Noteworthy Events at Connecticut College-September 1994 - May 1998

By Katie Stephenson, News Editor

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9/6- Carol Ramsey ’74 speaks at 80th Convocation
4/11- Homophobic graffiti found on campus - open dis-
9/12- Connecticut College jumps to 25 in U.S. News and World Report

Oct. 1994
-Problems with Racism on Campus prompt open speeches, discussion, and candle-
light vigils

Nov. 1994
11/15- Synergy, artwork by Frances G. Pratt ’60 installed on green out-
side of Cummings Art Center

Dec. 1994
- The Daily Contact is estab-
lished

Jan. 1995
- Olin Science Center holds first classes

April 1995

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9/4- Ruby Bridges Hall and Dr. Robert Coles Speak at 81st Convocation

Oct. 1995
10/3- Dr. Abraham Verghese, author of the summer reading book My Own Country, speaks on AIDS and the stigmas associated with the disease and its victims
10/10- the decision is made that classes will no longer be held on Yom Kippur so that Jewish students may observe the holiday

May 1996
5/1- 10th Anniversary of the Fanning Takeover Celebrated
5/25- Tom Brokaw speaks at 78th Commencement

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9/18- Connecticut College students participate in Promenade Play to celebrate New London’s 350th Anniversary

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Campus
11/11- Kate Rushin, poet who wrote "The Black Back-Up's," reads her poetry and speaks with students at Conn.

Feb. 1998
2/2- Rev. Edward A. Hailes, minister of Mount Moriah Baptist Church in Washington delivers a sermon for annual Martin Luther King.

New London waterfront. Making the Announcement was Governor John G. Rowland.

tenure. After weeks of campaigning by students President Gaudiani reverses decision and recommends to the Board of Trustees that Prof. Borrelli receive tenure.

April 1998
4/10- Eden Savino '98 and Hagen Maroney '98 named Watson Fellows
4/24- Suzanne Myrth '98 earns Fulbright Fellowship
4/29- Jeff Yang, Publisher and Founder of A. Magazine delivers Asian Awareness keynote address.
4/98 - Molly Carrott elected as the Young Alumni Trustee for the Class of 1998

March 1998
3/1998 - Conn College Men's Basketball Team earns first ever NCAA Tournament bid and reaches the Sweet 16, led by Senior Captain Chris Gallerani
- Students rally to support Professor Borrelli who was originally denied tenure.

May 1998
5/2- FloraXXI included the acts moe, Jeru tha Damaja and One People. Conn students rejoiced at an end to two years of rain.
5/1998 - Andrew Young, former US Ambassador to the United Nations to give 80th Commencement speech
5/98 - Professor Mary Anne Borrelli is granted tenure by the Board of Trustees at their Spring Weekend meeting.
congratulations caroline

thanks for making the most of your college experience;
thanks for your caring friends and supportive faculty;
thanks for all the wonderful memories;
Best of luck to you and your class of 1998!

Love and Best Wishes,
Dad, Mom, Christina, Oma, Opa,
Grandpa and Grandma Carlson

The Sky's the Limit! Congratulations to:

Becky L.
Becky M.
Liz J.
Liz L.
Katie

From: Toby, Jacki, and Brian Libert
and love to:

DOONIE
LENNY
LARRY
LANDOONIE
AL

from the family!
Congratulations to Jennifer McCreary. We Love You!
Mom, Dad, and Frank

Wishing Emily and all the Class of ‘98 a warm, caring and productive future.
Good Luck,
Lucy + Jim Lapides

Warmest Congratulations to our darling Gabriel and the Class of 1998.
Mom, Dad and Toby

Hongera Kid! We are all very proud of you. There’s only one way to go from here:

Love all your family (Mudhos + Arrumms)

Dear Justin,
Let your soul never stop seeking and may adventure always play in your heart. We are very proud of you.
Love,
Mom, Dad, Richard, and Shayne-Marie

Bob "Masters"
"You done good!"
Mark "98"
Love,
Driscoll12@aol.com

Yes!
Thanks Dan & Congratulations!
Love,
Mom
Jonna,

You’ve always made us proud and these past four years were no exception.

Congratulations!!
We love you,

Mom, Dad, Christine, Karl, Jessica, Cos + Tuff

Dear Jay,

Follow your dreams, follow your heart, and you will always find happiness. Congratulations on all your wonderful accomplishments. We love you!

Mom, Grandma, Grandpa, & El Sid

Mia Anderson,

You’re a Poet and we all know it!

Much Love,
Your Family

Congratulations David Strothman!

“What lies behind us and what lies before us are tiny matters compared to what lies within us.”

-Ralph Waldo Emerson.

As you pursue your future goals we know you will find success and happiness.

Love Always,
Mom, Dad, and Pete
Wesley, you've been an exceptionally wonderful student and son; now you're leaving college to explore an exciting next step... no more tuition. Your mom is very proud of you!!

wow!

You did it!
Congrats - We love you!
Mom, Dad, Jen + Kato

Dear Amy,

We are so very proud of you on your graduation from Conn College. May your life ahead hold all good things - health, love, happiness and success, and may all your dreams come true. We'll miss you as you leave the nest for better things to come.
All our love,
Mom, Dad, Robyn and Mary

Congratulations to Kristin, our daughter, sister and friend. We are proud of your success; they are well earned. May you find an interesting and satisfying career. You are an exceptional person.
KYLE RIEL- Captain, "Kyle was our leader on the ice and off the ice. He was a winner in every sense of the word. There are so many factors that come into play when you win and Kyle was the X-factor for our team. Killing penalties, taking face-offs, hustling at both ends of the ice. Our attitude about beating teams we have lost so changed with Kyle as our Captain."

CHRIS VOETS- "Great work ethic on and off the ice. In the classroom and on the ice he showed how badly he wanted to be a part of our program. Whatever role we asked of Chris he performed to the best of his ability."

KATHERINE MOODY- 4-year member, Co-Captain, deadly shooter from the foul line in, cleaned up the glass, "Moody is the kind of player every coach and teammate is lucky to have. Her work ethic and attitude provided fantastic leadership this year. She dedicated herself to improving not only herself but her teammates as well. She will be sorely missed for her unselfish commitment to the betterment of this program."

EMILY LAPIDES- Emily is a 4-year member, Co-Captain, excellent baseline player. "Known for her strength and quickness Sally took on players who were much bigger than herself with ease. She was the vocal leader of this team and her dedication and desire shown through every time she took the court. She will be missed (as will all the seniors) for her strong leadership abilities and her intense love of the game."

"Best of luck to all of you in your post-graduate endeavors. The strengths of this program comes from the caliber of people which are part of it. Each of you is invaluable and irreplaceable. We will miss you not only for your phenomenal skills but the roles you played in our lives off the court. Come back and visit often for you will be dearly missed. Lord guide them safely upon their journey."

"Congratulations, Chris! We are very proud of you and all you have accomplished. Follow your dreams and you will always be a success. Love, Mom, Dad, and Heather."

JILLIAN - Congratulations! We're so proud of you. Good luck to you and your friends. Follow your dreams and be happy always. We love you! Mom, Dad, Eric + Jessica
Men's Cross Country

MATT SANTO - 4 year member of team, 3 time Co-Capt., Rookie of the Year as a Freshman. Most Valuable Runner: soph., junior, senior years. Conn course record holder, number one man for Conn every meet over last 3 years, awards too numerous to mention. "One of the finest male Cross Country runners in Conn history and certainly the best I have coached in my 11 seasons."  

JONALI DAVIS - Co-Captain, 4 year member, consistently in top 7 for Conn during his senior year; "This past season he was the team's conscience, heart, and soul."  

BEN LINK - 3 year member, top 5 for Conn his junior and senior years, twice led our team to All-American designation with the team's highest GPA; "One of the hardest working cross country team in both the classroom and on the cross country course."  

SETH PLUNKETT - 3 year member, top 7 for Conn throughout his career.  

JON DELMORE - 3 year member after transferring to Conn his sophomore year.  

ADAM BUNTING - 2 year member, "A varsity lacrosse defensiveman at Conn, he became a real Cross Country member when he broke 30:30 at Franklin Park this past fall."  

CHRIS EMERSON - 1 year member his senior year.  

Women's Cross Country

KERRY NEWHALL - 4 year team member, Captain junior, school record holder in 400m, 600m, and 4x800m relays, #2 all-time in 4x200m, 4x400m, #3 in 800m, #6 in 1500m. "One of the finest female Cross Country runners in Conn history and certainly the best I have coached in my 11 seasons."  

JOANNA MORRISON - 4 year member, senior captain, New England qualifier in triple jump, competed in long jump, 4x100 relay.  

KEIRA HAMILTON - 4 year member, primary event was long jump, also competed in triple jump and 100 meters.  

NIKETY KELLY - 4 year track team member, school record holder in high jump, All-NESCAC, New England, and ECAC qualifier in long jump, also competed in 4x100 relay.  

MONICA MERSH - 4 year, Cross Country runner, Co-Captain senior year, 4 year track team member, Captain in jr. and senior years, All-NESCAC, All-ECAC, All-New England, and ECAC qualifier in multiple events, school record holder in 4:100, 4:20:00, 4:40:00, 4:50:00, 5:00:00, 5:10:00, 5:20:00, at Conn in 400m, 600m, and 800m.  

JOANNA MOYER - Co-Captain, "Joanna was an extremely competitive player who underestimated the game of hockey and worked incredibly hard on her craft, I'm sure she will be missed for her great work ethic, passion about the game of hockey and how much she loved being a student at Connecticut College."  

MEN'S ROWING

DREW DI PAOLA - extremely powerful, rowed in the "engine room" of the varsity eight, recipient of the Tim Young Award for 1998 for the most valuable rower.  

JUSTIN ROWAN - joined us at the spring of his senior year, "skill and mental toughness (we) noticed. His varsity swim team made him an asset to the junior varsity eight," named Most Improved for 1998.  

ERIC WOODHOUSE - rowed in the three seat, "smooth with a lot of leverage, a very intense athlete yet still a team player, provided quiet leadership to the team."  

Women's Track & Field

LINDY GRAHAM - 4 year member, Captain senior year, New England qualifier in triple jump, competed in long jump, 4x100 relay.  

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WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL

COURTNEY DAIMOND - Co-Captain, "Courtney is a skilled player. She is caring and easy to talk. Outside of athletics she has made it effort to be involved on campus as a house leader and for her strong serves and power hitting as well as for her contributions off the court."  

Women's Ice Hockey

LYDIA TOWER - Co-Captain, "Lydia is a skilled, competitive, and energetic player who was an integral part in helping to move the team into its first varsity season. She was always the first to volunteer to help out. She is a player who is dedicated to the team and loves the game. She also plans to stay involved as an alumni."  

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Senior Athlete Profiles

Compiled by Jen Brennan, Sports Editor

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MVP for 1998

MATT MCCREEDY - Matt leaves Conn in the school's #2 all-time middle distance runner behind friend and teammate Chris Capone '97. Matt's #133 points are 9th on the all-time list and his 87 career goals rank him 87th in school history. Matt's speed, athleticism, and kamikaze-like shot made him one of the top middles in the nation. He is a First Team All-NESCAC middle distance this year. Matt's dominance in the middlefield will be sorely missed in '99.

"This is the largest group of seniors we have ever lost. They are a special bunch of guys who have contributed a lot to our program. I will miss them because of their importance to the team as runners, but more importantly I will miss each of them as friends." - Coach Jim Butler

Men's Lacrosse

CHRIS AIRPPLANP - Chris leaves us as the school's #4 all-time scorer with 173 career points, 83 all-time in goals with 114, 83 all-time in assists with 61. The last three seasons Chris has given us an All-American caliber attacker on the left side that will be hard to replace in '99. Chris has just been named to the All-NESCAC First Team. Chris was voted Team MVP for 1998.

DYLAN DEPETER - Dylan has followed the legacy of his All-American brother Damien '95 with distinction and some bragging rights of his own. Dylan leaves Conn as the #12 all-time scorer with 114 points (Damien is #3 with 177), his 67 goals are #13 all-time (11 more than Damien), and he is #12 all-time in assists with 47 (Damien is #1 with 121). However, Dylan's team was 46-16 (750 to Damien's 667) and appeared in two ECAC title games, winning one in 1996. Dylan's hard work and persistence lifted him to incredible numbers and success in his career. His leadership will be missed. Dylan was named U sportUS Hero by his teammates this year.

MARK DRISCOLL - Mark Driscoll's value to the success of our team is measured in much more than statistical categories. He was the inspirational leader and captain of this year's team. His solid defense and ability to create transition resulted in scoring opportunities for our "bluecoat" players, stretching his half-time speeches were special additions to a talented team that needed spiritual lifts. People will always remember Mark's "hit" on Jim Warnock from Springfield, I will always remember him as "the blue collar player who helped us win 75% of our games over the past four years! Mark will be sorely missed for his great heart, and soul."  

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