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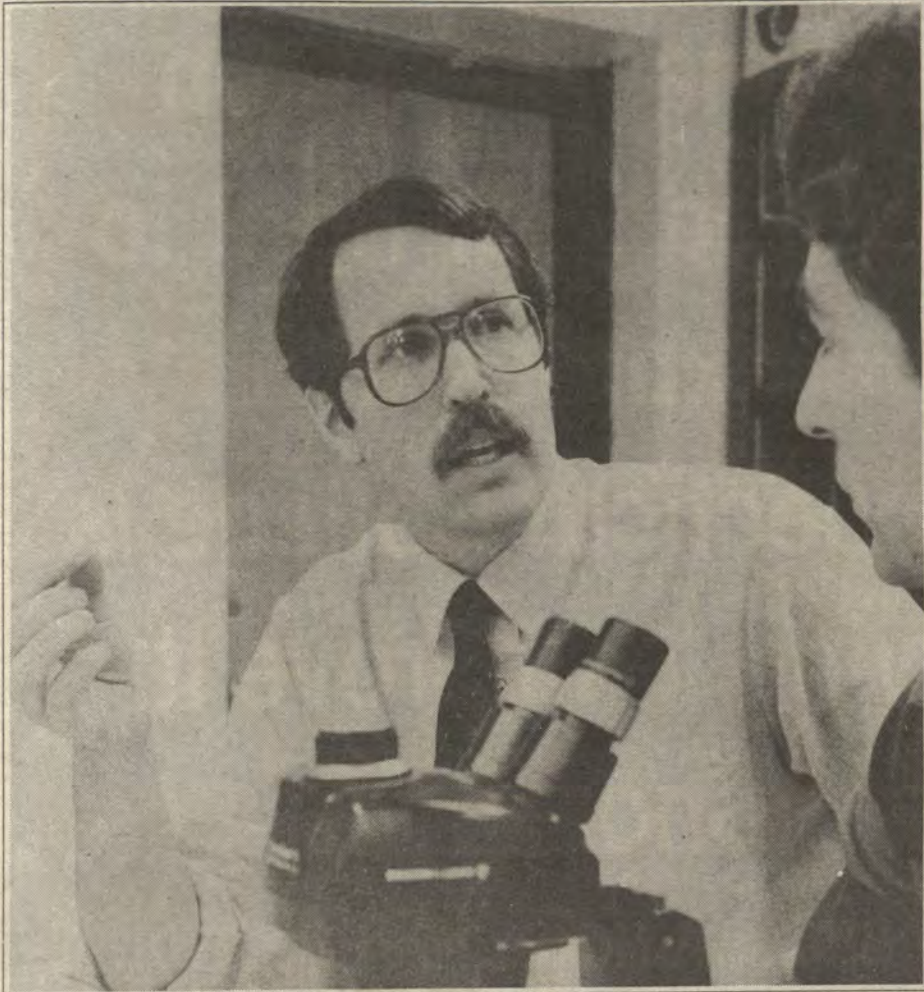
# THE COLLEGE VOICE

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Stephen Loomis, present provost and dean of the faculty.

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### Loomis, provost and dean of faculty, to step down at year's end Committee appointed for new provost search

BY APRIL ONDIS  
Editor in Chief

Claire Gaudiani, president of the college, announced Monday that Stephen Loomis, provost and dean of the faculty, will be stepping down from his position at the end of this year.

The college has established a search committee to identify a new provost and dean of the faculty to be chosen from within the college's own tenured faculty.

Loomis was chosen a year and half ago by a similar in-house search committee. At the time Loomis was selected for the position, he had held the position of acting provost for several months.

Loomis said he felt there were advantages to conducting a search from within the present faculty, rather than looking at candidates from other institutions.

"I think there are definite advantages. What helped me out is that I had come up through the ranks. When I started my associate deans job I had been a faculty member for 10 years, you learn how to deal with situation that comes up within the faculty," said Loomis.

The search committee, headed by Philip Barnes, chair of the zoology department, plans to complete its interview and nomina-

tion process by the end of September.

"I am confident that they will be able to accomplish this task quickly, since both the nomination and interviewing process will be focused on campus," said Gaudiani.

Duties for the provost and dean of the faculty include responsibility for the \$14 million academic budget.

At the time of his appointment, Loomis, a former associate dean of the faculty, said that he would only be willing to serve for a period of two years, a statement which has been borne out.

Loomis discussed the reasons why he limited his tenure, "Basically, I was getting ready to go back to the faculty when I was an associate dean. So now I am ready to get back to teaching and back to scholarship ... My scholarship activity has really slowed down [in the past two years]. I felt that I could either become a full-time administrator for the rest of my life, or go back and pick up the rest of my career where I left off," said Loomis.

Loomis added, "I really missed the contact I had with students."

According to Gaudiani, "Out of respect for all candidates, the review, the interview, and selection process," the committee work will be entirely confidential.

According to Gaudiani, the Faculty, Steer-

## Ramsey encourages audience to reach for the stars at 80th Convocation

BY BEN RUBIN  
News Editor

Connecticut College's eightieth convocation ceremony featured a voice from the past, as Claire Gaudiani, president of the college, revived portions of a speech given by the college's first president, and emphasized a continuation of the college's original vision.

Carol Ramsey, class of 1974, encouraged the members of the convocation audience to take risks as they seek to become above average members of society.

Claire Gaudiani, president of the college, opened her remarks at the eightieth convocation of the college with a quotation from the address of the first president of Connecticut College. According to Gaudiani, his comments came at the end of the first year of the college, a year in which the groundwork for

the academic and social traditions of the college had been laid.

Gaudiani borrowed remarks from the speech which she felt were appropriate now, with the college at the end of the first five year plan in its history, and at the beginning of the second.

"Together we have established, in this college, a belief in social equality that befits an intelligent society and you have won, I believe a distinction of spiritual quality, and with a poise of mind, a warmth of heart, a happiness of spirit, born of the athleticism of body, and of wholesome, inspiring occupation, you have visibly attained something of the freedom and tranquility of mind that comes to those who serve faithfully in noble causes," Gaudiani said.

The qualities that the college as a commu-  
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Rick Stratton/Associate Photo Editor

Faculty processing at the College's 80th Convocation ceremony on Thursday.

ing, and Conference Committee has already nominated some candidates for the position. In addition, other faculty members have announced their willingness to serve in the position if selected.

Gaudiani described the provost and dean of the college as, "an outstanding teacher and scholar who is a model of what our faculty call themselves to be and who can lead the faculty but also the whole college."

Gaudiani encouraged members of the community who wish to nominate a member of the faculty for the position to send nominations to her at the President's Office, to Barnes, or to any member of the search committee.

When Loomis accepted his position a year and a half ago, he said he hoped to help ease the college through the difficult times ahead. "Certainly, last year things went better. Everybody was ready to work together and be as collegial as possible," said Loomis.

Loomis was quick to add, "But I don't think any one person can take the credit for the change."

"I think that we're going to be going through difficult times for quite a while to come, mostly due to the outside environment. There are a lot of things on the outside that make things difficult for us financially," said Loomis.

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# CONNThought

## Class of 1998 Helps Conn Reach for the Stars

As smiling upperclass students moved 456 excited first year students into their dorms, still smelling of wet paint, Connecticut College embarked on a new and exciting academic year. Both first year and returning students alike have been bombarded with information this week, whether it be in leadership training programs or in orientation workshops. However, through all of this one phrase is being repeated no matter what the situation: Connecticut College is a model for a civil society.

Workshops this week focused on diversity, acquaintance rape, and responsible choices, preparing the students for issues they will face this year. Through awareness programs such as these, issues and ideas are being discussed with the goal of finding a solution to the problems facing college students today.

Programs such as Habitat for Humanity, supported by the Office of Volunteers for Community Service, enable the students to extend themselves outside the campus community. This program, in conjunction with others such as the Mentor Program, are teaching students to look beyond their immediate surroundings. Through in-service learning, a Connecticut College education goes beyond the classroom and into both the campus community and the New London community.

The class of 1998 is entering the college at an exciting time. This is the first year of a new strategic plan; one, designed by students and faculty, which promises to be as strong as the previous plan. The F. W. Olin Science Center will be ready for classes next semester. Students and faculty are planning to resume work on the Shared Governance and Common Vision Task Force, continuing the tradition of student participation in the decision making process. Students will be participating in search committees for both a provost and dean of faculty, and a dean of the college. Carol Ramsey, in her Convocation keynote address, spoke of reaching for the stars. This institution has never been afraid to do just that. The elimination of risk taking also limits the chance to grow.

Connecticut College, by taking risks, has made progress. An enthusiastic freshman class and diverse new professors add to the strength of the college. Connecticut College has the resources and the capability to soar into the future and promises to be a model for a civil society.

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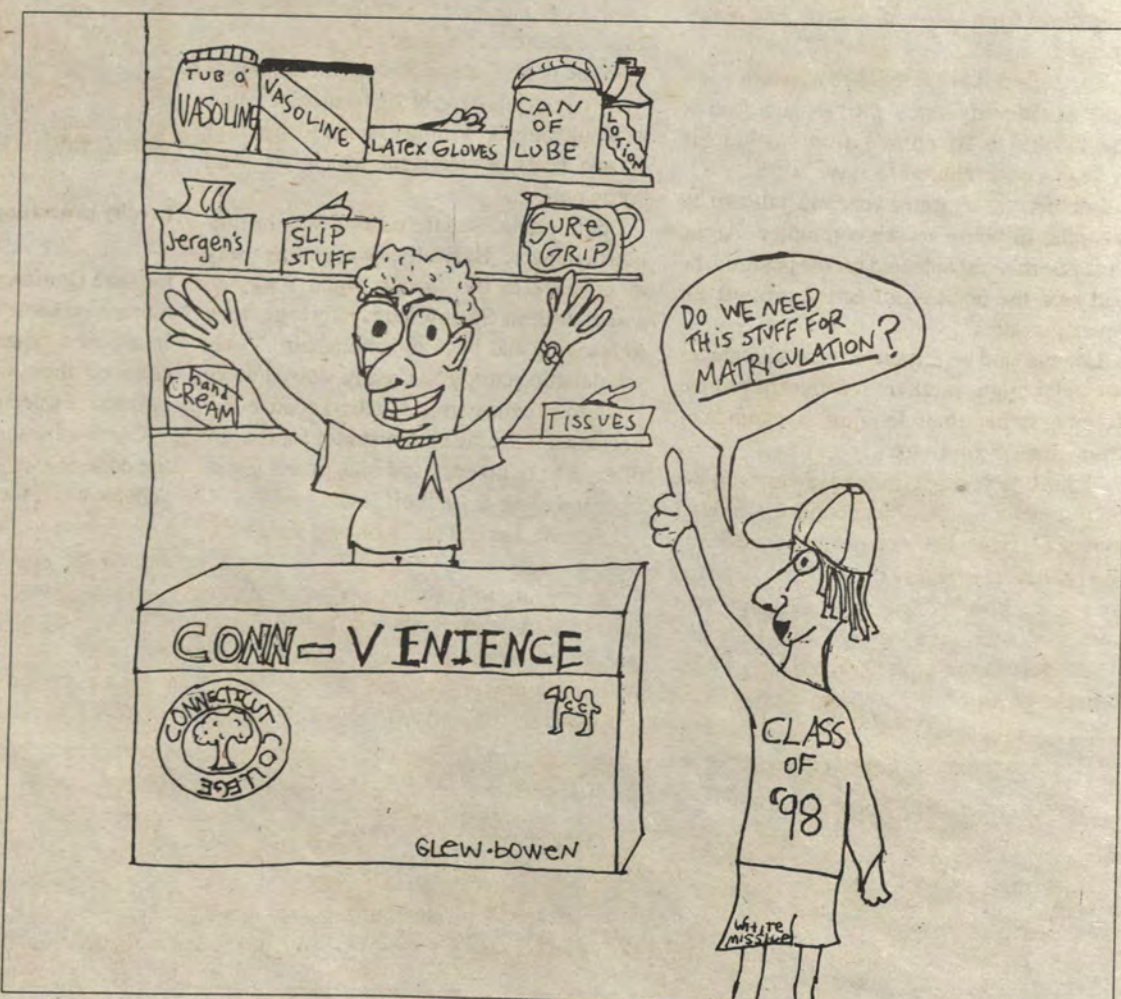
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## News

# Freshmen learn importance of Honor Code before signing themselves into the system

BY BEN RUBIN  
News Editor

"It is not the college that gives you the rights, it is the fact that you have committed yourselves to the virtues of the Honor Code," explained Claire Gaudiani, president of the college, as she addressed the freshmen at their matriculation ceremony on Sunday.

Dan Shedd, Judiciary Board Chair, led a mock trial after Gaudiani spoke, in order to show freshmen the procedures that the J Board follows when trying an accused student.

Shedd threw a "C" Book into the audience in order to punctuate his point that the Honor Code is not just about memorizing rules, that it is about understanding how to live in a community and understanding why the rules are there.

Connecticut College is one of only twelve institutions with an Honor Code and judiciary system which is

run solely by students who have been elected by their peers, according to Gaudiani.

The success of the school's Honor Code depends on a "reciprocal relationship" between everyone in the community, a relationship based on "civic virtues," Gaudiani said.

Gaudiani offered a story about three students who caused extensive damage to the swimming pool several years ago. The friends of these students convinced them to turn themselves in to the Judiciary Board and take responsibility for their actions.

She explained that one of the students, who is a recovering alcoholic and a former cocaine addict, was able to straighten out his life and realize his problems after the J Board had dealt with his actions.

"By living here, you will become the kinds of citizens who understand ... that the citizens are the guarantors of democracy by practicing civic virtues," Gaudiani said.

"By signing the Honor Code, you will become welcome to leadership and you will become part of a tradition that other institutions want to bring back," Gaudiani said.

The mock trial dealt with a student who was charged with an illegal keg, deception, nuisance, and dorm regulation violations. The process included written statements from the accused and a witness, opening statements, questioning, deliberation, and a punishment decision.

The case also dealt with the social host clause, which states that the owner of a room is responsible for all that goes on in the room, whether or not the resident knows what is happening.

The J Board consists of the assistant and the coordinator who are appointed by the chair, all of whom are non-voting members. The voting members are composed of two representatives from each class.

There is also a separate core of



Rick Stratton/Photographer

Dave Beren, J Board representative for the class of '95, junior Dan Shedd, J Board Chair, and sophomore Nick Smolansky, J Board coordinator, present a mock trial to the class of '98.

highly trained pre-trial advisors who are available to help to advise students who are to appear in front of the J Board.

The most enjoyable moments for the audience seemed to come when

two of their fellow freshmen, acting as sit-ins during the mock trial for the yet-to-be-elected freshmen representatives, participated in the mock trial. The audience responded with loud cheering.

## Students, faculty, and administration discuss academic and community issues at orientation program

### Brown offers advice to incoming freshman class

BY NATALIE HILDT  
Associate News Editor

"Sit in the back of the classroom," advised Louise Brown, dean of freshmen to an auditorium full of freshmen. "Don't read assignments, forget to purchase the texts, ignore test results, and never study with someone else—you might actually learn something!" she said.

After a year-long sabbatical, Brown is back on duty. Brown led the orientation program titled Academics & Community, opening with "advice in reverse" for freshman year, or the guaranteed plan for flunking out of college.

After concluding her list, Brown spoke seriously. "Remember that you're really here for academics first, and you need to take them seriously."

In addition to academics, the college provides many support services which guarantee students a complete liberal arts education, Brown said. Representatives from all the various resources on campus spoke to first-year students about the services their departments provide.

Steven Schmidt, chaplain of the college, spoke of religion at the college and his role in the spiritual well-being of the student body. Aileen Boyle, registrar of the college, gave a glimpse of how her office works.

Jack Tinker, director of career services, advised the class not to wait until their senior year to stop in and take advantage of the many internships and career counseling.

Wayne Swanson, professor of government, gave his comparison of the cost of tickets to a sporting event to the average cost of one class at Connecticut College—\$62. An analogy that never fails to leave an impression on the audience, as seen once again on the surprised faces of those in the crowd.

"It's important to come to class," said Swanson, "but even more important than coming is to be an active participant in your education. It's crazy to choose a small college and not take advantage of smaller class sizes." Swanson advised the new students to take full advantage of their Connecticut College education.

"Don't let the instructor dominate the class," Swanson warned. "Challenge us and learn from each other."

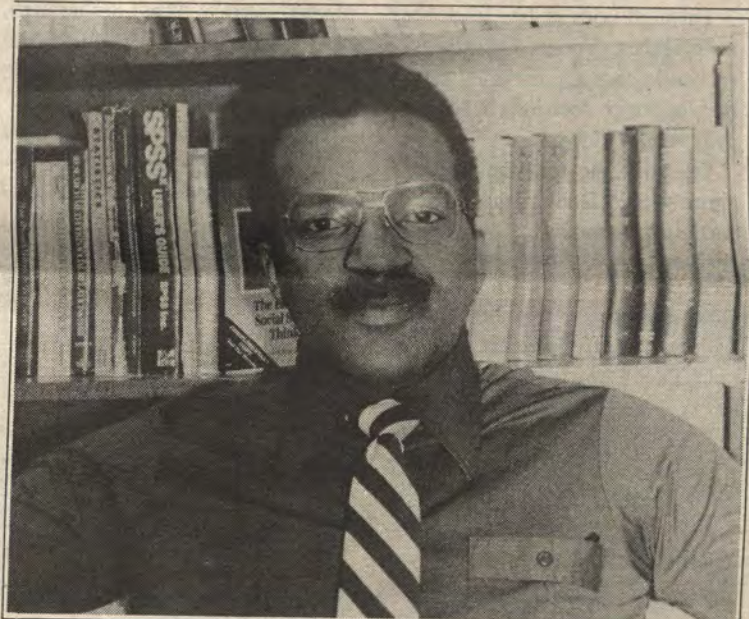
Theresa Ammirati, director of the writing center, spoke about the center and tutoring services, but reminded students to talk to their professors before seeking additional help. Laura Hesslein, director of counseling services, told students that counseling services offers confidential advising and works closely with other support services.

David Brailey, health educator,

spoke about the workshops on health, sexuality and substance abuse that were held during orientation and those which will be held throughout the year. Also, Robert Malekoff, director of athletics, talked about the importance of balancing sports and studying. "Academics take precedence over practice," Malekoff said.

Tamara Michel, director of Unity, talked about diversity on campus and Unity as an umbrella organization, inviting students to participate in any of the diversity groups. Kristine Cyr Goodwin, director of residential life, spoke about residential life on campus and dealing with roommate problems, reminding students that this is their new home.

James Miner, director of campus safety, talked about the role of campus safety at the college, explaining that his officers work towards the security and well-being of the college in addition to routine tasks such as lock outs and regulating parking.



File photo/The College Voice

Robert Hampton, dean of the college since 1987.

## Hampton moves on after 20 years of service to college

BY NATALIE HILDT  
Associate News Editor

After 20 years at Connecticut College, Robert Hampton is ready for a change. Hampton, who joined the faculty as professor of sociology, has served as dean of the college since 1987.

Hampton was originally scheduled to be on sabbatical for this semester, but instead started in July a new position at the University of Maryland at College Park. Hampton now serves the university as associate provost for academic affairs and dean for undergraduate studies.

During his tenure at Connecticut College, Hampton became a pillar of the college community, providing strength and direction for the college's faculty and administration.

His focuses as a professor and author of three books include fam-

ily violence and violence prevention. Hampton was also instrumental in planning the renovation of the College Center.

Claire Guadiani, president of the college said in a letter last spring, "The Dean plays an essential role in helping to maintain a vigorous and satisfying quality of life for all the students at Connecticut College."

Arthur Ferrari, professor of sociology, is currently serving as interim dean of the college.

The search for a permanent replacement will be underway after the search for a new provost and dean of the college has been completed.

Also, Grissel Hodge, former director of the multicultural center, has also left the college. Hodge, who served last year as acting dean of freshmen while Louise Brown was on sabbatical, has moved to Wesleyan University where she is an associate dean of the college.



## News

# Distinguished members of the community welcome the class of 1998

Speakers urge freshmen to take advantage of leadership opportunities, liberal arts education, at the college

BY APRIL ONDIS  
Editor in Chief

Palmer Auditorium was filled with anxious members of the class of 1998, their siblings and parents, and the student leaders, faculty, and administration members who brought them together at the President's Assembly on the first day of freshman Orientation.

William Peck, director of Admissions, a person whose good taste Claire Gaudiani, president of the college, said she feels is exemplified by his shunning of both

unique to their positions as highly-educated persons at this moment in the development of this country "from L.A. to New York," as well as that of the world.

"Connecticut College embraces a challenge faced by all colleges," in finding a way to live with the differences and commonalities amongst all individuals, said Brown.

It will be through the commonalities of students at this college, said Brown, as well as through the commonalities of all members of all civil societies, that individuals will be able to "transcend their differences"

to achieve common goals.

Marinell Yoders, SGA president, opened her speech by recalling her own freshman President's Assembly. According to Yoders, she went to hear the

speeches with her roommates, but told her parents to stay in her room and put together her halogen lamp. "I guess it was my first assertion of independence," said Yoders.

Yoders advised, "If you have one, get your parents' help before they leave, they are a real pain."

But Yoders asked her parents to come back for her final Welcome address, and last Saturday, they sat

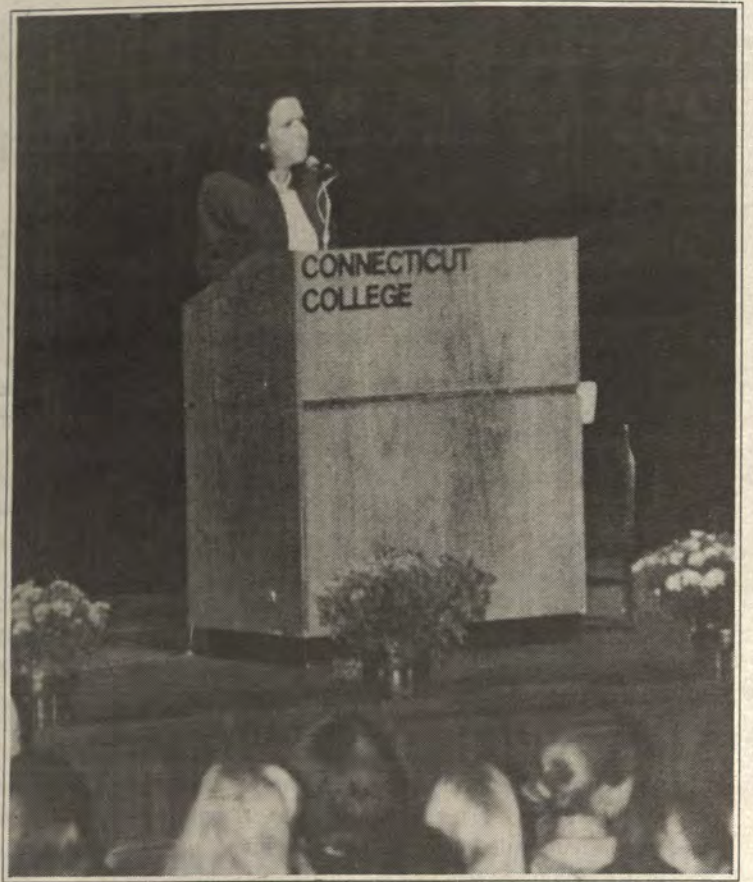
in the front row. Why? "It's ... the uniqueness of the Connecticut College community I want to talk about. It is the community that I am a part of, my parents are a part of, and that you have joined today," said Yoders.

Yoders went on to discuss the opportunities for students "not only to be a part of this community, but to shape it," stressing student participation as a tradition unique to Conn.

She said that she was proud to be able to say this to the entering class, as it was truly what she would say to prospective students. Emphasizing that she had taken this tradition to heart, Yoders said, "It is the single reason I came here, and why I am standing here today."

Yoders said that when she arrived at Conn as a freshman she worked for the Office of Volunteer Career Services coordinating tutors in a local prison program and developing educational programs for student tutors. She also helped Conn develop a proposal to be a part of President Clinton's Summer of Service. Through this work, Yoders said, she gained skills in grant writing and volunteer development. Yoders then pursued a position in the Student Government Association, a Conn institution which she says differs from student governments at other colleges in that it is more that "a party planning organization."

Instead, Yoders sees student participation in college governance through SGA, as members of the college budget committee, Strategic Planning committees, and the



Rick Stratton/Associate Photo Editor

Claire Gaudiani, president of the college, addresses the class of 1998 and their kin at the President's Assembly.

Cabinet as part of "a culture of shared decision-making" which is "pervasive" on this campus.

Through both of her leadership experiences, Yoders said that she was able to gain knowledge "by making tough decisions in roles not available in a classroom."

This was the thrust of Yoders' entire speech. Rather than advocate participation in OVCS or SGA directly, she advised freshman merely to "carve out a space for yourself. Throw yourself in with both feet. I promise you won't regret it."

Arthur Ferrari, interim dean of the college, spoke next about the value of a liberal arts education, perhaps in order to allay the fears of some of the parents in the audience. Some liberal arts students, particularly sociology or philosophy students, may receive comments like, "Sociology, philosophy, what are

you going to do with that?" when they tell others their majors.

"They mean, of course," explained Ferrari, "That it's a tough, hard world, and you need to find something people will pay you to do."

Then Ferrari described the kinds of qualities employers seek in potential employees. "Can you define a problem in such a way that as to find an answer? Do you know where to go to get information? Can you write clearly? Are you a person who can work well with others?" said Ferrari.

These are skills, said Ferrari, that "you learn without even trying," at a college such as Conn. "Course by course you'll be becoming skilled," he said. "You'll be acquiring the kinds of skills corporate executives need almost just by inhaling at a liberal arts college."

*You'll be acquiring the kinds of skills corporate executives need almost just by inhaling at a liberal arts college.*

-Arthur Ferrari, interim dean of the college

Woodstock concerts, described the class of 1998 as one that has "all the makings and all the necessary ingredients to be a wonderful class."

If all the personal recommendations the Admissions Office received are to be believed, said Peck, the class of 1998 contains many noteworthy members, including several who epitomize the American Dream, countless Renaissance men and women, not to mention all the many "breaths of fresh air," as well as those who embody all the qualities a parent could possibly hope for in a child, and more than a few students whose teachers hold them among their "all-time favorite" pupils.

Louise Brown, dean of freshman, and a person whom Gaudiani feels may be characterized by the fact that she wanted to, but was unable to, attend both Woodstock concerts, also congratulated the freshman class on all they had achieved before entering the college, but like each of the speakers at the ceremony, said that the incoming class would be faced with many challenges

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## News

# Ramsey reinforces the Conn College "tradition" of striving beyond mediocrity

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nity now often speaks of pursuing, Gaudiani said, are an extension of those qualities that it was founded upon. "I think, as we begin this eightieth year, it is good to remember that when we talk about equality and diversity and unity and excellence we are speaking words that

have been spoken on this hilltop, lo these eighty years," said Gaudiani.

Gaudiani went on to describe the college's growth during the past five years, as well as its potential to achieve an even greater academic and community excellence in the years to come.

"The most recent five year plan

has seen us almost double the endowment ... bring diversity in the freshman class from 10 percent to 19 percent ... it has seen the faculty salaries go up 40 percent, it has seen the rise of \$22 million worth of new buildings," Gaudiani said.

Gaudiani spoke of the special role played by liberal arts graduates in a world that "shows visibly its need," for their special breadth of mind and habits of the heart." Gaudiani described a world where, every year, the gulf widens between "the haves and the have-nots, where ethnic hatreds and economic disasters propel mass migrations, epidemics, and death."

Although some would be discouraged by this state of world affairs, and feel disempowered, Gaudiani said that "the power to brave that new world is in this room, and on this campus, and in places like this around the world."

After her opening statement, Gaudiani introduced Ramsey, class of 1974, headmaster of the Friends School in Wilmington, Connecticut, and a member of the college's Board of Trustees. "There are few Trustees who have had such a powerful experience," Gaudiani said, referring to her work on the Board

and her accomplishments in the field of education.

Ramsey began by saying that her four-year experience at the college was rewarding, but said that at the time she was unaware of the effects her education would have on her during the years after graduation, since many people judge her based on the quality of the school today.

"I am judged by the decisions you make even twenty-four years [after graduating]. I am painted by the brush you wield," she told the audience.

Her speech focused on the advantages of striving to be the best that one can possibly be, and to avoid the temptation of settling for mediocrity. Ramsey said that even if we strive to reach goals that turn out to be unattainable, we will still better ourselves by making the effort, and by allowing ourselves to be led by our imaginations and ambitions.

To illustrate this, she told a fable about a moth who was told by its parents not to fly towards a star, but to aim at light which was closer and more attainable. Nevertheless, the moth flew towards the highest star. Although it didn't reach it, the moth lived a longer and happier life the rest of its family.

The moral, Ramsey said, is, "Who flies afar from the spheres of our sorrow is here today and here tomorrow."

Ramsey praised the college's never-ending attempts to improve itself academically and through community work. "This institution has an understanding of what the average college fails to grasp," she said.

The definition of average, Ramsey said, is "of intermediate value." Thus, to be average, "you don't have to take a stand ... [no matter what you do], you are never more than of intermediate value ... To be average is to take the easy way out."

Ramsey related a story about a man she had recently met, who said that this college reaches for goals that are too high, and should settle for less than it might be able to achieve. Ramsey said that this was the attitude that the school and its students should avoid.

"We are very good today," she said, "we'll be even better tomorrow."

The senior class won the \$200 reward for having the greatest number of students who attended the Convocation ceremony.

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## News

## Freshmen Orientation:

# College community discusses issues of sexual assault at Sexual Awareness Workshop

Conn's sexual harassment policy addressed in discussion

BY JENNIFER LEVAN  
Editor in Chief/Magazine

"Rape is a violation of a person's spirit and body," said Louise Brown, dean of freshmen, opening the Sexual Awareness Workshop for freshmen which concentrated on facts about rape and date rape on campus.

The workshop began with student advisors in the audience reading facts about rape.

assaults have repercussions upon victims, relatives and friends.

Brown said that sexual assault is propagated in part by pop culture imagery, so that the entertainment industry actually makes money in the exploitation of rape and male domination over women. In horror movies, said Brown, "usually a lone woman is stalked."

Brown said that rape is connected to issues of control and sexual conquest.

and rape by a stranger.

The connection between alcohol use and sexual assault, although difficult to pinpoint, can be seen by the statistics.

According to the workshop, 75 percent of men and 55 percent of women involved in a rape situation were drinking.

"The subject generates a lot of emotions," said Brown who stressed that men and women should talk about the subject.

"With such emotions, it's no wonder that we don't move towards better understandings or finding solutions," Brown said.

Brown said that less than 10 percent of rape victims report the crime; and of those 10 percent, only five percent of the criminals go to jail.

Catherine WoodBrooks, dean of student life, discussed the sexual harassment policy on campus and said that Connecticut College is no exception to the realities of rape.

WoodBrooks said that in 1987 a sexual harassment policy was drafted which contained expectations for student behavior. The sexual harassment policy will be given to each student in a booklet during the first few weeks of school, WoodBrooks said. She defined sexual harassment as verbal abuse, unwanted touching, pinching, etc., as well as an actual intended sexual intrusion or rape.

WoodBrooks said, "Sexual harassment violates the honor code," and stressed that all sexual crimes on campus would be subject to state laws and prosecutions.

The involvement of alcohol in



Rick Stratton/Photographer

The excitement of arriving at college beat the heat last Saturday as student advisors assisted the incoming freshman and their parents in unloading their packed cars. However, this activity caused a traffic jam the length of Cro Boulevard.



Rick Stratton/Photographer

*'The connection between alcohol use and sexual assault, although difficult to pinpoint, can be seen by the statistics ...*

*75 percent of men and 55 percent of women involved in a rape situation were drinking'.*

"One in three females are raped before their 18th birthday ... the majority of women are raped between the ages of 15 and 24 ... " These and other statistics were shouted out by S.A.s in the audience in response to remarks made by speakers to emphasize the realities of rape and sexual assault.

"Rape is not just a women's issue," Brown said. It is also experienced by men, most often by boys under 12 and men in prison. These

"One in four college women are raped," said Brown. She continued, "This means one in four rooms in your dorms."

However, women and men often do not think it happens.

"Ten times as many rapes are committed than reported," Brown said.

A common misconception pointed out by Brown is the assumption that there is a major difference between acquaintance rape

the crime is not a controlling factor, but it may influence the severity of the punishment. "There is peer responsibility under the Honor Code," WoodBrooks said.

WoodBrooks said that the policy was drafted by the Connecticut College Coalition to Prevent Sexual Harassment and Sexual Assault, a committee which consisted of twelve staff members, administrators and students.

According to WoodBrooks, unlike Conn, many colleges and universities are wary to put out a booklet like this.

Laura Hesslein, director of Counseling Services, announced that Survivors of Sexual Assault will meet Wednesday Sept. 14 from 5 to 7 p.m. "Trust and respect your feelings as well as others," Hesslein said.

David Brailey, health education coordinator, and the Peer Educators concentrated on the issue of date rape on campus and presented an interactive theater piece about a potential college rape situation.

The skit depicted a freshman woman attending a keg party with her friend, drinking too much, and then visiting the room of an acquaintance.

"John" was portrayed as a stereotypical date rapist who believed that women frequently cry during sex and that "no" can sometimes mean "yes."

The characters in the skit had "inner voices" played by two peer educators dressed in black and shadowing the protagonists throughout the play.

Afterwards, the characters and their inner voices answered questions from the audience about their situations.

At this point audience members raised issues such as what it means to visit the room of a member of the opposite sex, what it means when a woman cries during sex, and what it means when a woman says "no."

"It was really smart of you to drink before you went back to his room," a freshman called out.

"You shouldn't have gone back to his room in the first place," said another freshman.

However, another freshman defended the woman, and grilled "John" by asking him how he would have felt if he had been held down and sodomized by a 250 pound man, the situation in reverse.

Others also commented that facts should not be misconstrued and that in all cases, "no" means "no."

Many pointed out that if a woman is crying it usually means that she does not want to have sexual relations.

Christine Cyr Goodwin, director of residential life, said, "No always means no and the absence of yes means no."

Questions were also raised about the kind of society that raises men like "John."

Several people pointed to the fact that the entertainment industry plays up the power of men and the subordination of women.

Before the workshop ended, freshmen and their student advisors broke up into discussion groups to further examine the issues.



Rick Stratton/Photographer

The Advice Ladies came to the College Center on Sunday as Jen Bilotti and Emily Luce offered free advice to passers-by.



## News

# Importance of responsible living hits home with HIV positive alum

*Brailey presents statistics on drunk driving amongst college students*

BY BEN RUBIN  
News Editor

Several freshmen volunteered their personal experiences to convey the life-altering dangers of drugs, alcohol, and unsafe sexual behavior to their fellow classmates.

"After the Party," a responsible choices workshop led by David Brailey, health education coordinator, included a personal speech from Brian Rosenberg, president of the class of 1987, and a carrier of the HIV virus, in addition to the freshman testimonials.

Brailey discussed the negative repercussions of alcohol use, including altered perceptions, alcohol poisoning, and the link that has been identified between alcohol use and date rape.

He informed students that he was disturbed that statistics from a recent survey show that 25 percent of college students still accept rides from drivers who have been consuming alcohol, while 15 percent of students still drive after they have consumed alcohol.

Brailey said that students at both Yale and Rutgers have died as a result of alcohol related accidents.

The stories from the freshmen themselves punctuated the dangers of alcohol which students on this campus must face. One student spoke about his brush with death after being hit by an intoxicated jetskier. Others spoke about friends who were killed or whose lives had been affected as a result of alcohol-related incidents.

Catherine WoodBrooks, dean of student life, explained that along with the independence many students feel for the first time at college, comes a decision-making responsibility many have not faced before. "The Honor Code essentially makes you responsible for your own decisions. Along with all of your rights comes responsibility," she emphasized.

Rosenberg spoke at the end of the discussion on responsible life choices. He explained he discovered he was HIV-positive only after a doctor suggested that he have himself tested

because he had left himself open to infection by another STD, and that he had only recently discovered the identity of the sexual partner who had infected him.

The question he is most frequently asked, Rosenberg said, is "what is it like to live with HIV?"

His stock answer is that living with HIV has made him "proud, angry, frightened, and empowered."

"I am proud because I am in the company of heroes ... I am frightened because of all I don't know ... I am empowered because the disease has taught me to live life to my fullest," he said. Adding, "If you join the fight you too will become empowered. Each and every one of us is affected by AIDS."

In a particularly moving moment, he asked the audience members to, "look into my eyes" and see the lives of all the people that I have known who have been affected by the HIV virus and AIDS.

Rosenberg said he joined the fight against AIDS after "coming to terms with my HIV status and my homosexuality." He kept the news of his illness to himself for several years. "I was very closeted," said Rosenberg.

When he sought counseling to help him live with his HIV positive status, he found that first, he needed to deal with his own homosexuality.

When he came to terms with his sexual identity, and was finally able to share it with his family, they offered him unconditional support.

Since then, his life has changed. Now, rather than working over 100 hours a week to get his rotisserie chicken restaurant off the ground, he frequently speaks on behalf of AIDS education, and he volunteers in an AIDS clinic. "When I started," he said, "My restaurant and Boston Chicken were the only rotisserie chicken restaurants in Boston." Now, with his life focused on an entirely different pursuit, the fight against AIDS has another champion, and as Rosenberg said, "Boston Chicken has franchises all over the area."



Rick Stratton/Photographer

**Orientation started off with a blast as students, student advisors, and housefellows participated in Fun and Games on Harkness Green. This relaxed atmosphere encouraged students to let loose and have fun. This kicked off a week full of workshops which are geared to preparing the students for the year to come. Topics included diversity awareness, academics and community issues, and making responsible choices.**



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*The week in SGA:*

## Assembly will examine new strategic plan in coming weeks

Marinell Yoders, SGA president, informed the assembly that it will be examining the new strategic plan and developing a ratification process for it during the next several weeks. The Board of Trustees are scheduled to vote on this in October.

Ben Tyrrell, SAC chair, said the new co-sponsorship program begins this year, which will allow clubs and organizations to plan and sponsor events with SAC.

Members of the Executive Board briefly explained their responsibilities.

Deirdre Hennessey, senior class president, made an action item to the campus safety committee for the closing of the drive-

way at North Cottage because it is too steep and dangerous.

Dan Traum, house senator of Branford, made an action item to the food committee to find out the grade of meat the school uses.

Tyrrell announced the former SAC calendar located in the College Center is now an all-campus calendar.

Ryan Poirier, SGA vice president, announced the faculty has not been working as quickly as the students have been on the issue of shared governance.

Assembly members voiced opinions about the cover letter of the Issues Project as well as the document itself.

## The Camel Heard ...

*Overheard during Freshman Orientation*

"Oh my God, we have the exact same CD collection."

-several freshman doubles

"So ... what are you planning to major in?"

-Overheard by a freshman woman to Neelu Mulchandani, senior head of Student Org.

"Who's Marshall?"

-Overheard in Marshall living room

"Alright, so what's the deal with getting your messages?"

"Excuse me???"

"How do you check your goddamn messages?"

-Two freshmen women on the third floor of Marshall who had barged in upon a scantily clad junior talking on the phone in her room. They seemed to be under the impression that all upperclassman back early were there to dispense free information.





# Arts & Entertainment

Orientation Week in review:

## Class of '98 survives first week at Conn College

By MICHELLE RONAYNE  
A & E Editor

A word to the wise, "Are you a freshman?" is not a good pick-up line.

A freshman will probably find such a line to be silly, and an upperclassman will be somewhat insulted. If you find it necessary to know who is and is not a freshman there are easier ways ...

You know you are dealing with a freshman, not because they are scared or timid, but mostly because of their aversion to the phone system. That is to say, if you saw someone casually standing in the entrance to a dorm. They are not "waiting for a friend" but trying desperately to get inside. They have either forgotten their PIN number or misunderstood and not pushed \*8808 before entering their PIN.

And, as if the security system isn't enough to bewilder your average first year student, there is always Jane. I had more people ask me "3333 what?" then any other question and heard choruses of, "All I want to do is make

a phone call but I can't even figure out my own phone number."

Forget all the workshops and parties—spend a week giving the freshmen the ins and outs of our telecommunication stop on the information superhighway.

The other source of torment for new freshmen is of course ... REGISTRATION. Never in my life have I witnessed such horror as the look on the faces if the freshmen who, after standing in the English 150 line for what seemed an eternity, discovered it was closed.

They then had to put themselves on a waiting list and scurry to sign up for some random course like scuba diving just so they

could have a fourth course. Most freshmen did, however, seem reassured when they were given these two sage pieces of advice ... 1: Add/Drop- Use it! and 2: This registration thing only happens once, and you will laugh at it sometime in the future.

At the parties during the first week of school, it was the freshmen who always said hello. It didn't matter to them if they knew you or not, an aspect of Orientation from which the upperclassmen could take a lesson. Yet there are always common themes among freshmen ... such as topics of conversation. They ranged from basics like "Where are you from?" and "What's your major?" to "Oh, my God, I have the exact same shirt" and "We have the same CD collection!" There were still strains of "Yes, 3333, then what do I do?"

All joking aside, the week was filled with many important and informative workshops and a time for freshmen to acclimate themselves to campus life.

The workshops gave them food for thought about some serious issues in college life, and the parties gave them a taste of what's to

come.

One of the nicest moments happened on Wednesday night. The freshmen had survived the horrors of Registration, the upperclassmen had arrived, and it was time for the Coffee House, an event that has been part of freshmen orientation for as long as I can remember. The a cappella groups performed and the freshmen got a true sense of the theme stressed throughout the week. A sense of what we are ... a community.

Freshmen- While the upperclassmen may still know who you are, particularly when you sneak out of a class you don't belong in, (although I know one sophomore who did the same thing, and it took him at least 1/2 hour to realize his mistake), or when you lock yourself out, just remember Wednesday evening, and know that you belong. Even though we may tease, you are quite welcome here at Conn.

*'At parties during the first week of school, it was the freshmen who always said hello. It didn't matter to them if they knew you or not, an aspect of Orientation from which the upperclassmen could take a lesson.'*

## Horoscopes by Michelle

**VIRGO (AUG. 23-SEPT. 22)** SOON YOU WILL BE REUNITED WITH A DISTANT *Love*. IT WILL BE A WONDERFUL TIME FOR THE TWO OF YOU. AFTERWARDS YOU WILL RETURN RENEWED AND READY TO CARRY ON UNTIL THE NEXT TIME.

**Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)** Stop freaking out and pick whatever major you like the best. Take your mate out for a romantic dinner and then teach him/her how to play frisbee. Rocky relationships will work themselves out if you just give it time.

**Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)** Send money to someone you care about as they have fallen upon difficult financial times. Your new home is much better than your last. Invite some friends over for a home cooked meal.

**Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)** Things are finally beginning to look up. Send that special someone some flowers as they are always a good pick-me-up. Make time for your schoolwork.

**Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** After wandering around searching for a place to call home this week finds you settling into a new situation. Don't forget about your old friends from last year. They would still like to see you every once in a while.

**Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)** Though those you love may be far away you are still in their hearts. Write or call friends from home because you know they would love to hear from you. Try resting every once in a while or you will wear yourself out.

**Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20)** The past year has been difficult for you but things are really turning around. Keep your cheery

outlook and things will be okay. Make some time for yourself. It is important to be there for your friends but too much will cause you to burn out.

**Aries (March 21-April 19)** Romance is headed your way! Don't worry it won't be as bad as last time. This time love will be with you for a while. Spend time with your friends and relax.

**Taurus (April 20-May 20)** You think too much. Try going with the flow for a change and just take it easy. Relationships in turmoil will be resolved. Take your Pisces friend out to dinner, you know he/she deserves it.

**Gemini (May 21-June 20)** Give an old friend a call. They may have given you the cold shoulder in the past but they did not mean too. Forgive and forget for a change.

**Cancer (June 21-July 22)** Your new job will be wonderful. Now is a good time to make changes in your life. Everything will go quite nicely and your life will be trouble free.

**Leo (July 23-Aug. 22)** Kermit always says it isn't easy being green. For the past few months it hasn't been easy being you. Things will turn around and a new romance will come your way. Stop working so hard or you will be too exhausted to party. A Pisces friend will soon pay you all the money he/she owes you.

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## Sports

Schmoozing with Scott and the Razor:

# Schmoozing returns as NFL enters 75th season

BY SCOTT USILTON  
AND  
JONATHAN "RAZOR" RUDNICK  
THE COLLEGE VOICE

Welcome back sports fans, to another glorious year of life at Conn. We will be your tour guides through another banner year of sports, leisure and entertainment. For the freshman who have just joined us, Schmoozing is a proud tradition at the college. We will be bringing you an entertaining look at the world of professional, collegiate, and Conn sports. So, without further ado, let's dive right in.

As reporters, we feel the obligation to comment on this O.J. Simpson ordeal. O.J. could not possibly be the murderer — no Heisman

trophy winner ever amounts to anything—he was obviously framed. He planned his alibi well in advance, so how could he possibly have done it? Rumors have been passing by the Schmoozing desk that it may have been a jealous Lt. Frank Drebin, angry after learning that Nordberg's part in the next *Naked Gun* was better than his. Personally, we really don't care what happens to O.J., but boy could he cut left.

Hey, did you hear? Pro baseball is on strike. Oh well. It's a shame though, we were curious to see how the new playoffs were going to work with extra divisions and wild card teams.

We figure the decision winner should have been the Yanks, Seahawks, and the Vikings. Too bad, now we'll never know. Let's move

on.

The lack of pro baseball has shifted the limelight to minor league ball. We used to think that a player getting shipped to (for example) Portland meant that he would be lining up next to Clyde Drexler (i.e. Danny Ainge).

Speaking of NBA stars playing baseball, let's not overlook Birmingham's own shining star—Michael Jordan. We here at Schmoozing, privy to all sorts of wonderful information, have learned that Jordan is tiring of baseball, and will be in attendance at the Blackhawks' training camp. CCM caught wind of this and is working overtime to develop the new "Ice Jordan" line of skates.

The United States got to host its first World Cup Tournament this past summer (that's soccer, in case you didn't know). Although it's unlikely the U.S. would have qualified otherwise, they shocked the world by holding Brazil to a scoreless first half in their second-round game.

Razor had the privilege of attending a Quarter Final match-up between Germany and Bulgaria. He stuffed himself silly with bratwurst, and washed it down with Beck's as he cheered the German team on to a defeat. Congrats to Brazil for winning it all, and for being the only team not to have a player suspended for drug charges, or murdered after a game.

Now we get to the heart of the matter—the NFL! Here and now, in the pre-season, we would like to enlighten you with our picks for division winners, the Super Bowl match-up, and the champ. We will not be held respon-

sible, however, for any losses incurred between you and your bookie.

In the Neanderthal Football Club, we like the Dallas Cowpies, Green Bay Smackers, and the San Fran Dirty Shriners.

For the Awful Football Conference we can't pass up the Buffalo Chills, Houston Spoilers, and the Denver Broncos (we can't think of anything cute for Broncos).

Your Super Bowl match-up will see (once again) the buffalo defensive unit straining their necks trying to find Emmitt Smith. Take Dallas to threeppeat, if the spread is anything under 48 1/2 points — it's money in the bank.

Finally we just wanted to take this opportunity to congratulate the Houston Rockets for winning the most boring NBA championship in recent history.

Also, hats off to the underdog Vancouver Canucks for taking the Stanley Cup Finals to game seven. They're sure to be a powerhouse in Sega's upcoming NHL '95. We here at Schmoozing are counting the minutes until its released; we're getting really sick of that kid pounding on the glass.

### Monday Night Football Pick

Reviving an old Schmoozing tradition, we are going to bring you our pick for each Monday Night football game.

This week features the Los Angeles Raiders making the trek to San Francisco to lose to the Forty Niners. The Vegas Line is San Fran by 7. We've never really believed in Jeff Hostetler, and Steve Young is the best current quarter never to have played in a Super Bowl. Take the 'Niners and wash down the points with your favorite fizzy beverage.



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# Sports

## Men's soccer hoping for a shot at tournament play

By YUNG KIM  
Features Editor

After missing the ECAC title by one game last year, Connecticut College men's soccer team is poised and ready for another run at the title.

The Camels lost to Colby in the finals last year, and failed to repeat as the ECAC champs.

But with the new season just around the corner, the camels are anxious to prove that they are the best.

Said Sophomore defenseman James Gordon, "We have our starting defense from last year returning, and I think we are going to be really strong. I think we will challenge for a NCAA tournament bid."

The team graduated six key members from last year's team, including Peter Spear, Brendan Gilmartin, Nthato Mokone, Stephan Cantu-Stille, and Chris Melchior, and their loss will definitely be felt early on.

The specter of last year's team will be hard to overcome. Not only did the team make it to the ECAC finals, but they also set a school record by allowing only 5 goals during the entire year.

This year's team has already taken a major blow. Last year's starting

goalkeeper, and this year's co-captain, Tom Hudner will be lost for 4-6 weeks due to a broken collar bone. The loss of Hudner may necessitate some alignment changes, but the camels are prepared to do what it takes to win.

The Camels have reloaded with a very talented and somewhat precocious group of freshman. Said head coach William Lessig, "I think this is one of the most talented class of freshman we have had here in 24 years."

The camels will also have Matt Raynor back to instill a little experience in the midfield. Despite being only a sophomore, Lessig is expecting big things this from Raynor.

Said Lessig, "I think Matt Raynor is potentially our next All-American. He lifted some weights and put on some weight over the summer. I expect him to be a leader in the midfield and show some experience to the freshman."

The expectation levels are only matched by the talent level. The goals are high, and the attitude is positive.

Said Lessig, "We really have a winning attitude now which is a definite positive. This team expects to win every time they walk onto the field."

The Camels had their first scrim-

mage of the year on Saturday, and played the University of New Haven to a 0-0 draw. The Camels didn't win, but they did take things out of the game.

Said Lessig, "I just wanted to focus on some new faces and see how they would react. I haven't seen how the freshmen will play yet in front of 400 people. They could go out there and play smart, or they could just go out there and hide."

The Camels road to the finals will begin on the September 17, at home against Tufts.

The schedule is tough, and loaded with the best the league has to offer.

The positives of the team are everywhere. They have young legs to continue the winning, and strong leaders to show them the way. Said Lessig, "This team defends very well, they are strong psychologically, they play very unselfishly, and they have a very good understanding of the game. We just want to play well and put our best effort forward. It would be nice to play in any tournament, but I just want us to play our best."

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Men's soccer team is bound for excitement this year, with the hopes that their talent will take them to the NCAA tournament

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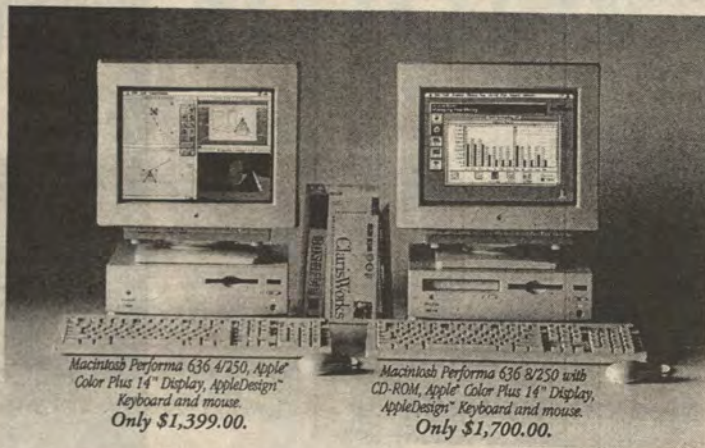
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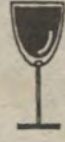
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**Women's soccer team  
warms up for fall season**

By YUNG KIM  
Features Editor

Despite having 8 of 11 starters from last year returning, and a very solid freshman class, the women's soccer team is still not setting any goals for this season except one: to perform their best every time out.

The focus on this team is not on the rankings, or even on post season tournaments. The team is simply excited about playing, and looking forward to being their best. Said head coach Ken Kline, "We don't really set specific goals. We just go out there and try to perform our best. We try to overachieve as individuals and as a team. We have been ranked in the top ten in New England, and we have even been ranked nationally, but that is not our focus."

Gone are Chrissy Haywood, Marnie Sher, Kate Greco and Caroline Grossman, four extremely big shoes that need to be filled. Haywood and Sher were named to the first team All-New England, and the second team All-New England respectively. The holes are gaping but with a large portion of the team returning, they are hoping the losses can be minimized. Said Kline, "We have our heart and soul

returning. If we can fill in for Chrissy Haywood we will be a strong team."

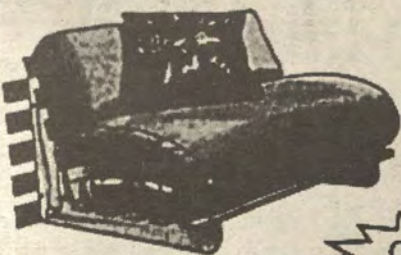
The Camels have a strong keeper in net. Sophomore Holly Doyle will be back between the big white beams, frustrating would be scorers. Last year Doyle and Julie Granof combined for a goals against average that was below one.

The high scoring sophomore tandem of Amy Byrd and Betsy Wood are back, and prepared to add to their 44 point total. Adding to the scoring punch will be fellow sophomore Justine Oppenheimer.

The team's biggest asset seems to be their stability. Despite having only three seniors, they are a young team with lots of experience. Said Kline, "We have a year of being together, and we are used to playing together. We don't have any major changes."

The team played their first scrimmage on Saturday, and lost to Yale 3-0. Despite the loss, the team is ready for the season. Their experience has already begun to pay dividends and the younger players will have time to improve and come along at their own pace. Said Kline, "We are far ahead of where we were last year. I think we will be a good team, and it will definitely take a very good team to beat us."

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salads, hot dogs,  
hamburgers and  
coming soon is  
roisserie chicken.

Pizza	12"	14"
Mozzarella	\$6.00	\$7.95
1 Topping	\$6.50	\$8.95
2 Topping	\$7.00	\$9.95
3 Topping	\$7.50	\$10.95



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**Conn Student Specials**

\$5.00 Pitchers \$5.00/hr Pool  
\$1.00 Busch Drafts Everyday  
Four Pool Tables • Dart Room  
Live Bands • Big Screen T.V.

**Monday Night Football**

Free Hot Dogs All Game  
Free Pizza at Half Time

\$1.00 Bud Drafts

**Wanted**

Conn Bands to Play  
Waitress (Thursday)  
Flag Football Team  
Call Rob at 437 1612



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**cordially invites you**

to attend informational sessions on Wednesday, September 7 and Wednesday, September 14 at 7 p.m. in room 215 at the College Center. Also, please visit our booth at the Student Activities Fair on Monday, September 12.

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