is almost always touring. They have a very special plan to celebrate their 20th anniversary by touring the world in five months. “It would be the one ultimate world tour for us. With no time off, it’s a lot of dates as well. But we’re all ready for it, everyone wants to do it, and we’d use different musicians. We’ve got a new album to release, it will happen!”

Bad Manners is playing at the Limelight in New York City on March 7, so if you got Moffit at the EI N’ Gee, take a road trip and go see them.

And those of you who weren’t present for the cancellation and post-cancellation beer party, go down and see them anyway. I mean, this man mooned the Pope! He’s got to have the makings of a fantastic show.

File photo/The College Voice

Buster Bloodvessel

Many bands get odd gifts from their fans, and Bad Manners is no exception. After thinking about the question for a minute (you have to wonder what list of oddities the man was going through), Bloodvessel answered, “A hovercraft, as a matter of fact. It’s a four-seater hovercraft, but it only works with me as it’s own on my own. It’s lovely.”

Bloodvessel describes their audience as mostly young, with some followers that have been along for the whole ride. “Sky is a very healthy scene right now, ska kids and they go, it’s all over the world, England, Japan, Scandinavia.”

Bloodvessel is also well-versed in the news issues of the day. When I asked if he thought O.J. Simpson was guilty of murder, he grinned and immediately pulled up his huge sweater to reveal an O.J. T-shirt. "He’s as guilty as he wants to be. It’s all over the TV. It was Waco the last time we were here. We turned up at Waco when it was all happening. We were standing there looking at it all. They were selling Waco T-shirts and hot dogs, David Koresh hot dogs.”

Bloodvessel commented on the utterance of radio these days to cover the ska scene. “The whole scene revolves around radio and clubs, they don’t want really groups involved at all, they want individuals. It means live music is on its way out. Nobody thought the drum machine would take over drums, but who uses a drummer in the studio, not many!”

When Bloodvessel isn’t touring,

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and celebration. Olatunji was no exception. "Everyone was invited to celebrate... in those days you needed no special invitation," he said.

The ensemble performed components of Nigerian celebrations, including the "Dance of Welcome," an upbeat, joyous revel made all the more impressive when Olatunji asked the audience to "imagine 10,000 people doing that to welcome one person," and "Olaso," a celebration of thanksgiving for the harvest.

Olatunji spoke about the things he holds to be important in an interview before the show, themes which he reiterated during his performance.

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— Babatunde Olatunji

Drumming

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during adulthood, and for marriages.

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Olatunji grew up in a place where "the whole community was involved in the development of a..." He added.

Olatunji explained. "I wanted to bridge the gap between Africa and..." which he believes was a big step in raising awareness of true African culture among Americans. "Before that," he explained, "no one was paying attention to African music."

Now he seeks to bring people together through music instead of politics, a more modest connection between the performer and the people, he thinks. "Politicians now think of themselves as masters and not servants of the people," said Olatunji.

He added, "We are not using what we have to bridge the gaps, the gaps are getting wider and wider." He said. His message is that when people focus on accepting each other's differences, they must not forget to celebrate their similarities. So, Olatunji the drummer is also a bridge-maker. "We all breathe the same air... we all do practically the exact same things just to exist," said Olatunji.

He cited many reasons for the influx of today's society, speaking from the perspective of his deep religious and philosophical beliefs. For one, he believes that "we show no reverence for..."

Another blight is our relentless pursuit of material wealth. "Many people don't even know what to do with money when they have it," said Olatunji. He knows this message is not often communicated to young people; he feels that society reinforces the opposite sorts of beliefs. This is part of the reason he travels around the country, playing and speaking to young people.

"Today's youth have great potential... adults must be a shining..." He stated. "Most of what youth..." There are many things youth do is..." He chuckled, adding, "it would be boring if everyone were like me."

"Individual people need to make their own changes," he explained. "That is when changes will be made throughout. People must begin to recognize those that are important in their life, and the things that are important as well."

He noted that people often do not do something as basic as taking the time to eat lunch. That is just the problem, he said, since if people do not make time to care for themselves, they will have little left for those who are important to them.

"Don't wait to Christmas to give..." he advised. "I go where I am welcome... I never go to a place where I am not welcomed," said Olatunji. He has a special restaurant called "Utopia. I am always there... If you want to find me, talk to me, arrest me or get money from me, that is where I will be."

It is in the culture," he added. "You need a place where everybody knows your name." It is eating there and being with his friends at the restaurant that he chooses to spend time in life. That, and building bridges.
Schmoozing with Scott and the Razor:
Schmoozing passes out in early rounds of College Bowl

BY SCOTT UGLOHON AND JONATHAN RUDNICK
The College Voice

As the sun sets slowly in the west, Conn must bid a fond farewell to our good friend and rugby coach, Duff. Apparently this traitor was given a wonderful job-offer — basically to do what he's doing now, only for money — up at Vassar. Get the wagon gassed up, because Conn rugby is taking a road trip up there to beat the "exploitive delinquent" of his team. So start making plans now and get ready to head up to New London, New York to watch the spectacle.

We wanted to discuss the intellectual gathering that took place in Cro over the weekend — the College Bowl — but it was 'over' when we had to get this in. Anyway, there were a few upsets, a few downsets, one team that never stood a chance. Scott's team, of course, was the big thing seriously (no really, we did take it seriously) We just realized that we have to you are feeling lonely, depressed, etc. don't just sit in your room. In truth, it seems typical Conn dance fests, this is the chance. Scott's team, of course, is Breakfast Buffet, so he needs to most loathed holiday of the year is Upon us: Valentine's Day.

Nowhereville, New York to watch Schmoozing. Naturally, all pro- season's start date being pushed back, the most loved and lauded holiday of the year is Valentine's Day. If you are feeling lonely, depressed, anguished, etc. don't just sit in your room and post. Harshness is sponsoring a Ho-Down in the 1941 room on Tuesday night. Not one of the typical Conn dance fests, this is the real deal. Minimal clothing required — not requested, REQUIRED! There are gonna be all kinds of decorations, but the flowerly less promise to be the best. Think about it. When was the last time you got a job offer — basically to do what he's doing now, only for money — up at Vassar. Get the wagon gassed up, because Conn rugby is taking a road trip up there to beat the "exploitive delinquent" of his team. So start making plans now and get ready to head up to New London, New York to watch the spectacle.

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Double win for Men's and Women's swimming ends the season with victory

BY ROSS ERE
The College Voice

After last week's loss to Trinity, both the Conn Women's and Men's swim teams were able to end their seasons with heartening victories, defeating Salem State at Salem on Saturday afternoon. Entering with high expectations, the women's team was able to win easily with a strong showing from all, including a personal best from junior Marietta Berry.

Though the men were expected to have a more difficult time, the meet was a close one down to the last race through team effort. Remarkably, the men were able to take the meet with a victory of 134-113.

Sophomore diver Mael Carey contributed more than just diving to the team. In what Coach Ron Szeto called a "nervy performance," Carey completed his first three meter dive in competition and pulled off the starting position in the final relay. In so doing, he gave the victory to Conn.

"If there was a game ball, he should get it," commented Coach Szeto. "He had only three weeks of diving training, and he was able to swim in the relay. He's a natural athlete."

This weekend, February 17-19, the Women's NESCAC Championships will be held at Bowdoin College in Maine. The women's team is sending a strong group to the New Englands, including senior Carole Clew, sophomores Tammy Brant, Jen Carnes, Leah Levin, Urike Kjellberg, Nicole D'Amour, and freshman Alison Haigis.

The men's NESCAC will be held the following weekend, February 24-25. Swimming for Conn will be seniors Jim McLaughlin, Ned Owens, junior Mike D'Amour, and freshmen John Murphy and Evan Coppola. Sophomore Kenyatta DeCosta will be the first diver from Conn to go to the New Englands.

Saturday marked the final college meet for captain Jim McLaughlin and fellow seniors Ned Owens, Carole Clew, and diving coach Matt Cooney, all of whom contributed greatly to the team.

The women finished with a 4-5 record, while the men finished 3-6. The numbers, however, do not accurately reflect the quality of swimming that both teams displayed over the season. Although Conn did well in individual events, it could not compete in numbers of swimmers. Overall, Coach Doug Hagen was satisfied with the season. Next year, he'd like to see "larger participation in swimming" on campus. The double win, however, was what Coach Jeff Zimmerman called "a nice way to finish the year."

Women's Hockey makes bid for Best Winter Sport

BY RICK STRATTON
Photography Editor

At night, do you find yourself lying awake, wondering which winter sports team has the best record this year? Is it the men's basketball team? How about swimming or squash? Nope, it actually turns out that it's the women's basketball team? The men's hockey team? How about squash? Recently rebounded with three victories. Last weekend's win over Holy Cross (7-1) and perennial powerhouse Wheaton (8-0) put the Camel's record at 5-6, with two games remaining. "Our secret has to be our hard work and our gosh-humor," said co-captain Sakina King.

The other captain, Cate Tower added, "Margie Ramirez has been awesome in net despite almost never practicing, and everyone is suddenly putting in that little extra effort."

With two games remaining (against MIT and BU), and both being conceivable wins for the Camels, the title of most successful winter sport is within grasp. "MIT is gonna be tough, just finding their rhythm is a challenge," said Paulakowski, "but having a winning record would be fun."

So tonight, as you are once again falling asleep wondering what has happened to your sports teams this season, rest assured knowing that women's hockey is trying hard to bring back respectability to Connecticut College winter sports.

Hockey Team Ends Losing Streak

Hockey wins against UMass-Boston.

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BY RICK STRATTON
Photography Editor

The losing streak finally ended for the men's hockey team this past weekend. Since their January 14 game against Buffalo State, the Camels ended a six game drought Friday night vs. UMass-Boston and then rebounded for a loss against Salem State on Saturday.

Friday's game would prove to be a nailbiter. UMass-Boston started fast and had a two to nothing lead at the end of the first. But the Camels did not fold. David Kessler, B.J. Nault, and Kurt Wilcox all scored to put Conn ahead at the start of the third period.

The third period would prove to be a little dicey. First Dave Gretschow scored to increase Conn's lead to 5-3. Then, like every other third period, several Camels took penalties to give UMass a blatant advantage with only minutes remaining. But luckily, Wilcox redeemed himself and the team by scoring a beautiful backhand to move the score to 6-4, leading Conn on to its third win of the season.

Saturday wouldn't prove to be as lucky, as the Camels faced the defending ECAC champions, the Salem State Witches. For the second day in a row, at the end of the second period, Conn was looking at a two goal deficit. But like the previous day, Conn just wouldn't quit and had a terrific second period, as Kessler notched his second goal of the weekend to make it two to one. The Camels seemed to be taking control.

Despite a late goal by Conn, Salem State proved to be just too strong in the third and scored three goals to down Conn 5-2.

On Tuesday night, the Camels have a must-win game against Wesleyan and co-camels Aaron Oberman. Then on Friday, the team returns to Dayton Arena for a home and home against Williams and Hamilton. Be sure to make it down to both games, because Conn has its own way of making things interesting every time the men touch the ice.

Bowdoin claims both men's and women's basketball

BY RICK STRATTON
Photography Editor

Women's Basketball

The Connecticut College women's basketball team traveled to Maine for games against Bowdoin and Colby last weekend. Friday night Conn faced a tough Bowdoin squad that jumped out to an early 17-0 lead. The Camels never recovered and eventually lost.

Saturday, Conn faced Colby College, coach Caroline Beach's old team. The game proved to be close and physical, with the Camels pulling out a tough 57-51 win. Dana Curran led all scorers with her game high of 25.

Glickman lead the Camels with 23 points as the surfboards roll into town.

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