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Pundit Pundit

Letters to the Editor

Blackstone (1)

To The Editor:

After reading the letter in last week's Pundit from A Student '74, I felt as if I had been kicked in the stomach. Few words could frame an appropriate reply, so I hope everyone will re-read the letter and analyze it carefully. Perhaps if you, the members of the college are willing to do a little reverse role playing the irony of the situation will become apparent. The letter systematically, though obviously unintentionally, spoke to many of the difficulties of being a black student on this campus.

Conn's Afro-Am Society is painfully aware of the communication problems on this campus. This weekend, we offer you an opportunity to share an experience with us. Make no mistake; we don't expect that you will as a result of this participation become a part of the black experience. I doubt that such an aim is rational. Rather, we hope that in sharing various experiences designed by respected artisans of the black community, we will be able to enjoy communication on that level.

We have invited several figures from the world of the arts. Douglas Turner Ward is the artistic director for the Negro ensemble company of New York. He co-stars with Bill Cosby in the film "Man and Boy" soon to be released. He is also the author of Day of Absence, The Reckoning and Happy Ending. Mr. Turner's presentation wild deal with the black experience in theater. Nikki Grimes will read her poetry Saturday at noon in Dana Hall. Her most recent collection is, In the Seventh Day, Alah. Hubert Laws, flutist with Quincy Jones will perform his new album, "Afro-Classic" at 8:00 in Palmer.

On Sunday, we invite you to worship with us in Harkness Chapel under the leadership of Rev. William Philpot of the New Haven Christ Chapel New Testament Church. Sunday afternoon Michael Harper will give a reading of his poetry at 4:30 in Dana. The last scheduled event of the weekend is a talk with Rev. James Hargett entitled "Thoughts on the Black Revolution." Other important events include a showing of art from the black community of New London in Cummings Art Center, and a presentation by the Conn. College Black Theater Workshop on Saturday at 4:30 in Palmer. This is but a thumbnail

sketch of the major events of this weekend and of the people involved in the weekend. There are hidden opportunities to meet and talk with these people and the other people this event will draw to Conn.

Though this weekend is one of the few opportunities for the black students to enjoy contact with black leaders, it is by no means to be an exclusive event. We need your financial support as all social events here do. But most importantly, we must see that you are willing to be open with us. Frankly, it would be more than tragic to find that the members of this college were unwilling to support such a weekend. We don't ask that you "bend over backwards to be sweet and nice to anyone." Rather, we offer you an occasion to share in The Black Ex-

Anita DeFrantz '74

Blackstone (2)

To The Editor:

First let me say that I was disappointed to see an anonymous letter apear in Pundit of April 6th. At the risk of advocating the suppression of ideas I feel that unsigned letters tend to foater irresponsible gossip and slander and therefore should not be published.

To the anonymous sophomore who was too afraid to take responsibility for his or her ideas I would like to say that I feel a deep regret not only that such a letter was published, but that it was written at all. Exactly what did you hope to achieve by writing such a letter? Reconciliation in any form was clearly not your motive since you make it impossible for anyone to reach you and reason with you. From the tone of your letter I can only assume that your were good and angry when you wrote it, and that perhaps it served the function of a safety valve for you. Un-fortunately your letting off steam serves only to increase the pressure upon other people, especially those person, both black and white, who are struggling to build better relationships between the races here at Connecticut College.

As a frequent visitor to most of the college dormitories I can personally testify to having been met with stares, and a casualness which might in other circumstances or to a less attuned visitor be interpreted as rudeness in every one of our housing units. I can also state that without being

ingratiating or "patronizing" it is relatively easy to overcome such simple reactions. Did it ever occur to you that it was precisely your experience, in reverse and multiplied a thousand times, "I'm damned if I am going to put up with rudeness and stares from anyone on this campus", which made it necessary for black students to seek at least one place at Connecticut College where they could relax and not be constantly "on display"?

I accept at face value your statement that you are not a bigot, and I grant you the benefit of the doubt that you honestly wish to do something constructive towards easing racial tensions in our college community. If this is the case I invite you to come and see me (if necessary in the confidentiality of my role as Chaplain) and discuss with me ways in which the hostilities you have experienced and expressed can be diminished, if not eliminated altogether.

Yours sincerely, J. Barrie Shepherd

Kelleher Platform Speech

To the Editor:

The office of senior class president is a busy and challenging one which encompasses many more detailed and specific tasks than the same office in the other three classes. It is crucial, therefore, to establish committees early — to organize information concerning job interviews, career talks, graduate schools and exams, to set up fund-raising projects to help pay for a commencement speaker, and to coordinate commencement itself.

Serving as sophomore year, I found flaws in the dorm rep. system. For this reason, to avoid the hassle of having five out of 21 dorm reps show up for a particular meeting, I would encourage the committees to work independently with a concentrated effort. The groups would have workable numbers and the secretarytreasurer should be responsible for tying together information for distribution to each dorm - and thereby each member of the class. Dorm reps can be committee members with specific jobs as well as the recipients and disseminators of pooled information.

I am eager to get involved (Continued On Page 7)



Free School Seeks Help

THE NEW LONDON COUNTY FREE SCHOOL will get by...with a little help from its friends. The experimental elementary school opened this fall in a converted gas station in Oakdale, a part of nearby Montville. Like many similar schools, this one started on a shoestring and has had budget problems all year. Parents pay tuition, but on a sliding scale relative to income, so money has to come in from outside to close the gap. The teachers, including two recent Conn. alumnae, are working this year for no pay, as a means of helping to get the school underway.

Like other free schools, this one maintains close, but informal contacts with the nearest college. Some faculty children attend, and help has already come to the school from individuals within the community.

Help in the form of tools, supplies, time and money is needed. Visits to the school can be arranged. The New London County Free School is a non-profit educational corporation and any donations are tax deductable. Donations can be sent to the school via C.C. box 1637 (Mr. Smalley).



Security Log

A portrait in Marshall house of former College president Benjamin Marshall was vandalized sometime between April 5 and 7. Several cigarette holes were burned in the canvas, and gold was pulled off the frame. The painting was turned over to Mr. Roger Dinnis of Lyman-Allyn Museum for repairs.

A pair of skis was reportedly stolen over spring vacation from a locked room in the basement of Larrabee.

French House Opens Doors

The French House in Knowlton nder the direction of Miss Odile that is throwing its doors open sof April fifth to all members of he college community who wish improve, maintain, or brush up

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their spoken French. There is one or more French table at every weekday lunch and at dinner Monday through Thursday hosted by Miss Mathy and or an advanced French student from the French House.

The French House residents will continue to form the nucleus for the new arrangement, but we hope to encourage as manyothers as possible to take advantage of this opportunity. The French Department is supporting this new effort, and there will often be a faculty member there, especially at lunch.

Another important aspect of the new program is the regularly scheduled tea on Wednesday afternoons from three to five at the Knowlton French House. Miss Mathy and the French House residents will serve tea, engage in conversation, and provide French music. All French speaking students and faculty are cordially invited to attend.

No one need feel embarrassed about their level of fluency at the French table or the teas; all levels will be represented from native speakers to first year students. Besides, you can always bring a friend who speaks worse than you do.

James H. Williston

Asselin on Linguistics

Professor Claire Asselin will speak informally to the College Community on Tuesday, April 18th at 4:20 p.m. in Oliva Hall about linguistics in general and the new courses recently voted by the faculty in particular. The courses are: Linguistics, offered the first semester, and Applied Linguistics, the second. The topics for the applied linguistics course will be chosen to suit the interests of students. Professor Asselin is a professor of linguistics at Storrs.

Mursday, April 13 Field Research-Legal Action Hale Lab 122 8:00 pm. Conn. College Friday, April 14 Water Sampling Workshop Marine Science Institute 7:30 pm. U. of Connecticut Saturday, April 19 Boat Trip Coast Guard Academy 1:00 pm. at the pier triday, April L Sierra Club Films Oliva Hall 8:00pm. Conn. College

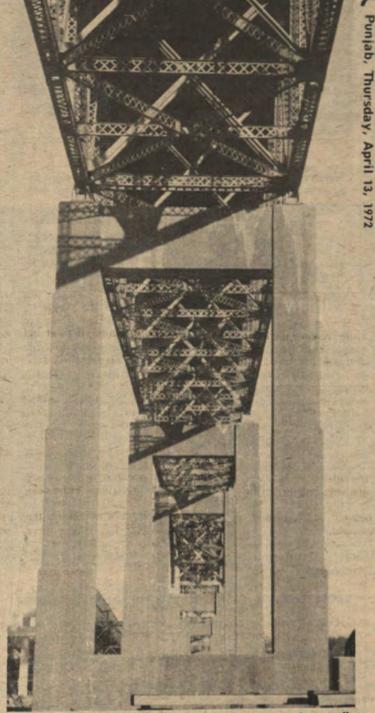


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closely with student government again and to be a member of College Council. As outlined in a platform published earlier in Pundit, I am concerned about academic and administrative reform, freshman orientation, the progress of coeducation, and representing student interest. I would like to propose an amendment to the student constitution

to clarify the question of plurality vs. majority in student government elections when more than two candidates are running.

I sincerely hope to be able to

I sincerely hope to be able to use my enthusiasm and experience for the class of '73 next year.

Thank you for your conderation,

Jean Kelleher

Announcing...

IMPORTANT MEETING ON THE PERIMETER ROAD Wednesday, April 19, 8:00 p.m., Oliva Hall.

PUNDIT apologizes to the Anthropology Club for failing to run an article that was submitted last week. It seems that our printer misplaced it.

-From Pres. Shain

The recent engagement of some of our students and faculty in local politics prompts me to remind us all that as members of the Connecticut College community we engage only ourselves and not the College is political affairs and events. The College must observe a complete non-participating role with respect to any political activity. Therefore, each of us must refrain from using the name Connecticut College except to identify our residence here. Any political rights or obligations we may have in the community derive from our being residents of New London and not from employment at or in connection with Connecticut College.

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