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For many Americans, smoking is a filthy, dirty habit. If it must occur, they wish it to occur as far away from them as humanly possible.

For several other Americans, it is an addiction. Your average smoker is well aware of the risks and has tried to quit at least once but has found him or herself unable to shake their dependence of nicotine.

This campus must balance both these sides when considering the move to alter our present policy toward smoking.

Non-smokers, particularly those with allergies or asthma, should not be subjected to the smell or presence of smoke in their hallways or rooms. When they go home to their dorms (or residence halls, if you prefer) they should not have to read, study, write, hang out, or sleep in an environment that makes them sneeze, wheeze, or generally be displeased with the smell of the air they breathe.

Despite this, it is important to realize that the dorms are smokers' homes, too. To bad smoking in the academic buildings is one thing. There is no reason that a student, addicted or not, should have for lighting up in the middle of English or while waiting to register for classes. However, for the dorms, this sort of blanket proclamation is inappropriate. A student should not have

to smoke outside a building that is essentially their home for the majority of the year.

What is to be done then?

Well, the biggest difficulty with the present smoking policy is how it is constructed in an "all or nothing" manner. Blackstone, the substance free dorm, is the only dorm on this campus in which smoking is prohibited. Thus, a non-smoking student is forced to decide whether or not it is more important for him or her to live in a smoke-free dorm and thus not be allowed to drink or live in a dorm with smokers and have the option of having alcohol. The fact is that these are mutually exclusive activities. Not all people who enjoy alcohol are necessarily smokers and to make the substance free dorm the only place to escape the possibility of smoke seems to indicate the college believes that to be the case.

Considering this, there is one clear solution. Conn should name other dorms as smoking prohibited, but not substance free. In this way, those who seek a smoke-free living situation need not have to enroll in substance free house and sacrifice portions of what they might wish to be part of the "college experience" or get that "experience" and sacrifice their lungs to the cause. It is a fair solution for all parties and truly the only right one.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Oxfam Asks You To Donate Your Meal to Those in Need

To the editors:

Most of us have never known hunger, but we do know about the stark reality that severe hunger imposes on millions of people around the world. Join us this year in a new effort to raise awareness and support for the millions suffering from hunger.

It's easy to help. Next week Wednesday, November 20 has been set aside as a night to take action against poverty and social injustice. And you'll be showing your solidarity with the 800 million people living in hunger around the world. Over 14 million people are facing famine. In some areas, desperately hungry people have been reduced to eating grass, sawdust and boiled leaves.

On Monday, November 18, and Tuesday, November 19, between 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. and 5:30 - 7:30 p.m., there will be an SGA representative and one of the chaplains from Connecticut College at a sign-up table in Harris. When you sign up to donate your evening meal, you are making a commitment not to eat dinner in Harris on Wednesday, November 20th. Your ID will be deactivated for dinner only on that day. This is necessary so that Dining Services will know the amount of food they will need to provide for those attending Harris and the amount of money they will have remaining to donate to the needy.

The amount of money raised this year will be divided between OXFAM and our local soup kitchen in downtown New London.

Any faculty or staff would like to make a donation to this cause, please e-mail Molly Helms at mahel@conncoll.edu, or call at x2450.

Since 1970, Oxfam America has disbursed more than \$100 million in program funding and technical support to Africa, Asia, the Caribbean and the Americas, including the United States. Oxfam America also provides emergency aid when disaster strikes.

For more information on OXFAM, go to [www.OxfamAmerica.org](http://www.OxfamAmerica.org).

-Oxfam

### Oberlin College Students Claim 'New Threats Demand New Leaders'

To the editors:

After the election on November 5th, CNN released a poll asking voters what the most important issues in the election were. In order of importance they ranked: the

economy, Iraq, Social Security, health care, and education. One issue that did not appear on this list, climate change, is arguably the biggest potential catastrophe to face mankind. Climate change is not simply a matter of the environment: it encompasses all the issues cited in the CNN poll, plus the much-talked-about issues of national security, terrorism and totalitarianism. New threats like climate change are unlike any other issue Americans have had to vote for in a domestic election: they are global in scale, and global in consequence.

Climate change threatens to destabilize global economic, biological and political systems by exposing the planet to unprecedented weather extremes, food shortages and the spread of disease-carrying insects. Due to its devastating impacts on human health and quality of life, climate change is a matter of human rights. Period. The world's poorest and most disenfranchised people will be hit the hardest by more frequent and longer-lasting droughts and storms. It is no coincidence that the island nation of Tuvalu is planning to sue the United States for creating the carbon burden that will sink its shores in the near future. Where has the leadership been on the issue of climate change? Where has the genuine leadership been on any of the global issues that threaten our long-term political stability?

Those of us in our early twenties have a critical responsibility. Climate change has been called a threat on the order of nuclear holocaust, yet Americans are complacent. We should act now, with the kind of urgency felt by our parents during the Cuban Missile Crisis, to abate emissions so that we can avoid some of the impacts of climatic change. Peaceful, mutual solutions are possible, and as long as leadership in Washington is lacking, we must lead the nation on this issue. At Oberlin College, the student group Climate Justice is targeting the college administration to adopt policies that will make significant campus-wide reductions in greenhouse gas emissions. We are holding ourselves responsible and acting responsibly as a result. Other schools, like Cornell, Tufts and Lewis & Clark, have already set the precedent by making serious commitments to ameliorate climate change.

College and university campuses need to be functioning examples of what the future can be. Our schools exist to train us for the future; but if they do not acknowledge and address issues like climate change, what hope is there for a livable future? We are members of the generation that will oversee either the undoing of the planet or its rebirth. If it is to be the latter, we need to regroup, realize there is hope for the future, and exert our own political powers on every level of governance starting with our schools. It's our future, so let's make sure it meets our standards for livability and peace.

-Mira Inbar and Claire Jahns '03  
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## THE SEX LIST

SASHA SUDEROW • IF YOU WILL

This is the start of a column I hope will enable off-beat opinions, criticisms and critiques to reach the light of day. I realize few people read the 'Voice', but maybe editorials like this one will have an effect upon the social discontent at Conn College.

Here is my social contract with the reader. You send me any opinion you have; I don't care how outrageous or offensive it is. I will field what you have to say with what I have to say in a positive output.

I remember having a discussion with a friend, when the subject came to girls and sex. This in itself was highly unusual. (sarcasm) As the conversation unraveled I, for better or worse, asked him how many girls he had slept, or "hooked up" with. He couldn't recall off hand, yet claimed to possess a list he had made and updated as the opportunity arose. He looked for the list, but to my relief couldn't find it.

My question warranted a shrug of the shoulders, or numerical guess. No investigation needed. So I thought.

He seemed to take finding the list as a priority for 'things to do' in the coming days.

So the question beckoned: Why would one create and keep such a list? To this I can only speculate that my friend is not alone in his peculiar method of sexual archiving. What would such a list look like? Would it be empirical and simply say a person's name followed by noteworthy behaviors such as, "Likes to bite." Or could it be a sappy memoir of love lost and sexual conquest? Only he knows. (If he ever found the list, that is)

Maybe my friend wanted to keep a demographic

record of the various types of girls he had been with, so that he could create a sophisticated analysis with which to determine which girls in his present life should be left alone. History repeats itself.

I think the list was created for nefarious purposes. How else is he going to figure out exactly who gave him that itchy groin, and then present the offending girl with unwavering conviction that she is the carrier of "crotch crickets."

It is my belief that the final analysis would prove such a list would have a harmful effect. It seems fairly obvious that time will erase the memory of someone who had little or negative effect on our lives. The people who left their mark in our minds are best remembered whilst the insignificant and unattractive moments should be left in the closet with the other skeletons. The internal debate over a person's merit will be decided by time and the lasting effect it has.

A memory is one of the few possessions we own that cannot and should not be tampered with. When someone is asked how many people they have "hooked up," the question (if answered at all) should pertain to a quantitative measure of love that has been experienced, and not flesh that has been groped.

The ones who we cared about, broke our hearts, or left a lasting impression should remain in the mind not as a name in some chronology, but rather a face, feeling, and sensation that will be reflected on fondly, if not perused again.

## Correction

In Issue 8 the article entitled "Ghoulis Films to Relieve That Post-Halloween Depression" was written by Editor-in-Chief Tim Stevens, not Associated A&E Editor Nancy Dinsmore.

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OPINION

AN AMERICAN PERSPECTIVES FROM MOROCCO

NOAH SILVERMAN • VIEWPOINTS

Assalaam aleykum wa kul aam wa antum bekhir!  
My host-mother yells my Arabic name for the fourth time as bleary-eyed and half-asleep I make my way into the kitchen. She pours me a cup of Nescafé and places a plate of avocado salad in front of me as she implores me "kul! kul!" (eat! eat!) Slowly waking up, I oblige. Fifteen minutes go by and as the last forkful of avocado makes its way to my mouth a sudden cry reverberates through the apartment from the nearby minaret. "God is greatest, god is greatest!" cries the voice and my mom snatches the fork out of my hand, "no more food until tonight" she says. It is currently 5:15 am on the 5th day of Ramadan, and the first slivers of light from the sunrise can be seen.

Ramadan, the Islamic holy month wherein Muslims (and their American host-students) fast from sunrise until sunset, started last Wednesday after the new moon was spotted the night before. Since Wednesday not a single person could be seen eating, drinking, or smoking during the daylight hours here in Rabat, the capital of Morocco, or in any Muslim city for that matter. Observing and participating in this practice as an American Jew studying here has been, well, interesting to say the least. In theory, the Qur'an requires Muslims to fast so "that you may learn self restraint," but anyone who has attended a Moroccan Iftaar (break-fast) could tell you that the one thing missing from these smorgasbords is restraint. Every delicacy and type of yummy Moroccan food you could imagine is laid out across the table, around which the entire family gathers to break their fasts together.

This seeming contradiction is really just one of many, I have discovered. As a matter of fact, to the casual outside observer, Moroccan culture is replete with paradoxical anachronisms: only a few hundred yards away from the third largest mosque in the Muslim world hangs a three-story banner advertising McDonald's; in the streets of the centuries-old city of Fez are Moroccans wearing djellabas (traditional Moroccan costumes) and talking on cell-phones; the country is ruled by a monarch who is also the president of the capital's surf-club; and the teenagers dining at McDonald's on a Saturday night are more decked out in mini-skirts and makeup than CC girls at a TNE. However, after having been here now for over two months, it occurred to me that all of these cases are examples of the same dialectic occurring throughout most of the world (including the U.S.): it is the struggle between residual and emergent culture, between tradition and modernity, and on a larger scale between globalization and the desire to return to a highly mythical, glorified past.

Morocco is not impossible to understand, even for an American, but it is impossible to generalize. From the languages spoken to the ethnicities of native Moroccans to food to dress to culture, everything exists in diversity here. In fact, Morocco offers perhaps one of the few case studies in true religious pluralism. For over a thousand years Moroccan Jews and Moroccan Muslims lived together in peace and harmony here without a single incident. Their rapid departure in the decades after the creation of Israel is seen by most Moroccans as a great loss to their country. So what then of those people who tell us now that Jews and Muslims have always been at war and always will be at war? Or even what of those who tell us how we are currently caught in a clash of civilizations, the West versus Islam? These people exist on both sides of the Atlantic. Not more than three weeks ago my host cousin informed me that she "hates all Jews and wants them all to die." Imagine her surprise when I told her that I was Jewish. Three weeks later she is asking me to teach her Hebrew. Being here and seeing the "other" has reinforced for me what I suspected before. It is not religion or nationality that separates the peoples of the world now. Rather it is ignorance and the arrogance that is born out of ignorance. In the next few weeks, we may or may not see the next phase of the war on terrorism unfold in Iraq. I wonder, though, will fighting wars broaden or reduce the gap between our two peoples, cultures, religions? Is terrorism the result of irreconcilable differences or a willingness to understand those same differences? By answering fire with fire, are we any more righteous in our quest to eliminate the intolerance, evil, and aggression of the other?

Living in an Arab and Muslim country this semester has certainly been a challenge and an adventure. But halfway through it, I am left feeling that I have more in common with these people than I do with my own government. While at the same time that I recognize that I don't have access to all the information, I wonder if those people who claim to know have access to experiences like mine. If I was forced to make a generalization about Morocco, it would be that Arabs and Muslims here don't hate Israelis because they are Jews anymore than they hate Americans because we are free. Surprisingly enough, Moroccans simply hate injustice because it is unjust. I doubt that it is very different in Iraq, but then again, I wouldn't say until I had been there.



We could not afford the Backstreet Boys or 'NSync, but 98° says: "Write for the College Voice!"

REMEMBERING BOB, FIVE YEARS LATER

TIM STEVENS • COMPLAINT OF THE WEEK



Five years ago this week was the first time death ever really touched my life.

Before I go on, I should warn you of something. If the opening sentence was not indication enough, this is not one of my typical columns. I will not be lambasting movies, heckling celebrities, or pushing forward my liberal agenda. It is just an exploration of an open wound, so please, continue reading if you wish, but realize this, while it is nothing personal, this one is not for any of you, this one is just for me.

In November of 1997, I was behaving much like you would expect a junior in high school behaves when he and several of his closest friends are going on a field trip that will essentially consist of going to a college, chatting with people his own age, and then eating lunch in the college cafeteria (sure, now it is old hat, but back... words cannot even describe the decadence of a visit to the Trinity College cafeteria for a group of kids from Newington High). In other words, I was most likely making a fool of myself to try to impress a group of friends, or, more likely, Sara Hamilton (by the way, that eventually worked, though Lord knows why... persistence I guess).

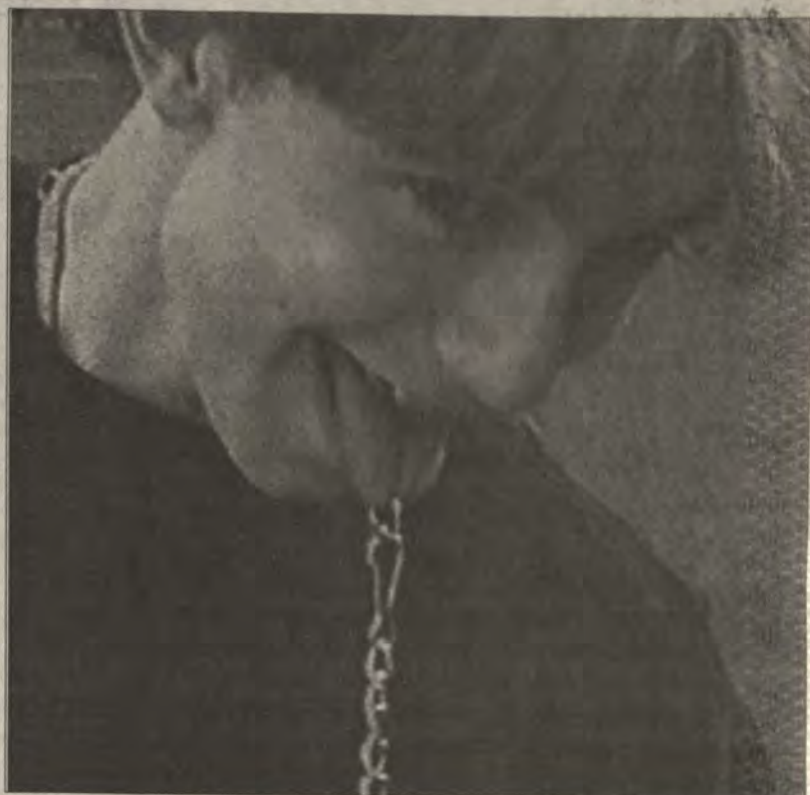
In any case, the jubilation of the day ahead of me was quickly cut away by a crying classmate. As she sobbed on her way to the bathroom, I only understood a handle of the words she said and they amounted to this: "Bob Aniello is dead...my friend killed himself."

Bob Aniello, from here on in simply BoB as he preferred to write it, was a member of our class who had moved to Newington our freshman year. While I would like to claim that he became friends with my group of friends and I because he clearly saw us to the alpha-males of the school, I realize it was more likely that he sensed a relative lack of charms and decided to take us on as a humanitarian project. Alas, he did not rub off on any of us and he gravitated toward other, perhaps less idiotic, individuals. By junior year, he and I were back together again, however, in classes and then in a youth leadership training program run by the National Guard.

He had changed outwardly, having dyed his hair from its natural brown to a green, which eventually made the transition to an odd mix of red and yellow (not blond, yellow). He had pierced his tongue and was fond of hanging a chain off of it as you can see in that picture to the right. But really, he was the same old BoB.

One of the most distinct memories I have of him is all of us talking during lunch our freshman year and hassling one another about being interested in this girl or that one and BoB sat down after having gotten dessert. One of us decided to put him on the spot, most likely to protect ourselves, and ask him what he thought of a particular girl. He shrugged, and said, "Yeah, she's a very attractive girl." You have to understand how groundbreaking that was. We were all of 14 years old and essentially emotional midgets when it came to the opposite sex. You protected the information on who you were interested tooth and nail. Don't trust anyone, essentially. And BoB just didn't seem to care. He was a good three years ahead of us, (hell, I know people my age who still go about their lives with the attitude we had back then). He was the first person my age I had ever heard admit to thinking a girl that we all knew was attractive. The thing that makes me smile the most is that all of us agreed, mumbling, but still agreed. No one ran to tell Tara that "ooh, BoB wants you," we all just kind of sat there, nodded our heads, and said, "Yeah, she is." He made us more mature with one sentence.

Two years later, he made us mature once again. It was sudden, stunning,



and coupled with the death of another student, Jenn Partridge, a day later, plunged my school into a week long silence. People, as we are all inclined to do in the face of such bald tragedy, blamed themselves and questioned how this could happen. BoB was so good, so kind, why was this allowed to occur. In a fair world ruled over by a just God, why did such a thing happen. None of us had answers.

The thing of it is this. It was not "allowed" to occur. It just did. Five years later, this is what I have learned from it all, the moral one could say. Nothing in this world is planned, nothing makes sense, nothing is simply "meant to be." BoB was not meant to be shot himself in the head in the early morning hours of November 18, 1997 and I refuse to accept it was all part of some larger master plan.

Do not get me wrong. I have done my soul searching, my questioning, and in the end, I still believe God exists. But, no, he did not decide that a member of the Newington High School graduating class of 1999 needed to die that day, nor did he decide that a graduating member of the class of 2001 needed to die a day later.

Because there is no plan, it is up to us to find meaning, to find the kernel of truth or goodness in the most horrible of events. I once watched a TV show, which one, I admit, escapes me at the moment, that ended on this quote, "Nothing that we do in this world matters, so all that matters is what we do." Yes, it is a bit of purple prose, but it is also entirely accurate. Twice in his life, BoB did something that made me grow up a little, made me into an adult. Once, he taught me that there was no need to hide how I felt about anyone and once he taught me to be thankful for every day I have on this blasted rock with my friends. And I remember and thank him for that.

So five years later this is what I have. I do not mourn his death, I remember his life.

THE TERRORISM CONTINUES

YONI FREEMAN • VIEWPOINT



This week a heinous terrorist attack struck Kibbutz Metzger, a small communal town, in Israel. On Sunday, November 10 2002, five people were murdered by a terrorist who infiltrated the kibbutz, located east of Hadera near the Green Line. Revital Ohayon, was one of the five people shot and killed. She was murdered along with her two sons, Matan, 5, and Noam, 4, as she tried to hide with them in a corner of the room. After putting them to bed several hours before, she had been speaking on the phone with her ex-husband, Avi, when she heard shots outside. She dropped the phone and ran into the boys' room, where the terrorist pursued them and shot them as they hugged one another. Avi Ohayon heard the fatal shots over the phone before it was disconnected.

Another kibbutz member, Yitzhak Dori, 44, was killed in exchange of fire with the terrorist, and Tirza Damari, 42, of Elyachin, was shot as she was strolling with a friend, who escaped harm. The Fatah Al-Aqsa Martyrs Brigades claimed responsibility for the attack. The terrorist escaped.

Following the terrorist attack Israeli forces, justly, and swiftly, began formulating a response. Early Wednesday morning, Israel time, a force of tanks, armored personal carriers, and soldiers entered Nablus, in a counter-terrorist and defensive measure in response to the terrorist attack. This is a valid operation as it is in line with democratic principles of governance where the government of a democratic state has the right and responsibility to defend its citizens. Nablus is known to house the Al-Aqsa Martyrs Brigades leaders, and it's the Israeli Defense Force's intention to damage this terrorist network. Security sources confirmed Wednesday that they suspect that Sirhan Sirhan, a resident of the Tulkarm refugee camp, carried out the attack and Palestinian reports claimed that his uncle was among those arrested on Tuesday by security forces.

The force that was sent in has taken up positions in the city and is now SEARCHING DOOR TO DOOR in an effort to both find terrorists and to minimize civilian casualties. The terrorist organizations ironically call themselves as fighters for the common Palestinian man, but ironically hide themselves in large population centers, in an effort to use their own "brothers" as human shields. This is one of the main reasons civilians are caught in the crossfire.

The force will probably operate within a time span of a couple of weeks where an operation similar to Jenin will take place where in the end a large number of terrorists, terrorist leaders, and wanted suspects will be caught. In addition the IDF is probably going to find more explosive labs and weapon dumps.

What Israel is doing is right and I would expect any democratic nation to do the same in order to protect its population from terrorism. The US has and is doing so and Israel has and is doing so. Think about it. An innocent and helpless mother trying to protect its dearest members of the family shot and killed along with her sons while they were hugging each other. Can you picture that? Terrorists cannot be appeased nor be negotiated with.

Yet again, there was also a double standard by those in the world who claim to condemn these types of murderous killings. Following the attack I didn't hear widespread calls for an emergency session of the UN Security Council to convene; I didn't hear widespread European Union condemnation; I didn't hear the media frenzy that should have erupted just as fast to when the Bali bombing occurred; I heard none of that. Why? I shall repeat it again: They only raise their voices when Israel is no longer the sole entity involved. They wait for Israel to respond. The media does so as well, pre-

sending its front page with "Israel raids Palestinian camp" or "the cycle of violence continues."

Arafat is a terrorist and continues to use his position in the international community to safeguard terrorists and fund them. He provides them with moral and material support and even heads the Fatah terrorist organization.

The notion that these terrorist groups are fighting "occupation" and settlements was also further invalidated by this latest attack: how can this latest terrorist attack validate the terrorist organization's "platform," if the location was behind the 1967-lines? Does this latest terrorist attack show that they are committed to killing soldiers and other "occupiers"? Killing little kids who have nothing to do with anything does not fit that goal. The sim-



Noam, Revital, and Matan Ohayon were murdered in their homes on Kibbutz Metzger (Nov 10)

ple conclusion I can make is that terrorists view Israel as one big settlement.

In addition, as Honestreporting points out, this attack also shows that the terrorist groups in the Palestinian territories are working together.

BBC ([http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/middle\\_east/2439423.stm](http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/middle_east/2439423.stm)) reports Al-Aqsa Brigades as saying that the kibbutz attack was in retaliation for the death of Iyad Sawalha, a commander in Islamic Jihad. So now Arafat's Brigades are retaliating for attacks against Islamic Jihad — ostensibly the Muslim radicals that Arafat pledges to rein in. Something doesn't add up. Sounds like more proof that Fatah and Islamic Jihad are coordinating terror activity.

Terrorists do not distinguish blood nor do they care about the people they claim to be fighting for. The latest terrorism does nothing but bolster the rightful Israeli position towards terrorists. Israel is justified in its counter-terrorist measures. Israel will not negotiate with an entity which supports or is terror. Israel will not allow terrorists to operate out of the Palestinian territories. Israel is a democracy and has a right to defend its citizens and to lead counter-terrorist operations so as to live up to its responsibility. In order for there to be peace negotiation, the terrorist networks and the Palestinian Authority sponsored terrorism must end and replaced by a new terror-less and democratic leadership.

There is no "cycle of violence", rather there is Palestinian terrorist action followed by Israeli defensive reaction. The violence cannot end until the Palestinians abandon terrorism, allowing peaceful negotiations to resume. Every nation must protect its citizens from threats to their lives. No nation can give in to a situation in which its citizens are victimized daily by indiscriminate terrorism. Israel is no exception.

The IDF will continue to foil and thwart Palestinian terrorists and their co-operatives, in order to defend the citizens of Israel.

Until next time, YF

# ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

## Rock Revival

**THE USUALS** – On The Lover's Circuit

For a ska fan, in recent times the genre has had little to offer that knows its roots. Ska goes way back, actually starting in Jamaica. No no, ska didn't come from reggae; reggae came from ska. And these days ska has been bastardized a million times over – people think a ska band is a punk band with horns. The Usuals are here to dispel any such rumors – these cats are the real deal. The album starts out with the oh-so-very dancehall "Rocket Reggae" with a slow upstroke, happy plinking, lethargic brass, and the enticing voice of Julie Esbjorn. Yes, kids, this is a female-fronted ska band, and Gwen Stefani is not involved. Every lyric is dripping with sticky-sweet schoolgirl love, causing a delightful sing-along feel. Things get a little more impressive on the second track, "Boomer." This song continues with the dancehall vibe, but employs a bit of technology – they make the vocals echo! Even better, our leadwoman does a Madonna-esque quasi-rap: "one, three, five, seven, wanna be prime time, but you're eleven..." Delicious, if I don't say so myself. The album picks up a bit for the song "Salty



**EMILY MORSE**  
Jump Off the Bandwagon

Coffee," an upbeat, joyful song about lost love. This is a very typical move for traditional ska – making something exciting and uplifting from something painful. This song also features highly commendable hornwork. One can't forget the amazing instrumental track, which exhibits the individual talents of each musician in the band with a solo. "Leon's Not Listening" tells the fun and melodic story of a boy who, well, just doesn't listen. Perhaps the best exhibit of Julie's pipes is on the track "Hey Boy," a playfully seductive little love song with a slow, relaxing calypso feel. The entire album really gives off that good ol' retro sense of ease, particularly on "Thirteen 45's" with the lyrics "You, you are my little darling and I'm saying I love you, like the words of these old songs. You, you are my little angel and these eyes of blue I look into, I'm hoping they love me." Listening to the record, you might believe you've been swept away to a sandy beach in the Caribbean, where there are, as they say in Jamaica, "no worries, man." And who couldn't use that? Even "Underdog," the anthem of a superhero, is slow and requires little thinking to process. A sure delight is "Heartbreaker," which warns the general public of your average man-stealing, heart-crushing uberwench. And if for some reason, nothing else gets stuck in your head, "Three a.m." provides you with the amazingly catchy chorus "Mommy's alright, Daddy's alright, they just seem a little weird..." You really can't miss out on this record – it's a staple for any true ska fan, a must for a music lover, and a need for anyone who wants a vacation.

Genre: Homebaked Skatacular Goodness

Try It If You Dig: Save Ferris, Early No Doubt, Less Than Jake

**THE MODIFIERS** – Secret Frequencies

It's hard to pinpoint exactly where rock started going down the tubes – as much as I'd like to blame Creed for everything wrong in the music industry, I know they can't be blamed for all the downfalls of those who sprawl all over the cover of Rolling Stone. What's definite, however, is The Modifiers have been doing all they can to keep rock alive. Their album is a 13-track blast off to a planet where Rock hasn't been damaged by unoriginality, imitation, and overproduction. Songs like "I Like Her (Band)" exhibit songwriting that is done for the sheer joy of creation and the fun of making music. "Haywire" is an adventure in distortion and vintage radio sounds, complete with a little beach boys influence and the line "If we can't hardly wait and the music resonates/it's true" which surely is a way of paying homage to The Replacements. If any band ever got away with mimicking the Replacements, it's The Modifiers. And yet, at times, there seems to be a little Cobainian influence in the vocals and the slightly grungy riffs, especially on the fifth track, "Window" which is heavy with distortion and declares "I walked under your old apartment window yesterday/the song we played all summer long was blowing my way/wherever you are, I hope you're o.k." Each track on this record is distinctly different from its peers and has a personality all its own. "Sight Unseen" is an upbeat rock and roll tune, and it's followed by the far more melodic and slow "Anonymous," which features the guest vocals of Linda Goldman. The small part she plays in this song and the charming chimes add a dynamic that create something altogether impressive. "Star Route" begins with an owl call, acoustic guitar, and lethargic vocals, progressing into a strong, rich mesh of words and sound. "Rootless," also featuring the lovely voice of Goldman, is an acoustic story clearly influenced by old-time country a la Johnny Cash and the songwriting of his royal rock-iness Tom Petty. The creativity that oozes from this record is like none you've heard since rock dribbled off and modern radio took over. This is the kind of record you can put in and chill out to without falling asleep or becoming numb. It's energizing and relaxing at the same time. And if it's not something you've heard yet, it should be on your to do list.

Genre: Pop-Punk-Infused Light-Hearted Rock

Try It If You Dig: The Replacements, The Goo Goo Dolls, Tom Petty.

**CROSS MY HEART** – Temporary Contemporary

Let's face it, kids: genres are more indiscernible now than they ever have been before. It's the nature of things – everyone influences everyone, and it's truly impossible to create anything original. Sure, something can be very, very innovative, but nothing's completely new. It's just how it is. One of our favorite labels lately in the genre-dropping game has been "emo." What is emo? Emo is short for emotionally driven punk rock – at least that's what I was told by my high school's dirty emo kid. This leads to the following question: what music isn't emotionally driven? Well, none, when it comes down to it. But emo is extremely sappy. The kind of emo that I'm guilty of ragging on is what I like to call "sally rock" or "oh-my-god-my-girlfriend-dumped-me-three-years-ago-let-me-cry-about-it-in-a-corner-oh-kill-me-now rock." Typical of this genre is an acoustic guitar, a wounded man, and gushy lyrics. So what makes an emo band stand out from the rest? Cross My Heart, a band hailing from the oh-so-emo Deep Elm label embodies this standard, whatever it is. Their album opens with a melody that sounds like something Chris Isaak would play, progressing a bit with precise bass and the not-dark incarnation of Tool's intricate guitar work. They keep it emo though, with the lyrics: "You tell me love won't break your heart. I'll tell you yeah you live forever. In a lie you'll never see." The second track, "Tonight We'll Light Ourselves On Fire" is the embodiment of underlying violence disguised by beauty and song. It begins without anything super special, but an aptly-placed bout of vocal distortion, and the right-on percussion give it an intriguing appeal. This song is a perfect example of how screaming can be lovely – there's a place for it in music, and "Tonight We'll Light Ourselves On Fire" takes words that mean something very simple by themselves and sculpts them into several different pieces of art. They can be sung, screamed, accompanied by several different types of melody – and they are absolutely loved. These musicians aren't without passion. This is further expressed in "London Bridge" which paints a clear and accurate picture of the range of emotions and anger felt by an individual experiencing any sort of depressive disorder. The song has ups and downs in intensity and mood; the lyrics sung express far more than they ever could on paper. This band doesn't rely on lyrics to create something wonderful – while their songwriting is impeccable, musically each song could stand by itself without a single word. It's solid musicianship. "Infinity Doesn't Live Here Anymore" is Cross My Heart's version of a power ballad with strong piano, gorgeous string arrangement, and quasi-harmonies, finishing out with full on throttling guitar. The true gem of the album is "Self-Loathing Bastard," the most energetic track on the record, shining among the rest of the self-critiquing pensive love songs. It has a bit of a power pop format and features extremely catchy riffs and the opening line "Under the cove/I hold my breath/I hide my head/From alarm clocks and lovers/That wake me when I wish I were dead." You'd think perhaps after this journey through a man's tragedies and not-quite-triumphs, you'd be ready to dispel all of humanity and sit in bed for days wondering why things have to be so rotten. But Cross My Heart has a way of presenting the saddest things in a manner that brings hope and enlightenment to your life, rather than the sorrow expressed in their music. It's amazing. Next time you're about to knock emo, I suggest you rethink it a bit and check out Cross My Heart – it's an entirely new perspective on the expression of emotion.

Genre: Hopeful Emo To The Heart-Broken Core

Try It If You Dig: Dashboard Confessional, Weezer's Pinkerton, Thursday



The Boston Camerata performed songs reminiscent of medieval Spain last weekend in Palmer Auditorium (Faries).

## 'Cantigas' Recalls Medieval Times

By CHRISTINE DiCOMO

STAFF WRITER

Last weekend, audiences in Palmer Auditorium were able to experience what life might have been like in the courts of Medieval Spain. The Boston Camerata, an acclaimed musical ensemble, performed a program last Saturday called "Cantigas de Santa Maria: Songs of Mystic Spain" as part of Connecticut College's OnStage series. The Boston Camerata was joined by its European sister, the Camerata Mediterranea, and by the Sharq Arab-American Ensemble. This performance drew from the collection of more than 400 songs to the Virgin Mary, all written by or for King Alfonso the Wise, who was King of Castille in the 13th Century. The court of King Alfonso was made up of Christian, Muslim, and Jewish musicians, and the Camerata incorporated elements of all three religious traditions into their performance.

The songs themselves were beautiful, and were accompanied by narration throughout the performance, which greatly helped to expand audience's appreciation of the music. At the beginning of the performance, Music Director and performer Joel Cohen explained that the Camerata wanted to truly recreate the experience of being at court in medieval Spain, and therefore asked the audience to imagine themselves as the King and Queen, being serenaded by court musicians. He also took time to explain the instruments being used, as most audience members were probably unfamiliar with the lauta, the vielle, and the oud. These medieval instruments are all predecessors of the more modern lute, fiddle, and violin. The ensemble consisted of eleven performers, four of whom were singers and the rest of whom were primarily instrumentalists. All of the musicians were extremely talented, but perhaps most impressive to my Western sensibilities was the violin player, who played his instrument in the medieval style – held vertically on his knee, facing away from him. The four solo singers ranged from French and Spanish to Algerian in descent, and their musical training included everything from classical Western opera to traditional Mediterranean vocal music. This range of styles and backgrounds caused each of the Cantigas to have its own unique sound, and it certainly mirrored the multiculturalism that characterized the court of King Alfonso. Research has shown that there was a great deal of cultural and religious diversity among performers in the Medieval Spanish court, and this melding of cultures was central to the Camerata's performance.

The performance opened with the musicians proceeding in from the rear of the auditorium, singing the first Cantiga. This was a very effective opening, and it

probably paralleled the way in which court musicians would have proceeded into a hall in the thirteenth century. A series of Cantigas followed, broken up by occasional narration that outlined the stories told in each song. Many of the Cantigas in the first half of the show were festive and upbeat, and were described by Cohen as "pieces of collective rejoicing." After intermission, Cohen explained that the Camerata would perform some of the more "mystical" Cantigas. Many of these songs performed in the second half had a more somber, soft, haunting feel to them. One song in particular, "Por Nos Virgen Madre," was absolutely mesmerizing. This Cantiga was performed by singer Anne Azéma from off-stage, which had the effect of focusing one's attention entirely on the music without engaging the sense of sight. After a long performance, the Camerata performed two lively, upbeat, celebratory encores, which got the audience clapping enthusiastically. All the performers were incredibly talented musicians, but it was their stage presence and enthusiasm that truly made the performance a success. The members of the ensemble possessed a vitality and a sense of expression that drew the audience in and created a festive atmosphere. In addition, the colorful costuming and minimal scenery were very effective complements to the performance.

Modern-day musicians cannot be sure exactly how the Cantigas de Santa Maria were interpreted and performed in Medieval times. Cohen explained that researchers have recreated a framework for the Cantigas using several large and elaborate manuscripts from the royal court. The Camerata based its reconstructions on these manuscripts and on the traditions of Arabo-Andalusian music, which shares many melodic motifs and patterns with medieval music like the Cantigas. Thus, the Cantigas as performed today are not an exact replica of the songs that were sung by court musicians in the 13th century, but they are as accurate a representation as is possible with the available resources.

The Boston Camerata was founded in 1954, and has since been dedicated to teaching, research, recording, and concert projects such as the Cantigas de Santa Maria. They have won a number of international awards for their work, and their recordings have been distributed worldwide. Their sister organization, The Camerata Mediterranea, was established in Europe in 1990 by Cohen. The Sharq Ensemble, made up of musicians from Egypt, Syria, and Morocco, took the place of Morocco's L'Orchestre Abdelkrim Rais. L'Orchestre Abdelkrim Rais was scheduled to perform with the Boston Camerata, but was not able to enter the United States on time due to visa complications.

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# Not Just Another Night of A-Cappella

By EMILY MORSE  
STAFF WRITER

A cappella never ceases to amuse Connecticut College. On Friday, November 8, it was yet another of our fantastic group's turn to take the stage: the Connecticut College ConnChords. Along with the Dartmouth Aires, the Chords entertained a mostly full Harkness Chapel with a seven song set list and an amazing encore. The Aires opened the show with amusing performances of 80's new wave favorites such as A-Ha's "Take On Me" and "Don't You (Forget About Me)" (originally by Simple Minds) - complete with kitschy choreography. Despite having a massive group, these guys knew how to tie it all together - their percussion was tight, their voices were amazing, and their true ability to perform was incredible. It's almost a shame they only gave us four songs before handing the stage over to our ConnChords. Not that the Chords were a disappointment in the least - they proved themselves worthy of the packed pews. The girls opened the show with Michael Jackson's "Billie Jean" arranged by senior Marie LaFrance and featuring the solo vocals of sophomore Ellen Folan. "Billie Jean" is a big chance for anyone to take - it's a classic, and classics done poorly are hard to erase from one's record. But the ConnChords tackled it well, and Ellen deserves much credit for having mastered every little "ooh!" that Michael originally sang. The Chords performed a new piece on Friday as well, Sarah



McLachlan's "Circles," arranged by sophomore Christine Duncan and sung by freshman Kate Nichols. This piece was accented by fantastic harmonies sung by sophomore Amanda Cook. Of course, our girls didn't neglect to give us a few samples from their latest record, "...What Comes Naturally," among which was one of the highlights of the show- Kate Benard's solo performance of 10,000 Maniacs' "Because The Night," which was arranged by Christine. Also adding sensual spice to the evening was their rendition of Marvin Gaye's "Sexual Healing" with a solo by Marie (this song is also on the new album). The

ConnChords didn't hold back at all, and when called back out they performed the crowd-pleaser "Ready To Run," an uberfun Dixie Chicks song with a solo by sophomore Kate Owens and an amazing percussion finale. The ConnChords know how to make a Friday night into an event, and though our time with them was brief, it's hard to imagine that anyone in the chapel that evening was disappointed with what they heard. They showed us variety, passion for performance, and an all-around good time. The moral of the story? A cappella is great, but live a cappella is even better.

## Stewart Brings Comedy to a Casino That 'Does Not Reek of Death'

By TIM STEVENS  
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Jon Stewart is one of the funniest people in the entertainment industry today. He guided "The Daily Show" from simply a sarcastic take on the news under Craig Kilborn to an insightful, politically aware satire. In other words, he took a very funny show and somehow made it better. Therefore, it should come as no surprise that his solo stand-up act at Foxwoods was so good. Free to dispense with basic cable's content and language restrictions, Stewart was able to serve up comedy with his signature smart guy flair without it simply being a rehash of "The Daily Show's Greatest Hits."

He opened the show by informing the crowd how it was nice to work in a casino that did not "smell of death." From there he was off and running, hitting on everything from the Republicans' recent midterm election victories to quitting smoking to pets.

As I am nowhere near as funny as Stewart, here is a sampling of his some of his best moments from the night.

**On President Bush:**  
"So the Republicans own everything now. Still think Bush is a retard?"

"The man drank himself stupid until 40, then woke up one day and went, 'Time to be President.' That

isn't retarded, that is f\*\*\*ing brilliant."

**On Iraq**  
"We are going to bomb them and there is just nothing they can do about it. 'Give weapons inspectors free access to your country.'"

"Okay, the inspectors are allowed."  
"Ahh, but there must be snacks."  
"Weapons of mass destruction. As opposed to our weapons which are weapons of love."

"I think America attacks other countries not for oil, but to educate. Did any of you know the capital of Afghanistan until this year?"

**On Anti-Drug Commercials**  
"I tell you what, since I stopped smoking pot those commercials make so much more sense to me."

**On Vice President Gore:**  
"All he had to do to win was not be an a\*\*hole for five seconds...and he just couldn't do it!"

**On Connecticut:**  
"You guys should be happy about this election, it was good for white folk. Isn't that what Connecticut means in Indian? 'Good for white folk.'"

His interaction with the crowd



also helped boost the level of humor in the show. He harassed the high rollers in the front row, incited a Jets-Giants argument, borrowed a cigarette from an audience member and fiddled with it for the rest of the show (but did not smoke it. He quit two years ago), and for reasons unclear pointed to a member of the audience and said, "Look at this a\*\*hole. F\*\*\*ing guy." Besides the temporary fidget focus provided by the cigarette, Stewart was also given a t-shirt honoring him from several

audience members which he thanked them for, claiming, "This has my whole act on it. I am just going to read from here."

In the end, Stewart proved himself to be a very accomplished performer and that the daily grind of television has not dulled his sense of humor. Now if only someone could figure out how to use him in movies.

## Conn Entrepreneurs Understand the Art of Snacking



By JESS DESANTIS

College students are simple creatures when it comes to biology. All we really want is food, sleep, and sex. Unfortunately, our culture has not evolved far enough to produce sex, at least legally, when we want it. We're pretty much on our own when it comes to sleep, too. But any undergrad entrepreneur looking to make a pretty penny is just about guaranteed success in the food business, if they play it right. College students are, by definition, hungry and poor. Our incessant need for food and drink make us game to any service that makes these necessities accessible and affordable. A few Conn students understand this, and have exploited the mechanics of the college student to their own and to the community's benefit.

### Move Over Starbucks

Espresso, a new café in Cummings, and CamelSnacks, a student-run snack delivery system, are two new developments at Conn College that promise a fuller, more satisfied, and less financially drained student populace.

Espresso is cleverly named after an Italian dynamic marking in musical scores for its appeal to both the savvy music student and to the coffee-lover, or ultimately, to the coffee-loving music student. Such a person belongs to a rare breed of undergraduate who spends four-fifths of their day on south campus, also known as the edge of the world, and only resurfaces after a marathon of listening labs, private lessons, history and theory lectures, and emergency cram sessions in Greer. For art and music people, Cro is to Cummings as the North Pole is to Blaustein or Fanning, where normal majors attend class. This is why Espresso has become so insanely popular within the past few weeks it has been open. Offering assorted tea and coffee drinks, Espresso does for Conn what Starbucks does for "real" people. It also adds charm to Cummings' previously austere ground floor, and gives you something to do in between classes other than to fixate slack-jawed on red, yellow, and blue Styrofoam. Furthermore, nothing at Espresso will burn a hole in your pocket larger than the size of a dollar-fifty. Tea selection ranges from exotic flavors to comforting favorites. Black tea devotees who are willing to rock the boat once in awhile might want to try Fruit and Almond, Chinese Fortune, Chamomile Mango, or Cran-Apple, a tour-de-force of the tea world that demonstrates the versatility of one of America's favorite juice flavors. But equally as available are your standard cup of English Breakfast, Peppermint, French Vanilla, or Green Tea with Lemon. Coffee options include café staples like Lattes, Mochas, and Café Americano, all made with Costa Rican espresso (I am actually not familiar enough with coffee to know whether this is impressive or not, but it sounds intriguing). Something unique to Espresso that should be reserved only for spring semester music or art majors doing senior projects is their Chocolate Coffee, a combo of coffee and hot chocolate that promises a lift to even those found drooling on their keyboards. Coffee alternatives are ideally suited to those who, like myself, go for the mid-grade in teahouse selection. More substantial, and more fun than tea but not quite as nerve-busting as straight joe are Spiced Cider, flavored Chai (the vanilla Chai has gotten rave reviews by Tonal I), and Steamers, the lovechild of steamed milk and flavoring and one of my personal recommendations. To complement your beverage of choice, entrepreneur and manager Rose Schweikhart and employees provide a weekly selection of home-baked goods, which have been known to include cookies and rice-krispie treats, along with biscotti. So if you happen to be in the southern hemisphere and have a minute, treat yourself. Not only is Espresso cute and paycheck friendly, but you can also mingle with the artsy (and lonely) for no

extra cost. Hours are nine to twelve a.m. and two to six p.m. Monday through Thursday.

### The Junk Men Cometh

Another noteworthy entrepreneurial endeavor, CamelSnacks is anything but Kibble for large, humped mammals. Open from eleven to three on Thursdays through Saturdays, CamelSnacks offers the kind of late night munchies we crave but can't get anywhere else on campus. Initiated by sophomores Jack Hendler, Trevor Lewis, and Erik Feuerstein, CamelSnacks claims, "We are here to ensure students safety, providing on campus late night delivery to reduce the amount of drinking and driving." Their variety is impressive, offering something for everyone from the nauseated post-partyer to the misbegotten twilight studier. The way this works is, after you decide this is the right way to go for your particular snacking needs, IM "CamelSnacks" with a list of what you would like to order and where you live. Within minutes, a nice boy will show up at your door, with everything you ordered packaged neatly in a plastic Ziploc. Men bearing food, what more is there in life?

When it comes to snacking, CamelSnacks also understands the art of balance. Equally as strong in their salt selection as they are in their assortment of sweets, this establishment deserves a gold star for truly getting into the psyche of their consumer. Anyone who calls him/herself a "snacker" understands the necessity of neutralization, by definition the interchange of sugar and salt intake until you are sufficiently bloated and have become one with your futon. Last Friday after a midnight movie viewing with the girls, I experienced snacker's high as I double-fisted Cheez-Its and M&M's. Check out their website, [www.geocities.com/camelSnacks/CamelSnacks.html](http://www.geocities.com/camelSnacks/CamelSnacks.html), for a complete menu, but here are some highlights. The chocolate department offers four varieties of M&M's, KitKat, Reese's, Twix, Three Musketeers, Snickers, Nestle's Crunch, and more. Other candy options include Welch Fruit Snacks and Gushers. On the cookie list, among others, are Famous Amos, Nutter Butter, and Oreos. In chip action, CamelSnacks offers Cheez-Its, Pringles, Lays, Doritos, Fritos, and Cheetos. Mountain Dew, Sprite, Coke and Diet Coke are all available, along with just about every color of Gatorade you can think of, bottled water, and Arizona Iced Tea. For the ambitious who own microwaves, CamelSnacks will also bring you EasyMac, a three a.m. savior, hot chocolate, and Ramen.

The fun of this all, of course, lies in the options. If you want to get a health theme going, you can order a Dole Fruit Cup and Fig Newtons and not have to worry about inhaling half your daily caloric intake right before bed. If you want to get in touch with your inner child, feast on Dunkaroos, HandiSnacks, and Sour Patch Kids. The more you order by the way, the better discounts you get. CamelSnacks charges only for delivery, and prices range from fifty cents to a dollar twenty-five depending on what you order. Need further enticement? CamelSnacks will bring you a condom with your order, a sort of "after-dinner mint," as my friend Dan observed amusedly. They are currently hiring, so if you are interested, contact them online or by phone.

Here's to an end of the semester's worth of sleep, sex, and the most stable and consistent of all, food.

with the artsy (and lonely) for no

## FishHeads

Some people believe that hell is a place of fire and brimstone, some think of it as the absence of God. For me, I think of it as a place where movies like "Batman and Robin" are made. "The Ketchup Song" gains popularity, and the Republicans control the Presidency, House, and Senate.



That has already happened? Wow. That's almost funny...you know, if it wasn't so horrifying.



### A FishHead on Hell

## MOVIE TIMES

**Hoyts Waterford 9**  
jackass the movie (R)  
Fri-Thu 12:10, 2:25, 4:40, 7:15, 9:40  
The Ring (PG-13)  
Fri-Thu 11:15, 1:50, 4:30, 7:10, 9:55

**8 Mile (R)**  
Fri-Thu 11:10, 12:50, 1:40, 3:40, 4:10, 6:45, 7:25, 9:35, 10:05

**The Santa Clause 2 (G)**  
Fri-Thu 11:20, 12:00, 2:15, 4:35, 7:00, 9:25

**I Spy (PG-13)**  
Fri-Thu 11:50, 2:20, 4:50, 7:20, 9:50

**Hoyts Groton 6**  
Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets (PG)  
Fri-Sun 11:00, 2:30, 6:05, 9:30  
Mon-Thu 2:30, 6:05, 9:30  
Half Past Dead (PG-13)  
Fri-Sun 11:45, 2:10, 4:50, 7:30,

9:55  
Mon-Thu 4:50, 7:30, 9:55  
8 Mile (R)  
Fri-Sun 11:30, 2:00, 4:30, 7:00, 9:40  
Mon-Thu 4:30, 7:00, 9:40  
The Santa Clause 2 (G)  
Fri-Sun 12:00, 2:20, 4:40, 7:10, 9:35  
Mon-Thu 4:40, 7:10, 9:35  
I Spy (PG-13)  
Fri-Sun 12:10, 2:25, 4:45, 6:55, 9:20  
jackass the movie (R)  
Fri-Sun 12:20, 2:40, 5:00, 7:20, 9:50

Mon-Thu 5:00, 7:20, 9:50

**Hoyts Mystic Village 3**  
Frida (R)  
Fri, Mon-Thu 4:00, 6:45, 9:20  
Sat-Sun 1:30, 4:00, 6:45, 9:20  
My Big Fat Greek Wedding (PG)  
Fri, Mon-Thu 4:30, 7:15  
Sat-Sun 2:00, 4:30, 7:15  
8 Women (R)  
Fri-Thu 9:25  
Punch-Drunk Love (R)  
Fri, Mon-Thu 4:15, 7:00, 9:15  
Sat-Sun 1:45, 4:15, 7:00, 9:15

## NATIONAL NEWS

## Iraq Accepts New U.N. Resolution

By EDITH M. LEDERER

ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — Saddam Hussein's government agreed to a tough U.N. resolution on weapons inspections Wednesday, declaring it wants to save the Iraqi people from war. But the harsh tone of Iraq's acceptance letter raised questions about how it would treat the arms inspectors.

Although Iraq agreed to stringent new terms, President Bush warned he had "zero tolerance" for any Iraqi attempts to hide weapons of mass destruction and said a coalition of nations is ready to force Saddam to disarm.

In a nine-page letter arriving two days ahead of a deadline, Iraq said it wants to prove to the world that it has no weapons of mass destruction. But the letter was laced with anti-American and anti-Israeli statements as well as stern warnings for U.N. weapons inspectors, whose advance team is to arrive in Baghdad on Monday.

In contrast, Iraq's U.N. ambassador, Mohammed Al-Douri, said his government had chosen "the path of peace" and its acceptance had "no conditions, no reservations."

Still, the strident tone of Iraqi Foreign Minister Najib Sabri's letter to U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan, which included warnings about how Baghdad expects inspectors to behave, raised concern about Iraq's plans to cooperate with the

resolution.

After meeting with Bush in Washington, Annan said he would wait to see whether the letter's language "is an indication that they are going to play games. ... I think the issue is not their acceptance, but performance on the ground."

Under the resolution, the inspectors have until Dec. 23 to begin their duties. Following the advance team, a small group of inspectors are scheduled to start work on Nov. 25, said Ewen Buchanan, spokesman for U.N. chief inspector Hans Blix.

The resolution calls for inspectors to report to the council 60 days after they are officially on the job. But if Iraq fails to cooperate, the resolution orders inspectors to immediately notify the council, which will discuss a response.

By Dec. 8, Iraq must declare all its chemical, biological and nuclear programs, according to the terms of the resolution.

Al-Douri said his government has nothing to fear from inspections because "Iraq is clean."

In the letter, Sabri accused Bush and British Prime Minister Tony Blair of fabricating evidence that Iraq possessed or was on its way to producing nuclear weapons — and had already stockpiled biological and chemical weapons.

"The lies and manipulations of the American administration and British government will be exposed," Sabri said.

He also warned that Iraq plans to



Iraq's ambassador to the United Nations, Mohammed Al-Douri, announces that Iraq has unconditionally accepted a tough new U.N. resolution that will return U.N. weapons inspectors to the country after nearly four years. (AP-Eskinder Debebe)

closely monitor the inspectors while they are in the country. In 1998, Baghdad accused inspectors of spying for the United States and Israel.

Under Security Council resolu-

tions adopted after Iraq's 1990 invasion of Kuwait, U.N. inspectors must certify that Iraq's nuclear, chemical and biological weapons programs have been eliminated

along with the long-range missiles to deliver them. Only then can sanctions against Iraq be lifted.

Iraq's acceptance culminates a two-month campaign that began with Bush's Sept. 12 speech to the U.N. General Assembly challenging world leaders to deal with Iraq's failure to comply with the international demands to disarm.

On Tuesday, Iraq's parliament rejected the resolution, but it has no power and Annan and others said they would wait for the official government response.

Bush declined to discuss the letter, though he thanked the U.N. Security Council for unanimously adopting the U.S.-backed resolution last Friday.

White House spokesman Scott McClellan said the test of Iraq's compliance would come in Baghdad's actions.

"We've heard this before from Saddam Hussein and the Iraqi regime," he said. "The U.N. resolution is binding on Iraq, and the Iraqi regime. Saddam Hussein had no choice but to accept the resolution."

Officials in Russia, which has long-standing economic and political ties to Iraq, welcomed Saddam's decision to accept the return of inspectors.

"We were confident that Iraq would make this decision, which opens the way for a political resolution of the situation," Russian Foreign Minister Igor Ivanov said. "Now it is important that the inter-

national inspectors quickly return to Iraq."

In Baghdad, state-run television announced Saddam's acceptance of the Security Council resolution two hours after Iraq's U.N. Ambassador Mohammed Al-Douri told the rest of the world.

Iraqi TV showed images of Saddam, in a dark suit and tie, presiding over a meeting of his Revolutionary Command Council, made up of senior military officers. The picture was frozen on the screen while an announcer read the message recounting at length a history of Iraq's dispute with the United Nations.

China's deputy U.N. ambassador Zhang Yishan, the current Security Council president, notified the 14 other members of Iraq's acceptance.

"Members of the Security Council welcomed the correct decision by the Iraqi government," he said.

The advance team that will arrive in Iraq on Monday will be led by Blix, who is in charge of biological and chemical inspections, and Mohamed ElBaradei of the International Atomic Energy Agency, which is in charge of nuclear inspections.

Blix said he would not comment until he had read the letter.

The resolution allows inspectors to go anywhere at any time to search for weapons of mass destruction. It also warns that Iraq faces "serious consequences" if it doesn't comply.

## House OKs Homeland Security Dept.

By ALAN FRAM

ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

WASHINGTON (AP) — The House voted emphatically Wednesday to create a Homeland Security Department, propelling President Bush nearer his goal of answering last year's terrorist attacks with the biggest restructuring of government in half a century.

The 299-121 roll call — and a pair of favorable procedural votes in the Democratic-run Senate — signaled that lawmakers were ready to award a legislative triumph to a president whose hand was strengthened by Republican victories in last week's congressional elections. Bush began supporting the idea of a huge new department combining 22 agencies this summer after initially coming to office seeking to diminish the role of government in Americans' lives.

"Times have changed and it's imperative to the security of our country and the security of our families that our government change as well," said Rep. Rob Portman, R-Ohio.

Opposition came mostly from Democrats arguing that the bill still lacked adequate job protections for the new agency's 170,000 workers. Voting for the measure were 212 Republicans and 87 Democrats, while six Republicans, 114 Democrats and one independent voted "no."

The bill is "just another example of the Bush administration's union-busting policies," said Rep. Corrine Brown, D-Fla.

Among the agencies the bill would combine are the Coast Guard, the Immigration and Naturalization Service and the Customs Service.

In the Senate, Majority Leader Tom Daschle, D-S.D., predicted the bill would pass by next week. Underlining the shift in momentum, he said he might vote for it despite his own objections to its labor provisions.

"It's a lame duck. The president has said he wanted the bill," Daschle said in explaining why a bill snagged in the Senate for two months was sailing toward enactment.

The Senate began debating the bill and voted 89-8 to end procedural delays and 50-47 to kill a more pro-labor Democratic alternative. Though opponents will have other chances to slow the measure, the votes reflected that senators realized it was now politically impossible to kill.

The idea of combining the government's far-flung domestic security functions into a single agency was originally proposed last year by Sen. Joseph Lieberman, D-Conn., and other members of the Senate Governmental Affairs Committee as a response to the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, 2001.

The Bush administration initially opposed the plan, offering its own proposal last summer when congressional support for the concept became overwhelming.

With hopes of wrapping up its business for the year, the House also voted 270-143 to keep federal agencies open through Jan. 11, a bill required by this year's budget deadlock between Congress and the White House. Senate passage was needed.



Rep. Ray LaHood, R-Ill., announces the passage of the Homeland Security Bill (AP Photo)

Only two of the 13 spending bills for the federal fiscal year that started Oct. 1 have become law. The remainder will have to be revisited by the new Congress next year.

The temporary bill would keep most spending at last year's levels. That meant domestic security and other programs for which Bush proposed big increases would not receive additional funding unless Congress votes for it later.

Democrats complained that Republicans stuffed provisions into the homeland security bill limiting liability for producers of the smallpox vaccine and makers of high technology airport screening equipment, as well as for many airport private security companies.

It also has vaguely worded language that would make Texas A&M University eligible for federal homeland security research — a provision inserted by Rep. Tom DeLay, R-Texas, whose district is nearby.

The measure would allow airline pilots to carry guns in cockpits, give airports a one-year delay in the Dec. 31 deadline for installing equipment to inspect all checked bags for explosives, and let the new agency sign contracts with U.S. companies that have relocated abroad to dodge taxes.

An earlier version passed the House easily in July. But the Senate deadlocked over Bush's insistence on national security grounds that he needed the power to hire, fire and deploy workers without the civil service protections most federal workers have.

The final bill requires a month of talks with unions and another month of federal mediation, but would let the agency do what it wants anyway. It would also let the president strip depart-

ment workers of collective bargaining rights, though that decision would be revisited every four years.

Sensing that last week's election had turned the tide, three pivotal moderate senators accepted the new language and embraced the bill, ensuring it had the votes needed to break the stalemate. They are Sens. Lincoln Chafee, R-R.I.; John Breaux, D-La.; and Ben Nelson, D-Neb.

Republicans say the voters punished Democrats on Election Day for taking the side of public employee unions and blocking the earlier version of the bill.

Rep. Saxby Chambliss, R-Ga., who did not serve in the military, emphasized the issue in his successful campaign to oust Democratic Sen. Max Cleland, a Vietnam War triple amputee. And some Democrats worried that if the bill was not approved, it could hurt Sen. Mary Landrieu, D-La., in the runoff election she faces next month.

Daschle said he believed Bush and the GOP played politics with the bill.

"In my view, he didn't want the bill before the election, with the expectation and hope they would use it for political purposes," Daschle said. "They have."

## Bishops Approve Sex Abuse Policy

By RACHEL ZOLL

AP RELIGION WRITER

WASHINGTON (AP) — U.S. Roman Catholic bishops overwhelmingly approved a compromise sex abuse policy Wednesday after the Vatican demanded they make changes to balance fairness to priests with compassion for victims.

Weary of scandal, bishops hoped the new plan would restore their credibility after 10 months of revelations that church leaders have sheltered molesters in the clergy. Victims and some rank-and-file Catholics were dissatisfied, and pledged to fight on for greater accountability from bishops.

The Vatican still must approve the policy to make it church law, and therefore binding on the bishops, but the revisions were worked out with officials from the Holy See. U.S. prelates are certain the document will receive Vatican approval.

"We are sometimes asked to choose between the accuser and the accused," Chicago Cardinal Francis George said as he introduced the revisions for a vote. "We cannot choose one or the other. We have to choose both. We have to love both."

The bishops voted 246-7 with six abstentions to adopt the Vatican-demanded changes, which were developed to ensure due process protections for accused priests. The prelates stressed that the policy still promises clergymen will be removed from public ministry — saying Mass, teaching in Catholic schools, wearing a Roman collar — after "even one act of sexual abuse of a minor."

A few bishops said the plan was unfair to priests who had been rehabilitated. Washington's Cardinal Theodore McCarrick responded: "We had no choice. We must move forward."

The Survivors Network of Those Abused by Priests said the policy gives too much discretion to bishops, whose negligence caused the abuse crisis.

"Bishops have voted to give themselves more power and backtracked from their earlier promises," said Barbara Blaine, the group's president. "It is critical that survivors keep coming forward, regardless of the obstacles."

The lay reform group Voice of the Faithful, created in response to the molestation scandals, said the plan created "a cumbersome procedure" that overlooks "the spiritual and pastoral needs of the survivors."

The policy allows bishops to conduct a confidential, preliminary inquiry when a molestation claim is made to determine whether it is plausible. If it is, the accused priest is to be put on leave, then must go before a clerical tribunal to determine his guilt or innocence.

Bishop Thomas Doran of Rockford, Ill., who contributed to the revisions, pleaded for patience

as the bishops worked out implementation of the policy. It will take at least a year to form the courts and train church prosecutors and judges, he said.

"This is a difficult moment for the church so we had to do something to get past it," Doran said. "Will it work? None of us is a prophet. We hope it will."

Bishops are compelled to obey local civil laws when it comes to reporting abuse claims, but no more than that. The church leaders, however, pledged to report all allegations involving children to civil authorities.

At least 325 of the nation's 46,000 priests have resigned or been removed from their posts because of accusations of sex abuse, with cases dating back years or even decades. Assuming the Vatican backs the policy, many of those cases will be heard by church courts, George said.

Asked about the chance the American plan will win endorsement in Rome, a senior Vatican official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said Wednesday that "the climate here is favorable."

The bishops are trying to heal a church under siege, facing grand jury investigations, hundreds of civil lawsuits and parishioner dissent. Bishop Wilton Gregory, president of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, acknowledged that it's been a "painful year."

"We need to make sure we are honest and above board and open," he said.

At a meeting last June in Dallas, the bishops responded to the outcry by approving their original policy to crack down on molesters. It stressed bishops' authority to pull priests out of their jobs as soon as an alleged victim made a claim.

That worried Vatican officials, who said the U.S. bishops weren't following global church mandates on protecting the rights of priests. The Holy See withheld its approval of the policy until the plan was reworked. The joint Vatican-American commission handled the revisions last month.

The new policy also spells out that the church's statute of limitations requires a victim to come forward by age 28, though bishops can ask the Vatican for a waiver in special cases.

Review boards including lay people will continue to monitor abuse claims, but the policy reasserts that it is the bishops who have the authority to manage clergy.

The crisis started with revelations last January that Boston's Cardinal Bernard Law knowingly reassigned a priest who had been accused of abuse. It quickly spread to other dioceses.

"We have a lot of challenges. Our work isn't done," Law said Wednesday. "But thank God we are where we are today. We're in a much better place than we were 10 months ago."



## NATIONAL NEWS

## U.S. Analyzing bin Laden Recording

By JOHN J. LUMPKIN

ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

WASHINGTON (AP) — Counterterrorism officials pored over the audio recording believed to be from Osama bin Laden on Wednesday, seeking clues about the terrorist chief's whereabouts and his intentions to strike America and its allies.

Officials said they were treating the tape as a real message from al-Qaida's missing leader, even as the CIA and National Security Agency conducted a technical analysis of the tape aimed at further authenticating it.

President Bush said he was taking the message "very seriously." "Whoever put the tape out has put the world on notice yet again that we're at war," the president said after a Cabinet meeting at the White House.

The president bristled when asked if bin Laden should have been captured sooner by U.S. and coalition forces. "We're making great progress in the war on terror. Slowly, but surely, we are dismantling the terrorist network," he said.

Many intelligence analysts have concluded the audiotape almost certainly was made by bin Laden, said a senior law enforcement official, speaking on condition of anonymity. Other U.S. officials were more conservative, saying it probably came from bin Laden.

"They can't get to 100 percent certainty, but they're sure," the law enforcement official said. "He's alive. We have to work on that assumption, and we are."

The official, who participated in a high-level briefing by CIA and NSA officials, said analysts are now trying to determine whether bin Laden placed cryptic messages in the recording to order followers into action.

The tape, if validated, would be the first confirmation in a year that bin Laden is alive.

The speaker on the tape sounds undeterred by the loss of bin Laden's home in the Taliban's Afghanistan or by the death and capture of several of his closest lieutenants.



Osama bin Laden's newest tape has sparked as to why he is choosing audio over his traditional choice of video (AP Photo).

tenants.

"Why should fear, killing, destruction, displacement, orphaning and widowhood continue to be our lot, while security, stability and happiness be your lot? This is unfair. It is time we get even," he says, sounding as if he is reading.

The message, aired Tuesday on the al-Jazeera Arabic television network, appears aimed at both Westerners and al-Qaida loyalists, U.S. officials said.

"Assuming it is in fact authentic, it is an effort to boost morale among the rank and file," said one official familiar with the tape, speaking on condition of anonymity. "It is an effort to show members of al-Qaida that the top leadership is still around. It could also signal future attacks."

The recording appears to have been made sometime in the past two weeks. The speaker appears to refer to the Oct. 28 shooting death of a

U.S. diplomat in Amman, Jordan. U.S. officials don't know if al-Qaida conducted that attack. The speaker also praises the bombing in Bali, Indonesia, last month, that left close 200 people dead.

He also takes on issues that resonate in the Islamic world — the U.S. threat of war in Iraq and the ongoing violence between Israelis and Palestinians. He threatens six U.S. allies: Britain, France, Italy, Germany, Canada and Australia.

U.S. officials also noted that the tape mentions three top Bush administration officials by name: Vice President Dick Cheney, Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld, and Secretary of State Colin Powell.

"It personalizes things to a degree we hadn't seen before," one official said.

Officials suggested bin Laden would deliver his message by audio, rather than video, because an audio

tape gives fewer clues to its origins. It also conceals any potential changes in bin Laden's appearance — either from injuries, illness or efforts at disguise.

Other experts who reviewed the audio message said they believed it came from bin Laden.

"He's more tired and aged," said George Michael, an independent analyst who has examined other bin Laden tapes for the government. "The speech is very well written. It's built on an old message from Prophet Muhammad to governors of the world, giving them a choice to join Muhammad or not."

U.S. defense officials said they hope backtracking the tape's trail will lead to new information about bin Laden's whereabouts. Al-Jazeera reporter Ahmad Muaffaq Zaidan said he received the recording in Islamabad, the capital of Pakistan, from an agent of the al-Qaida leader.

Counterterrorism officials have said that if bin Laden is alive, they believe he is probably in a remote, mountainous area of Pakistan along the country's border with Afghanistan. American officials have never confirmed rumors that bin Laden was wounded or suffering some kind of kidney ailment.

There was no change Wednesday in the national threat alert status, which remains at code yellow — the midway point on a scale of five threat levels. This reflects a lack of specific information about impending attacks, officials said.

"We've had increased chatter," said Sen. Richard Shelby of Alabama, the top Republican on the Senate Intelligence Committee. "I think we'd better be watching for the next hit, probably in a soft place."

Attorney General John Ashcroft said special attention is being paid to "what might be signaled" on the tape.

FBI Director Robert Mueller said the existence of the tape "does and should put us on greater alert."

"There may be individuals in the United States we do not know about who could commit attacks," he said.



President Bush, flanked by Secretary of State Colin Powell, left, and Secretary of Defense Donald H. Rumsfeld, right, speaks with reporters (AP-Ron Edmonds).

## Bush Warns Saddam Against 'Deceit'

By BARRY SCHWEID

AP DIPLOMATIC WRITER

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush said Wednesday he will tolerate no "deception or denial or deceit" from Saddam Hussein as Iraq accepted a tough new U.N. resolution that will return weapons inspectors to the country after nearly four years.

The acceptance letter was being delivered to Secretary-General Kofi Annan's office by Iraqi Ambassador Mohammed Al-Douri. Just as word of that decision broke, Bush renewed his warning that if Saddam "chooses not to disarm, we will have a coalition of the willing with us" to do the job.

It wasn't clear whether Bush was informed of the Iraqi decision as he addressed reporters in the Cabinet Room.

White House spokesman Scott McClellan said the test of Iraq's compliance would come in Baghdad's actions.

"We've heard this before from Saddam Hussein and the Iraqi regime," he said, adding that he had not seen the specifics of the Iraqi letter.

"I would remind you this was never a question of accepting or rejecting the resolution," McClellan said. "The U.N. resolution is binding on Iraq, and the Iraqi regime. Saddam Hussein had no choice but to accept the resolution."

Bush was noncommittal about what the U.S. response would be if Iraq does not formally comply with the U.N. resolution by Friday.

"I have told the United Nations we'll be glad to consult with them, but the resolution does not prevent us from doing what needs to be done, which is to hold Saddam Hussein into account," Bush said. "We hope that he disarms, we hope that he will listen to the world."

Pressed on what would constitute a "material breach" of the resolution, and thereby possibly trigger war, the president said: "Zero-tolerance is about as plain as I can make it. We will not tolerate any deception or denial or deceit."

The administration has kept its options open as a deadline approaches for Iraq to declare whether it will comply with U.N. disarmament demands.

Some of Bush's advisers would consider refusal by Saddam to accept the terms adopted last by the U.N. Security Council as a trigger for military action.

But Secretary of State Colin Powell said Tuesday he did not want to prejudge what the United Nations or the United States might do if Saddam turns down the Security Council.

"We will see what they will do this Friday," he said.

With attention focused on Baghdad, U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan was calling on Bush on Wednesday.

"We are looking forward to receiving a letter from the Iraqis by the 15th (Friday)," Annan said after a 40-minute meeting Tuesday with Powell at the State Department. "And then we will move on from there."

Chief U.N. weapons inspector Hans Blix and an advance team will leave for Iraq on Monday "and begin their work actively," Annan said.

While waiting on Baghdad, Bush warned Saddam that "there's no more time" and he must obey a U.N. demand to disarm.

If the Iraqi president should ignore the ultimatum, "we will lead a coalition to disarm him," Bush said. "The man must disarm. He said he would disarm; he now must disarm."

"This kind of deception and delay — all that is over with," the president said.

In renewing his warning about forcibly disarming Iraq, Bush scoffed at the Iraqi parliament's recommendation that the unanimous resolution adopted last week by the Security Council should be rejected.

Bush called the assembly in Baghdad "nothing but a rubber stamp for Saddam Hussein," and White House spokesmen said only the Iraqi president could decide whether to cooperate with the United Nations.

Powell, asked if Friday was a redline day, responded: "I don't want to prejudge what the council might do or what the United States might do in the presence or absence of a positive statement on the part of the Iraqi government."

He said the deadline set by the council for Iraq to accept its terms and pledge to comply was intended as an "early indication from Iraq if they were going to cooperate this time and not try to frustrate the will of the international community."

Later, on ABC-TV's "Nightline" program, Powell indicated a judgment of Iraq's intention could be weeks, even months away.

"We will have to make a judgment based on, first, if the inspectors get in, and what they find or don't find," he said.

"We will have to make a judgment at some point in the future, when the inspectors report, as to whether or not we believe we are getting to the truth or not," Powell said.

Meanwhile, administration officials said Iraq had ordered 1.25 million doses of an antidote for nerve agents in what could be an attempt to protect its military personnel if Saddam uses those weapons on the battlefield.

At least some of the doses were ordered from Turkey, and U.S. diplomats were discussing the issue with Turkish officials.

Powell said it was not clear whether Iraq has received any deliveries of the antidote, known as atropine.

"This is not something you would want to be selling to Iraq at this time," he said.

"Maybe it was a threat or some effort at disinformation," Powell said. "I don't know. I am not going to speculate on what they had in mind."

Gen. Tommy Franks, who would command any U.S. military action in Iraq, said Tuesday it was up to Saddam whether Iraq's disarmament would be voluntary or forced by the U.S. military. Franks said the military is methodically preparing for the possibility of war.

"We won't be quick. We will be prudent," Franks said.

"The president of the United States has not made a decision to go to war in Iraq," the general said at a luncheon in Florida. "The president of the United States has made a decision that a continuation of cheat, retreat, fail to abide by Security Council resolutions ... will not stand."



Debris in Mossy Grove burns in the aftermath of weekend tornadoes (AP-Wade Payne).

## Bush Declares Tenn. Disaster Area

By DUNCAN MANSFIELD

ASSOCIATED PRESS WRITER

MOSSY GROVE, Tenn. (AP) — President Bush declared 16 Tennessee counties disaster areas Wednesday, freeing millions in federal aid for a state that lost 17 people in weekend tornadoes that cut a deadly path across five states.

Federal Emergency Management Agency Director Joe Allbaugh brought the news to still-dazed victims in this mountain community 40 miles northwest of Knoxville.

"You are brave souls," said Allbaugh, who spoke with Bush by telephone as he walked amid the mud and smoke from burning debris in what was once a neighborhood of two dozen brick houses and trailers. The tornado demolished half of them.

Mike Williams, 24, who lost his father and grandmother in the storm, said he was thinking only about cleaning up the rubble of his father's

home.

"That is really the last thing on my mind right now," Williams said of the federal aid, "but I am glad that they care."

State and federal assessment teams were also checking damage in Alabama, Mississippi and Ohio. In all, 36 people were killed in those states and Pennsylvania.

The Tennessee Emergency Management Agency said more than 1,200 homes were damaged and 117 others were destroyed. At least 15 public buildings and 43 businesses also were damaged.

State Farm Insurance Co., one of the major carriers in the state, had nearly 1,500 claims for homes and 2,300 claims for autos in Tennessee. Spokesman Bill Wright placed the value of State Farm claims alone at \$29.5 million.

Seven people were killed Sunday in surrounding Morgan County by a F3-rated tornado, with winds up to 200 mph; that cut a path four miles long and up to a half-mile wide. Five

of the victims died in Mossy Grove.

The latest fatality came Tuesday, when a 42-year-old man died at a Jackson hospital of injuries he suffered when a tornado destroyed the doublewide mobile home he shared with relatives.

Allbaugh and Gov. Don Sundquist arrived by helicopter in a field next to New Life Apostolic Church, where 80 parishioners had gathered for Sunday night services when the storm struck.

"We grabbed our kids, threw them under the pews and everybody from the littlest kid who could talk to the oldest person in the building began praying," said Michelle Pemberton, 38, the minister's wife. "And the Lord kept his hand upon us."

The church was damaged, but no one inside was hurt, including Bobby and Linda Hester, whose mobile home across the street was blown away.

Volunteer contractors helped clear debris as donations arrived

# Conn Continues Revamp of Computer System

By EMILY GOLDBERG  
STAFF WRITER

In the depths of Bill Hall, an uninspiring building between Fanning and Palmer, programmers have been working to revamp Conn's computer system. The iConn Project, Conn's infrastructure upgrade project, was created last year to replace all existing software systems with a single campus-wide program. Currently, the college is run by three different software systems.

The oldest system, AIMS, has been in place on campus since 1984. At the time of implementation, it was considered to be an innovative software system; now, nearly twenty years later, the system is seriously outdated. It was the hope of the college to find a software system that would not only upgrade the legacy systems, but would combine all branches of Connecticut College into one single software system.

The Project is under the auspices of W. Lee Hisle, Vice President for Information Services and Head Librarian. Last year, Hisle created an evaluation team and steering committee for the Project. The evaluation team obtained a list of the



Aileen Burdick and members of the iConn Project work with Conn's new Banner computer system (Cben).

individual tasks of each office on campus, as well as the current software being used, and the way in which the office conducted business. The college sent out request to various software companies that work with other institutions of higher education for proposals on possible streamlining strategies.

In February of 2002, the college

invited three companies to campus in order to present to staff, faculty, and students their particular software programs. The evaluation team made a unanimous decision that the college purchase the software Banner through the company SCT.

The Steering Committee signed with SCT in June of 2002, thus beginning the 30 month-long project

of implementing the software into the five main administrative parts of the college campus. These five modules include Advancement, Finance, Financial Aid, Student (Admissions, Curriculum, Registration, Transcripts), and Human Resources/Payroll. This new software will allow for all aspects of the college to be running on the same

software program.

Each individual module has a specific "go live" date, a proposed date by which the software will be ready for use in each area. To implement the program staff needs to be trained, the system must be tested, and the data from the legacy system need to be transferred to the new system. Because only a limited number of people on campus are familiar with the software, this process will easily take until January of 2005, the proposed date in which the Banner software will successfully be implemented.

Aileen Burdick, iConn Project director, mentioned that students will begin to see a change on campus by 2004 and 2005. Although things will be changing drastically before then, all software changes will be happening in areas in which students are not directly involved.

The Student module, the module that most directly affects students, is to be completed by August of 2004. Burdick mentioned that there is a possibility that come August 2004, Connecticut College may abandon freshman registration down at the A.C. and begin registration over the computer. "We could make the system do freshman registration in the

A.C.," Burdick mentioned, "but we could also use the system to its full capability and advantages" and begin online registration. Burdick pointed out, though, that the biggest unknown of the software is the mere fact that we are completely changing systems. Therefore, it is difficult to determine exactly how everything is going to work in the future.

Burdick mentioned that from a staff member's point of view, such a change in software may be quite frightening. Many staff members have been here for several years and are quite familiar with the old system. It is the job of Burdick and other Project members to "help the staff feel comfortable with how their business life is going to change." She assured that the college has purchased a state-of-the-art software system that will "work to implement the best business practices."

A number of Connecticut College's peer institutions are currently using Banner, including Bucknell, Middlebury, and Wellesley.

## Ethos Tries to Add New Perspective to Campus SGA Debates New Smoking Policy

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The first issue contains articles on a war protest in Iraq, the history of diversity at the College, as well as articles on "Girls and Booze: Conn's Social Scene," and a student profile of Peter Leleck '05. The opinion section features a "Head to Head" section where students argue differing opinions on a certain issue. This issue focused on the war in Iraq.

The magazine also features a literary section, and a restaurant critique on Mystic Pizza.

Harris hopes to continue building the ETHOS staff. Students are encouraged to join as staff writers or

to write every once and a while as a guest writer. At any time original artwork or poetry is welcome to be submitted for the literary section. Also students can get involved without writing by providing story ideas that they would like to see written about in the magazine.

According to Harris, the magazine is created by students for the students so everyone has an opportunity to contribute to the product that is created. If there are any questions about how to get involved or to find out more about the magazine please feel free to contact Lauren Harris at x3382.

roommate. Only 10.2% of the students reported themselves to be smokers and only 13.9%, about 9 people, said that they smoked in their room.

The Task Force used the survey, as well as information gathered from other institutions, and developed the new policy that smoking be prohibited inside all residential halls under penalty of adjudication. The only applicable penalty now is a Fire Code Violation, which carries a fine of \$150.

Their proposal was brought before SGA on Thursday November 7th, where members of the assembly were quick to find flaws in the policy. Many questioned whether the survey was valid because students were not informed as to the repercussions of their answers. One senator stated, "If I'd known that the survey was going to effect the smoking policy, I would have tailored my answers."

Others complained that the survey questions were suggestively anti-smoking. Members of the assembly also pointed out that the survey neglected to incorporate people who only smoke while drinking. The members of the Task Force reminded the body that both smokers and non-smokers were represented on the committee, and that the survey wasn't written with the proposal in mind.

The members of the Task Force advocated the no smoking policy from many angles. Nikki Palmieri '04, a Peer Educator, and anti-smoking advocate informed SGA that



Conn students light it up as they discuss the finer points of the College Voice (Faries).

second-hand smoke is a carcinogen equal to asbestos. "Unless separate ventilation environments are provided," she said, "smoking should be prohibited in all buildings."

Many agreed that the smoking did present a fire hazard. John Franks, Chairman of the Judiciary Board advocated a proactive stance on fire safety. "It only takes one, and it's not worth the risk."

Owen Kloter '05, Senator for Blackstone, the College's substance-free hall, suggested the possibility of smoking dorms or smoking floors. But according to Members of the Residential Life Committee under

the current housing lottery system that option is not feasible.

Some assembly members believed that banning smoking in dorms would disenfranchise the smoking population on campus, and might cause smokers to seek other housing options. "We're not saying you have to freeze in the rain," retorted Bonnie Prokesch '04, a member of the Task Force.

Students at large were skeptical of the proposed policy. According to one senior, who called herself an 'occasional smoker,' "if people are going to smoke, they're going to smoke, regardless of this rule."

Others felt that the policy was a violation of their legal rights. "Smoking is somebody's way of life, and it is legal, and this is where they're living," stated a junior who wished not to give her name.

SGA and the administration concluded that bringing the issue to the student body was the most democratic method for discussing the policy. "It's not just black and white," said Anne Hopkins Gross, Associate Dean of Student Life. Campus-wide House meetings are scheduled for Tuesday November 19th to discuss the new smoking policy.



The blue cottages north of KB are a potential location for the new dorm (Cben).

## PPBC To Recommend New Dorm as Primary Project

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Science departments, as they need to be moved out of Winthrop. Renovation of the Library is also a priority project. There are a few smaller capital projects such as the Children's School, (run by the Department of Human Development), renovating certain parts of Palmer auditorium for certain safety and health reasons, and creating a new artificial turf field at the Dawley field in the Athletic Center.

In addition to physical projects, PPBC has also prepared a list of programmatic priorities, which include, international programs, a center for teaching and learning, curricular initiatives, classroom modernization, equipment fund for faculty, faculty support-including enhancing Johnson Fund, and technological infrastructure. This list of priorities is being forwarded to the President for further consideration.

Many on campus feel that talk of long-term projects is a refreshing change from the College's bleak financial situation of two years ago, when the College had a \$1 million deficit. Mark LaFontaine, new Vice President of Advancement, believes that most of the money for the projects will come from large gifts.

"I have suggested to PPBC that we have the capacity to take on about \$50 to \$60 million in capital building projects in terms of fundraising," said LaFontaine. "Ideally, after the priorities are determined we will seek cornerstone gifts."

The Plex Task Force, a committee made up of students and administration, convened with the Du Bose Associates, the architects of the original Plex renovations.

## Symposium Discusses Need for 'Open Government'

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having a historical perspective without putting troops on the ground in danger."

Dalglish noted that reporters only report the first names of the servicemen in the News and emphasized, "the news media is a lot more responsible for privacy than we give them credit for."

In circumstances of war, the media delaying information is accepted, however, "technology is making it much more difficult for the Pentagon to control what journalists are sending" due to high-tech satellites and other advanced capabilities.

Robert Gellman, an international information and privacy policy expert and consultant in Washington D.C. added, "you don't know if pub-

lishing something is good or bad." The issue is credibility. With the Internet, there "is more raw news put out by a lot more sources." It is necessary to filter data and determine which sources are reliable and accurate.

Leonard emphasized ethical importance regarding the government's openness and media reporting and claimed, "It's not a question of can, it's a question of should. It's a question of judgment."

Other panel members such as Gary Bass, Ph.D., Founder and Executive Director of OMB Watch, said, "We must find a way of making the government more transparent."

Eric H. Jaso, Counselor to the Assistant Attorney General of the Criminal Division of the US Department of Justice instigated, "the presses

role needs to be to check the administration."

Regarding the issue of the military holding the right to withhold information of atrocities, Leonard said, "stuff like that doesn't get better with age," implying the need to relay information to citizens.

Although the event was held in Evans Hall, which accommodates over three hundred people, only about fifty students, from Conn and the USCGA, attended the morning discussion, while less than twenty attended the afternoon session. This marks a significant decrease from the over three hundred that attended the Anti-War rally the previous month.

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# Nobody Likes a Villain To Lead By Example, Or Not

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for Team USA, something that I feel is an honor greater than any in sport (to represent your country at global competition), for lack of desire to play. Also on Kobe's track record is his longstanding tumultuous relationship with teammate Shaquille O'Neal over who was more important to the team.

I could go on and on. Randy Moss has arguably more talent than any receiver to ever step between the lines. But, he also is too good to play every down, and likes to pick on meter maids. Allen Iverson, who will die for you on the court, will also break into your apartment. Albert Connell steals from his teammates. Carl Everett doesn't believe in dinosaurs. And I'll close out my argument with one infamous name: John Rucker.

Shouldn't these players be better than this? Shouldn't they be setting examples for younger genera-

tions of athletes, and thus not act in such ways? Those who are fans of these games look to these men as heroes and role models. We idolize these figures. So, should they, or should they not be such bastards?

Long gone are the days where just about every pro athlete was also an upstanding citizen. Long gone are the days when athletes felt, and acted, as they owed the community.

Who knows? Do these athletes really owe us anything?

Maybe I am just envious of these men for their superior abilities, and am have become bitter that they do not act as I see fit, and thus need to rant about how bad they are. The respect and admiration some of these players get, however, comes from how they perform, and not how they truly act. I feel it should be the other way around. I also feel that those at the top of their respective games should be leaders of the game and not act in such ways.

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Philadelphia Flyers. play hockey and practice driving the zamboni around in circles.

The elder Croteau is fed up and wants answers. Here's one answer for him: life's not always fair, so stop complaining and get over it. All you're doing is hurting your son in the long run. If he is good enough, he will have the chance to play for Canada in the Winter Games, play big-time junior hockey, and get a shot to be a National Hockey League player, MVP award or not. Looks to me like we may have another Carl Lindros in our midst, and that is certainly not a good thing. Just ask the

Philadelphia Flyers.

Michael Croteau was quoted as saying that his son is a hero. If he really believes his son is a hero because he led his amateur hockey league in points, he needs a rather large reality check. No one cares whether Steven Croteau or Porky the Pig led the New Brunswick Amateur Hockey Association in scoring this past season. A hero is a kid who lost his leg playing football, but worked so hard that he was able to make a return to the field, minus one real leg. A hero is a professional athlete visiting the local children's hospital on his day off from practice, just to

make one lucky kid smile for only a moment. More importantly, a hero sacrifices himself for the benefit of another person. A hero is unselfish, the essence of a true team player.

Steven Croteau might be the nicest kid in the world, but he is no hero for his feats on the ice. Heroes distinguish themselves through their actions, rather than being anointed by an angry parent, who in the case of Michael Croteau, will ultimately achieve nothing more than the loss of personal dignity. Whether he cares may be the real question.

## Cross Country Scores Unprecedented Fourth Place Finish at NESCACS

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Division III Championship race] this weekend."

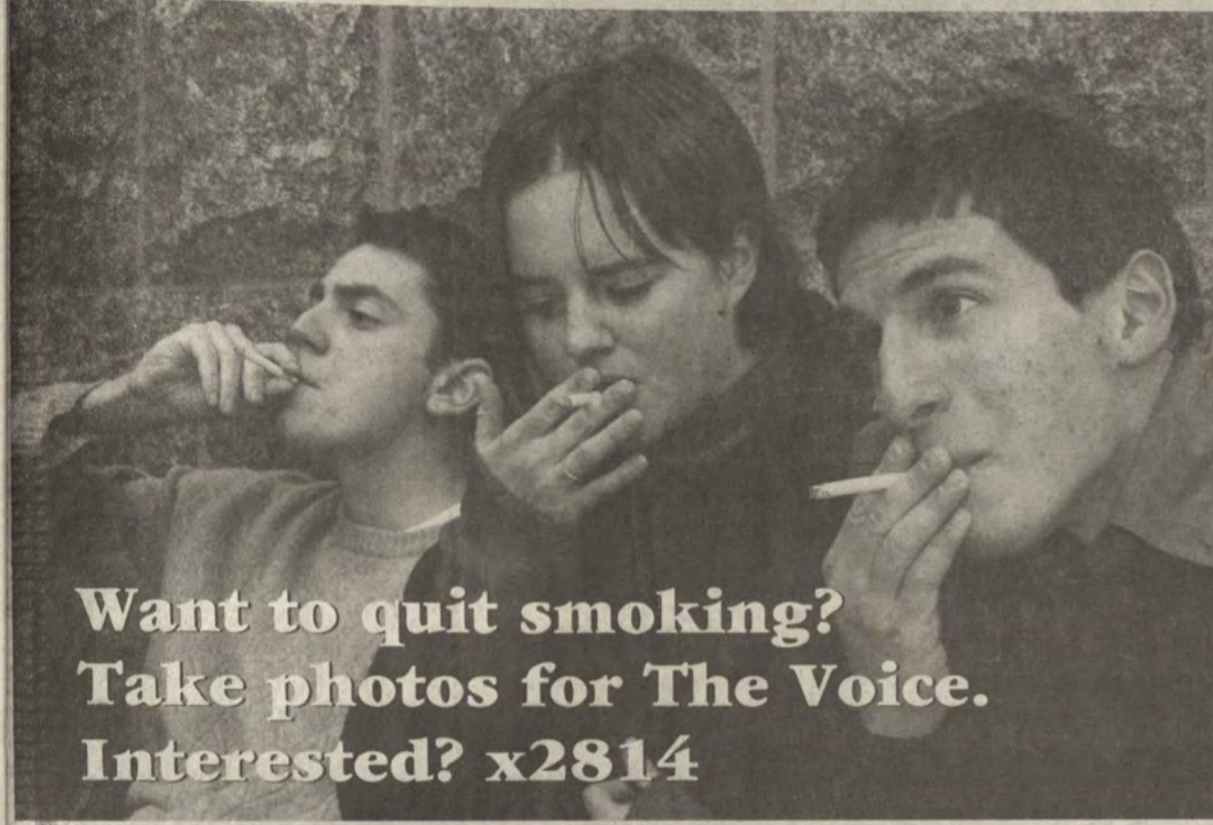
Ridyard is not the only one anticipating a competitive, challenging, and strong race this weekend in Westfield, Massachusetts. "Our 4th place finish should set us up well for a great finish at the New England Regional Qualifier. We honestly believe that we have a shot at placing in the top four and advancing to the NCAA Championships. The fourth spot should come down to MIT, Tufts, Bates, and us, with the team that wants it most on race day advancing to nationals. If we do not advance, a fifth or sixth place finish would still be a tremendous accomplishment, and something that each member of the team should be proud

of. The men's team has never placed higher than 9th, so anything higher than that will make us the best team in program history," explained Fitzgerald.

The entire team gained great confidence from the high finish in NESCACS; the men know what they are capable of and have faith that they will be able to achieve their goals for the upcoming championship race. In addition to the stellar performances of the top five runners, other members of the team have been running well and are ready to show their speed and stamina this Saturday. Alex Roe '03, who finished 6th for the men in the NESCAC meet ran last weekend in the Eastern College Athletic Conference (ECAC) championship meet and finished ahead of some

athletes who had achieved All-NESCAC honors the weekend before. "This is a good predictor for us," stated Ridyard. "We are all very confident about this weekend."

This season the head men's cross country coach, Jim Butler, decided to alter the meet schedule as to reduce the number of races the men ran throughout the season, thus allowing the athletes to concentrate primarily on championship races. This strategy seems to have worked to the team's advantage. The men hope that their recent success will carry on through to this weekend's race, allowing them to qualify for the NCAA Division III Championship race held in Northfield, Minnesota later this month.



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Congratulations to the Women's Soccer Team on Advancing to the NESCAC semifinals and Good Luck to Men's Cross Country at the New England's this weekend.

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# SPORTS

## Nobody Likes a Villain

I was watching a post-race interview a few weeks ago, where, after a 14th place finish, the only comments made to reporters by Winston Cup points leader Tony Stewart were, "That was the worst (expletive deleted) car I've ever driven." Stewart's comments got me thinking: not only did he break the #1 unwritten rule of NASCAR (no matter how poorly you do, you ALWAYS thank the crew and sponsor, and say how great the car was), but there is nothing I like to see less than bad attitudes in the World of Sports. There isn't anything worse than athletes with all the talent in the world, but are also, for lack of being able to use profanity, jerks.

While Stewart's remarks, and overall hothead persona may have finally been what finally drove me to write about this, this is an issue that I think about quite often. How often do we hear stories about guys telling off reporters? Or players holding out for money? Or athletes who treat fans and media like they are pawns? And I must say I really don't like seeing people like this in the spot light. They are praised for their superhuman ability on the field, but they act dishonorably off the field. And every sport has at least one superstar like this.

I've already mentioned Stewart, whose actions range from beating up a photographer following a 12th place finish at the Brickyard 400, to allegedly striking a fan after the New England 300, to winding up in anger-management therapy under orders from his sponsor for the aforementioned occurrences. This, onto of his bitter comments two weeks ago, and numerous probations handed down from NASCAR put Stewart into this roll.

Go back two columns ("Sunday, Sunday, Sunday...") and you get the beginning of my rant on Major League Baseball's villain: one Mr. Barry Bonds. As I said then, here we have arguably the best player in baseball today, and one of the best all-time, who won his record fifth Most Valuable Player award Monday afternoon. Off the field, Bonds has been called a clubhouse cancer, is brash with reporters, and during labor talks earlier this season when asked what he thought fans would think if the players went on strike, Bonds said that it didn't matter how players treated the fans, because the fans would always be there. Nice guy, don't you think? And I have yet to mention steroids in regards to Mr. Bonds.

In the NBA... Well, the way I see it, there are so many characters in the National Basketball Association that act like this that I have problems watching pro basketball. My main standout, however, is Laker Guard Kobe Bryant. The man tabbed to be the NBA's biggest name after Michael Jordan retired the second time, was called out last summer by coaches for purposely throwing games just so he could save the day in the end. Bryant has also turned down multiple opportunities to play

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## Soccer Finishes With Semi-Final Loss to Tufts

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Although, the Camels were inspired by the 150 Connecticut College students and alumni who traveled to Medford, Massachusetts to cheer them on Saturday morning, they were unable to overcome Tufts University, as the fifth-seeded Camels dropped the semifinal NESCAC tournament game to the top-seeded Tufts 2-1 in double overtime, ending their highly successful season.

Tufts scored the first goal at 12:15, but Co-Captain Lauren Luciano '03 came back with a goal off an assist by Caitlyn Dickinson '06 at 17:26 to tie the game at 1-1, which it remained throughout the second half.

The Camels' defensive line was an important factor in keeping the score tied. Christine Culver '04 headed the ball out of play in the 66th minute before Tufts could attempt a one-on-one goal. Paige Diamond '05, who was recently named NESCAC player of the week, had nine stops for the Camels, including a big stop in the 84th minute.

"Paige played an absolutely incredible game against Tufts," commented Co-captain Lesley Gerberding '03.

"She kept us in the game multiple times," Luciano added, "Paige had an unstoppable game. Her improvement this year has been phenomenal, and she is a large factor of why we have made it as far as we did. Paige truly deserves to be



Women's Soccer comes up just short of NESCAC Championship game, losing in double OT to Tufts 1st Saturday. (Godfrey)

player of the week, because she has become such a crucial part of our success."

The Camels struggled offensively throughout the game with only nine shots to Tufts' 27. But the Camels big chance came in the last 21 seconds of regulation, when Christa Thoresz '03 headed a ball

that hit the crossbar but was cleared out, pushing the game into overtime.

Neither team scored in the first overtime. But bad luck struck the Camels 30 seconds into the second overtime when they were called for tripping a Tufts' player in the box. Tufts scored on the penalty kick to

secure their victory 2-1.

Some of the players believed that the call was questionable and that the refereeing was fairly inconsistent throughout the game. Although Gerberding agrees with the call being fairly questionable she commented, "No one should blame a game on the referees. We

should have won the game so many other times, but it was just unfortunate that the game came down to a questionable call. It really intensified the loss for us."

The Camels' loss was not the end to a disappointing season, but the culmination of a noteworthy season. The Camels (10-5-1) doubled their wins from last year, and this year is the first time they have broken .500 in the past four seasons.

"The team really bonded both on and off the field. It was an amazing season and I don't hold any regrets," remarked Gerberding, while Luciano added, "This season has been all I could have asked for. I will truly miss each and every girl on the team and, I would like to thank them all for such a fabulous year."

The team would also like to thank their fans for their constant support.

"Our fans this season have been so great to us," commented Luciano. "The fans [in the semifinals] definitely helped keep us going at some points in the game when we needed a little extra energy."

Gerberding added, "We were shocked at how many fans showed up [on Saturday] and it was truly amazing to see all the support they gave us."

Both captains hope that this season will give the Camels some credibility in the NESCAC next year.

## Men's Cross Country Achieves Highest Finish in Program's History

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Two weekends ago, on an unseasonably cold autumn day in Grafton, Massachusetts, the men's varsity cross country team did something unprecedented in the history of the Connecticut College men's running program: the team finished 4th in the New England Small College Athletic Conference (NESCAC) Championship Meet. The team finished behind Bowdoin, Williams, and Bates (first, second, and third respectively), beating Tufts by one point to claim the 4th place finish.

The race proved exciting to watch, as the men ran with speed, agility, determination, and experience. As Jared Lamb proclaimed, "After the race my eyes filled up with tears because these little ponies showed so much heart. For a team that has underachieved in NESCAC for the past three years, it felt damn good to see these guys run up to their potential. We can run with the big boys, and this race was what we needed to prove it to ourselves."

The team's finish would have been impossible without stellar performances by the top five men on the team. For the first time in the team's history, two men, co-captains Dave Clayman '03 and Adam Fitzgerald '03, earned all-NESCAC honors by placing 13th with a time of 26:15 and 7th with a time of 26:05 respectively for the 8K course. Fitzgerald's seventh place finish was the highest finish of any Conn male in the history of the program. Clayman further contributed to the list of unprecedented achievements by being the only senior in the NESCAC to have earned all-NESCAC honors for all four years of his career. Commenting on Clayman's achievement, Fitzgerald remarked, "Dave has shown that he has been among the top runners in the NESCAC since he arrived on campus as a freshman."

Closely behind Clayman and Fitzgerald was John Ridyard '06, who finished third for the Camels and 26th overall in a time of 26:50. Ridyard was the second



Men's Cross Country makes run at National meet bid with a fourth place finish at the NESCAC Championship. (Jackson)

freshman in the conference to cross the finish line. Matt Buchholz '03 and Jesse Efron '04 ran most of the race together, finishing 4th and 5th for the team and 37th and 38th overall respectively.

Commenting on the successful races of the captains, Ridyard claimed, "I think that Adam's All-NESCAC finish is an amazing achievement. He has worked incredibly hard throughout the season and continues to improve in each race. Dave's four-time All-NESCAC achievement is incredible. Both of these guys have led this team by example. They both work hard and continue to move up."

Following the example of his senior leaders, Ridyard ran as though he too was well experienced in the arena of college-level racing.

"Ridyard really stepped up as the number 3 man being where Jesse and I needed to be. He helped us out a lot," remarked Buchholz regarding the freshman's phenomenal performance.

When asked about his race, Ridyard modestly stated, "I had one of my better races this season, but I hope it's not my best. I'm looking forward to running a strong race at New England's [the New England

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## To Lead By Example, or Not

Those Canadians are at it again, eh? Consumed by hockey and perhaps Molson Gold, the father of a 16-year old junior hockey player is suing the New Brunswick Amateur Hockey Association because his son failed to win the leagues MVP award despite tallying a league-leading 45 goals and 42 assists. A second suit is being threatened now that Michael Croteau's son, Steven, has been suspended from the league. Lets get one thing straight off the bat, or rather stick: hockey is no joke north of the border people. It is comparable to



Matthew Kessler  
Kessler's Korner

Americans' passion for fried food and beef jerky.

Croteau is not only seeking \$300,000 in psychological and punitive damages, but in addition demanding that his son be guaranteed a spot on the New Brunswick Canada Winter Games roster. No confirmation has been given yet as to whether he also requested the Maple Leaf be removed from the Canadian flag, as he is reportedly partial to the leaf of a Cyprus tree.

One has to wonder why Croteau is so vexed by the MVP vote. Does he really believe the Russian Olympic Figure Skating judge was in on it? Could there be a mass conspiracy ranging from top Canadian Government officials to Wayne Gretzky via Barry Melrose's mullet all centered on the MVP vote of a particular Bantam Hockey League?

Truth be told, the leagues MVP, Lucas Martin, did have inferior offensive numbers compared to the junior Croteau, but we all know that the MVP is not always awarded to the player with the best stats, or

even the best player in the league. For a perfect example of this, look no further than this past week's announcement of Major League Baseball's American League MVP, awarded to Oakland Athletics shortstop Miguel Tejada. Texas Rangers shortstop Alex Rodriguez possessed far superior numbers and is widely recognized as the best player in all of baseball, but finished second in the voting. Tejada was simply more valuable to his AL West Championship A's than Rodriguez was to his last-place Rangers.

While Croteau may indeed have a legitimate gripe, the real problem is that the parent involved is teaching the wrong lesson to his son. Michael Croteau is the perfect example of an overzealous father emphasizing personal goals to his son, an aspiring professional hockey player. What Steven will ultimately learn from this situation is that it is okay to whine and moan and even sue if things don't go his way. The selfishness on display is precisely what currently plagues team sports at every level, least of all among the professional athletes who are supposed to lead by example.

A lesson in resiliency is what is needed, and Steven's focus should be on proving everyone who did not vote him MVP wrong next season. Instead, his father has caused so much of a problem for the league that it decided to suspend him from doing what he loves to do. Even Steven knows there is not much to do in Canada in the winter besides

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## Camel Scoreboard

### Women's Soccer:

-11/09, at Tufts, 1-2

### Women's Cross Country:

-11/9, ECAC Division III Championship

at Williams, 14<sup>th</sup> overall

-11/16, New England Division III

Championship at Westfield St. 12:00 p.m.

### Men's Cross Country:

-11/9, ECAC Division III Championship

at Williams, 6<sup>th</sup> overall

-11/16, New England Division III

Championship at Westfield St., 11:00 a.m.

### Men's Hockey:

-11/22, at Norwich, 7:00 p.m.

-11/23, at St. Michael's, 3:00 p.m.

### Women's Hockey:

-11/22, vs. Utica College, 7:00 p.m.

-11/30, vs. Amherst, 1:00 p.m.

### Men's Basketball:

-11/22, at Haverford, 8:00 p.m.

-11/30, at Swarthmore, 3:00 p.m.

### Women's Basketball:

-11/23-11/24, at Eastern Connecticut

State Tip Off

-11/26, vs. Rhode Island College, 6:00 p.m.