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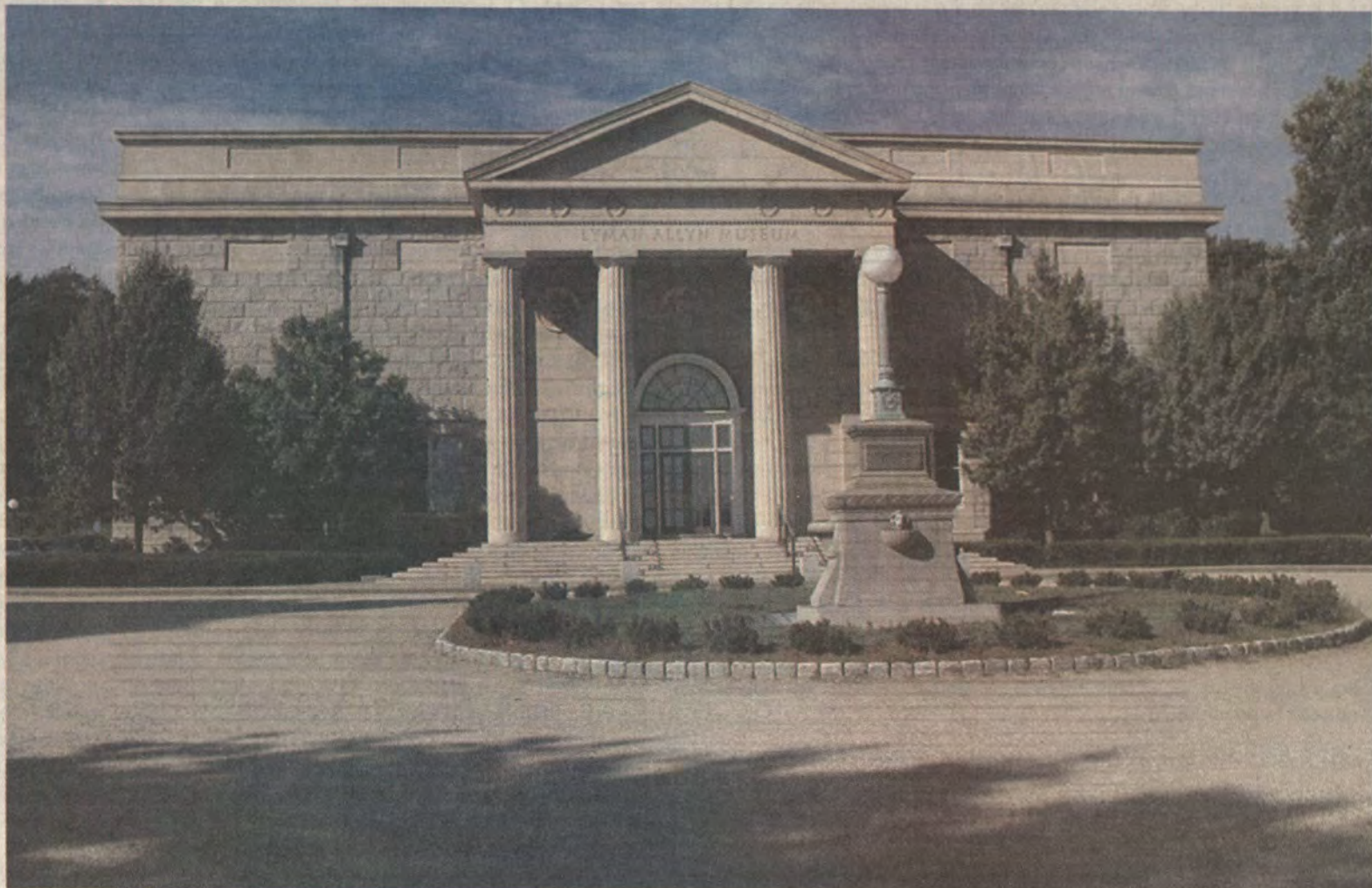
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# Conn Pulls Out of Lyman Allyn Art Museum



After six years with Connecticut College, Lyman Allyn Art Museum and the school will part ways, leaving the museum free to acquire revenue from various sources (Gordon).

By JULIA LEFKOWITZ  
STAFF WRITER

On August 22, 2002, the Connecticut College Board of Trustees gave a green light to end the College's six-year relationship with the nearby Lyman Allyn Art Museum. The union was made in 1998 in the midst of former President Claire L. Gaudiani's

effort to increase culture in the surrounding New London area. During the relationship, Connecticut College provided Lyman Allyn with the financial means to make notable improvements and expansions. The decision to terminate this relationship, however, is one that was favored by both institutions.

The ultimate goal of the separa-

tion is to transform the Lyman Allyn Art Museum into an independent entity that can obtain financial revenue from various sources. Although Conn. did provide Lyman Allyn with significant financial support (\$2.4 million), it was widely perceived that Conn.'s contributions sustained the museum entirely. It is believed that for this reason the museum lost the

support of other potential donors. As a result, this past June 30, the museum experienced a shortfall of \$42,000 for fiscal period that ended on this date. Furthermore, Lyman Allyn's endowment fund has depleted from \$5 million to \$3.2 million since 1998.

The decision to separate the

## College Loses \$1.6M in Downtown Investment

By JAMIE ROGERS  
NEWS EDITOR

For years, visitors of downtown New London walking down State Street would pass the Cronin building, a 140-year-old brownstone, uninhabited except for a nearly empty storefront in the Cronin building advertising "CC Downtown." But after four years of negotiations, the Cronin and two other major residential and commercial brownstones, the Crocker and Bacon buildings, have been abandoned by the New London Development Corporation and Connecticut College.

Beginning in 1998, the New London Development Corporation, a non-profit organization created to examine the ailing business district of New London, began a campaign to revitalize the city. The NLDC created a for-profit development division known as the Cabrini Corporation, with which they began searching for funds to purchase the buildings. Connecticut College offered to lend Cabrini \$1.6 million. The loan, which was guaranteed by the college, amounted to 1% of the school's endowment and, according to Paul Maroni, Vice President of Finance, was a "high risk investment within a diversified portfolio."

Cabrini went before the City Council, proposing a \$14.6 million renovation of the three buildings, \$9 million of which would be state and locally funded. The proposal would yield 67 residential units and 50,000 sq. ft. of retail space on the ground

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# CGA Family Weekend Has Added Significance For Cadets

By DEBORAH BLOCK  
LAYOUT EDITOR

Connecticut College students know the benefits of Family Day—an opportunity to share your Conn experience with your parents and siblings, a fun day of sporting events and Harvestfest, having you parents bring all those little things you forgot in August, going out to dinner at the most expensive restaurant you can find in the greater New London area and squeezing all the cash you can out of mom and dad's pockets.

Sorry, but you still have to wait. There is another two weeks before you can experience clean laundry once more.

But for students at the Coast Guard Academy, their parents' weekend, which took place this past weekend, has an added value.

The essence of this extra value is freedom. The Coast Guard students live according to particular customs and regulations that make a military

academy distinct from a college such as Conn. For example, the barracks in which they live are not normally open to the public, meaning their friends and family cannot help them move in at the beginning of the school year. Last weekend, parents of Cadets could go in their son or daughter's dorm room and see what it looks like for the first time.

"Our parents can see what we do; otherwise, we just tell them over the phone and they can't visualize it. Since they get to see our rooms they can see how all of our socks are arranged a certain way," Anton Destefano 3/c said.

Parents were also welcome to attend classes on Friday with their sons and daughters and visit the Eagle, a ship used as a training vessel, and the Coast Guard Museum. Other special events for the weekend included picnics, cadet uniform presentations, musical performances, a fourth class drill competition and

fundraisers. There were also sporting events throughout the weekend, including the football game Saturday afternoon against Mass. Maritime, which the Coast Guard Bears won 27-0. A highlight of the game for the students was during half time when Captain Heyl, Commandant of Cadets, performed his annual ride onto the field on the back of a motorcycle.

One aspect of Parents Weekend that students enjoy is the opportunity to spend Friday and Saturday nights off campus. This is the first time fourth class students are allowed to spend the night off campus, and the first time many of them had seen their families since they left for boot camp mid-summer.

While Conn's Fall Weekend encompasses Family Day and homecoming, the Coast Guard Academy has their homecoming this weekend, separate from Parents Weekend.

## NL Looks for Answers in Wake of LEAP Cuts

By BRYAN SERINO  
STAFF WRITER

One of the victims of this year's Federal and State budget cuts, the New London branch of LEAP, Leadership, Education and Athletics in Partnership program, has been forced to eliminate portions of its program. LEAP serves 90 New London middle and elementary school students. Twelve students from Connecticut College, Mitchell College and Eastern Connecticut State University also took part in the program as counselors.

The New London LEAP program budget is approximately

\$750,000. According to the New London Day, Reneta Cobbs-Fletcher who is the development director for LEAP programs statewide, said, "We needed to cut one city or slash all the programs, and we didn't feel the programs could sustain themselves with any quality if we slashed them." The overall state budget for LEAP totals \$1.3 million. Additional cuts will have to be made at the remaining LEAP cities, which include New Haven, Bridgeport, and Waterbury.

Despite the reductions faced by LEAP, Cobbs-Fletcher cites an increase in after-school programs in public schools and private groups

opening in the New London area. There is hope that these other programs, which include the Voyager after school program, will fill the gap made by LEAP cuts. The Voyager program will enroll up to 1,000 students and will run until June 5. Many of LEAP's emphasis and goals will be mirrored in Voyager.

The uniqueness of LEAP will be missed according to Matt Bachand, who is the City Manager for New London. "We are heart broken not to be able to stay in New London." Bachand will now work for the New Haven office of LEAP, according to

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On display at the Nut Museum is the world's largest nut (Coco-de-mer) on top of a carved mahogany chair. The music stand holds scores to Elizabeth Tashjian's original compositions: "The Nut Anthem," and "The March of the Nuts." (Klauder).

## Steiner Adopts Nuts from 'Nut Lady'

By JAMES KLAUDER  
STAFF WRITER

When police found Elizabeth Tashjian, 89, in a coma last May, Connecticut state conservators took possession of her Old Lyme home, and put it up for sale in order to cover medical expenses. Included in the sale was Tashjian's Nut Museum, the nation's only museum devoted to nuts. Christopher Steiner, Conn's Director of Museum Studies, said that when he started teaching

here in 1997, Tashjian's "quirky little museum" caught his eye immediately, and it's been a topic of discussion in his classroom ever since. When he learned that Tashjian's house and its contents were for sale, he hurried to save what he's described as "one of the most original museums in the country."

Tashjian has been painting nuts for more than seven decades. She opened the museum in 1972, at first just to display her collection of still lifes. The charge was three dollars

and a nut. One day, a man came without a nut and said "take my wife; she's a nut." Tashjian was shocked to learn that the word "nut" could be a derogatory term for a person. When she was a girl, nuts were always delectable delights within her home, but she "never ever heard that word used for a person."

Tashjian nearly shut down her museum in dismay, but then she decided to use her art, her music,

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# EDITORIAL & OPINION

## Bush Daughter's Arrest Highlights Inequality of Mandatory Minimums

While comedians mock the story of yet another Bush daughter falling by the wayside, this time Florida Governor Jeb Bush's daughter Noelle, they are missing the true issue of interest. The question is not why Noelle Bush is (apparently) not receiving a mandatory minimum sentence for possession of crack, but why anyone receives mandatory minimum sentences at all.

In the 1980's drugs had become so prevalent that three percent of all Americans were using and gang violence for control of that industry was widespread. Out of this climate, the Drug Act of 1986 was introduced. This act provided the basis for mandatory minimum sentencing for crack by establishing a one to 100 crack to cocaine ratio. That is, for every one gram of crack an individual possessed, it would be treated as possessing 100 grams of cocaine. In the case of Noelle Bush, her .2 grams are equivalent to 20 grams of cocaine.

This type of standard raises several red flags. The first of these is the cost of crack. Crack is, in many ways, the poor man's cocaine. Its low price makes it attractive to the young and unemployed and use tends to be isolated to America's inner city areas. Ninety-six percent of all crack dealers are African American or Hispanic. Therefore, these sentences are often discriminatory on the basis of race and socioeconomic status, intentionally or not.

The justification for these sentences, that crack is more damaging to society than cocaine, is flawed. Those who take crack most often start from a far lower position than cocaine users and thus have a shorter distance to fall. In other words, the depths to which crack users can sink to have more to do with the position from which they started than their drug of choice.

Additionally, mandatory minimums remove a judge's right to weigh each individual's circumstances and hand down sentences accordingly.

Therefore, all decisions on the severity of punishment are made, in essence, prior to trial by the prosecution. If you are well connected and can lead prosecutors to others involved with drugs, you will be charged with a lesser crime and receive a lighter sentence. If you are a low-level dealer or user with no information to trade, you are looking at a severe charge and sentence.

Consider the stories of JeDonna Young and Timothy Allen Dick that, when viewed in juxtaposition, best illustrate this particular flaw. Young allowed her boyfriend at the time to stow two bags in her trunk, not knowing they were filled with heroin or that he was a dealer. Her boyfriend confirmed this in testimony during their trial. Despite her ignorance of the situation, she was sentenced to life in prison. Dick, on the other hand, was a drug dealer who was caught around the same time with 650 grams of cocaine in his possession. Having information that helped authorities, he bargained for a reduction in his sentence. At his trial he was sentenced to and served two years in a federal prison. Thanks to new, less harsh legislation, Young was released in January of 1999 after serving 21 years behind bars. Meanwhile, Dick dropped his last name shortly after being released in prison and became comedian and TV star Tim Allen.

The use of mandatory minimums also lends too much importance to some crimes and therefore, in essence, reduces the severity of others. The idea that a nonviolent drug offender may receive the same sentence as a rapist is absurd. Still, it happens everyday.

Mandatory minimums have failed. They strain the logic and equality of the sentencing system. As long as they remain the law of the land, justice will continue to be inhibited.

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## THE GREAT ILLUSION

YONI FREEMAN • VIEWPOINT

This month marks the anniversary of the Sept. 11 TERRORIST attacks in the United States. Attacks which claimed lives at the World Trade Center, the Pentagon, and Pennsylvania. Yes, and Pennsylvania, or is it that everyone has already forgotten that Pennsylvania was also part of the locations that terrorism struck on that day? That's how it looks to me when I watch these big television networks. It seems to me that these networks do not care specifically on mourning the victims of the terrorist attacks. It seems to me that all they care about is their ratings. That's one of the reasons the name Pennsylvania has come up very little in their pre-Sept. 11 broadcasts and broadcasts in the last month. It is not because they have forgotten, it's because the name World Trade Center and the Pentagon sound catchier and more direct to the viewer. The media is always looking for ways to get viewers, even if it means reviving old sad memories and disrespecting the dead.

Sept. 11 was a day when every American became an Israeli. Americans now knew that they were vulnerable to the type of daily routine Israeli citizen's experience on the other side of the world. This might have been the attitude in the months after Sept. 11. But as the days went by it seemed that this was not true. Many outlets today still refuse to call Palestinians who blow themselves up as terrorists. They simply use terms such as MILITANT or SUICIDE BOMBER. When was the last time you heard CNN say the word terrorist in relationship to an attack on Israel? The US is not the only nation which is experiencing terrorist attacks. There cannot be a double standard in how the media views terrorism against the US or terrorism against Israel. There cannot be a double standard in the US State Dept which on the one hand says that we should attack terrorists before they strike and then tell Israel to restrain its forces when a terrorist attack is committed. There cannot be a double standard in those who say Israeli responses are "excessive" and at the same time support the US in Afghanistan.

This month also is the first anniversary of other terrorist attacks, ones in Israel. On Sept 4, 20 people were injured when a suicide terrorist exploded a powerful charge on Hanevi'im Street near Bikur Holim hospital in central Jerusalem shortly before 8:00 AM. The terrorist, disguised as a Jew in ultra-orthodox clothing, aroused the suspicion of passersby due to the large backpack he was wearing. As two Border Police officers approached the man, he detonated his shrapnel-packed bomb. Both officers were wounded - one critically. The terrorist was killed in the blast. Hamas claimed responsibility. On Sept 9 three people were killed and some 90 injured, most lightly, in a suicide bombing near the Nahariya train station in northern Israel. The terrorist, killed in the blast, waited nearby until the train arrived from Tel-Aviv and people were exiting the station, and then exploded the bomb he was carrying. Hamas claimed responsibility for the attack. On Sept 9 a car bomb exploded at the Beit Lid junction near Netanya, injuring 17 people. One person killed in the explosion is believed to be the terrorist bomber.

But of course there is no media frenzy about this anniversary. There is no world wide remembrance. This is the type of life Israeli citizens have to deal with DAILY not at one moment every few years. I am not saying that Sept. 11 in the US should be not remembered I am just saying that the American mourning atmosphere should not be isolated and exclusive. Americans must remember there are other freedom-loving friends in Israel who are experiencing terrorist attacks every day. One must also remember that in Israel only about 5 million people live. Every death hurts someone in one way or another.

Most of you have probably heard the other side of the story. But I am afraid to say that if you have taken in any of this propaganda from the Palestinian side you are foolish. I will go briefly into one of their claims in this article. One of the reasons for terrorism, Palestinians keep saying, is due to Israeli "occupation." Let me tell you about this occupation. Palestinian and Arab spokesmen commonly claim that the recent Palestinian terrorism is the result of the Israeli "occupation" of the West Bank and Gaza, adding that the violence will cease only

when the "occupation" is ended. Terrorism has long existed against Israel even before the so-called "occupation" began after the 1967 6-day-war when Israel was attacked from all sides and won. It was mainly in the years after Israel's independence in 1948 when cross-border terrorism surrounded Israel and was infiltrating from Lebanon, Syria, Jordan and Egypt. About 800 Israelis died in the 1950s as a result of terrorist murders. Where was the world then? The oft-repeated Arab claim that the Israeli "occupation" is somehow to blame for the Palestinian terrorism is nothing more than an empty retort, repudiated by the facts, and disproved by a century of historical reality. The international moral outcry should be against Palestinian terrorism and the leadership that allows it, not against Israeli responses to it. Another reason for foolishness is that at the same time the Palestinian leaders' state they are under occupation they state they are also being invaded. Does that make any sense to you? If someone is being occupied how could he be invaded as well? How could the territories be invaded by the same forces that are already there? Another reason for silliness is the fact that if the Palestinians were really occupied why would Israel allow their schools to teach incitement to children? Why would they let the Palestinians have their own passports, their own police, their own license plates, and their own airport? Why is Arafat still president? Hasn't history shown that those who occupy a territory usually install a puppet president? Is Arafat a puppet of the Israeli government or a puppet of the terrorist organizations he allows under him to operate? Now to all those who say the occupation is due to the military surrounding of the territories you are wrong as well. The military is there to guard the border just like any other country has soldiers on a border. In this case there might be a lot of soldiers there but this is in response to a heightened alert against terrorists who try to get in.

Now on the Iraq issue I must say that we should invade Iraq and overthrow Saddam. He is a threat to the Middle East and our allies there. He is the only president in the world who used chemical weapons against his own people. His bunkers that he hides in were reportedly built by the same company which built Hitler's. All those Arab nations which state that attacking Iraq would bring instability to the region are flawed. It is the other way around. Leaving Saddam there brings the instability. The US should not have second thoughts on invading Iraq due to the possibility of its coalition against terrorism breaking up. This is because if the American coalition's member states, as you can put it, were really against terrorist entities and their destruction they shouldn't have a problem attacking and overthrowing Saddam Hussein. I think an invasion would be an excellent way of finding out who is foe and who is friend in this so-called coalition. And to all those people who state that the UN sanctions are killing children I say that they are wrong. Saddam Hussein had 6 billion dollars before the Gulf War to feed his country and they were starving. Now in the years after the war he has even more than that and they are still starving. The sanctions are not to blame. It is Saddam's actions. Saddam must be eliminated on the basis that he is a terrorist entity, a dictator, and an instable factor in the region. After Iraq we should go on to Libya and Iran.

My final note in this week's column is about Afghanistan. Are we finished in Afghanistan? What was our aim? Was it to simply overthrow the Taliban or was it to capture Osama Bin Laden? If it was to capture Osama we of course failed. If it was to capture Mullah Omar (remember him? The Taliban leader?) We failed. And if it was to rebuild a shattered and disillusioned nation? We failed as well by the looks of the bombings in Kabul, assassinations, and the fact warlord are still in some control. Our only success, in my opinion, was the brief disruption of a densely populated terrorist hideout. Was that our original aim?

This column was a bit narrow in what subjects I looked at. I can assure you that the next column will cover more topics. You may respond to any part of this column by emailing me: [yrfre@conncoll.edu](mailto:yrfre@conncoll.edu)  
Until next time.

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## OPINION

## BOTH SIDES OF THE PLEDGE DEBATE NEED TO GAIN PERSPECTIVE

TIM STEVENS • COMPLAINT OF THE WEEK



I am going to take a look back this week to the issues of the summer, specifically a controversial court decision.

As you well know, because Fox News pointed to it as still another sign that the world was progressively being overrun by liberal scumbags, on June 26 a United States Court of Appeals in San Francisco deemed the words "under God" in the Pledge of Allegiance unconstitutional. When this occurred it seemed as though everyone, simultaneously, became enraged. I was not one of those people. Instead, as is very rarely the case, I found myself without a clear-cut position on the issue. Now here, some two and a half months later, are the conclusions I have come to.

**Both Sides Need Some Perspective**

Before we go any further it is important to stress this one fact: the Court of Appeals did not rule the Pledge of Allegiance unconstitutional. I do not care where you read, heard, or saw it, that is not true. If schools omit the words "under God" while saying the Pledge, the Court has no issue with it being said. So before one trumpets on about how un-American this decision is, please bear that in mind.

Additionally, it is not as though the Pledge has always contained the words "under God." In fact, it was not added until the 1950's when it became necessary for the United States to differentiate itself from "godless Communists." The removal of those two words should not diminish the powerful message that the pledge conveys, the image of a nation that is one with justice and applies it to all who live within its borders.

Finally, the manner of the opposition's response to the "crime" I find to be so nonequivalent, I am appalled. The United States Senate stopped work on a military bill to draft a resolution criticizing the Court's ruling. In a country that is at war, whose legislative agenda was pushed back due to terrorist attacks, a legislative body tables a military bill to criticize a court's ruling? It is a matter of priority, and it saddens me which task the Senate decided was more important.

All that having been said, I think Jon Stewart described the complainant Michael A. Newdow best when he commented that Newdow was a man looking for somewhere to focus his "misplaced rage." In a country where the Congress begins every day with a prayer, the choice of the Pledge of Allegiance to take one's stand on the separation of church and state seems an odd one. It is a case of being correct, but not really "getting it." Yes, the words "under God" do appear, but aren't there far meatier targets: that aforementioned opening prayer, President Bush's faith based agenda, and the Christian Right's "voter information" pamphlets, just to rattle off a few, better suited for a Constitutional challenge.

**This Is The Court's Job**

Several people that did not agree with the decision fell into a camp best reflected by Steve Duprey, the retired chairman of the New Hampshire Republican Party, who claimed the decision was "so out of tune with what Americans believe," that it was the wrong choice. While it may be true that most Americans disagree with the Court's decision, that does not matter. It is not the Court's job to decide on the basis of public opinion, but rather solely on their interpretation of the Constitution. Some of the most momentous of Supreme and Appeals Court decisions would have never had been made if we used public opinion as the basis for these legal decisions. Question the Constitutionality of the choice, fine. Question its popularity and you miss the point.

**The Final Analysis**

As I said before, this is one issue where I find things on both sides of the aisle to agree with. I question why someone would challenge the Pledge of Allegiance, particularly at this time in United States history, on the basis of it violating the separation of church and state. I wonder if he has made life less or more difficult for his daughter at school, or, recalling the experiences of my Jehovah Witness friends in elementary school, if she was ever really singled out in the first place.

All of that having been said, I think the decision is Constitutionally correct and in the end, I suppose that is the only true test.

It is a pledge of belief in the ideals of our country. One needs to ask oneself if, because someone does not embrace a god, or the God (or Vishnu, Zeus, the Goddess, etc), is that person therefore unable to embrace the ideals of the country? If you say no, they still can, then the words "under God" should be stricken. If you say yes, they cannot embrace the United States' ideals then I am sorry, but I think that much like Dr. Newdow, you just aren't "getting it."

## ACTIVATE YOUR RESUMÉ WITH... UMM... ACTIVE VERBS

BRADLEY KREIT • CONNECTICUT IDOL



This isn't a good thing, but I'm feeling technology pass me by at 21 (I turn 22 this weekend, buy me a beer in an oh-so-not-Buddhist positive karma orgy) because my simple, Microsoft Word resumé is just so yesterday. I just list all of my work experience and duties.

I know you must be wondering how I actually got my head to reach all the way to my colon.

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But I'm learning. While I would ordinarily describe this experience - being a columnist for a college newspaper - as "bitchin' 'bout stuff," I can now do much better with my "Skill Based Action Verbs" chart provided by the College for no less than the price of tuition. Bitchin' 'bout stuff? No!

I have *researched* and *analyzed* my job prospects, *gauged* key economic indicators, *determined* that they are bleak, and *authored* and *edited* an article on the subject.

Although if I master this chart, I will *enhance* my resumé. Then, I will *copy* (I swear "copied" is on the list) my resumé and *decentralize* its location (my room) by *sending* it to people.

If, however, no one hires me, I will take my resumé and *ebay* it.

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Speaking of Ebay, a man in Iowa was attempting to sell advertising space on the back of his skull for - last I checked anyway - \$80,000. He promised to leave his head shaved, and thus the tattoo exposed, for a full year. Now this was supposed to be enticing: he was a tall guy.

Talk about a depressing career: self-employed ebay auctioneer of the rent-your-own-bodyparts ilk.

I wonder what his tattoo dreams say about his college's career services.

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Anyway, the other day, I did actually have an appointment down there at Career Enhancing Life Skills, or the Get-You-A-Job Office. I met with Cheryl Banker, a tiny woman - not unlike my mom - who managed to strike

## ...ON CUMMINGS TO A PERPLEXING UNIVERSITY OF ACRONYMS

NATALIE BOLCH • DROMEDARY DRIVEL

I had SEALed the deal and was headed to Conn College for conceivably the four most influential years of my life. I was coming all the way from AtLANtA, a city densely populated with four million residents, and was not prepPARED for the map dot on my ATLAS known as New London. My arrogant southern self strolled through the entrance of the student center on the first day of orientation, confident in both my social and intellectual abilities. An inexperienced newcomer with an uncountable number of uninhibited dreams, I viewed myself as a PICARA; my adventures awaiting me anxiously.

Needless to say, my superior attitude disappeared as quickly as my plans to go pre-med, and I was promptly put in my place as one of the many over-achieving high school students who ended up at this fine college. This column, therefore, is my attempt to serve as a mentor to all of you freshmen who are naïve enough to believe that you, too, share my charismatic attributes and SOAR high above your peers. It is for the sophomores and juniors who vainly believe that they have rid themselves of the conceited attitude they once had as freshmen, never realizing that this belief alone confirms their need for SOUL-searching. And, finally, my article is for the seniors who I will attempt to SAVE from their stressful theses, job applications, and LSATs. Seniors, too, need a wake-up call before returning to the world out-

## DINING HALL DISORDER

VICTORIA PORTSMORE • VIEWPOINT

Mayhem. Pandemonium. Chaos. Are these the words that you would use to describe your dining experiences? If so, read on.

*You walk tentatively toward the cafeteria tables with your head up, and your tray level. Where to eat... at a booth, a round table... on a stool facing the wall? Your eyes are peeled for your fellow dinner-mates, "Where could they be sitting? You wonder to yourself, as you avoid bumping into far too many other lost students who also don't have the foggiest of where they're headed.*

In Harris, if one is so inclined to observe the number of near-collisions during a 15 minute time interval, one might find that when dining flow is heavy (that phrase right there can be pretty gross... don't think of it while eating), there are at least 20 near-collisions per 15 minutes. For you non-math majors, that's 80 near-collisions per hour.\* "I've had lots of near misses. It's like a game of dodge ball, but with no ball. So I suppose it should be called dodge people," observes freshman, David DiGiammarino. Intramurals anyone?

All right, near-collisions are all well and good, but what of ACTUAL collisions? These are the occurrences that truly color our dining and entertainment experiences. Reports freshman Claire Bacon, "This guy was sitting having an animated conversation on the end of one of the booths, and his arm flailed out and hit this girl's tray. All of her food spilled down her shirt. It was really funny." Toppled cereal, soiled silverware sailing sumptuously through the air; it's all hilarious when it doesn't happen to you, but even when it does there's no use in crying over spilt milk.

the fear of God into me when, sitting across from me she asked, "So what do you want to be when you grow up?"

Fortunately, I had the presence not to answer "Bitch 'bout stuff." Instead, I wowed Cheryl with my expert planning and immense preparation for getting an incredible job right out of campus.

No, not actually.

She really was happy to indulge me talking around the fact that I don't really have a clue as to what I'll be doing a year from now, or as to what I want to do with the rest of my life, except to say that I think working at a magazine would be pretty neat-o.

For that right there, I'm pretty grateful. Who really wants to sit around and listen to a stranger pretend that he really knows what he wants? Especially when he really sounds like an eight-year old explaining how to drive a car.

She taught me how to use the e-portfolio, gave me ideas about how I might think about job options, discussed how I might find and contact alumni working in journalism or publishing.

Very useful stuff, really. Go in there and talk to them if you don't believe me.

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I think the sad truth is that most seniors are a lot like me. We knew that one day we would have to pay rent and get jobs, but we aren't realizing it until now. And here we have had an entire office of people at our disposal for four years, people who spend a great deal of their waking time just trying to help find us jobs.

I guess what I'm saying is that we are damn lucky to be getting an education here and have not just professors, but all sorts of people, all over the campus, working to make our lives a little easier. I'm also saying realize they're here and thank them.

Thank the reference librarians who find your research for you. Thank your professors when you're done with their classes so they know you mean it. Thank the grill cook who makes your omelette.

It's too bad I hadn't noticed them earlier. I might have a resumé by now.

side Conn College. So COOPERate with me! Sit back, relax, and SACRifice a few minutes of studying to become enveloped in the advice of yours truly, the all-knowing sophomore from the A-T-L.

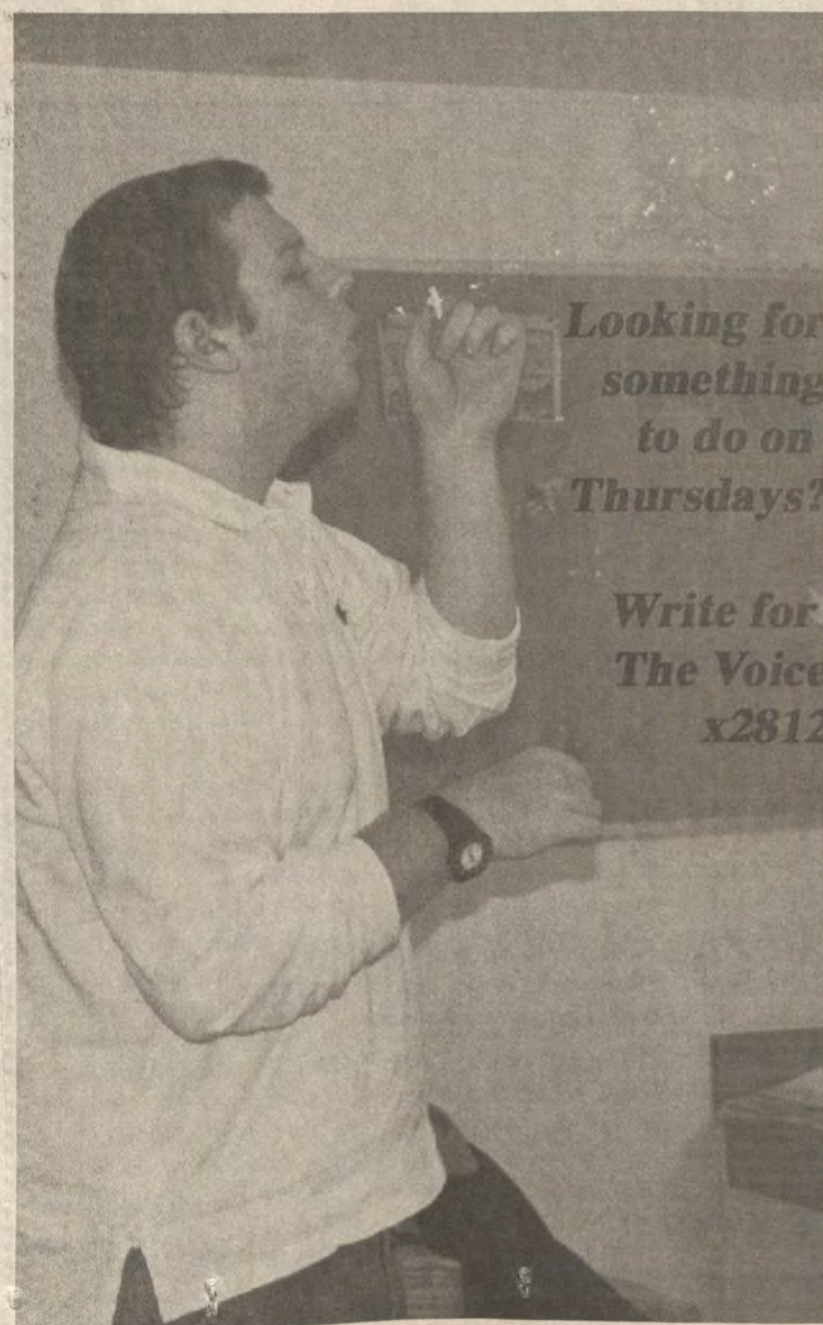
Having completed my freshman year, I would like to believe that I have conquered the COMPLEXities of balancing student life and academics. In so doing, I have deduced many natural laws of being a camel here in New London, the most important of which is to never take anything at face value. Studying at Conn has taught me that assignments, which may at first appear SATAnic, are often a gateway to opportunity, success, and happiness. Similarly, events that initially seem C@Tastrophic frequently develop into cherished lessons, parables, or jokes through which you progress. What seems real may, in ACTuality be PHONy, and what draws your immediate attention may subsequently repel your interests.

So as your own personal student advisor (or SA if you will), I would like to encourage you to read between the letters here at Connecticut College. Things on this campus are not always as they seem. Do not become JAded in the process. It is one that requires insight and maturation. One that will result in a you that is just as cocky as the self-assured freshman who entered so CONNfidently, but one who is also aware of the depth present in all of those around you.

But back to the collisions, there must be some way we can avoid them. There are common rules set out for drivers on the road: stay to the right side, and don't crash into anyone. It's a shame we can't apply these same rules to our dining hall traffic here at CC, Harris to be more specific. The rules of the road don't allow for pasta, pizza, or drink stations- not to mention salad and cereal bars—and don't even try to tell me there might be a reasonable routing system through the ice cream. Says one member of MOBROC, after trying to shamelessly advertise their next gig, "It takes a great deal of effort to avoid running into people. People get in the way and you get angry. Maybe they should issue licenses." Says senior Winfield Gray, "The biggest problem I've seen is that after people drop off their trays, they just hang out, and talk with their friends. People should just move away, and not congregate in front of the tray window." Dining Hall Etiquette, eh, Winfield? Not a bad idea. It's something to consider at least, before you're the next one whose food decorates the walls and floors of Harris.

For further information on how to navigate during meals, please visit the Harris website at <http://www.conncoll.edu/offices/dining/news.html>.

\* These figures are in no way scientific. Nor can I support them with any legitimate data. However, it's still fun to count how many people almost run into each other. If you do so, I suggest paying particular attention to facial expressions.

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# ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

## Cummings Showcases Faculty Work *Lyman Allyn Exhibits a 9/11 Memorial*



A student observes a piece at the Faculty Exhibition, which is on display in Cummings Art Gallery (Godfrey).

BY MEGHAN DE SANTA  
STAFF WRITER

Currently on display in the Cummings Art Gallery is a colorful, eclectic exhibition exposing the various talents of Connecticut College faculty members. The exhibition ranges from whimsical watercolors, acrylics, and prints to a series of patriotic, but black and white photographs.

Pam Marks' acrylic on canvas, "Ochre," is a wildly imaginative, textured paint collage of spheres in various patterns. Quite the eye-opener, it's followed through by a trio of similarly themed watercolors, all of which make use of bubble-like objects in a rather frivolous, lively fashion.

Flanking Marks' paintings is a simple photograph by Emily Luce entitled, "Newspaper Airplane." The piece consists of several plain, blue patches, all separate from one another, and two patches depicting, what's that now? A flying newspaper airplane. The piece itself is at once tranquil and dynamic.

In keeping with the flight theme is Luce's pen drawing entitled "Turbulence: Fasten Seatbelt Sequence." The pen marks dart back and forth violently, capturing the shifts and twists of a tur-

bulent plane flight.

On a more static note is Tim McDowell's trio of unique prints, consisting of beautifully calming and almost nostalgic combinations of flora and fauna. These prints serve as a visual hors d'oeuvre to McDowell's considerably larger "Blue Swatch," a refreshing encaustic on linen featuring sparsely placed paisley and plant designs.

The other end of the spectrum is Gregory Bailey's "In Contention of What is Real." This piece is a sculpture depicting what appears to be a progression of the earth's layers from core to iceberg. The fiery, swooping, mountainous centerpiece ascends to a pool of water surrounding a silent, solitary iceberg.

Balancing the exhibition is the series of candid photographs by Ted Hendrickson, each one subtly featuring an American flag or otherwise patriotic inclusion. Hendrickson's use of black and white film emphasizes the shadows of the scenes, thereby evoking somewhat bittersweet sentiment.

Faculty Art Exhibition 2002 can provide a satisfying ray of sunshine in a hectic day of dawn-to-dusk classes. Be sure to take a peek at the colorful range of Connecticut College faculty artwork.

BY CHRISTINE DiCOMO  
STAFF WRITER

Ten years before the tragic events of September 11, New York artist Nancy Goldring sought to create a piece of artwork that would be seen as "a legend for our times." With her images of the World Trade Center's twin towers, she set out to "conjure a miraculous event – a world-altering moment with a beginning, middle, and end – that could speak to us ... in the manner of traditional legends," and that would inspire viewers to "rethink, and even perhaps to alter, [their] lives." The unfortunate events of last year have made Goldring's work as much a memorial as a fictive legend, and her exhibit at the Lyman Allyn Art Museum is a haunting tribute to the World Trade Center.

Goldring's exhibit, "Legend, 1991," is displayed in a small, intimate space in the museum's Glassenberg Gallery. On one wall, the exhibit features six images of the twin towers. In each image, the towers are seen as part of the city skyline, and are also seen upside down as if they are being reflected in water. These six images also incorporate shredded newspaper, and in some of them the faint forms of people appear both on the ground and in the sky. For all six of these representations, the artist used mostly black, white, and shades of gray, orange, and red. This choice of colors gives the images an eerie feeling, and immediately called to my mind associations of fire.

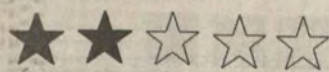
On the other wall of the gallery, there are copies of some of the same six images surrounding a projector screen. When I entered the gallery this screen was blank. I was informed by a museum worker that the exhibit is supposed to feature a slide show. Due to technical difficulties, however, the museum only runs the slide show when asked, so make sure that you inquire at the front desk if you are visiting the "Legend" exhibit. The slide show features more of Goldring's work, interspersed with text by the late poet Robert Lax. It begins with the intriguing statement, "There are no facts, only events." Lax's words then explore a variety of dichotomous phrases; contrasting "here/there," "move/stop," "tangible/intangible," and "this moment/that moment." These phrases complement Goldring's images of the Trade Center, and the slide projector slowly fades one image into the next. One particularly disturbing image is of a building that in one slide stands on its own, and in the next is suddenly engulfed in flames. These highly stylized images are at once both surreal and, in the context of 9/11, all too real.

A plaque on the wall explains that Goldring began this project in 1991, long before the phrases "9/11" and "Ground Zero" were emblazoned on our national consciousness. However, the entire exhibit is almost eerily appropriate now, more than ten years after its inception. Goldring's haunting images call to mind the terror and sadness of one year ago, and Lax's text also seems as if it could have been written over the course of the past year. Amidst the disturbing images and phrases like "flames burning flames," however, there is a glimmer of hope and optimism. Lax's repetition of the phrase, "Still the rock, still the rock, still the rock" reminds us, on this one year anniversary, of our nation's stability and endurance in the face of the horrible tragedy of September 11.

"Legend, 1991" will be on display at the Lyman Allyn Art Museum through October 27. The museum is open on Tuesday through Saturday from 10 AM to 5 PM and on Sunday from 1 to 5 PM, and is free for all Connecticut College students.

## Awkward 'Possession' Cannot Hold Audience Interest

### Possession



**Rated:** PG-13  
**Length:** 120 minutes  
**Starring:** Gwyneth Paltrow, Aaron Eckhart, Jeremy Northam, Jennifer Ehle  
**Directed by:** Neil LaBute  
**Summary:** A multi-layered movie about two modern day literary critics researching a pair of literary critics who had a clandestine affair made stale by contrived direction.

BY JULIA LEFKOWITZ  
STAFF WRITER



Every once and a while in Hollywood, a good vision for a movie sours into a corny and cliched final product. This is the case with *Possession*. What could have been a clever and beautifully portrayed love story was mutated into a contrived and awkward onscreen disappointment.

*Possession* is based on A.S. Byatt's 1990 book *Possession*. The novel received the 1990 Booker prize and significant critical acclaim. The book tells the tale of two modern-day scholars (Gwyneth Paltrow and Aaron Eckhart) who, as they uncover the extra-marital affair between a prominent Victorian poet, Richard Henry Ash (Jeremy Northam), and a lesser-known poet

(Jennifer Ehle), find themselves falling in love. Like the book, the movie weaves between the past and the present, drawing parallels between the paths of the two pairs of lovers. Although I have not read *Possession*, I have read other stories written by A.S. Byatt and I am aware of her emphasis on details as allegorical devices that enhance her work's larger meaning. This is an approach that would have added a great amount of depth to the movie but was not adapted in the slightest.

Another prominent aspect of A.S. Byatt's work is her knack for conveying eccentricities manifest in human nature. Once again, director Neil LaBute ignored the less con-

spicuous dots in Byatt's novel, making for a relatively vacant larger picture. The actors are given paltry room to step outside the stereotypical old Hollywood role defined by an all-consuming melodramatic exterior that bears no connection to a grounded psychological and emotional reality. Paltrow and Northam, in particular, are excellent actors who would have shone and added layers to the film, that is, if LaBute would have let the movie be defined by more than its outward melodramatic aspects.

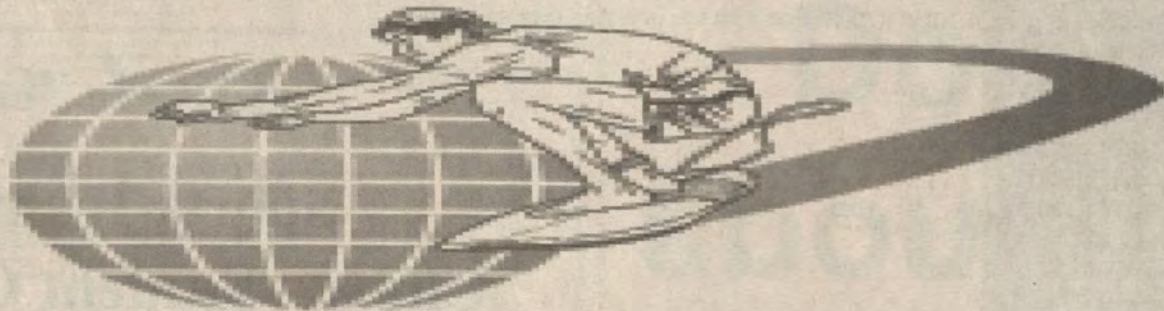
The one positive attribute of the movie is the scenery. Filmed in England and France, the movie features several charming landscape

and nature shots. This is further characteristic of how *Possession* dwells in its surface components, as there is nothing deeper to show for.

What is so frustrating about this movie is what it could have been. *Possession* is one of the few screenplays that is not tainted by the latest modern American film concepts (or lack thereof): image, the individual, and various aspects of the "American" life, and what the word "American" means. The idea of the movie is original, yet its execution is anything but. The movie is painfully contrived and inflated beyond any recognition of reality. The bottom line: read the book, don't see the movie.

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ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

# Simple Plan's Catchy Sound Nothing New

By MARIE GRANT  
STAFF WRITER

One thing for sure in the music world is that as bubble gum pop is dying down, punk rock is making yet another return. With this come back, one band trying to invade the punk world is a group of Montreal newcomers who call themselves Simple Plan. Simple Plan has recently released their debut album called "No Pads, No Helmets...Just Balls." The band consists of drummer Charles Comeau, a.k.a. Chuck, lead vocalist Pierre Bouvier, lead guitarist Jeff Stinco, bass player and back-up vocalist David Desrosiers and guitarist and back-up vocalist Sebastien Lefebvre, who goes by Seb. For the past two years, this head-banging ensemble has opened up for bands like Sum 41 and Blink 182 and has also performed at the Van Warped 2001 Tour. Simple Plan's album was produced by Arnold Lanni (Lanni has worked with bands such as Finger Eleven and Our Lady of Peace) and has catchy songs including their debut single "I'm Just A Kid," "I'd Do Anything" (featuring Mark Hoppus of Blink 182), and "Addicted."

The blueprint for this band came into existence in the mid-90s, when both thirteen year old Chuck Comeau (drummer) and Pierre Bouvier (lead singer) started a rock band called Resent. Resent toured Canada with musicians such as MXPX, Face to Face and Ten Foot Pole. The band released their critically acclaimed unveiling album in 1997. However, a year later Comeau decided to leave the band to concentrate on getting an education. This did not last for long. In 1999, Comeau and his friends, guitarist Stinco and Lefebvre, started a new band, Comeau, in need of a lead vocalist, searched everywhere and finally stumbled upon Bouvier at a Sugar Ray



concert. He ended up offering him a position in the band, and Bouvier accepted. Desrosiers, the singer and bass player that replaced Bouvier in the original band Resent, was offered the last position in Simple Plan.

After months of writing lyrics, creating melodies and harmonies, and recording the debut single "I'm Just A Kid," the Canadians are ready to rock the music world. Though their sound is not fresh and "new" - many of their cuts sound alike and are similar to the sound of bands such as Blink 182 and Sum 41 - they have managed to pull

off a few successful singles. One such example, "I'm Just A Kid" is about not only finding your place in the world but also about finding people who really care about you. Although this is a rather somber song, it has a catchy hook that makes you want to get up and rock with the beat of the music. A few more hits like this, and the band has the potential to have a long career. With first-class marketing and promotion and their sex appeal, this band just might make it in the music industry.

## "Fast-Paced" Olio Deserves Props

Olio's is funky. Self-proclaimed "fast-paced," this new oasis for the adventurous palate in Groton is a modern, edgy answer to the myriad authentic Italian-style dining options in the area. With its chic, black-clad personnel, candlelit milieu, and sparse décor, you walk out of there feeling more uptown Manhattan than downtown Groton. But if Olio's is one part upper east-side sophistication, then it is two parts Greenwich Village feistiness, marrying the best of multiple cool worlds.

Major props to Olio's for two preliminary reasons. One, for serving the bread with olive oil, because I mean, that's just how it should be done. Secondly, the hostess, who may or may not have been Mrs. Olio herself, deserves a serious round of kudos for the intervallic updates on the status of our table. Our party that night consisted of my parents, who had driven two and a half hours north only to suffer the antics of my mall personality earlier in the day, and my friend Chrissy and her dad, who had waited patiently for the DeSanta contingent to get ready and were equally as in need of nutritional healing. Being the savvy food writer that I am, I had completely forgotten to make reservations, which, of course, on a Saturday night is pretty much the kiss of culinary death. As we stood huddled together over the "specials" board in the entrance of the restaurant trying to eek conversation out of our tired, hungry brains, the continual reassurance provided by the hostess was the only thing that quelled the bouts of violence I had begun to inflict upon my poor, spare ponytail holder. But we were taken good care of, and even seated at a choice corner table for having waited.

Now came the task of reading the menu via candle-glow. Each table gets one candle, which, expectedly, makes the reading of the menu process a bit of a challenge. Although I have to say, it makes for a very date-worthy setting. Neutrogena and Clinique have nothing on the miracle of near-darkness' ability to erase blemishes and discoloration. Chrissy, had you been on a date with a real man and not with your old standby (me), you would have been a tremendous success.

What made my Olio's experience a first for me was my inability to comprehend what my entrée was going to taste like. Quite honestly, having located several more immediately appealing choices on the menu including baked goat cheese, my lifeblood, I was compelled to order a pasta special purely out of curiosity. Olio's throws together ingredients in a way that, I don't think, the human brain has evolved far enough to comprehend. Try this one: Fettuccine. Scallops. Ok so far, right? Now throw in some tomatoes. Add to this amaretto cream sauce. Still good? Now can you imagine all this with the addition of peaches? Neither could I. I mean who thinks like this? It was like Yolanda Vega had entered the food world, bringing the laws of probability right along with her. I could



By Jess DeSanta

almost hear a woman's voice in the distance: "The first ingredient...is salmon...the next...is banana juice..."

A sublime success, I don't know if my meal was more effective as dinner or aromatherapy. Between the candles, the peach scent emanating from my dish, and the uniformed employees, I might not have felt totally out of place in a towel and an eye-mask. I have to say, though, everything blended much more harmoniously than I had expected. The amaretto flavor did not stand out, which is my only criticism, but it did enhance the sweetness of the peaches. The pasta's texture was perfect, just shades away from undercooked, always refreshing after the ever-disappointing flaccidity of pasta a la Harris. The cream sauce was satisfying enough to deserve its nomenclature, but light enough that I was able to eat more than two bites.

My mom's salmon with risotto got rave reviews, as did my dad's fettuccine alfredo, which was about as alfredo as it gets. Chrissy's ravioli with tomatoes, asparagus, and cream sauce was excellent, "very asparagus" in her own words. Again, to say that something is "asparagus" is like saying something has the aftertaste of water, very hard to buy until you have tried it. But try it I did, and she's right, very asparagus. I don't know how they do it. I can't remember what Chrissy's dad had, but he seemed to enjoy it...

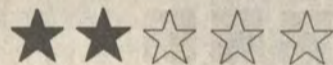
After having been mocked by my dad for perking up when I heard a recitation of the dessert menu from across the room (I do this for you), I was intrigued by the possibilities of wacky things such an uber-creative team of chefs might do with sugar. And although the dessert options were actually pretty run-of-the-mill, dessert is still dessert... I splurged on coconut sorbet (the kind that comes in a shell!). Coconut sorbet is always fun, like eating a snowball. Chrissy ordered chocolate raspberry torte, her all-time favorite combination. The fork tracks left artfully in her raspberry residue said it all.

So now you see why Olio's is funky. Family weekend lingers on the horizon, and it's a great place to try with your parents, for whom the financial factor is "reasonable," and I quote my own dad for credibility. Offering nouvelle, Italian-based food with a twist, Olio's is one of a kind in the area and I think it is going to be big. I can even give you directions to this one: straight over the bridge going north, first right-hand exit, continue down the main street into Groton and the restaurant will come up on your right at the first intersection, right in front of Holiday Bowling. Enjoy.

## Ain't No Ivy Leaguer!



### Stealing Harvard



**Rated:** PG-13  
**Length:** 83 minutes  
**Starring:** Tom Green, Jason Lee, Leslie Mann, Dennis Farina, Meghan Mullally  
**Directed by:** Bruce McCulloch  
**Summary:** If you can't see your first choice this weekend, reserve this as your safety!

By SHONA SEQUEIRA  
STAFF WRITER

Take an overused plot, an obnoxious comedian, a horny dog and a psycho judge with a fetish for "spooning" with cross-dressers, and what do you get? A clichéd excuse for a comedy called Stealing Harvard. If the title led you to believe that this was a deep, dark drama about the criminal inclinations of America's most intellectually elite, (and you probably didn't believe this if you saw Tom Green in the casting credits), you couldn't be further from the truth. Fans of Mr. Green might be a tad disappointed with his most mellow of offerings, yet the rest of us are fortunately spared most of his usual vulgar on-screen shenanigans. Don't get me wrong. Stealing Harvard isn't a bad movie. But like most of the films that we have been subjected to this summer, there is nothing exceptional or original about it. The script is mediocre and most of the comedy is forced. And just when you thought you couldn't take any more dog-at-crotch scenes, guess what?!?! That's the highlight of this movie!

John Plummer (Jason Lee) is an average middle-class American who must shell out 30,000 dollars to finance his niece's first year at Harvard. What would any self-respecting uncle do for his only niece in a fix like this? Embrace a life of crime, duh! John enlists the services of his goofball pal Duff (Tom Green), who devises a couple

of lame schemes to obtain the dough, only to land them in one soup after another. This ditty duo make the baddies from Home Alone (remember that movie?) look good. Keeping his nocturnal escapades a secret from his fiancée Elaine (Leslie Mann) and her overprotective daddy isn't the easiest feat for our John to accomplish. But wait... all is not lost! The film has a moral conscience too! According to Duff, he and John aren't really stealing - they're doing it all for a greater good. And the only people they might be robbing from, if you can call what they do robbing, are the insurance folks who deserve to be screwed anyway - "the bastards!"

Stealing Harvard is a cross between slapstick and stupid, yet I have to confess that there were some scenes that had me laughing uncontrollably. Tom Green has never been my favorite comedian and though this movie does nothing to rev up his funny factor, his character Duff isn't entirely unlikable. Jason Lee is probably the movie's saving grace, though it is a pity that he gets stuck with most of the cheesy lines. Stealing Harvard isn't intended to be a serious, intellectual venture, and that's the way to take it - all in fun. If you are on the lookout for a couple of harmless laughs this weekend (anything to avoid that paper due Monday morning!), then Stealing Harvard just might be the film for you.

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# Rumsfeld: Vote on Iraq Needed Soon

By Matt Kelley  
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Congress must authorize the use of military force against Iraq before the U.N. Security Council votes on the issue, Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld told Congress Wednesday.

"No terrorist state poses a greater and more immediate threat to the security of our people and the stability of the world than the regime of Saddam Hussein in Iraq," Rumsfeld told the House Armed Services Committee.

"The goal isn't inspections, the goal is disarmament," Rumsfeld said. "That is what Iraq agreed to do."

Rumsfeld's testimony came shortly after President Bush said Saddam is "not going to fool anybody" with his promise to admit weapons inspectors and predicted the United Nations will rally behind his Iraq policy despite signs of unease.

In an Oval Office meeting with congressional leaders, Bush thanked Democrats and Republicans for their commitment to vote on a congressional resolution on Iraq before November's elections.

"I think it's an important signal for the world to see that this country is united in its resolve," the president said.

Rumsfeld said that message must be given before further U.N. action on Iraq.

"Only certainty of U.S. and U.N. purposefulness can have even the prospect of affecting the Iraqi regime," Rumsfeld said. "It is important that Congress send that message as soon as possible — before the U.N. Security Council votes."

Two protesters, chanting "Inspections, not war," briefly interrupted Rumsfeld's testimony. A police officer escorted the women,



Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld spoke to Congress Wednesday, urging them to authorize military force against Iraq because it is "important that we don't pass on to the next generation the problem of Saddam Hussein having nuclear weapons" (AP-Applewhite).

who held banners with the same slogan, out of the hearing room.

Rumsfeld said the incident reminded him of the value of free speech, which he said Iraq does not provide its citizens.

Rumsfeld said Iraq has stockpiles of chemical and biological weapons and is trying to get enough weapons-grade material to build a nuclear bomb. He said the U.S. goal is to prevent Saddam from using such weapons of mass destruction to attack America or its allies.

"The last thing we want is a smoking gun. A gun smokes after it has been fired," Rumsfeld said. "The goal must be to stop Saddam Hussein before he fires a weapon of mass destruction against our people."

Information presented at a classified briefing Wednesday morning indicated Iraq could have a nuclear weapon "in the very near future,"

said Rep. Duncan Hunter, R-Calif., the No. 2 lawmaker on the House Armed Services Committee. Hunter declined to elaborate.

"It's important that we don't pass on to the next generation the problem of Saddam Hussein having nuclear weapons," Hunter told reporters after the hearing.

At the United Nations in New York, deliberations continued on the framing of one or more resolutions designed to force Iraq to disarm.

State Department spokesman Richard Boucher said there might be several resolutions, dealing also with other Iraqi violations, and that all should specify consequences if Iraq continued to disregard them.

"It's not up to Iraq to pick and choose," the U.S. official said.

Secretary of State Colin Powell continued his consultations, meanwhile, with Foreign Ministers Igor Ivanov of Russia, Jack Straw of

Britain and Dominique de Villepin of France, and U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan.

The Pentagon, meanwhile, said Tuesday it was seeking to move some B-2 bombers closer to Baghdad.

"We've got to be together in the United States supporting the diplomatic and military, if necessary, to solve this problem," House Minority Leader Dick Gephardt, D-Mo., said after the White House meeting.

The president bristled at suggestions that some U.S. allies, particularly France and Russia, might allow the promise of inspections to replace the need for a tough new U.N. resolution demanding Saddam to disarm.

"All they've got to do is look at his record. His latest ploy, his latest attempt not to be held accountable for defying the United Nations. He's not going to fool anybody," Bush

said.

The White House also sought to dispel the notion that the Iraqi offer would cause a delay — or a change — in the U.S. effort at the United Nations.

"I see nothing to suggest that the timing has changed for what the United Nations Security Council is considering," Bush press secretary Ari Fleischer said. "Anything that is done now must be indeed be done differently so the world can know that disarmament will be carried out."

It was the second straight day that Bush has prodded the U.N. to move against Saddam, reflecting concerns about by senior advisers that Iraq has gained the upper hand in the public relations battle.

"Reasonable people understand this man is unreasonable," Bush said.

Bush promised to reveal in the next few days his proposal for a congressional resolution. U.S. officials say. He wants authority to use "all appropriate means" to counter Saddam, but Democrats did not commit to any wording Wednesday. Proposed language has not yet been presented to lawmakers, but will be shortly, Fleischer said without giving a timetable.

Bush has raised the specter of military action to remove Saddam from power if the Iraqi leader fails to dismantle his chemical, biological and nuclear weapons programs.

The U.S. military would have to call up more National Guard and Reserve forces if Bush decides to invade Iraq, Rumsfeld said. More than 70,000 reservists have been called to active duty so far in the war on terrorism, and more than 20,000 soldiers in key specialties have been blocked from leaving active duty.

But there's "not a chance" that a draft would be needed to augment U.S. military forces, Rumsfeld said.

# Feds: Deny Six Terror Suspects Bail

By Ben Dobbin

Associated Press Writer

BUFFALO, N.Y. (AP) — Six suspected members of an al-Qaida-trained terror cell in western New York are a danger to the community and should be held without bail, a prosecutor argued Wednesday.

"We feel that the dangerousness to the community and the flight risk are very compelling," Assistant U.S. Attorney William Hochul said at a hearing for the men, all U.S. citizens of Yemeni descent charged with providing support or resources to foreign terrorists.

At their arraignments, U.S. Magistrate H. Kenneth Schroeder entered innocent pleas for Sahim Alwan, 29, Fayal Galab, 26, Shabab Mosed, 24, Yasein Taher, 24, Yahya Goba, 25, and Mukhtar al-Bakri, 22. The six men sat quietly next to their lawyers Wednesday.

Defense attorneys, claiming a lack of probable cause, moved to dismiss the charges and dismiss the government's request to detain the defendants.

Five of the men were arrested after a series of weekend raids in Lackawanna, five miles south of Buffalo. The sixth was detained in Bahrain and flown back.

Two other suspected cell members, identified as Jaber Elbaneh and Kamal Derwish, are believed to be in Yemen. Authorities say they believe Derwish is the ringleader.

The prosecutor said the defendants and Elbaneh traveled to Pakistan last year for religious training before heading to Afghanistan for instruction by terrorists linked to Osama bin Laden's al-Qaida terror network.

The seven men trained near Kandahar at the Al-Farooq training camp, the same one attended by American Taliban fighter John Walker Lindh.

Hochul said the men were trained in a variety of weapons and given a demonstration in using explosives.

Federal authorities have said al-Bakri admitted the group learned terror tactics and were lectured on topics including the use of suicide as a weapon.

Officials have said they had no evidence of any pending attacks planned by the cell but became alarmed this month when conversations among the men intensified and included indications of a terrorist attack.

Before the hearing, al-Bakri's lawyer, John Molloy, questioned the strength of the government's case if there are no specific acts federal authorities think are imminent.

If convicted, the defendants could face up to 15 years in prison and fines of up to \$250,000.

About 50 relatives of the defendants and as many members of the media filled the courtroom for Wednesday's hearing. Protesters gathered outside the courthouse.

Kathleen Chandler, from a group called Open Forum for Alternatives, called government action against the suspects "a crime of terror by the FBI on the people of Lackawanna."

Two men confronted those protesting the government's actions.

"There are plenty of planes leaving for Afghanistan. Jump on one. You're more than welcome there," Patrick Gorman of Buffalo said.

# Probe: U.S. Knew of Jet Terror Plots

By Ken Guggenheim  
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Intelligence agencies failed to anticipate terrorists flying planes into buildings despite a dozen clues in the years before the Sept. 11 attacks that Osama bin Laden or others might use aircraft as bombs, a congressional investigator told lawmakers Wednesday as they began public hearings into the attacks.

Just a month before the attacks, intelligence agencies were told of a possible bin Laden plot to hit the U.S. Embassy in Kenya or crash a plane into it.

The preliminary report by Eleanor Hill, staff director of the joint House and Senate intelligence committee investigation of the terrorist strike, showed authorities had many more warnings about possible attacks than were previously disclosed.

The reports were generally vague and uncorroborated. None specifically predicted the Sept. 11 attacks. But collectively the reports "reiterated a consistent and critically important theme: Osama bin Laden's intent to launch terrorist attacks inside the United States," Hill said.

Despite that, authorities didn't alert the public and did little to "harden the homeland" against an assault, she said. Agencies believed any attack was more likely to take place overseas.

Just two months before the attacks, a briefing for senior government officials said that, based on a review of intelligence over five months, "we believe that (bin Laden) will launch a significant terrorist attack against U.S. and/or Israeli interests in the coming weeks."

"The attack will be spectacular and designed to inflict mass casualties against U.S. facilities or interests. Attack preparations have been made. Attack will occur with little or no warning," it said.

Hill read most of her 30-page report to House and Senate members sitting together in what is believed to be the first joint investigation by standing congressional committees. The committees have been meeting behind closed doors since June to examine intelligence failures leading up to the attacks and recommend changes.

Sen. Jay Rockefeller, D-W.Va., said the report revealed "far too many breakdowns in the intelligence gathering and processing methods."

"Given the events and signals of the preceding decade, the intelligence community could have and in my judgment should have anticipated an attack on U.S. soil on the scale of 9/11," he said.

Pressed by Rep. Ray Lahood, R-Ill., about whether agen-

cies had enough information to have prevented the attacks, Hill said it was possible, but there were no guarantees.

Details of intelligence about terrorist use of airplanes could embarrass the White House. After questions were raised in the spring about what President Bush knew about terrorist threats before Sept. 11, national security adviser Condoleezza Rice said the threats were vague and uncorroborated.

"I don't think anybody could have predicted ... that they would try to use an airplane as a missile," Rice said then. "Had this president known a plane would be used as a missile, he would have acted on it."

Hill outlined 12 examples of intelligence information on the possible terrorist use of airplanes as weapons, beginning in 1994 and ending with the Nairobi plot in August 2001.

In August 1998, U.S. intelligence learned that a "group of unidentified Arabs planned to fly an explosive-laden plane from a foreign country into the World Trade Center," says the report. The report was given to the Federal Aviation Administration and FBI, which took little action. The group may now be linked to bin Laden, the report says.

Other intelligence suggested that bin Laden supporters might fly an explosives-laden plane into a U.S. airport, or conduct a plot involving aircraft at New York and Washington, the report said.

While generally aware of the possibility of these kinds of attacks "the intelligence community did not produce any specific assessments of the likelihood that terrorists would use airplanes as weapons," the report said.

The FBI on Wednesday underscored the need for continued vigilance by law enforcement agencies, confirming that it sent a routine reminder to police around the country in the last day or so. The reminder said that al-Qaida might consider the use of aircraft in another act of terrorism against the United States and could rely on non-Arabic individuals to do so.

Hill also said that between May and July 2001, the National Security Agency reported at least 33 communications indicating a possible, imminent terrorist attack. Asked why intelligence agencies didn't do more about the terrorist threats, Hill said they have complained about a lack of resources and the massive amount of intelligence they were receiving. "They were overwhelmed by almost a flood of information," she said.

Senior CIA officials noted Hill's report also recognized their efforts to report on the immediacy of the threat from bin Laden before Sept. 11 and did not look to assign blame on U.S. agencies.

Hill stressed the investigation is continuing and a future report will deal with what was known about the 19 hijackers



Eleanor Hill, staff director for the House and Senate intelligence inquiry into the Sept. 11 attacks, testifies on Capitol Hill Wednesday, during a joint committee hearing into the terrorist attacks (AP-Cook).

before the attacks.

She also noted that CIA Director George J. Tenet has declined to declassify information on two issues looked at by the inquiry: References to intelligence agencies supplying information to the White House, and details of an al-Qaida leader involved in the attacks. That leader is believed to be Khalid Shaikh Mohammed, the alleged mastermind.

Hill said the White House and Tenet believe "the president's knowledge of intelligence information relevant to this inquiry remains classified" even when the information itself is declassified.

Also Wednesday, two spouses of Sept. 11 victims urged the committees to fix intelligence shortcomings that allowed the attacks.

"Our loved ones paid the ultimate price for the worst American intelligence failure since Pearl Harbor," said Stephen Push, whose wife died aboard the plane that crashed into the Pentagon.

# State Opposes Skakel Bond Attempt

HARTFORD, Conn. (AP) — State prosecutors filed a motion Wednesday opposing another attempt by Kennedy cousin Michael Skakel's lawyers to get him freed on bond during an appeal of his murder conviction.

After Skakel was sentenced last month to 20 years to life for the 1975 beating death of Martha Moxley, his defense team requested that he be released on bond while his appeal was pending.

Judge John Kavanewsky Jr. denied that request, and Skakel's defense team filed a

motion for review of that denial.

On Wednesday, the state filed a motion opposing the defense team's latest request.

The state said it agrees with Kavanewsky that the terms of Skakel's appeal are governed by the current state law, and not the law that was in effect when Moxley was killed.

Current law does not allow a convicted murderer to be free on bond while an appeal is pending.

Skakel was convicted June 7.

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# Chemical Levels in Atmosphere Fall

By EMMA TINKLER  
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SYDNEY, Australia (AP) — Chlorine-based chemical levels in the atmosphere are falling, and the hole in the ozone layer over Antarctica should close within 50 years, according to an Australian government-funded study.

Although the ozone layer had not yet begun to repair itself, the hole would probably start closing within five years, and should fully recover by 2050, said Paul Fraser, of the Australian government-funded Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organization, or CSIRO.

Fraser said ozone layer recovery would be a result of international efforts to ban ozone-depleting chlorofluorocarbons in the mid-1990s.

CSIRO atmospheric monitoring has found that chlorine from chlorofluorocarbons, or CFCs, leveled off in the troposphere — the lower atmosphere — two years ago, and is falling for the first time in more than 20 years.

The ozone layer over the southern continent of Antarctica has suffered the most damage from CFCs, which have eaten a hole about 10 million square miles. The hole is about three times the size of Australia.

The CSIRO and Australia's Bureau of Meteorology have been monitoring and recording the level of chlorine in the troposphere over Australia's southern island state of Tasmania for several years.

Scientists expect the chlorine decrease will lead to a gradual recovery of the ozone layer during the next half century. In turn,

the ozone recovery will decrease the risk of skin cancer and similar ailments in the far southern hemisphere, where damage to the protective layer of gas is most serious.

The ozone recovery will not alleviate projected global warming problems, however, which is related to the release of other heat-trapping gases into the atmosphere.

New Zealand ozone researcher Greg Bodecker, when asked about the Australian findings Wednesday, said measurements from a number of sites around the world, by several research groups, "have confirmed that stratospheric chlorine levels have indeed peaked."

Measurements at one site in New Zealand have confirmed that stratospheric chlorine levels "are probably now decreasing," Bodecker said.

CFCs were banned in the developed

world in the mid-1990s after a pact signed at a 1989 international conference in Montreal, Canada. They are still being phased out in developing countries.

The prohibition of CFCs — which were used in refrigerators, air conditioners and aerosol spray cans — came after it was found they were breaking up the earth's ozone, a thin layer of atmosphere that filters the sun's damaging ultraviolet rays and protects humans from skin cancer.

"Once CFCs have been phased out of the developing world ... by about 2005, the most persistent ozone-depleting chemicals in the atmosphere will no longer be released in any significant amounts," Fraser told The Associated Press in a telephone interview on Tuesday.

"That means that the atmosphere can work its magic and start to destroy these

chemicals at a rate faster than they're being released," he added.

Fraser said the discovery proved that direct action taken by the international community on environmental issues could make a difference.

On Monday, the U.N. Environmental Program and World Meteorological Organization said the ozone layer remains at risk despite signs of recovery.

Also Monday, scientists meeting in Utah said it would take 50 years for the hole in the ozone layer to disappear.

The "world is making steady progress toward the recovery of the ozone layer ... with the total amount of ozone-depleting chemicals in the lower atmosphere continuing to decline, albeit slowly," the organizations said in a statement.

## Allies Await Rumsfeld Response Plan

By PAUL AMES  
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BRUSSELS, Belgium (AP) — NATO allies are waiting for Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld to present them with proposals next week for a new allied force able to deploy elite forces at short notice to counter threats from terrorists or rogue states.

Details of the plan remained sketchy Wednesday, less than a week ahead of the meeting of alliance defense ministers in Warsaw, Poland, where Rumsfeld is due to outline the proposal.

U.S. officials declined to comment on the plan and senior diplomats from European nations said they had not yet been briefed by the Americans on the numbers or types of units envisaged.

However, diplomats at alliance headquarters said the force would likely bring together crack units from allied nations who could move quickly in small, highly mobile units to confront a perceived threat.

The plans are part of a radical overhaul of the alliance aimed at making the military more responsive to threats from terrorist groups, regional crises or rogue states able to strike with weapons of mass destruction.

At the Sept. 24-25 meeting in Warsaw, Rumsfeld is also scheduled to discuss Iraq with his counterparts from the other 18 NATO nations.

Officials said the alliance is unlikely to have a direct role in any U.S.-led strike against Saddam Hussein, although individual NATO nations are expected to join a "coalition of the willing" to line up alongside American forces in the event of war.

Diplomats expect Washington will want to discuss a range of options for possible allied contributions ranging from combat units, to peacekeeping in a post-Saddam Iraq or the use of ports, bases or air space.

Russian Defense Minister Sergei Ivanov is scheduled to join the allies on the second day of the Warsaw meeting under the cooperation agreement between Russia and NATO signed in May.

Sidelined during the U.S.-led war against

Afghanistan's Taliban and stung by accusations it has slid into irrelevance since the Sept. 11 attacks, NATO is planning to revamp its structures. That overhaul is expected to be approved by President Bush and other allied leaders at a November summit.

The United States is hoping the summit will produce a commitment from the allies for greater investment in military modernization, notably through the development of precision weapons, large transport planes, special forces and secure communications.

Diplomats stressed that the proposed rapid response force would be for hard-edged combat missions, in contrast to a planned European Union force of up to 60,000 troops which is due to come on line next year for peacekeeping missions.

The Prague meeting is also set to give a green light to expanding the alliance, bringing in up to seven new members — Estonia, Slovenia, Latvia, Lithuania, Romania, Bulgaria and Slovakia.

## Nations Welcome Iraq Decision



Russian Foreign Minister Igor Ivanov addresses the General Assembly, Monday at U.N. headquarters in New York (AP-Chernin).

By JIM HEINTZ

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MOSCOW (AP) — Arab nations, Russia and China said Tuesday that Iraq's agreement to allow the return of weapons inspectors was a step away from war, but the United States and Britain remained skeptical Baghdad would fully cooperate.

Amr Moussa, secretary-general of the Arab League, which was credited with helping persuade Iraq to reverse its position, said Baghdad's new stance would be "welcomed by the world."

Crude oil futures prices dropped sharply Tuesday amid hopes Baghdad's announcement would avert a U.S. attack to topple Saddam Hussein, which some fear would stir turmoil in the Middle East and disrupt supplies.

Analysts say the price has been inflated by \$2 to \$4 per barrel because of the belief President Bush might soon order an attack. Prices for November crude dropped 74 cents per barrel to \$27.78 — but that did not erase the so-called "war premium" raising prices.

The United States dismissed Iraq's reversal as a tactical ploy to avoid tough international action, and Secretary of State Colin Powell said Washington would seek a U.N. Security Council resolution spelling out new demands on inspections. British Foreign Secretary Jack Straw said his country, one of Washington's closest allies, would also work for a new resolution on Iraq's weapons of mass destruction.

"To the extent that (the Iraq decision) represents any movement, this has only arisen as a result of the determined pressure by the international community," Straw said.

The United States' skepticism drew a sharp response from Nelson Mandela, the former South African president, who accused Washington of "bullying" the world.

"What right has (Bush) to come and say that that offer is not genuine. We must condemn that very strongly. That is why I criticize most leaders, all over the world, for keeping quiet when one country wants to bully the whole world," the former South African president and Nobel peace laureate said.

Russia, which holds veto powers on the Security Council, appeared to oppose a resolution with new demands. It said the international community must take Saddam at his word and start new inspections.

"Russia believes that the main task is for international inspectors to leave for Iraq and start their work there without any artificial obstacles

or delays," Foreign Minister Igor Ivanov said, according to the Interfax news agency.

China, also a permanent Security Council member with veto power, said the Iraqi decision was a victory for diplomacy. "We hope that Iraq will comprehensively implement the U.N. resolutions to create the necessary conditions for the orderly and peaceful resolution of the Iraq issue," Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesman Kong Quan said.

The United Nations imposed sanctions after Iraq invaded Kuwait in 1990 — sanctions that cannot be lifted until weapons inspectors certify Iraq no longer has or is trying to produce chemical, biological or nuclear weapons or the missiles to deliver them.

Kuwaiti acting Oil and Information Minister Sheik Ahmed Al Fahd Al Ahmed Al Sabah described the Iraqi decision as "positive," according to the Kuwait News Agency.

"We hope that the return of inspectors will be the real beginning for the Iraqi government in the right direction" to end the standoff and ward off a war in the region.

Israeli Foreign Minister Shimon Peres, in New York for meetings with Powell, said Iraq would likely try to hide its alleged weapons programs even after accepting inspections.

"Inspectors and supervision only work with honest people. Dishonest people know how to overcome this easily," he told Israel Radio.

In Iran, a Tehran Radio commentary called on the world to put pressure on both Iraq and the United States "to make certain that they move forward within the framework of the U.N. resolutions."

France said the United Nations should test Iraq's promise by quickly sending inspectors.

"We must let Saddam Hussein's words speak for themselves," Francois Rivasseau, a spokesman for the French Foreign Ministry, said on Europe-1 radio. "We must not lose time, act quickly, send in the inspectors."

German Chancellor Gerhard Schroeder, who has been outspoken in his opposition to military action against Iraq, said Baghdad's offer was "a very important step along the path we have always believed is right."

"The important thing now is that we do not let slip this chance for a political, non-confrontational and cooperative new order in the Middle East," he said.

## U.S., Britain Plan Iraq Resolution

By DAFNA LINZER  
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UNITED NATIONS (AP) — Bucking an anti-war mood among their U.N. Security Council partners, the United States and Britain began crafting a toughly worded resolution Wednesday that would narrow the timetable for Iraqi compliance with weapons inspections and authorize force if Iraq fails to cooperate, diplomats said.

The two allies plan to complete and circulate the draft next week to the three other permanent members of the Security Council — France, Russia and China — diplomats told The Associated Press on condition of anonymity. France, Russia and Arab nations oppose a new resolution.

"Nothing is on paper yet," said Rick Grennell, spokesman for the U.S. mission at the United Nations, who confirmed American and British diplomats met on a resolution.

Iraq's surprise announcement this week that it would accept the return of international weapons inspectors nearly four years after they left has divided the council, with the United States stepping up preparations for war even as weapons inspectors planned their return to Baghdad.

In Washington, Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld told Congress that it should authorize the use of military force against Iraq before the Security Council makes a move.

"No terrorist state poses a greater and more immediate threat to the security of our people and the stability of the world than the regime of Saddam Hussein in Iraq," Rumsfeld told the House Armed Services Committee on Wednesday.

President Bush, also speaking Wednesday, said Iraq would not "fool anybody" with its about-face



Iraqi Foreign Minister Najfi Sabri, center, greets United Nations Secretary General Kofi Annan, left, as Sabri and his delegation arrive for a meeting (AP-Ketser).

and predicted the United Nations would rally behind the United States despite Iraq's "ploy." His administration disclosed plans for moving B-2 bombers closer to Baghdad, preparing for possible war to remove President Saddam Hussein.

But at the United Nations, U.S. allies on the Security Council seemed determined to stave-off a resolution as plans moved ahead for the return of weapons inspectors.

"We hope that this step ... will be the first step toward a comprehensive solution to the crisis in the relations between the United Nations and Iraq and the lifting of the brutal regime of sanctions which has been killing our people for 12 years," Iraqi Foreign Minister Najfi Sabri said late Wednesday after meeting with U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan.

In a statement, Annan said that Sabri had pledged his government's full cooperation on finalizing arrangements for the swift return of inspectors.

On Tuesday, Russian Foreign Minister Igor Ivanov said he saw no need for another resolution on Iraq. But in Moscow Wednesday, Vladimir Lukin, a deputy speaker of

the Russian parliament's lower house, who once served as Russia's ambassador to the United States, said Russia would likely compromise.

"We are certainly against that, but, being realistic, we understand that the United States would get something anyway," Lukin said.

French diplomats said they were opposed to any resolution that provided Washington with a "green light" to use military force and that they saw no need to replace a resolution drafted primarily by the United States in December 1999.

The existing resolution gives inspectors 60 days from the time they begin work on the ground to give the council a work program. Once the council approves the program and the inspectors and the International Atomic Energy Agency become fully operational, Iraq will need to cooperate and comply for a 120-day period. If it does, the council will be asked to suspend sanctions for 120 days, a period which could be renewed as long as the Iraqis continue to cooperate.

Western diplomats said the U.S.-British draft would lay out a tighter timetable to get Iraqi compliance

and include new instructions for weapons inspectors. That could alter a deal Annan cut with the Iraqis in 1998 placing conditions on inspections of eight so-called "presidential sites." The deal was a sore spot for the previous inspection team, which was disbanded in December 1998 amid allegations that some members were spying for the United States.

But ambassadors said it was important to give chief weapons inspector Hans Blix time to do his job.

"We should concentrate on the return of Blix to Iraq. Two days after, if Blix says they're not cooperating, then we can take action. Right now, we don't see any need," said Mauritius' U.N. Ambassador Jagdish Koonjul.

Blix, who is in charge of dismantling Iraq's biological and chemical weapons and the long-range missiles to deliver them, has scheduled talks with Iraqi experts in Vienna, Austria, to work out details for the inspectors' return. The arrangements should be completed by Oct. 6.

Arab diplomats, who led the campaign to get Saddam's government to allow the inspectors back, also oppose another resolution.

"We don't see any need for a resolution after the measures taken by the Iraq government," Syria's deputy ambassador, Faysal Mekdad, said Wednesday.

Sanctions were imposed on Iraq after its 1990 invasion of Kuwait and cannot be fully lifted until U.N. inspectors certify that the country's weapons of mass destruction have been destroyed.

Inspectors worked toward that goal from 1991-1998, until they left in December 1998, complaining that Iraq was refusing to cooperate. The departure was followed by four days of punishing U.S. and British airstrikes on Iraq.

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# Admissions Broadens Horizons for Student Involvement

By Emily Goldberg  
Staff Writer

The Horizon Society, a program recently established here at Connecticut College, allows current Conn scholars to assist the Office of Admission in their recruitment of prospective students. Students previously involved in a variety of other Admission programs are now gathering together in a single organization with one common mission: to show prospective students the realities of life as an undergraduate at Conn.

In years past, Connecticut College has placed much effort into welcoming future freshman; groups of students have served as overnight hosts, while others visited their high schools as student ambassadors, and still another group volunteered to eat lunch with prospectives during Admission Open Houses. The formation of the Horizon Society has brought all of these individual groups together, thus creating a more connected group of undergraduates working closely with one another and with the Admission Officers in order to ensure the quality and cohesiveness of the recruitment process.

In addition to unifying those students participating in various



Horizon Society is looking to involve more Conn students in the admissions process (Dinb).

Admission programs, the Society also serves as a means of opening

the lines of communication between Conn students and the Office of

Admissions.

In addition to a student executive board, the Society is coordinated by Jennifer Dewar, Admission

Counselor, and Jessica Dietz ('00), Assistant Director of Admission. The executive board reps act as liaisons to both the student body and

to other facets within Admissions. Currently, the executive board consists of a Tour Guide Rep, an Admission Fellow Rep, a Student Ambassador Rep, an Overnight Host Rep, an International Student Rep, and a Unity House Rep.

The Society also consists of one representative from each dorm; these students serve as direct lines of communication between the Office of Admission and their respective dorms, and encourage fellow residents to become involved in the Office of Admission. According to the Society, membership is not limited to the dorm representative and those students serving on the executive board; any student may become involved in the Horizon Society simply by contacting Admissions. Furthermore, student volunteers may play as large or as small a role in the Society as they wish. As Ms. Dietz pointed out, "allow[ing] people to get involved with Admissions efforts without necessarily committing large amounts of time."

As a Society member, one may host students overnight, serve as a student ambassador, correspond with prospectives through email and chat rooms, contact admitted students through phone-a-thons and postcards, and join visiting students for lunch during Open Houses and

other admission events.

Although Horizon Society members will not have say in the actual admitting of incoming freshmen, Liana Guzman ('05), a Tour Guide Representative, pointed out that "more than anything, [Society members] can affect a student's decision to apply and decide to come to Conn; as a result, [members] will positively affect the future admitted classes at Conn."

When questioned as to whether she believed the Horizon Society would increase the number of students who choose to apply to Conn, Dietz answered that the Society is concerned with more than merely increasing the number of applicants. "Students who ultimately choose to apply and who are admitted will have a much stronger sense of what Connecticut College is all about. But, we're also pleased if we've helped that young person realize that Conn ISN'T the right college for them," Dietz said. "It's not just about recruiting - it's about finding out what it's like to be a camel."

Dietz encourages all current students to share their input and join the Horizon Society, for a diversity of opinions will do nothing but enhance the admission process.

## Steiner Sure Loves His Nuts

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and her Nut Museum to "take the demerit marks from the two-legged variety" of nut. She tailored her tours to fit each visitor. For people without interest in the history and lore of nuts, she put on nut masks. When that didn't work, she sang songs about nuts. "It's fun to see visitors blossom out," Tashjian said.

Over the years, her whimsical museum was featured four times on The Tonight Show, as well as on Chevy Chase, Good Morning America, Talk Soup, and radio shows across the country. "You don't know what this means to me," one radio host told her after hearing the Nut Anthem. "Pure Joy," he said. "I've put nuts on the map," Tashjian said.

When Steiner arrived at Tashjian's Old Lyme home, he met state conservator John Watts, and

suggested that Connecticut College could step in to preserve the collection. Steiner had little time to spare. He rushed through the house, retrieving seventy boxes of unorganized letters and photos, hundreds of sketches, and at least seventy paintings and sculptures. Since then, he and four of his students have been preserving, cataloguing, and archiving the collection.

Unexpectedly, Tashjian regained consciousness after two weeks. She was outraged by her treatment at the hands of the state, but she described Steiner's intervention as the "One bright spot outshining this otherwise gloomy, greedy scene." Tashjian and Steiner are collaborating on a book, and Steiner expects to display some of her material in the Shain Library this December. Eventually, the collection will become a traveling show.

Though she is a ward of the state, Tashjian

remains lively and articulate at her nursing home in Old Saybrook.

"I started as an artist and wound up a philosopher," Tashjian said.

Now that the museum is no longer her responsibility, she has returned to her art. She's developing a theme that has been with her since the beginning. She wants to solve some of humanity's "nutty nutty problems" on the topic of Human Origins. When she was a student at the National Academy of Design in New York, Tashjian won a medal for her mural of Adam and Eve Leaving the Garden, but sixty years later "they're still not out of the garden."

"Nuts are fresh tokens of primeval existence," she said. "We all come from the same shell."

## After Six Years, Conn Parts Ways with Lyman Allyn Art Museum



College is ending six year relationship with Museum (Gordon).

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two institutions was proposed by the Lyman Allyn Task Force, a committee created by President Fainstein in October 2001. The committee, composed of members of the museum's Board of Fellows, the college's Board of Trustees, and an advisory panel supervised by the college, was created to determine the best relationship between the college and the museum.

To facilitate Lyman Allyn's transition to independence, a new committee will be founded. It will be

composed of members of the museum's Board of Fellows and various members of the New London Community. The committee is being established by President Fainstein.

The Lyman Allyn Art Museum is one of the few New England museums that is affiliated with both a college and a local community. Although Conn will no longer be a trustee, according to the Day, an "academic relationship" will be maintained and the museum will still host student interns and classes visiting its collections and exhibits.

## New London Looks for Answers in the wake of OVCS's LEAP Cuts

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the New London Day.

The Connecticut College students will also be sorry to see LEAP go, said Tracee Reiser, the Director of the Office of Volunteers in Community Service. "They learned a lot about youth development, working as members of a team, working with students different from themselves." She continued, "For students studying social work, psychology or education, it gave them a chance to see how a program works in a community."

LEAP and New London have sustained a partnership for eight years. The services offered included after-school, summer and weekend activities for children predominantly from the Bates Woods and Thames River apartments.

## Conn Abandons Attempts at 'CC Downtown'

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floors of the buildings. In addition, the College proposed to use the Cronin building for student housing in an effort by ex-President Claire Gaudiani, who was both President of the College and the NLDC at the time, to improve town-gown relations. In addition to the CC Downtown storefront on the ground floor, the Cronin building would have 38 units for student housing.

Cabrini and the NLDC hoped to encourage what they referred to as "urban pioneers" to the city. An "aggressive tenant screening would be utilized to ensure desirable, quality tenants," namely young families in the health care, bioscience and educational fields. These young residents were expected to be attracted by Pfizer, the world's largest pharmaceutical company, whose \$300 million research facility was to be built in the nearby Fort Trumbull district.

The Fort Trumbull Project, a controversial campaign administered by the NLDC and the Boston real-estate firm Corcoan Jennison Company, involved acquiring large portions of land for the research and conference center, as well as a new hotel, new residences and a fitness center for the anticipated 2,000 new Pfizer employees.

The NLDC, using the state-sanctioned right of eminent domain, appropriated the land, where many elderly residents still lived, for the private construction firm; the state has the right to invoke eminent domain in "blighted areas." According to the Wall Street Journal, Claire Gaudiani, said that the Fort Trumbull "was a slum."

Currently there are several lawsuits pending from local residents who have refused to move. The court proceedings have delayed the construction of the hotel and fitness center.

The "urban pioneers" the city hoped for never materialized, and after three separate proposals to the city Council by the NLDC for additional funding to renovate the buildings, the Cabrini Corporation was forced to auction the buildings for a gross of \$923,000, defaulting on its loan from the College.

According to David Goebel, Chief Operating Officer at the NLDC, the Crocker and Cronin buildings were purchased by AME, a local investment firm that has continued renovations and expects to have its first tenants by the end of the year. The Bacon building that was purchased by William Cornish remains dormant.

The College lost \$1.6 million, and still maintains a lease on the Mariner Square Building for \$250,000. Located next to the New London Day and overlooking the Thames River, the Mariner Square building was a joint venture by the College and Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute to create classrooms in downtown New London. The College currently pays the full \$500,000 lease on the vacant building.

### SGA Minutes

Minutes from the SGA Assembly Meeting on 9/12/02

The SGA website has been updated. Students should visit the website to acquire more information about the SGA. The address: <http://oak.conncoll.edu/~sga/> or go to [conncoll.edu](http://conncoll.edu), click on "STUDENT" and select "Student Government Association". If you have any questions or concerns, please send an e-mail to [sga@conncoll.edu](mailto:sga@conncoll.edu).

The Student Government Assembly has approved the amendment by the Connecticut College Republican Club.

Rick Gropper, the chair of the student activity council (SAC), announced Harvestfest forms would be due on September 13, 2002 at noon in the SAC office.

Hasan Mamun condemned the excessive printing people are doing in the library. He asked that the assembly spread the word to save paper because there is a rumor the library might start charging for printing.

Caitlin Greeley, Senator of Burdick, questioned the new college policy of charging for music lessons. Kurt Brown announced this issue was being addressed in Priorities, Planning and Budget Committee (PPBC) and that it will be discussed again throughout the year.

Melissa Wurzer asked that if anyone knows any Latin America/Hispanic Studies majors/minors, to tell them people are needed for the Advisory Board and if interested to have them call her or attend the meeting to be held next week.

Minutes from the SGA Assembly Meeting on 9/5/02

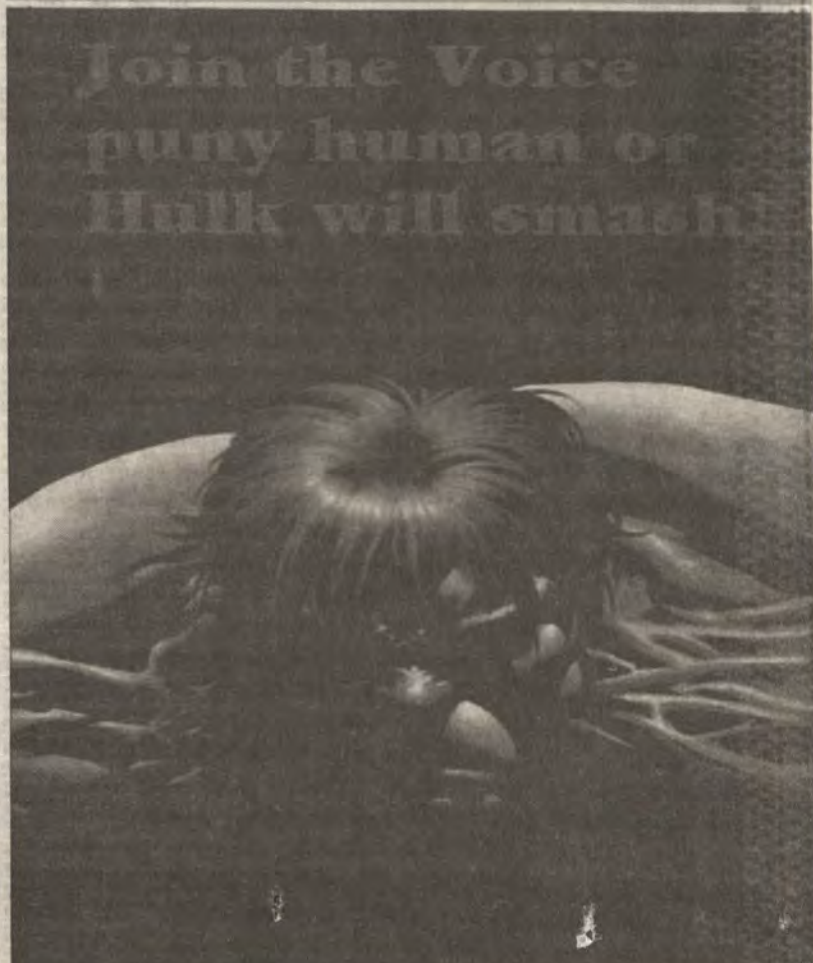
Jonathan Franks announced the creation of a task force involving vandalism on campus. The task force requires 2-4 senators and is not part of the committee assignments. He also mentioned that the structure of the Appeals board was being decided.

Sarmad Asif proposed amendments to the C-Book regarding the Finance Committee. These include making the Head Treasurer and Secretary of the committee voting members and putting the Finance Committee in charge of determining the SGA Executive Board Members' budgets.

Rick Gropper announced that this year's Fall Concert will feature The Samples and would benefit a university in Nicaragua called URACCAN. He mentioned that tickets went on sale this week and that one hundred tickets have been sold in total.

Erica Cohn, senator from Wright, expressed her concern regarding the lack of lighting around campus during the evenings. Laurie Goglia assured the assembly that a group on campus was still looking into this issue.

Eve Southworth, senator from Smith, mentioned that the residents of Smith would really like to have Smith Dining Hall open for breakfast as well as dinner. Tori Okner, senator from KB, responded by saying the portion of the budget that went towards opening Smith for dinner replaced there being an environmental representative for the campus. Kurt Brown asked the assembly to get more feedback from students.



## In Your Face, Bud!

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reason. Stadium Olympia more often resembles a ghost town than a major league baseball park.

The success of the Twins this season does not mean that all that Commissioner Selig claims to ail baseball does not exist. It is still safe to assume, despite the freshly minted labor contract, that the Kansas City Royals will never be in the same league as the Yankees, at least for the foreseeable future. However, the season the Minnesota Twins are currently wrapping up does provide a glimmer of hope to all the Kansas City Royals of professional baseball, and more broadly professional sports as a whole. Sometimes, the underdog, all but pushed out entirely by the very institution that governs it, can overcome the odds and become something miraculous, if only for a season.

Next up for the Twins will be an American League Division Series with the AL West Champs, either Oakland or the Anaheim Angles. The Twins will find themselves in the all too familiar position of underdog against one of two very good teams. While common baseball sense says the Twins incredible season will come to an abrupt halt in early October, after watching the 2002 season unfold, if there is one saying to take to heart, it's this: never count out a team that has nothing to lose. Even one that plays in a really big trash bag.

## The Finer Points of Turning Left

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fly-over, and the day begins as the cars roll off.

If all of this doesn't entice you, then the people who partake in such events will. If you are one who enjoys watching people, then head down to the track. Whether it's to see the big shots of the Winston Cup circuit or the locals turning circles, I promise that it is one of the best places to people watch. Every walk of life is represented: your businessmen in suits, your buddy sporting tight jeans, farmer's tan, and a mullet, and there are even a few minorities. Last race, I was sandwiched between the local barflies, some guy with one of the thickest southern accents I have ever heard, my sister, and a woman in a dress.

So, not only do you get a good blend of Americana, but they are all die-hard passionate fans there for one purpose, to watch their car go to victory lane.

How die-hard and passionate are these people?

At most other sporting events,

everyone is into the game, and you might spot a few people wearing jerseys throughout the stands. The typical dress, however, for a regular at a NASCAR race is to wear as much attire featuring your racer and his sponsor as possible. It is safe to say that I was significantly underdressed in my plaid shorts and Bud Racing hat. And the goal is also to talk as much trash as you can to other race fans for the entire 500 miles. If your car is leading, you let people know. If someone else's driver hits the wall, you let them know. Though, you must be ready to accept return abuse incase of a blown tire or engine.

These are just a few of the finer details which make NASCAR that much more entertaining, and I have yet to begin talking about the driving aspect of the game, but maybe some other time. So, before the next time you criticize your buddy for his desire to go NASCARing, know that there is more to it than watching some good ol' boys going in circles on a Sunday drive.

## Men Drop 1-0 Heatbreaker to Defending Champions

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the penalty box. Blake beat the wall with a beautifully placed free kick to the lower left of the goal that Knights could do nothing about.

"It's terrible to see a referee directly influence the game especially at such a critical point in the game," Kanabay said later. "But, the game gave us a whole lot of confidence. Coach and the captains said that we shouldn't be disappointed, and that they were really happy with the way we played. We can only get better and I think we will really exceed everyone's expectations.

"We're really looking forward to the rest of the season," Kanabay said.

And so are the fans. After this performance, it is safe to say that Harkness Green will continue to be the popular spot on campus when the men's soccer team has a game, even if it isn't perfect soccer weather.

## Off to Shaky Start, Camels Look to Pick Up First NESCAC Victory Against Tufts Saturday

By BONNIE PROKESCH

STAFF WRITER

This year, the Connecticut College women's soccer team hopes to make a name for itself in the New England Small College Athletic Conference (NESCAC). In order to do so, however, the Lady Camels must come up with a win this upcoming Saturday when they play away against Tufts. A win against Tufts would give the women their first NESCAC win of the season, as they lost to Amherst in their first game on September 9, as well as Williams 3-1 last Saturday. Between the two NESCAC games, however, the Camels did beat Coast Guard at a home game on September 11, for an overall record of 1-2.

Their current NESCAC record is not a valid indicator of the women's abilities and determination. As co-captain Lauren Luciano '03 commented, "We're just as good as other teams in the NESCAC. We just need to show them what we know and understand."

In regards to the loss against Williams, Luciano explained, "No one was disappointed in how we played. We were just disappointed in the outcome. We played up to their level but just made a couple of errors."

"We dominated in the first half, but we completely lost it in the second half," added co-captain Lesley Gerberding '03. "I am really not sure what happened after half time."

The sentiment on the team was clearly stated by Kelly Roman '04 who commented, "We thought we were the better team. It was just a

really frustrating game."

While the women may be disappointed in the outcome of the game against Williams, in which 2001 NESCAC Rookie of the Year Christa Thoeresz '02 scored the lone camel goal, they are not even remotely shaken. The team is beaming with confidence and determination. As Luciano remarked, "I think everything is going up for us. We've had a couple of tough losses, but we have the ability to play with the best in the NESCAC. We have the talent, it is just a matter of producing."

Gerberding agreed, stating, "This is the first year that I really think that we have a good, solid group of girls... we mesh really well both on and off of the field."

While there are 9 freshmen on the team, the majority of the team is comprised of upperclassmen who have been playing together for a number of years. The upperclassmen spent a week in Barbados for pre-season in order to train and resurrect the chemistry they had on the field prior to returning to Conn this fall. As for the freshmen, the new members have "totally stepped up," according to Gerberding. Luciano enthusiastically added, "They [the freshmen] are all really hard workers. The personalities of both the freshmen and the upperclassmen work so well together this year. We really do not have anyone on the team who clashes."

Because of the good relationships between the women, practices have been extremely productive. In order to build endurance and strength, the women go on "Wuyke runs" with track coach William



Kelly Roman and the Lady Booters are off to a slow 1-2 start. (Savage)

Wuyke twice a week for the first 45 minutes of practice. According to Roman, "Wuyke definitely works us." During practice, Lori Kessel '03, who was instrumental in the team's success on the field last year, voluntarily coaches the goalies, giving head coach Ken Kline and assistant coach Winnie Gnazzo more time to focus on the other positions. The team believes that having such a supportive coaching network will allow them to truly develop their potential this season.

Hopefully the potential will develop quickly and the chemistry

the women feel they have on and off the field will produce a win against Tufts. When asked about the upcoming NESCAC battle, Gerberding commented, "It's definitely going to be a good match with their record and our potential."

Roman showed the women's determination when she remarked, "Tufts is just like any other NESCAC team. They are strong, but they are beatable." The game at Tufts begins at 1:30 on Saturday.

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# SPORTS

## The Finer Points of Turning Left

While I usually leave the feature to the man who regularly holds this spot, since he wanted the week off I have decided to take a crack at it. Plus, this way I can keep my mother happy (she's been begging me to do this since I started writing columns).

In a February edition of Reading the Break, the Connecticut College World found out that my family and I are in fact NASCAR fans. We are part of the ever-growing population that spends Sundays on the edge of our seats, watching cars turn left



**MATT PRESTON**  
Presto's Perspective

thousands of times in a three and a half hour span. It is a habit that finds me at the brunt of many remarks, and as a result, I am now here to set the record straight and speak to what makes NASCAR so interesting.

If watching 43 cars going left at speeds upwards of 200 miles per hour just doesn't excite you, which is understandable for it is an acquired taste, there is much more to get out of going to the races. The running of this weekend's New Hampshire 300 marked the fourth time that I have been to a Winston Cup event, and between the pre-race attractions and the diverse crowd, simply being at the track is enough to make anyone want to watch the sport (yes, despite the fact that all you are doing is "sitting in a car", it is a sport, there is much more to it). It is a spectacle that rivals most in the world of sports, and I must say, one of the best times that I have ever had at a pro-sporting event.

"It's like Disney World... So out of control," said my sister of a recent trip to the New Hampshire International Speedway.

The typical day at a Winston Cup event starts at about 7:30-8 in the morning, that's assuming the green flag, waves at 1:00, leaving roughly four hours before anything begins to happen on the track. There are your standard tailgaters who start the day off early, sitting outside their Winnebago's or vans, drinking a cold one, or cooking on the grill. Yet, there are also a few other things to help occupy your time before heading out to the grand stands.

Many of the sponsors and car manufacturers setup trailers on the way into the track for the crowd to browse through. Our friends from Pfizer, sponsor of the #6 Viagra Ford of Mark Martin, for example, had a technicians waiting before Sunday's race to test your cholesterol in return for a free t-shirt (I tested a surprisingly high 176).

Forget free stuff, however, the real fun begins once you get to the track. It is about 11:30 when you find your way to your seats. Why to the seats an hour early, when there is so much partying to be done in the parking lot? Well, not only do most tracks allow you to bring your cooler to your seat anyway, but who would not want to miss the traditional, yes traditional, pre-race parade. This past weekend, my family and I were serenaded by the Concord High School Ensemble's rendition of the music to Gladiator as the NHIS emergency crews took their victory lap. Finally, pre-race concludes with a prayer and

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# Despite Loss of Key Senior Players, Field Hockey Looks Good in Opening Two Games

By CAITLIN CALLAGHAN  
STAFF WRITER

After losing their midfield core at the end of last season and pre-season injuries, there were skeptics on how the Connecticut College Field Hockey team would fare in 2002. However, despite being 1-1 after the first week of play, the team has started their season on the right foot, and already has high expectations for the rest of the season.

"I was initially apprehensive about the team this season," said senior co-captain Eleni Kotsonis of the opening of this season. "We were missing our midfield and some of our defense, but the freshmen and the upperclassmen really stepped it up. There is not a weak link on our team, and we proved that against Smith."

Conn proved its dominance as it opened the season by demolishing Smith College 3-0 in last Wednesday's game in Northampton.

Freshman Caitlin Connolly led the attack against Smith with 2 goals in the first half of play. Her first goal was scored at 13:36 and her second at 27 minutes with an assist by senior co-captain Christy Bassett.

Junior Emily Huffman topped off the run with the Camel's third goal in the second half of play at 32:14. The Camels dominated the entire game with 19 shots to Smith's 2.

## Men's Soccer Drops Heartbreaker to Defending Champs

By SYLVIE SNOW-THOMAS  
STAFF WRITER

This past Saturday, Harkness Green was the place to be. The sun was shining, there wasn't a cloud in the sky, and the air was warm with a light coastal breeze. It was the perfect weather for soccer, and a huge number of Camel fans took advantage of the favorable conditions to gather on the green to watch the men's soccer team open up their NESCAC season, taking on a formidable foe in Williams College.

The team came out tough and scrappy right at the get go, as they knew they must against the defending NESCAC champions. In the first few seconds of the contest, Conn had a great chance with a free kick, as Williams seemed to be back on their heels, not expecting as much of a challenge as they were about to undertake.

As Williams settled in, however, they began to take control of the game, especially through the middle of the field as their two star Jamaican forwards saw a lot of the ball while hovering outside the top of the penalty box, just waiting to pounce on a loose ball. Williams put the Conn defense under a lot of pressure early and often, hitting the crossbar after crossbar throughout the first 20 minutes. The Camel defense held tough, however, as they turned away shot after shot. A great amount of credit for Conn's strong D must be given to Conn's sophomore goalie, Jon Knights, indisputably the hero of the game. Knights held Conn in the game all throughout the contest, making numerous stellar diving, leaping and tipping saves from point blank range.

"I always knew he could play that way," said sophomore defender Devin Kanabay in regards to Knights play. "He was absolutely great, but it was no surprise to me."

As Conn held off Williams time and time again in the first half, Williams became frustrated and the Camels were able to start pressuring the Williams back four. Led by center midfielder and tri-captain, P.J. Dee '03, and Tim Walker '04, Conn's lone striker, the Camels put the ball on the ground and knocked it around.

Conn coach Bill Lessig implemented a new forma-



After a strong season opener, Camel Field Hockey's hopes are dashed with a defeat at the hands of Williams last Saturday. (Jackson)

Said Bassett of the game, "The Smith game was one of the most fun games that I have ever played in. It was after this game that we all came to the realization of how solid our team truly is this year."

After the strong performance in the opener, the Camels had high hopes going into their first home game versus Williams College last Saturday. And, much like the Smith

contest, the Camels came out to a quick start.

"Williams did not know what hit them for the first ten minutes," said Huffman. "All they could do was stand and watch."

Yet these high hopes died just as quickly as they came and the Camels ended the first half down 1-0 after Williams scored at the 26-minute mark.

Williams struck again in the second half with 3 more goals. The game was temporarily interrupted by the sprinkler system going off with 9:22 remaining. This gave the Camels a well-needed respite to regroup. After this brief timeout Huffman charged down the open field and crossed the ball to Connolly who scored the first, and only goal of the game for the



Devin Kanabay and the rest of Men's Soccer came up short in opener against Williams. (Savage)

tion and style of play this year playing essentially a 5-4-1, using four men playing straight across in defense, with two in the center marking the Williams forwards, especially Jamaican national teamer Alex Blake. Blake was decidedly ineffective throughout the course of the game as center back Jimmy Palten '04 barely let him touch the ball.

After stifling Williams for the first forty-five minutes, facilitated by their bunkering in on defense, Conn looked promising offensively in the beginning of the second half. They won a corner kick only two minutes in which produced one of their best chances of the game. Off the corner, Dee laid the ball back to wing midfielder Nate Appel '04, who took a rip from 35 yards out that screamed right over the bar.

16 minutes later, the tempo changed again, however, as Williams hit the post twice in a matter of seconds.

Both teams continued to pressure, and both teams became frustrated with one another as four yellow cards were issued in the second half. But the Camels would not lie down as they fought hard until the end. That end came with 1:23 left on the game clock, when the referee called a handball on Conn right at the top of

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camels. The spark came too late.

"It was the only goal we scored that day, but it showed our determination and that we were not just going to succumb to losing to Williams," said Bassett of her team's effort on Saturday.

The Camels had 7 shots to Williams' 5. Freshman Kate Reardon (4 saves) and Freshman Ashley Kenerson (1 save) split the game in goal.

Said Kotsonis of the loss, "I was very frustrated on Saturday. We were a totally different team. We just could not seem to step it up. We are going to put that game behind us and play like we know we can."

There are seven freshmen on the mainly underclassmen roster. Junior Carrie Ozols is out with injury but should be back this week. However, the lack of experience and injuries do not lower expectations for Kotsonis or her teammates.

"The freshmen are a very solid class," said the captain. "I have very high expectations for us this year. I honestly think we could be NESCAC champions if we work hard enough."

The Camels now face a short five day lay-off, but return to action on the road when they face Springfield College on Friday at 4:00, and then take on NESCAC opponent Tufts on Saturday at 1:00, at Tufts.

## In Your Face, Bud!

Forget about the Oakland A's and their incredible twenty game winning streak. Nevermind the fact that Curt Schilling and Randy Johnson became the first teammates to each strikeout 300 batters in the same season. Don't bother to mention that the Atlanta Braves won their eleventh straight NL East Division Championship, having seemingly clinched the title a week or so into the season. And please, I don't want to hear a word about the New York Yankees, who reportedly thought they were excluded from

having to comply with the recent labor contract that involves increased revenue sharing and a luxury tax (George Steinbrenner was apparently overheard saying, "We don't have to follow the new rules, do we? We're the damn Yankees! I'm George Steinbrenner for God sake!").

Far and away, the best story of the 2002 Major League Baseball season is the Minnesota Twins, who went from the brink of extinction to AL Central Division Champions in the span of seven months. The wise and almighty Commissioner Bud Selig told everyone that the Twins simply couldn't compete anymore while playing in Minnesota. Bud ought to ask the Indians and White Sox whether or not the Twins can still play some ball on a major league caliber level. As Indians designated hitter Ellis Burks remarked, "Hopefully, next year we'll be able to compete with them a little better."

While hard numbers may have supported Selig's claim, namely the team's payroll and revenue, the desire of a team and a city that once owned the majors following back-to-back World Series wins in 1990 and 1991 simply could not be calculated. Without one major free-agent acquisition or headline trade, the Twins used home-grown talent and other teams castoffs to resurrect a midwestern city whose team plays in a stadium which some sportscasters refer to as "the hefty bag." Better known as the Metrodome, the right

field wall is seemingly composed of a large plastic material that jiggles like a cup of Jell-O pudding every time an outfielder bangs against it. A written description really gives it no justice; one must see it in action to fully appreciate it.

Perhaps the only thing that could have made this tale even better would have been a successful season by Selig's other target for contraction, the Montreal Expos. Their hundreds of fans (yes, I do mean hundreds) have nothing better to do between the time the Canadians are eliminated from the playoffs in April and the start of training camp in September than check out a novelty act of a sport brought over from America known as baseball. Hometown stars include good ole Canadian boys such as Guerrero, Cabrera, Vazquez, Vidro and Colon, if by Canadian you mean Latin American. The natural connection just isn't there for some strange



**Matthew Kessler**  
Kessler's Korner

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## Camel Scoreboard

### Women's Soccer:

-9/14, vs. Williams, 12:00 p.m.  
-9/18, vs. W, New England, \*\*\*  
-9/21, at Tufts, 1:30 p.m.

### Men's Soccer:

-9/14, vs. Williams, 0-1  
-9/19, vs. RI College, \*\*\*\*  
-9/21, at Tufts, 11:00 a.m.

### Field Hockey:

-9/14, vs. Williams, 1-4  
-9/20, at Springfield, 4:00 p.m.  
-9/21, at Tufts, 1:00 p.m.

### Men's Cross Country:

-9/14, Middlebury College Invitational, 2<sup>nd</sup> overall

-9/21, UMass Dartmouth Invitational, 11:15 p.m.  
-9/28 Bates College Invitational, 2:00 p.m.  
-10/5, Connecticut College Invitational, 12:00 p.m.

### Women's Cross Country:

-9/14, Roger Williams University Invitational, 1<sup>st</sup> overall  
-9/21, UMass Dartmouth Invitational, 12:00

### Women's Tennis:

-9/17, vs. Holy Cross, 0-9  
-9/20, vs. Brandies, 1:00 p.m.  
-9/24, Mt. Holyoke, 4:00 p.m.