84th Convocation serves as lesson in morality, courage

By LAURA STRONG
staff writer

Connecticut College’s 84th Convocation on September 3rd proved to be a celebration of the triumph of courage under fire. The event, entitled “Lessons from My Lai: Courage in Adversity, What You Do With What You Know,” honored Vietnam veterans Hugh Thompson and Lawrence Colburn with honorary doctorate degrees. The President’s Award of Merit was presented to author-Filmmaker Michael Bilton and Clemson University professor M. David Egan.

The event began with an opening prayer led by Rabbi Aaron Rosenberg who was followed by remarks from the Provost of the College and Senior Class President Evan Osetlette ’99. Osetlette spoke emphatically about the importance of morality in today’s society and encouraged students, particularly the freshmen, to “stick out” and take risks.

President Gaudiani’s introduction set the tone for the event by providing a brief history of the Vietnam War and the My Lai Massacre. On March 16, 1968, U.S. troops led by Capt. Ernest L. Medina and Lt. William Calley, Jr., gunned down over 300 Vietnamese civilians in the hamlet of My Lai. Many of the women, children, and old men were herded into ditches where they were shot repeatedly and left to die. The American public was outraged when it heard of the incident nearly two years later; it fueled the belief that all soldiers in Vietnam were bent on murdering innocent civilians rather than defeating the enemy.

However, Convocation’s honorary doctorate recipients were the light in the storm of this horrific event. Hugh Thompson, a helicopter pilot, saw the actions of his fellow men from the air and landed, ordering his gunner, Lawrence Colburn, to fire on the GIs if necessary in order to save the Vietnamese people. Thanks to Thompson and Colburn’s bravery and their ability to make the difficult decision to act against their comrades to uphold a greater good, the Vietnamese people were given a second chance at life.

Thanks to the 10-year letter campaigns led by Professor Egan and Michael Bilton’s documentary “Remember My Lai,” which was shown during Convocation, Thompson and Colburn’s heroism was finally acknowledged by the government this past March when they received Soldier’s Medals.

By honoring these men at Convocation, President Gaudiani hoped to “convey the challenges and the consequences of making crucial decisions in the face of adversity.”

Thompson was very emotional during his acceptance speech, stressing the importance of not submitting to peer pressure and urging fearless action.

Satellite TV beams down to Conn?

Proposed mandatory $15/month fee raises concerns among students

By ABBY CARLEN
staff writer

The proposal to bring satellite television to campus has become an impending reality. On October 1, all dorm cable connections will be activated to receive select cable television. In addition, televisions in living rooms will receive a wider range of channels, including movie networks.

Last year, after the consistent urging of the Student Government Association last year, the administration signed the contract for the project over the summer. However, no students participated in the drafting of the contract. With the implementation of satellite television, each student living on campus will be required to pay fifteen dollars a month for the service, whether they use it or not.

Despite the evident benefits of the new television options, student opinion is divided. Many students think that being forced to pay for a service they may not use is unfair. However, others who own televisions appreciate the increased selection, despite the cost. The Voice attempted to contact the Dean of Information Services for comment, but was unable to receive any administrative statement.

Although normally the school could not revoke their contract for the installation of satellite television, legal means are possible since the participating company did not begin the project on time. The system was originally slated for completion by September 1, but according to Assistant Dean of Student Life Christine Cyr Goodwin, “John Schaeffer, coordinator of the project, [said] that there were several issues that needed to be resolved.”

INBRIEF

NESCAC presidents decide future of post-season play

The conference and each member will manage competition and post-season play in a manner that minimizes conflicts with class schedules and examinations.

NEWS

COOP: Moments from freshmen outdoor orientation caught on film.
It's Time to Lead: Conn's absentee landlord

On all college campuses, one of the most important roles belongs to the president. One of the beginning of the school year, the president is expected to frame the direction of campus initiatives and set the tone of the college community. Unfortunately, President Claire Gaudiani's presence on campus is intermittent; at best. The expected relationship with the president of a small liberal arts college does not exist at Conn. We have shamefully become accustomed to an absentee landlord.

In fairness to the president, Gaudiani has been both heavily engaged in the campaign to increase the college's endowment and deeply involved in the New London community and elsewhere, working for the benefit of both Connecticut College and the surrounding environs.

She holds positions of authority in many organizations including SNET's board of directors and Public Radio International; in each instance, she and the college are well respected and she herself is often praised for her dedication to the roles she occupies. Last year Gaudiani was appointed president of the New London Development Corporation (NLDC), a private master planning committee which sets goals for New London's future. Current projects include the revitalization of downtown New London and the development of a new Pfizer Pharmaceuticals facility on the waterfront.

While her efforts will undoubtedly contribute to the local economy and improve the College's ability to continue its mission, it is curious that the president of a small liberal arts college does not exist at Conn. We have shamefully become accustomed to an absentee landlord.

Problems also arise from President Gaudiani's example for others. Memos do not suffice, no matter how well written. While her efforts will undoubtedly contribute to the local economy and improve the College's ability to continue its mission, it is curious that the president of a small liberal arts college does not exist at Conn. We have shamefully become accustomed to an absentee landlord.

The campus is harmed by not having a more visible presence from Gaudiani. If not for Convocation, there would be a serious doubt as to whether half the students, especially freshmen, would even be able to identify Claire Gaudiani as the president of Connecticut College. With the exception of periodic Trustee visits, public appearances with media present and NCAA tournament sporting events, she is hardly ever seen out and about on campus.

Despite her busy schedule, President Gaudiani has made small strides to correct this problem. At the end of last year, students were offered the opportunity to make appointments to meet with her and discuss ideas for the College and individual concerns. But if community misgivings are to be alleviated, it is necessary that more progress be made towards accessibility and visibility. With New London on track for improvement and the endowment growing almost daily, President Gaudiani should turn her attentions back to the College campus and make herself a recognized member of the community she uses as an example for others.

The Poison Pen of Ben Munson

Since this is the start of the year, I thought I would introduce myself. I'm Ben, and this is a semi-official column which will express my own opinions about life here at Conn. So, sit back and enjoy.
LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

"I'm a big sophomore now" — another year of Coltrane

By COLMAN LONG
staff columnist

I had a great summer back home in Haven, but I'm not sure whether I'll be able to tell. I spent a lot of time pumping iron at the gym, mostly working on my biceps, and almonds. I wanted to come back in great shape for the day the freshmen came. I figured, being the old guy that I am, I'd feel better moving into their rooms, so I wanted to be able to lift items like teddy bears, security blankets, and pacifiers without any trouble.

No, no, I'm kidding, the freshmen girls in my dorm seem very mature, and I respect them a great deal. In fact, many of them are so mature that they're actually 21! At least those puzzling brunos on the front porch of Harkness a few nights ago. But enough about the proud, prom-night-brained brood of the Class of 2002. The Freshman Experience was last year. I'm a big sophomore now, a "wise fool," as you will soon find out.

First day back on campus: I think I know everything, or at least where everything is. Attempting to go to Harris for dinner, I walk into a boarded-up wall, wait for three minutes, then go around the shell of the building that once was Morrison.

Finally, I enter the new and improved Harris Refectory, which is great because I haven't reflected in months. I reflect heartily with my friend Scooter, the President of the Class of 2001, who I will refer to in future columns as "the President." He shows me the salad bar, the sandwich bar, the pasta bar, the stir-fry bar and the dessert bar. He tells me the trustees voted down his appeal to install a sports bar, complete with ESPN and dollar drafts. The end has come, for this week at least. Besides having covered the majority of what we initially intended to, another issue has come to our attention. Its pressing urgency surpasses all other SGA concerns. Its name? Rosie's. It's great because the previously silent SGA has recovered and found a Voice with which it can force the entire campus to listen to us. We've hatched a deal with our august newspaper—we'll not be boring if they don't investigate any illegal campaign finance scandals.

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Ah, issues. Meetings. Bureaucratic malaise gone campus in the 1941 room. Contrary to what you may think, SGA is pretty relaxed. All those obnoxious Roberts' rules of order that have been used in the past have been chucked out the window last year, and pretty relaxed. All those obnoxious Roberts' rules of order that have been used in the past have been implemented. The reasoning behind this is simple—we really want more students to attend Assembly meetings and bring forth their ideas. There's plenty of love going on at Assembly meetings, but we would love to see some new faces and hear new ideas. You can bring a proposal for just about anything, whether you want to create a Dean WordBrooks fashion evaluation committee or an Economics department speaker series. All you need to do is contact your house senator (ask your housefellow if you're not sure who that is) and show up on Thursday night.

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Saturday night, a couple of friends and I were gathered in the room of a kid who thinks he's the next Jimi Hendrix, but actually more closely resembles John Den- ser. One of our buddies is a girl who lives in the Plex. After a few sing-alongs of "Rocky Mountain High" and the like, we were getting tired, and she said she didn't want to walk all the way back home from South Campus. Out of pure courtesy to my old friend, I offered her my couch, which I had just gotten that day, to sleep on. She said she'd appreciate that, so we said good night and headed to my room. When I opened the door and turned on the light, she saw the green plaid of the couch, the blue of my bed sheets, and the brown-orange-white pattern of the carpet. Suddenly, she appeared to be holding back vomit. She said she changed her mind but thanks anyway. I saw her run out of the dorm, and I haven't seen her since. So, the struggle continues, amigos. But I never give up hope! And I encourage you to do the same.

Peace and Love,
Coltrane

SGA has found its Voice!

This article brought to you by the letters S, G, and A.

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SNET We go beyond the call
A cappella concert sets high standard for year's performances

The Schwiffs were followed by the most entertaining group of the evening, the Williams Street Mix. "Hello City," the popular Bonmaked Ladies hit, showed off the talents of all the group members as they each took a verse. One of the most notable talents was senior Megan Keith who shone in this piece as well as the others of the evening. Following "Hello City," was the Jackson 5 favorite "I Want You Back." Lead vocalist senior Sarah West showed off her skills in both music and dance as her fellow singers moved behind her. The final piece by the Mix was the ever popular "Walk of Shame." which consistently keeps the audience laughing.

The Conn Artists, also hit hard by graduation and study abroad, performed well. The group's first selection, "Sincerely," showed their vocal talent combined with the in-depth knowledge of their music. Junior Anne Stameshkin presented her considerable vocal talent in her solo of Rusted Root's "Send me on My Way." The audience was surprised as they heard the lyrics to "One More Minute," a humorous and bitter look at breaking-up, sung by junior Jason Ihle, and everyone was left laughing.

The evening's final a cappella group to perform was the co-ed Bigelow. Bigelow's talent, accompanied by the group's spirit, provided the perfect start to the evening. The Beaux quickly followed with their anthem, Phish's "Bouncing Round the Room," which had the audience bouncing along with Dave Matthews' "Two Step." The group's final selection and had audience members screaming for solo vocalist Christophe Putzel. Putzel's vocal talent combined with the intense energy of the rest of the group showed all of those in attendance just how high the level of performance within the group is.

To end the evening there was a rather awkwardly placed performance by the Madrigal group. The Schwiffs turn at center stage left to cheers and applause.
The Wokery: Groton's great value in Pan-Asian cuisine

By CARA CUTLER

For the first restaurant review of the year, myself and my guest, Josh, chose to try The Wokery in Groton because we were in the mood for Chinese. The Wokery offers a unique array of cuisines and seating options. The restaurant is unusual because diners may choose not only from the traditional non-smoking, smoking, and bar seating, but also have the option of eating in the Japanese-style dining room with tatami mats and low tables. Besides the usual Chinese fare and the enormous variety of sushi indicated by the Japanese decor, The Wokery also offers Thai dishes, making it more than just your ordinary Chinese restaurant.

We opted for a Chinese meal in the non-smoking section, starting with soup. Josh decided on the wonton soup, which he said was delicious, with a flavorful chicken and chive broth. I enjoyed the hot and sour soup, which was thick and tasty. However, it contained bokchoi which did not sit well in the rest of the soup. The soup was followed by chicken teriyaki, boneless spare ribs, and chicken fried rice. The chicken teriyaki was tender and well-seasoned, and the spare ribs were served in a delicious sauce. The fried rice had good flavor and texture, but the bits of chicken were not of the same high quality as the teriyaki chicken, nor did it add to the flavor of the rice.

The atmosphere of The Wokery is also conducive to a pleasant meal - dimly lit, but not dark, with classical music playing in the background. The Wokery is conveniently located, about ten minutes away from Conn College on Route 184 in Groton. Given the location and the amount of food for your money, The Wokery is the perfect place to get a good Chinese meal.

The Wokery, Rte. 184, Groton, no reservations needed, (860) 448-3336. Inexpensive: $10-.15 per person, two star and a half stars.

Above left: Jason like strainers in mock anguish in the ConnArts' tribute to relationship post-mortem "One More Minute." Above right: the Madrigal Choir puts a baroque spin on a capella with its subtly suggestive "Come Again."
Friday, September 11, 1998

JASON HLE

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

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through Oct. 8
• Studio Art Faculty Exhibition, Joanne Toor Cummings
galleries/Mon. - Fri. 9.5, Sat. 1-5
through Dec. 31
• "The Light of the Moment: Impressionist Painting"
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• "Paintery Abstraction"
through June 30, 1999
• "The Holy Calm of Nature: 19th Century Landscapes"
Lyman Allyn Art Museum (860) 433-2454

Sept. 15
• "The Pleasures of Paris: Prints from Toulouse-Lautrec"
The Yale University Art Gallery, New Haven, CT (203) 432-0600

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Sept. 17
• "A Night DJ, El N’Gee (860) 437-3800

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By JASON

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Conn Welcomes New Assistant Director of Student Life

By LUKK JOHNSON

Students wandering the halls of Crow will soon notice a new face in the Office of Student Life. This face belongs to the New Assistant Director of Student Life, Conway Campbell.

Campbell is replacing Raman Bhatia, who left Conn to pursue a Masters in Educational Administration at Ohio State University. Campbell joins the College with ample enthusiasm and experience.

Hailing originally from Jamaica, Campbell immigrated to Bridgeport, Connecticut, at age fourteen. Upon graduating from UConn with a B.A. in English, Campbell proceeded to UMass, Lowell, for his MA in Ed. Admin., which he completed last June. Along the way, he picked up eight years of experience in many aspects of student life.

For four of those years, Campbell was the Residential Director of a 350-bed dorm. With a staff of thirteen, he was responsible for many facets of student life similar to those in Student Life at Conn.

Campbell's experience, both in theory and practice, will be invaluable in the discipline of student programming, interpersonal problems, and maintaining the morale of the Office of Student Life.

Christine Cyr Goodwin, Director of Student Life, had only the best things to say of her new associate, stating that Campbell is "committed to the mission of student interaction" and "dedicated to specialty housing.", Cyr Goodwin further stated that he is "impeccable, and we don't know what we did without him."

And Campbell is excited to be here at Conn, not only because he considers returning to Connecticut a homecoming of sorts, but also because Conn's small size fosters closer student-faculty relationships, rather than larger schools, where students are "so separated from the administration."

Campbell is, in addition to his other responsibilities, especially looking forward to his duties advising the Board of Governors and working with theme housing, giving him even more of a connection with students, which he values the most. And, while he anticipates quite a busy schedule, Campbell said, "I'll have three minutes. I'll give it to a student who needs it."

Volunteer support

By BEN MUNSON AND LUKE JOHNSON

Many students come to Conn with a history of community service, either from organizations like the Boy Scouts or through school-based programs. To satisfy those needs here at Conn, interested students can go to the Office of Volunteers for Community Service (OVCS), on the second floor of the College Center.

The director of OVCS, Tracey Reiser, is enthusiastic about the accomplishments and goals of the Office. She describes the numerous volunteers "as a community partner that works with the community in order to create a stronger environment. During the 1997-1998 year, 520 students put in a total of 21,226 hours of service at seventy places in the community, in addition to special service events involving almost 20 students, faculty and staff.

There are many organizations in the community that need new volunteers, including Lawrence and Memorial Hospital, the American Red Cross, the New London Public School System, Community Dance and Theater Organizations, Camp Harkness for the Handicapped, the Connecticut Correctional Institution, and many more. Reiser described working with these organizations as "not just addressing needs of the community, but building on assets."

According to Reiser, the programs run by OVCS are often created in cooperation with organizations in New London. Reiser talked about some of the programs developed through student involvement, such as the America Reads Challenge Program at Edgerton Elementary and summer internships, which resulted in 35 paid internships and work-study positions. OVCS is also working on expanding its "agency" programs, which are developed with area action groups and facilities, often with direct student volunteer participation.

Reiser also spoke about "service-learning opportunities," in which classes are joined with strong component of community service. For example, a student in a human development class may be placed in a day care center, and a student nurse may find a placement at an area company like Pfizer.

To kick off the new school year, OVCS is holding a Volunteer Fair on Wednesday, September 16, in the Library Center (for the 1962 Room in case of rain). Representatives from many different organizations will be there to meet with students interested in volunteering. Reiser urges all students to attend the fair, reiterating that "if you're available once a month, we'll work around that. All students are welcome at OVCS.

NESCAC Presidents decide future of post-season competition

By LUKE JOHNSON

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The presidents of the New England Small College Athletic Conference (NESCAC) adopted a new mission statement and adopted unanimously a new membership plan. They also unanimously took several actions designed to strengthen the NESCAC and guide the participation of its member colleges in post-season competition.

NESCAC MISSION STATEMENT

The New England Small College Athletic Conference, founded in 1911, consists of 13 highly selective liberal arts colleges. It members are committed and foremost to academic excellence and believe that athletic excellence supports our educational mission.

Each institution is committed to provide its student-athletes with a quality athletic program. The competition and post-season play will evolve into a qualified playing program. As soon as we create mechanisms to determine a conference champion in all sports that is practical, we will allow only the conference champion to pursue post-season competition.

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These changes will lessen conflicts with academic schedule, the remaining conflicts with examinations and other academic priorities will be resolved by each institution. We anticipate that this evolution will take as long as three years, and we will seek our athletic directors and new conference office to develop appropriate schedules and timetables of transition in the next months.

The Presidents of NESCAC colleges
students to "stand on your own two feet and make your own decisions." Colburn spoke to the freshmen in particular, expressing his pride in their accomplishments and warning them that "morality can't be compartmentalized."

After seeing the clips from Bilton's film as well as "60 Minutes" coverage of Colburn and Thompson's return to Vietnam, many members of the audience were moved to tears and honored the men with a standing ovation.

The connection between the award recipients and the College's theme of adversity is clear: Lawrence, Colburn, Bilton, and Egan took what they knew and applied it. In doing so, lives were saved and the heroes were properly honored. Their ethics and morality can serve as a model for all Americans.

Veterans, professors enliven convocation panel discussion

By LAURA A. STRONG  
staff writer

The spirit of hope and of courage in the face of adversity highlighted in Conn College's Convocation ceremony was brought down to a more intimate level during a panel discussion held on Saturday, September 5. History Professor Catherine Stock and Economics Professor Don Peppard led the discussion and directed questions fielded by the guests of honor, honorary doctorate recipients Hugh Thompson and Lawrence Colburn, as well as President's Awards of Merit recipients Michael Bilton and M. David Egan.

The 1962 room was filled to capacity for this Gen-Ed event, the purpose of which was to give students, faculty, and other attendees the opportunity to meet the Convocation speakers on a more personal level and learn about the My Lai Massacre.

When asked how they dealt with the publicity after the My Lai massacre was brought to light, Thompson, who currently works for the Louisiana Department of Veteran Affairs and was twenty-four at the time of the incident, said that often he would not admit his bravery for fear of being ostracized by his fellow soldiers. Colburn, who was an eighteen year-old Georgia native during My Lai, said that after he got out of the army he became a recluse in the mountains of western America for many years in an attempt to deal with his pain.

Both men stated that although they now believe that the Vietnam War was wrong and should not have transpired, they would not hesitate to go back and fight again for their country. However, they also added that they would not allow their children to enter into combat under any circumstances.

At the end of the discussion, all five men received gifts from the school presented by Sarah Burns '99, Chair of Residential Life.

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many students and faculty and staff members from the New London area.

After the speeches in Palmer, students split into groups and boarded buses for downtown New London. Each of the five tour groups included one member of the campus community and one of the New London community. Upon arriving downtown, participants were introduced to restaurants, coffee houses, merchants, CC Downtown, thecai, Arts Center, City Fire and Citizen Station. They also walked through Eugene O'Neill Drive, Bank Street, Water Street, and other historical districts throughout the city.

Theresa Ammirati, Dean of Freshman, who passed among many of the groups, felt the day was "a great way to round off orientation week." Ammirati added that "NL 101" was "fun and interesting" opportunity for students. She added that the students were given evaluations to fill out and organizers will use those, as well as input from those in attendance, to help plan next year's event.

Clare DePeter '99 felt that the event was interesting and added that she "learned a lot about New London" even though she is a New London resident. DePeter's one concern was the size of the tour groups. She felt that if they had been smaller it would have been easier to talk to students on a personal level and answer more questions.

Community and college support was overwhelming, and according to Ammirati, the event "went very well." City Manager Richard Brown was quoted as saying New London was very excited about "NL 101" because "it gives an opportunity for interaction between students and the community." He added that "traditionally, there has been a geographic isolation and the course will bridge the gap."

Following the speeches and tours of New London, students boarded buses to attend a sunset cook-out at Ocean Beach complete with volleyball, frisbee, walks on the beach, and an evening barbecue.

Allison Herron, a freshman who attended all the events of the day, felt that "NL 101" was a "good program and should definitely be done again." She added that until the tour she "didn't know what was in New London." The support of the event and the large turnout led to a general consensus expressed by Tara Holmes '02 in The Day where she said that New London was "nicer than she expected and really historic." Her final event summed up the intentions of all the organizers when she said "we'll be back," which was exactly the reaction that everyone involved hoped for.
Judiciary Board looks toward improving image

By BRET COHEN
staff writer

As the 1998-1999 academic year begins, the Judiciary Board looks to put the problems of last year behind them. Those troubles included breach of confidentiality and charges of collusion and impeachment hearings for two members of the board.

Last year’s J-Board Chair Craig Dershowitz credited the problems to “poor wording in the J-Board Handbook.” In order to avoid further problems, Dershowitz suggested that there should be more attention paid to reviewing and revising the J-Board handbook to remove any ambiguity.

Nevertheless, several current J-Board members agree that there is presently a negative perception of the J-Board on campus because of last year’s events.

Current J-Board Chair Matt Cipriano stressed that “this year’s board is different.” He added that the board looks at this year as a “rebuilding year” to bring the J-Board back to the prominence and respected position which it should occupy.

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According to board members, the most common cases deal with fire code violations and drinking related incidents in which the board must attempt to maintain the safety of the student body. The C-Book clearly defines the duties of the J-Board, stating that their job is to “uphold the Honor System of the College and has jurisdiction over matters involving possible infractions of the College Honor Code.”

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This year, the J-Board hopes to “keep students more informed then they have been in the past,” according to Cipriano. He also hopes that the students will cease to view the board as a clandestine body. He thinks that through student input and the boards efforts they can “bring J-Board into a more positive light.”
New U. Pittsburgh Medical Center X-ray may detect cancer

by NIC PEDICINO

The Chronicle

(U-WIRE) PITTSBURGH, Pa. — The University of Pitts-
burgh Medical Center is using a first-of-its-kind scanner researchers say may revolutionize X-ray imaging to diagnose patients with known cancer masses.

The scanner combines two types of X-rays to show exactly where disease exists because of the prob-
lem of superimposing the separate Computer-assisted X-ray Tomogra-
phy (CT) and Positron Emission Tomography (PET) images. CT is a system of multiple X-
rays that are assembled by a computer. It provides more accurate images of internal anatomy than single-image X-rays. PET provides the detailed information on biochemical pro-
cesses.

In the past, superimposing the two images proved difficult. Be-
cause organs could have shifted during the time between the two scan-
ning, the images were sometimes incomparable.

Several patients with pancre-
atic cancer were taking part in the pilot study designed to determine the effectiveness of the new scan-
er, according to Adam Slivka, M.D., Ph.D., of the Pitt Cancer In-
sti tute and co-director of UPMC’s Center for Pancreatic Diseases. The major difficulties in helping patients with pancreatic cancers is that by the time they (show) symptoms of the disease, it has already progressed to the point where it is very difficult to treat and cure,” Slivka said.

David W. Townsend, Ph.D., a senior PET physicist and associate professor in UPMC’s department of radiology, said, “The trial of the first PETCT scanner at UPMC is de-
vised to validate this new tech-
nique through engineering, scien-
tific and software refinements.”

Slivka said that although studies remain to be done to determine the diagnostic accuracy of the new scanner, early experience with the technology suggests it will assist in diagnosing and staging pancreatic cancer and may become a valuable screening tool. The earlier detection of pancreatic cancer will increase patients’ chances of successful treatment.

Homemade bombs explode in Duke dorm

staff updates

The Chronicle

(U-WIRE) DURHAM, N.C. — A female resident of Wannamaker Dormitory called the Emergency Medical Department early yesterday morning after reportedly being in-
jured in a blast from an explosive device placed near her dormitory room, said Maj. Robert Dean of the Duke University Police Department.

Dean described the incident as follows: The student was returning to her room between 1:00 a.m. and 2:30 a.m. when the device—des-
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Campus Safety unveils hidden treasures of evidence locker

By MITCHELL POLATIN
features editor

On a campus where the college bookstore sells "Titanic," campus crime may simply be an afterthought in the minds of the students walking in lines, which rival those of the new Harris, to purchase books and Beanie Babies. However, Beanie Babies aside, the Conn campus of nearly 1,800 students is under the close supervision of 17 full-time campus safety officers. The 17 officers, led by Jim Miner, Director of Campus Safety, consists of paroling officers, supervisors and dispatchers. Students may be happy to know that none of the 17 officers have "arrest powers," yet that in no way undermines the importance the officers play on this campus. For new students, the importance of the officers will be evident the first time they return to their room drunk with no key. Once called, an officer will gladly let them into their room.

"The basement of Nichols House now serves as the confiscation room for campus safety. The basement looks like it could be the basement of any house, dark with gray floors and several single dark rooms. The building, which could easily be mistaken for a summer home with its wooden doors and glass windows, is where students should now go to register their bicycles. Ticketing has already begun and the race is on to see which car is the first to be banished from the campus safety officers to know what they are looking for. In addition, it will become easier to notify New London police of the missing bicycles."

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"I will touch the sprinkler heads." Officer Barnes has been working hard all summer on a new web site for Campus Safety. The site, which can be reached through the college's web site, provides a plethora of information to curious students. Another brainchild of Barnes, the Crime Prevention HotLine, has been put into the creation last year. Students are able to call extension 5300 if they have a problem, want to report a crime, or simply want to chat with a friendly campus safety officer.

This semester a new property identification program is being introduced into the campus community. Students are able to sign out, an engraver, which can be found at the gatehouse, and in doing so they will be able to take down the serial number of the computer, television or copy of their "Titanic" which they purchased at the campus bookstore. The engraved serial number will help to retrieve a valuable item if it is ever stolen.

"As the room heated up, a gray gym locker holds candles which have been confiscated from students. Candles are also illegal to have in the dorms and if an officer sees a candle they are able to confiscate it. According to Barnes, unsupervised candles have led to several fire alarms. Confiscated items such as candles and lamps are available to students at the end of the year. Campus safety is putting out a warning to students living in the new plex dorms concerning the sprinkler system. The sprinkler system is extremely sensitive and students are being asked not to hang anything on the sprinklers in their rooms. One unfortunate instance this semester a student hung a plant on one of the sprinkler heads. The sprinkler head broke and the room flooded destroying everything in the room."

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According to Barnes, the Campus Safety web site is becoming increasingly popular with the students. In fact, a student registered his bike recently due to the information on the web site and "it was much easier to locate missing bicycles."

The program will have students register their bike model, color and serial number with campus safety and if a problem ever arises this information will allow campus safety officers to know what they are looking for. In addition, it will become easier to notify New London police of the missing bicycles.

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Credits may be transferred from Duke University.

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Emma Bowen adds additional depth
in a...
Camel women open season with a 7-0 rout against Salve Regina

By JEN BRENNAN

Camel women opened the season with a 7-0 rout of Salve Regina University on Wednesday, September 11.

The Camels, ranked third in the 1998 Inter-Collegiate Yacht Racing Association (ICYRA) National Championship, moved closer to the top of the poll with this victory.

The team's defense was impenetrable, allowing only one shot on goal. Senior forward Amy Szegda notched the first goal of the season for the Camels, followed by goals from freshmen Jamie Haines and Liz HaJJ.

Second-year skipper Ben Wagner and senior skipper Tom Davis each recorded assists, while junior skippers Alicia Fletcher and Rebecca Appleby provided additional strength at midfield.

The Camels continue their season with a home game against Trinity College on September 19. The Camels are currently ranked eighth in the nation in the final ICYRA poll.

Upcoming sports

Women's Soccer
9/9 vs. Salve Regina 4pm
9/12 vs. Rhode Island College 1pm
9/13 vs. William Paterson or Springfield 3pm
9/16 @ Mount Holyoke

Men's Soccer
9/12 vs. Rhode Island College 3pm
9/13 vs. William Paterson or Teikyo Post 1pm

Sailing
9/5-6 @ Harry Anderson Trophy & Presidents Trophy
9/12-13 @ The Captains Hurst Bowl & Mass-Labo Trophy

CAMEL roundup

Camel's Women's sailing team ranked 2nd

With four of their top sailors returning from last year, the women's sailing team is ranked second nationally in Sailing World's pre-season coaches poll. The Camels finished third in the 1998 June Inter-Collegiate Yacht Racing Association (ICYRA) and were ranked eighth in the nation in the final ICYRA poll.

The All-American tandem of senior skipper Ery Largay and senior crew Karen Renzulli will once again lead Conn in the A division. Largay became the tenth two-time All-American selection in the history of the program last year while Renzulli earned All-America honors for the first time in her career. Senior skippers Jane Loutrel and sophomore crew Liz Hall will head up the B division for the Camels this year.

Senior Jamie Hawes and freshman crew Duffy Markham are also expected to contribute to this season. The team will compete for the President's Trophy at Boston University in its season opener on Sept. 5-6.

Coed team ranked 15th in pre-season poll

Despite the loss of honorable mention All-Americans Drew Butters and Morgan Comer, the Camels are ranked 15th in Sailing World's pre-season poll. The Camels finished fifth in the 1998 ICYRA National Championship in June and were ranked 15th in the nation in the final ICYRA poll.

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Field Hockey
9/16 @ Smith

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