SGA President

Betsy Grenier, '91, candidate for SGA president, strengthens the advantages of continual progression and her broad experience as assets to her campaign. Grenier is currently SGA vice president and a member of several committees, including the Alcohol Policy Committee and Shareholders' Responsibility Committee.

Among Grenier's major goals are the motivation of house senators and the strengthening of the executive board. She would require all senators to write informative letters to their dorms, work to strengthen the committee structure, stress the efficacy of issues and encourage "longer debate" time. She

She sees longer debate as imperative to complete consideration of issues. "Impeachment is a prime example," said Grenier. The debate on this issue was criticized for its length; however, Grenier has satisfied that all the "avenues" were explored. She also thinks it is "important for the executive board to come out strongly on issues." Grenier added that she was pleased with Finance Committee decisions this year.

"We want to level the Arbo, pave it over... and build a mall on top of it," said Niels Rinchert, '91, candidate for SGA president and member of the 'Anarchy Party'.

"This college needs more cash," he said. Building a mall is "the American way" to raise the money, he added. "Yes, we will be opposed in [paving the Arboretum], but not enough to stop us," he said.

Rinchert cited his experiences as "me as a human, me as an American, me as a student, me as a youth" as his qualifications. He hopes to "give a fresh voice to student government."

"Treatly don't have any experience," he states, claiming he is coming through the system from "the bottom up." If elected, he hopes to "inject some sense of life" and "create more of an imperial aura" in student government.

To motivate house senators, Rinchert would like to facilitate the installation of marble floors in SGA meeting areas.

According to Rinchert, the greatest problem with current SGA leaders is that "they don't take advantage of the position they've been granted."

SGA Vice President

John Roesser, '92, is running for the position of SGA vice president. Currently the sophomore class vice president, Roesser was the assistant to the president in his freshman year as well as a SAC representative for his dorm.

Exchanging information and increasing communication between the vice president and the various clubs on campus is an important issue for Roesser.

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Promising to put together a fair budget, Roesser states that his leadership abilities will allow him to "bring together two sides for a reasonable solution."

Currently house senator of Marshall, Russ Yankwitt, '92, is a candidate for vice president of SGA. Yankwitt has participated on Freshman Class Council as well as the Food Committee.

Frustrated by the inexpediency and inconsistency in the allocation of funds, Yankwitt believes that "with the right direction, SGA can be better utilized."

Budgeting the money efficiently and fairly is a major concern of Yankwitt. He believes that clubs which independently raise funds should not be penalized when the budget process is being determined, and that smaller groups that "have potential for lasting impact" should not be discounted or short-changed.

Yankwitt is concerned that there are not "more than five active SAC members." He plans to meet individually with the senators in the hope that they will get more motivated and involved.

"I am confident that I can lead the Assembly," said Yankwitt.

SGA President

Pledging to represent student concerns and "work to reduce the bureaucracy" at the college, John Maggiore, '91, candidate for SGA president, emphasized his experience and commitment to student government.

Maggiore is currently the house senator of Lazrus, and has been an assembly member for two years. He is the well known sponsor of many pieces of legislation including condom machines and the Ad Hoc Committee on Student Governance. As chair of the Food Committee, he was involved in the creation of the vegetarian dining hall and meal guest passes.

If elected, he hopes to ensure that "all branches of student government are working on...substantive issues."

According to Maggiore, the SGA executive board must be "cohesive," stressing "teamwork as a first, teamwork as a necessity," he said.

Maggiore cited the effects of the controversal 3:2 plan, raising the endowment, addressing concerns of traditionally underrepresented campus groups, and maintaining an active Assembly as key concerns facing the next president.

Emphasizing his goal of a "friendlier" Assembly, Robert Shea, '91, is running for SGA president on a platform of compromise and openness. He is currently junior class president.

Shea would like to encourage a better working relationship among Assembly members. "It would be a good idea for all the senators to sit around one night and all get drunk together," said Shea. He believes that relaxation of members would increase productivity.

Acknowledging that he is not known as "a big policymaker," he said he contributed significantly to the debate of issues and resolution of controversies.

Shea would like to see the Assembly work harder. He said, "If I have my way the Assembly will be working longer hours in a more intense environment."

Shea is confident that he can represent campus-wide interests and cited the abortion issue as an example of this. Shea supported the student pro-choice mandate, although he is a strong Republican.

Shea views examination of the 3:2 plan as imperative and would advocate student support through "extraordinary measures" for the policy's reversal, if it is found detrimental next year.

SGA Vice President

Michael Sandner, '91, is running for SGA vice president. A "strong and complete foundation" of experience is the backbone of his campaign.

Sandner currently is house governor of K.B. and chairs the Board of House Governors. He believes that he is "well qualified" for the position because of his extensive experience with financial matters both as a governor this year and as the treasurer of the Rugby Club for three years.

In addition, he is disappointed that the "umbrella plan" was not fully implemented this year due to the lack of a permanent vice president of development.

He also supports "constant auditing" of dorms and clubs in the future.

Sandner thinks that the diversity clubs were financially under-represented this year. The continual expectation that "diversity clubs should work together" is not necessarily a fair judgment, asserted Sandner.

By-Law Change Referendum

In addition to candidate elections, a special referendum on a by-law change will be held Tuesday and Wednesday. The referendum will ratify changes to the Student Activities Council. According to Jeanne Tramell, '91, current SAC Chair, the changes include a specific outline of the ten SAC Executive Board positions. In addition, the changes allow for a larger voting membership on the SAC. Previously, only a few select clubs had one vote each. If the referendum passes, all clubs financed by SGA may have SAC representatives and one vote per club.

Two-thirds of the student body must vote to reach quorum. The referendum needs a simple majority to pass.
RECOMMENDATIONS

Recommendation
Introduction

The following recommendations are unanimously made by the Editorial Board of The College Voice. We suggest that they be used as a part of a comprehensive look at the candidates. Our decisions are based upon a synthesis of the candidates' experience, past effectiveness, platforms, and an extensive interview with the Editorial Board. In cases where a unanimous decision could not be reached within the Editorial Board, an abstention was ruled. Each candidate was asked a specific question regarding their position. In addition, all SGA Executive Board candidates were asked three structured questions: (1) What qualifications do you bring to the position you seek and why are you running for that position? (2) If elected, what would you see as the single greatest challenge facing you in your position? (3) What four problems do you see in this year's (position)? What solutions can you offer to these problems?

Candidates for Young Alumni Trustee were asked the following questions: (1) What qualifications do you bring to the position of Young Alumni Trustee and why are you running for that position? (2) If elected, what would you see as the single greatest challenge before you as Young Alumni Trustee? (3) What four problems do you see in previous positions? What solutions can you offer? (4) Where do you see Connecticut College in five years?

The results of our lengthy examinations of the candidates comprise the following recommendations to our readers.

Our recommendation for Vice President:

Mike Sandner

The Editorial Board recommends Michael Sandner for the position of Vice President of the Student Government Association. His experience includes serving for two years as a house governor and one year as the Chair of the Board of House Governors. Sandner also has experience handling funds in various other extra-curricular pursuits.

Our reasons:
1. Sandner wants to expedite the budget process by which both first and second semester funding is allocated.
2. Sandner understands and supports the "umbrella plan" that would allow clubs to receive funds directly from trustees and alumni.
3. Sandner will bring experience and leadership to the SGA Assembly.

Our recommendation for Chair of Academic Affairs:

Reg Edmonds

The Editorial Board recommends Reg Edmonds for the position of Chair of Academic Affairs. He has been involved with the Educational Planning Committee and the Student Response to the Strategic Plan Committee. Edmonds has a strong personal vision of more effective student input in academic issues.

Our reasons:
1. Edmonds has a firm grasp of the problems surrounding the implementation of 3:2 and for possible alternatives to alleviate the problems.
2. Edmonds understands the value and importance of more diverse curriculum offerings and plans to push for the further development of various new areas of concentration.
3. One of Edmonds' primary goals is ensuring the transferability of financial aid to study away programs.

Our recommendation for Public Relations Director:

Jennifer Freeman

The Editorial Board recommends Jennifer Freeman for the position of Public Relations Director. She has worked as Assistant to the Public Relations Director for the past year and has substituted for Student Government Assembly members on numerous occasions.

Our reasons:
1. Freeman wants to increase the frequency, consistency and depth of Inside SGA.
2. Freeman wants to institutionalize press releases to better serve the college and New London communities.
3. Freeman has plans to publicize issues occurring in weekly SGA meetings through innovative techniques, in an attempt to increase interest in SGA and attendance at weekly SGA meetings.

Our recommendation for Student Activities Council Chair:

Amy Mass

The Editorial Board recommends Amy Mass for the position of Chair of the Student Activities Council. Mass has demonstrated her ability as SAC Cultural Events Director. She has served on class council and has been active in many community activities. We are impressed with her enthusiasm and concern for expanding SAC's traditional roles.

Our reasons:
1. Mass has the need to further define and strengthen the SAC representatives' roles within the dormitories.
2. Mass has plans to expand SAC's fundraising efforts beyond those instituted this year.
3. Mass recognizes the necessity of improving communication between individual SAC representatives and the students at large.

Our recommendation for Young Alumni Trustee:

Michelle de la Uz

The Editorial Board recommends Michelle de la Uz for the position of Young Alumni Trustee. Her diverse qualifications include: Chairperson of the Minority Student Steering Committee, president of La Unidad, member of the Student Trustee Liaison Committee and House fellow of Knowlton. She is involved with numerous local and state organizations.

Our reasons:
1. De la Uz wants to increase student input at the very beginning of the decision-making process as opposed to having students serve in a more reactionary role.
2. De la Uz's diverse experiences give her a superb basis for advising the Board of Trustees on a wide range of important issues.
3. De la Uz pursues the airing of all relevant opinions in a decision-making process and will put the college's best interests in the forefront.

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Chair of Academic Affairs

Reg Edmonds, '92, believes that there is a lack of diversity in the Connecticut College curriculum and that the college needs to work toward a greater understanding of histories and cultures through an expanded curriculum.

As a member of both the Student Response to the Strategic Planning Committee and the Educational Planning Committee, Edmonds stresses that he has gained a visible knowledge of academic issues and has the experience needed to represent the student body.

According to Edmonds, the greatest challenge facing the chair of academic affairs is "the lack of funds available" with which to implement his diversity plan. While on the EPC, he has worked to obtain grants and would do so again in order to fund new courses or visiting professors. He also would like to see the Board of Academic Affairs more informed in order to increase its effectiveness, and would work to update and computerize the "chubby black book." Edmonds is also critical of the college's current system of general education requirements, saying "there is no mission [in them] for general education, no goal."

Finally, Edmonds would like to see a standardization of course evaluations which would "provide a better comparison" of faculty and would "play a more active role in determining promotions and tenure."

Marc Schlossberg, '91, candidate for chair of academic affairs, says he has a "vision for Conno College in the 90's."

According to Schlossberg, it is a place where people do their assignments because they want to, and the arboretum is paved over into a parking lot, maybe with a mall on top.

"Relationships between students and faculty are too formal," Schlossberg said. "I want to create a less formal atmosphere where people go to class because they want to be there."

He also believes that the Arboretum would better serve the college as a parking lot or mall because "the college can never have enough woodchips." He would like to see the path between Cro and Larnache continually paved by woodchips.

Improved teacher-student relationships, however, remains Schlossberg's main focus. He believes that students should take advantage of Connecticut College's "strong, strong faculty."

If we work toward that goal, Schlossberg said, "our minds like eggs can hatch into a beautiful and timely vision."

Schlossberg is opposed to mandatory senior theses and would like to see the general education requirements revisited.

He considers himself a member of the 'Anarchy Party.'

James Fisfis, '91, would like to transfer the energy and direction he has brought to SGA as a house senator to the position of chair of academic affairs.

Fisfis maintains that his experience on both the J-Board and the United Anarchy Organization, "may be a stumbling block. He believes that the general education requirements need to be modified to become "more unified and more cohesive."

Judiciary Board Chair

Tom Neff, '91, says he would like to transfer the experience he has had in SGA as a senate president to the position of chair of the Judicial Board.

According to Neff, the greatest challenge facing the Judicial Board is the "lack of funds available" with which to implement his diversity plan. While on the EPC, he has worked to obtain grants and would do so again in order to fund new courses or visiting professors.

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SAC Chair

Any Mass, '92, is a candidate for SAC Chair. In addition to her position as Cultural Events director on the SAC executive board and her involvement on many committees, she cited her main qualification for the position as "energy and excitement for what SAC is and the potential it has."

Mass sees the position of SAC Chair as "a definite leadership role within the executive board and within the Assembly." She expressed the need for a strong chair to bring more unity to the executive board and the Assembly, saying, "If I see an issue that is important I certainly will not hesitate to stand up for it."

Mass also emphasizes the need for SAC to be recognized as a major branch in SGA. She plans to continue her efforts to build respect for SAC in the campus community.

When asked about the repercussions of the current budget cut to SAC, Mass stressed the need to continue on-campus fundraising as well as the importance of instituting alternative plans. "We have a lot of potential and energy on SAC and to see it stifled due to lack of funding would be difficult," said Mass.

Any grammatical or typographical errors in the candidates' platforms have not been altered by The College Voice.

Haik Sahakian, '91, running for the position of Public Relations director, says he believes that, in general, "human nature is a next thing." He brings to this election two years of experience working in the Office of College Relations, as well as being an important member of two organizations, the Anarchy Club and the United Anarchy Organization.

Sahakian stresses the importance of communication, he said that, "if you talk to a conservative long enough, they will become a liberal."

Sahakian thinks that a main challenge of the position is to revise "Inside SGA," the PR publication, which he said is "boring." He thinks that this condition can be rectified by increasing the point size of the text, adding photographs and perhaps enlarging the publication.

Sahakian also supports the 'Anarchy Party's' proposal to raze the Arboretum, citing the lack of parking facilities on campus as an important issue.
Presidential Platforms

Betsy Gienier

John Maggiore

Student Government supports a job to do, and it needs a president with enough experience, ability and direction to get that job done. The next president of SGA must be familiar with the issues that have been at the forefront for the last few years. The next president must be a person who not only knows SGA, but has a strong understanding and working relationship with every office and committee on the campus community from the faculty, the administration and the trustees to the campus safety and dining services. The next president must be ready to tackle issues as they arise, help shape new issues, and conduct the regular functions of the presidency in a way that will actually serve the students. I believe that I am the most qualified individual to take on those challenging positions as president of the Student Government Association.

Students often ask me, “What’s so important?” Admittedly, some of what SGA does borders on the silly. His also true that SGA offices have become drenched in bureaucratic red tape. Beyond the bureaucracy, however, is one of the most potent student governments of any American college. In the two years that I have served as a House Senator, I have played a part in SGA’s initiatives concerning the college’s five-year strategic plan, the establishment of dining hall guest passes and a vegetarian dining hall, the inauguration of a new student organization, the development of the Student Assembly, and the Student Government Association’s proposal of a $5 increase to our tuition fees. Throughout effective, continual communication and committee work, issues will be addressed and brought to the forefront.

My experience displays my commitment to leadership. Last year I was a member of SAC Initiative Board as Cultural Events Chair and worked on the Shareholder Responsibility Committee and Senior Week. I served this year as SGA Vice President, Finance Committee Chair, and as the Alcohol Policy and Recommendations Committee and Student Trustee Liaison Committee. Art Finance Committee Chair. I developed an operating budget for the growth of student organizations, allocated a second budget of club improvement funds, conducted audits and fundraising with the Development Office, and surveyed clubs, asking how well the budget met their needs, in order to make the appropriate changes.

As co-chair of the College Center Contributions Committee and chairing the Development Office, and surveyed clubs, asking how well the budget met their needs, in order to make the appropriate changes.

As a member of the College Council, I met with Campus Safety to better maintain our security. It was my goal.

My ambition, hard work and experience show my commitment to you that I will bring strong leadership and direction to the Presidency. PLEASE VOTE BETSY GIEIER for SGA PRESIDENT and SGA VICE PRESIDENT.

Thank you for your support,

Betsy Gienier

Post-structuralism is currently being debated by the ebbing tide of mysticism. We are a youth shamed and drained by defeatist thought. The centrifugality of the Global Decade has fallen upon the dripping faucet that is American youth. We must personalize the globalization of this decade that is so unjustly upon us. We are obsessed with long muscular tubular extensions. And furthermore, we don’t know it.

We wish to post-Vietnamize the campus. We must purge, or rather, negate the factor of pre-necro thinking on this campus and beyond.

I see 10,000 points of light. I see a visual fiesta. I see a juggernaut of aural sensation…if it is not too late. History is coagulated and congealed as it strews resolutely in its own chimes. We must de-historicize history. FOR YOU, and what’s more, we’re gonna do it!

Niels Rinehart

Robert Shea

The desire of the SGA President as listed in the “C” book are as vague as they are numerous. The definition of this position must come from the person who holds it. It is my belief that the person who can best represent Connecticut College is the person who can unify the voices and opinions of the students. That’s me.

In my position as President of the Class of 1991, I accomplished a great many things. The class ran an extremely successful fund-raising campaign, instituted a volunteer program based on daily contact with the New London community, and began a new form of communication with students studying abroad. But what I am most proud of, is the ability to work with the Class Council and arrive at a consensus that best represents the Class of 1991.

It’s no secret that my favorite part of being President has been encountering the class on the Assembly. Throughout this year I have been an outspoken and productive member of the Assembly. The key to my involvement, however, has been compromise. The main theme that plagued SGA for almost an entire semester was caused by the reluctance of some members to compromise on anything. It was my goal to amplify the voices of those who represent certain groups throughout the campus, warrant their goals, and impact the faculty’s ideas on the decision-making by Student Government. For instance, while 1/2 has created a lack of choice for all students, students pursuing traditionally under-represented curricula have suffered the most. Thus, they should carry substantial weights in discussions on diversity within the curriculum. Through compromise on both sides of any argument, everybody can win.

In the more representative, relatively SGA and the desire to compromise, we can better encourage a more flexible meal plan and a better quality dining service. And we can work with Campus Safety to better maintain our security. There are but a few of the many ways by which SGA can be designed to meet more adequately the students of Connecticut College. I will work to bring compromise and consensus to SGA.

You may begin to like SGA.

Niels Rinehart for SGA PRESIDENT

Robert Shea

Public Relations Directors

Jenn Freeman

Awareness leads to interest and vitality — and a vital student community is necessary if we are to appreciate the college experience. We must recognize what is open to us and what our responsibilities and opportunities are as a part of the larger Connecticut College and New London environments.

There are two major parts to the elected office of Public Relations Director: representation and communication. One role includes serving as a representative of the students on the Executive Board of the SGA, bearing what’s wanted, collecting the issues, and then working with head and heart. The other is the role of keeping people informed.

As Assistant Public Relations Director this past year I have had the opportunity to attend SGA meetings and to participate in its activities. I have also served on the Executive Board of C.O.O.L., the Publications Committee, and the Chaired Community Outreach Board.

In the role of elected officer, I would continue to consider the student’s concerns, goals and wishes — and do my best in representing them. In the role of Public Relations Director, communications will be my goal. Communication with the student through frequent and timely press releases to campus publications, a weekly SGA newsletter, and an expanded Public Relations Committee will help provide comprehensive coverage of all information and complete circulation of what is being said, what is being done, and what activities are needed to enhance student representation.

The latter will be accomplished through press releases to local publications and interaction in community activities.

I have been learning this year by participating in the activities mentioned above, particularly as Assistant Public Relations Director. I am eager to continue in the position of Public Relations Director and approach both this and the election with the utmost sincerity and seriousness. I hope you will allow me that privilege and responsibility.

Jenn Freeman

Haik Sahakian

If elected, I would make Inside SGA less of an alternative newspaper, more of an upbeat Foto-filled publication readable by everyone. I would find a trustee willing to move the Observatory from Bill to the roof of New London Hall, and encourage the SGA assembly to sing “All We Ever Wanted” before each session. Yes I would.

Haik Sahakian was the founder of Subliminal Of-factory Directioning In Add-Drop Forms of America, and believes in SAC. “The eighties were about design,” he says, “the nineties will be about
Chair of Academic Affairs Platforms

Reg Edmonds

This is a critical time for academics at Connecticut College and the next Chair of Academic Affairs will have to be experienced in dealing with academic issues to ensure that the best possible results are achieved. Through my efforts as the Educational Planning Committee (EPC) I have gained a firm grasp of major issues, such as the lack of diversity in the curriculum and the problems related to the implementation of the 3/2 plan. Through my work on the Student Response to the Strategic Plan (SREP), I have gained an understanding of educational needs, such as strengthening the advising system and providing for the transferability of financial aid to students who study away. Furthermore, I have developed a working relationship with key faculty members and administrators in discussing students’ concerns. 

I would like the students to have a greater influence in shaping the outcome of academic issues and this can be done if the Board of Advisory Chairs meets more frequently. By meeting more frequently, it will be easier for the institution to communicate about student and department concerns and will better be able to address these concerns.

One of the students’ and faculty’s main worries is the dramatic increase in course size and lack of course offerings. This problem can be alleviated by the hiring of new professors. Currently there are 12 searches being conducted by new professors. One of my goals as Chair of Academic Affairs is to ensure that the current searchers for professors are successful.

I believe that greater diversity in the curriculum is necessary. The lack of African, Hispanic, Middle Eastern, South-Asian and Women’s studies needs to be redressed. Working through a strengthened SAC, the Assembly and administrators that goal is available with the right person as the Chair of Academic Affairs. I believe that my experience in dealing with academic issues and my concern with their outcome makes me the most qualified candidate for the Chair of Academic Affairs.

Marc Schlossberg

SAC Chair Platform

Amy Mass

STRIVE FOR EXCELLENCE - ACHIEVE EXCELLENCE - CHALLENGE EXCELLENCE

Resource based communication - stronger ties with dorm representatives that lead to greater dorm unity and increased variety of dorm events. Connection and involvement with thematic housing and interest interaction between students and faculty. Voice of the students within SAC and administration. Expand SAC’s role in college community - a wide variety of social and cultural events, continuous feedback from students, continued increased support for SAC and dorm SAC representatives through annual strength and continued momentum.

Experience:

Freshman Year: Class Council Representative - House Council Representative - OVCS Mentor Program Coordinator, Mentor
Sophomore Year: SAC Executive Board - Cultural Events Director - Coordinator to Regional Conference, National Association of Campus Activities, Springfield, Mass; Finance Committee; Inter Collegiate Conference for Student Leaders - Planning Committee, Event Coordinator; College Center Director
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Fusion, Direction, Excitement, Energy Leadership, Teamwork, Challenge, EXCELLENCE.
In order to successfully fulfill the position of Young Alumni Trustee, one must have an understanding of the college and of the student point of view. Secondly, this position involves dedication to represent the interests of the students for a three year term. I feel that my past involvement with the College community has provided me with this necessary insight and demonstrated my commitment to the student body.

One of my interests is the quality of life outside the classroom. I believe that the college community is better served by a commitment to issues of concern for the College to use as a blueprint for change - which included Dorm. I have worked to have shower stall doors installed in all dorms which don't have them.

The Young Alumni Trustee Platforms
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Also, an understanding of the college and its operations is needed to properly execute the duties of Young Alumni Trustee.

I feel that I am qualified for the position. My participation in the College community has been limited to any particular realm, but rather spans a variety. I have attempted to contribute in small ways to many facets of campus life. I am currently serving on BAC, as well as being employed by the offices of Development and College Relations. I have served as a tutor to New London Schools through OVC, as a member of the Parents' Weekend Committee, and am involved with the High School Students Advance- ment Program for the second consecutive year.

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N. Jansen Calamita

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The adoption of the fla is designed to make our faculty positions competitive with our peer institutions. But this is a complex problem. Generating revenue for increased hiring of faculty, (visibly necessary in the wake of smaller endowments for faculty members), in a shared budget of which the College must rise. As we seek funding for fla, however, we must also be sure to fund our programs which become the vital part of what Connecticut College truly offers to its students. We must not rob Peter to pay Paul. We have already seen at Tulus University, what can happen when an administrative attempts to cut into vital budgetary needs, such as financial aid, in order to pay for new faculty. We must not let this happen at Conn. By ensuring that every sector of the community is directly represented and consulted on major policy decisions, we will work with the board.

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PROFILES AND NEWS

Young Alumni Trustee

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Presidential Candidates Participate in Lively Debate

Wyan Lowe,
The College Voice

Four candidates squared off for the SGA presidential debate last Sunday in front of interested community members. The candidates were Betsy Grenier, '91, vice president of SGA, John Maggiore, '91; house senator of Lazarus, Neils Rinehart, '91, member of the Amherst Party; and Robert Shea, '91, junior class president. The candidates were given one minute for opening remarks, as well as a chance to respond to three questions from the panel and a minute to present a closing statement.

Grenier, the first candidate to speak, opened with a description of the role of SGA president and how she would effectively fill the position. "I offer experience and a broad background. I offer three years of student government experience," she said.

Maggiore spoke about his experience on SGA boards and his conviction in his strong preferences for qualification. "If I had to choose a candidate, I'd say Betsy," said Maggiore. "She has been interested in the college's goals," citing the importance of voicing the students', opinions about the Stratagem Plan. She feels that "as the campus has evolved and changed, the student vote has become like a rubber stamp and no longer has a voice."

Shea was the first to present his closing remarks. He talked about his goals as president of the college and how he would work to increase student engagement in the state government. "I believe that this would not be a problem."

Rinehart briefly explained his compassion for the economy. "Muscular and tubular worlds," he said. "We need to increase the role of the student on the Board of Trustees."

The second question was posed by Alice Maggin, editor in chief of The College Voice, and concerned the inaccuracy of senator communication in the Student Government. Blair Taylor, former SGA vice president, questioned how candidates would deal with misleading student attrition rates among minority students. "If I were a senator, I would do my part by delegating projects and giving individual support to senators," said Rinehart.

Grenier explained the importance of the college's goals. "The importance of the college's goals," she said. "The college's goals, the state government."

Calamita, the third candidate, spoke about the importance of the referendum on abortion. "We need to address this issue," she said. "We need to have a voice in the state government."

The last question was posed by La Uz, the current president of La Unidad and housefellow of Knowlton. She has also been exposed to many social programs in New London, acting in a liaison with the New London community and the college community for three years, and is a member of a statewide committee on youth and teenage pregnancy.

When asked of her view on the issue of divestment, de la Uz said, "obviously, I would like the college to totally divest," emphasizing the fact that she organized the Divestment rally held on campus before spring break. "De la Uz hopes to maintain the essence of the college, "that is, the students.""
Student Government Candidates Address Issues

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Sunday evening's speeches for student government positions were presented with great enthusiasm for student life, academic concerns, and a plan that would prepare Connecticut College for the future.

The speech session featured positions of Student Government Association president, vice president, chair of academic affairs, chair of the Judiciary Board, public relations director, Student Activities Council chair, and Young Alumni Trustee.

John Maggiore, '91, candidate for president of SGA, focused on an active participation of academic policy, community service, diversification of academic and social life on campus and a greater awareness of minority groups on campus. In addition to stressing the fact that SGA is "about students," Maggiore mentioned that "the next SGA president must have the experience and the ability to get people involved." Adding a touch of humor to his bid for the presidency, Robert Shea, '91, denounced his candidacy in the spirit of April Fool's Day. Moving on to serious issues, Shea looked for a new compromise and consensus for the future of SGA. He hopes to foster a more relaxed environment at SGA meetings to achieve a more effective analysis of the issues. In conclusion, Shea said, "through hard work and everybody's help, you may begin to like SGA." Presidential candidate Betsy Grenier, '91, stressed that "continuity is essential" in setting the goals for the future of the Assembly. Grenier noted that the president of SGA must be a leader in setting direction for college concerns and providing better communication between students and faculty.

A group of hopeful SGA candidates at Sunday night's speeches on campus. He also commented on the need for the rejuvenation of dorm life, allocations of dorm budgets, off-campus programs, and a better communication between the vice president and the president of SGA.

Michael Sandner, '91, candidate for vice president, focused on the need for the vice-president to act as a committee member. Commenting on his past involvement with student government, Sandner said, "the leadership role has taught me to be fair and impartial." Sandner also focused on issues such as the umbrella plan and a redirecting of contributions to student organizations. Stressing the financial role of vice president, John Roesser, '92, suggested a more realistic budget analysis for the various clubs on campus.

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The senior class has a wide variety of candidates for Young Alumni Trustee this year: Lauren Agnar, '90, Reed Berkowitz, '90, N. Jansen Calamita, '90, Michelle de la Uza, '90, and Mario Laurinzo, '90. The candidates emphasized their range of experience, as well as a commitment to Connecticut College's reputation as a student-oriented college.

Agner stressed her "knowledge of the college and of the student point of view gained from leadership positions, especially as housefellow of Marshall. "Hand in hand with academics goes student affairs," she said, reflecting her concern that student life is under-represented.

Quoting from "Tao Te Ching" ("The Way and its Power"), Berkowitz suggested that he would participate as a member, rather than leader, of the Board of Trustees. "... by not forcing, by not dominating, the master loads," asserted Berkowitz.

Calamita presented the Honor Code as an example of Connecticut College's commitment to "an environment of respect, responsibility and trust," and pledged to uphold the values it represents. He expressed concern that the Board of Trustees protect the college's "unique and special atmosphere," especially in light of "an attempt to get us into the top twenty." "I see no reason for our extensive involvement and commitment to a variety of issues.

Diversity and residential life were specifically mentioned. She differentiated herself from the other candidates by saying, "I have the most experience with the Board of Trustees." "Part of the Conm mystique is a small, private liberal arts college, to maybe the person to keep it that way a small, private, liberal person," said Laurinzo, who confessed that he has not always been "in the limelight." Laurinzo considers himself a "well-rounded" student and listed experiences that included chair of Sociology Department Advisory Board, leader in the Minority Students Summer Advancement Program, and an intern in the Development and College Relations offices.

Due to the number of candidates for Young Alumni Trustee, a run-off election will be held. The three candidates with the most support after this week's voting will be presented for consideration in a special election. According to Nicole Breck, '90, public relations director, the run-off election will take place in the post office Monday, April 9 and Tuesday morning, April 10. Only seniors are eligible to cast a ballot in the election for Young Alumni Trustee.