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Gaudiani Named Next President; Conn's Ranking Jumps

By JEFFREY LEBOWSKI

the dude

The College's Board of Trustees named Claire Gaudiani the next president of the College. Reaction to the news necessitated an emergency printing of the U.S. News and World Report's college rankings, in which Connecticut College has leapt from thirty-sixth to fifth on the Report's list of the best liberal arts schools, just ahead of Bowdoin.

Gaudiani served as president of the College from 1988-2001; she will be the first president to serve non-consecutive terms, much like the well-known American president, Grover Cleveland. During her tenure, she oversaw the school's investment in well-planned and foolproof projects like the New London downtown area. Officials within Gaudiani's camp, speaking on the condition of anonymity, confirmed her appointment and outlined

a few of the plans she intends to accomplish in her second term:

1. A jack-booted march into the town of Groton, which will be annexed to the town of New London; the troops for the seizure will be drafted from the Williams School. Gaudiani plans on using this newly acquired land to build herself a mansion rivaling those of Bill Gates and Donald Trump, from which she and her husband (who will be installed as Dictator of

Groton) will keep a close eye on her subjects.

2. Using the powers of eminent domain, Gaudiani will seize any remaining public lands within the downtown and waterfront New London area and use these lands to build another submarine base, just in case the one across the river is shut down by the federal government. This may seem superfluous, but with all of her past successes in New London, there is no doubt it will

ultimately be beneficial.

3. The entirety of the Connecticut College Green, from the sundial to the South Campus tennis courts, will be leveled and converted into a runway for small aircraft. The most likely user of this strip will be Mrs. Gaudiani herself, who expects the Board of Trustees to give her the runway so she can continue her worldwide lecture tour part-time. To make up for the lost central, grassy sitting area, the

Arboretum will be converted into an 18-hole golf course designed by Jack Nicklaus and Tiger Woods.

Reaction to this news has been mixed; Scooter Libby '07, the head of CCLeft, heralded the return of Gaudiani as "Conn College's savior, who will make sure we continue to keep our students' whining on the

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Rogue Skunks Seize Fanning Hall

Skunks Demand "Safe Space," Free Snacks

By BENJAMIN J. MORSE

editor emeritus

Late Thursday afternoon, a band of rogue skunks native to the bushes next to Larrabee entered Fanning Hall and seized control of the building, denying access to responding Campus Safety units. The group of skunks, estimated to be about 30 strong, has reportedly taken a number of hostages, including 2006 Class President Robert Brooks.

Negotiations with the skunks were ongoing as the Voice went to press, but the furry mammals are demanding a "safe space" on campus where they can hibernate during the winter, as well as a free, year long supply of snacks.

"We are tired of having to dig through Conn's trash cans like second-class citizens," said a skunk, who would only give his name as Bubba. "In this day and age, all mammals should have equal rights."

The College administration feverishly sought to resolve the unfolding crisis, but infighting and finger pointing has stalled the crisis. Some administrators have reportedly blamed the College itself for this incident of skunk terrorism, while others have accused these officials of being soft on skunks.

"This College's oppressive policy towards skunks forced these furry little animals to take this

WATERPOLO

Yes, Conn has a water polo team...



Photo by Martha Carl

Three Conn students pretend that water polo is a real sport. Note to #12 and #14: we're bored too. And what's with the earmuffs? Looks like #15 is drowning out the roar of the non-existent spectators. I also hate how chlorine makes your eyes red. It makes you wear goggles, but those are uncomfortable. Solution: don't play water polo, and buy Visine.

drastic action," said Rudy Johnson, Director of Student Life. However, other members of the administration disagree.

"We cannot blame ourselves for the violent and unconscionable action taken by these dastardly creatures," argued Sarah Fitzpatrick, Interim Dean of Interim Deans.

Chris Devine '06, Chairman of the Connecticut College Republicans, agreed. "We ought to bomb the hell out of these skunks," said Devine. "We must make an example out of the skunks or else the squirrels will be next."

Regardless of this ongoing debate, College officials are optimistic that the crisis will soon be

resolved. The Voice will continue to provide all the latest developments as they happen. In the meantime, students are reminded that the area around Fanning Hall is currently off limits, as the skunks are reported to be highly armed and dangerous. There can be no doubt that skunks will never be viewed in the same light again.

Mascot Beating Of Student Caught On Newly-Installed Cameras

Conn to Consider Replacing Camel With More Student-Friendly Animal, Such as the Manatee

By CASPER

the friendly ghost

The installation of security cameras in Main Street East over Spring Break paid off for the first time on Monday night. At 11:54 a.m. the cameras reveal the Camel mascot mugging and beating a student and then scurrying away. The student was reported to have no major injuries but was still hospitalized for precautionary measures.

Despite being caught on tape, the Camel mascot is still at-large. Campus Safety has warned students to be on the watch for the large furry animal, who is thought to be armed and dangerous. Students with any information on the whereabouts of the Camel mascot are encouraged to contact Campus Safety at x2222.

Any student who provides information that leads to the capture of the Camel mascot will be rewarded with the option of moving into a swanky 8X10 room in Lazarus.

This latest incident is not only alarming for being the severest felony committed on campus in recent years, but also because it was carried out by the College's beloved mascot. Students voiced

dismay at a mugging being performed by somebody they thought to be so friendly and loving.

"The Camel is the last suspect I would have thought of," Sarah Montanez '07 said. "He has always come off so kind and accepting, it's hard to believe that he would do such a thing."

Because of this incident, College administrators are already considering changing the College mascot to something more peaceful. The most popular idea that has arisen at meetings is the Manatees.

In direct response to this proposal, members of the College Facebook group, "Manatees Are Selfish," staged a demonstration outside of Cro on Wednesday. Jason Abdull '07 said that the point of the protest was to demonstrate that manatees are not peaceful and are in fact evil beings.

"People are biased towards manatees," Abdull said. "They portray them as being these great, loving creatures, but meanwhile they are inherently cruel and selfish."

Campus Safety broke up the demonstration when protestors began waving flags bearing a picture of the Camel mascot and the

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Student Hospitalized Due To Excessive Facebook Usage

41-Hour Session Leaves Freshman Dehydrated, Disoriented, and Embarrassed

By MARK ZUCKERBERG

you know who this guy is, don't lie

A freshman was hospitalized late Tuesday night after allegedly spending 41 hours straight on Facebook. Paramedics who arrived on the scene reported that the female student was severely dehydrated, disoriented, and unable to communicate in any fashion. She is reported to be in stable condition and is currently undergoing psychological tests. Doctors expect her to be discharged sometime this weekend.

Kara Gowden '09, the student's roommate, called the paramedics after she became growingly concerned about the physical and mental stability of her roommate. She said that her roommate logged on to Facebook late Sunday night and remained in a "trance-like state staring at her computer screen" two days straight until the paramedics ultimately had to drag her away from her seat.

"I realize Facebook can be addictive to some, but this just became psychotic," Gowden said. "The behavior of [my roommate] had completely changed. She

refused to communicate or move from her computer."

The hospitalized student has no history of mental problems, raising questions as to why she became so fixated with Facebook. Friends noted that they had noticed her using Facebook on a regular basis, but not to any amount that caused concern.

"[She] seemed to be using Facebook the same amount as any typical student does," Liz Moises '09 said. "There were no signs for concern."

In response to this incident, students have formed a support group called Facebook Users Anonymous (FAU). The group has no affiliation with the Facebook group that shares the same name.

Chris Bromley '08, the group's founder, said that the main purpose for FAU is for students to acknowledge their Facebook addictions in the hopes of preventing future tragic incidents like the one that occurred this past week.

"FAU enables students to come

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College Finally Admits The Obvious: Nobody Uses The Arbo

Changes in the Works: Parking Lot, Dorms, Coca-Cola Bottling Plant to be Built in the Arboretum

By ERNEST P. MUGWUMP

senior research analyst

In what represents a major shift by the College's administration, President Fainstein recently acknowledged that no Conn students have been sighted in the College Arboretum since 2003. Faced with the reality that the College is wasting this vast tract of land, President Fainstein outlined a bold, new plan that will develop the Arboretum into a valuable, useful property for the College.

"As we attempted to decide the uses to which we could put the Arboretum, we listed a number of the pressing issues that the College is dealing with today," said Fainstein. Accordingly, a new, lighted parking lot will be paved near the Arboretum's entrance. The new lot will help alleviate the parking crunch that has plagued the College in recent years.

"It's too bad that we'll have to pave part of the Arbo," said Tim

McDonald '09, "but I've got to park my Suburban somewhere, and the Arbo is closer to my dorm than the AC."

The parking lot will also serve as the primary parking facility for each of three newly planned dorms. In an attempt to preserve the natural history of the Arboretum, these dorms will be designed to be ecologically friendly, while helping to accommodate the ever-increasing size of the student body. Between them, the dorms should house nearly 300 students in state-of-the-art facilities.

"Living in the Arbo could be kind neat," said Sanjay Balgangadhar '08. "It would be fun to be the first class of Conn students ever to live in 'West Campus.'"

To pay for these new dorms, the College, in perhaps its most controversial decision regarding the Arboretum, has decided to sell the rest of the Arboretum to the Coca-Cola Corporation. Coca-Cola will build an all-new bottling plant, along with low-cost housing for its



Little do these two adorable children know that Mr. Camel Mascot is in fact a dromedary with a penchant for assault.

employees, in its newly acquired space in the Arboretum. Building these facilities will require the destruction of thousands of trees, according to Coca-Cola spokesman Duncan Bradshaw.

"I am outraged that thousands of jobs are being created at a cost of thousands of trees," said Summer Cooper '07, a member of SAVE. "Even though trees can be planted

elsewhere to offset the damage, these trees are irreplaceable."

President Fainstein acknowledged that the College's decisions regarding the Arboretum could be controversial but maintained that they represented the best policy for

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NEWS

Senior Darren Roberts failed his U.S. Foreign Policy midterm, but he just doesn't care. Find out more on page six.



SPORTS

Connecticut College Club Baseball has become embroiled in a scandal surrounding steroid abuse. See page ten for all the "juicy" details.



A&E

You'll never guess who Conn booked for Florida. Find out now by turning to page four!



EDITORIAL & OPINION

Students Appreciate Cut In Tuition Price

With Conn's slowly growing endowment and cash surpluses for the past few years, the administration and trustees have decided to reduce the College tuition from an arm and a leg to just a leg. This latest announcement has been well received by the student body. No longer do students' parents have to refinance their house to pay for a tuition that puts to shame the GDP of the Southern Hemisphere.

It is admirable that the administration and trustees have finally seen it fit to reduce the tuition to a respectable level. Indeed, Conn's previous tuition was within the range of its peer institutions, but one must be reminded that these other schools had buildings that weren't falling apart and that were up-to-date. Finally, Conn's tuition no longer exceeds the overall worth of the Old Plex, New London Hall, and Bill Hall put together.

Hopefully the reduction in tuition will welcome a more diversified range of students. Perhaps trustee weekend will now be the only time that one finds the campus filled with Audi's, BMW's, and Volvo's. Moreover, J-Crew and the latest fashions displayed in Neiman Marcus will perhaps begin to dissipate as the unspoken dress code of the College.

Another potential benefit of the tuition reduction will be an increase in alumni giving. No longer needing to work two jobs to pay off college loans, students may be more willing to give back to their Alma matter, which now only asks a reasonable fee from them.

Thus, the reduction in tuition has inherent benefits for the College. The administration and trustees should be applauded for their realization of how high the tuition previously was and the need to bring it down to a respectable level. Finally, Conn can distinguish itself by the pure quality of its educational offerings, and not simply its price tag.

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Tuesday, Apr 8: 108/92, blistering heat

Wednesday, Apr 9: 37/21, blizzard

Thursday, Apr 10: 88/80, sunny & hot

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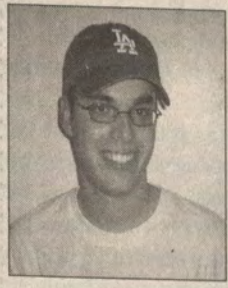
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YONI FREEMAN • OCCUPIED TERRITORY

In the spirit of this issue, I decided to mention some true stories that have made their mark in the news from around the world in the last few weeks. Some of these things are hard to believe, but I assure you they are fact.

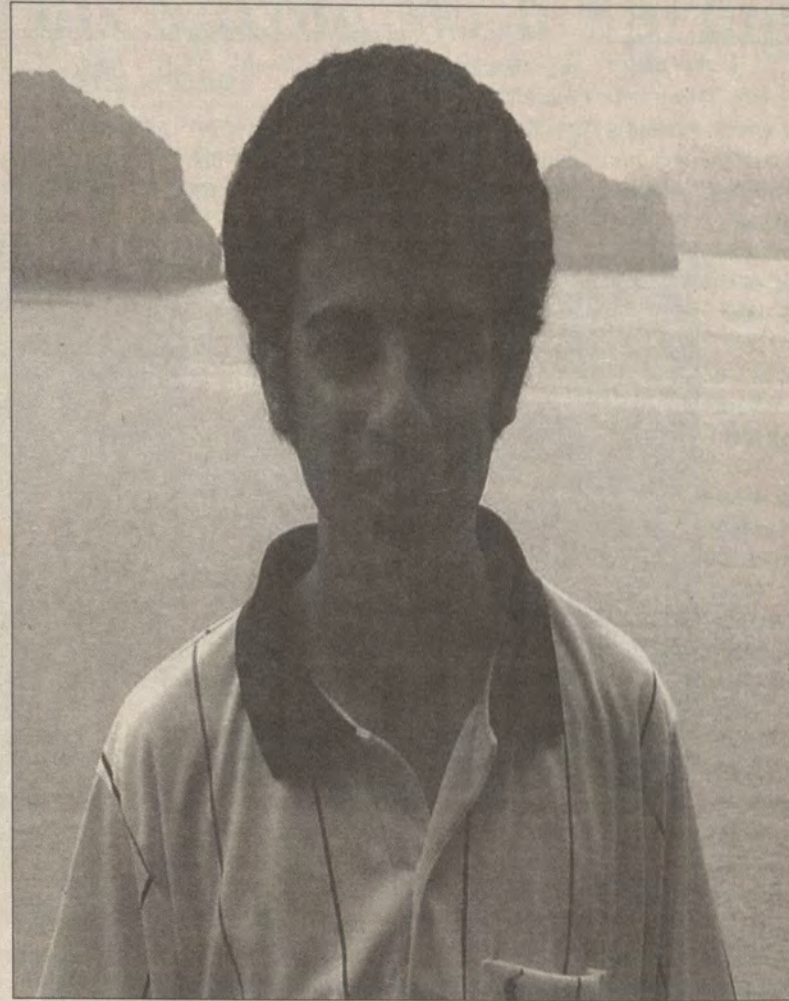
Burial with Cell Phones Reaches New Popularity – It started in Copenhagen, moved on to Australia, and is even acceptable in the United States, Ghana and Ireland. People are buried not just with their cell phone, but with their laptop. It first started in Copenhagen where certain people believed they might be buried after a spell put them to sleep and made them look dead. The cell could be used to call for help.

Policemen Try to Arrest Firefighters – Chilean policemen arrested a group of firefighters under suspicion they were trying to break into a shop. The shop was actually broken into, minutes before the fire started, and the police thought the robbers were impersonating firemen.

Couple Divorce During Sleep? – A man talking in his sleep said “you are divorced” to his wife next to him, leading the heads of the Muslim community in eastern India to rule that under Islamic law the couple must divorce. The husband said the phrase three times, which under one interpretation means the couple must part. The couple has so far refused to follow that ruling.

Soccer Game Ends After Three

Minutes – One of the teams arrived at the field with only seven players, Blagoevgrad which won as a result (1:0). A team cannot play according



but one of them got injured after three minutes, and after there was no replacement the game was called.

Chepinec, was playing Pirin

to the rules with less than seven players on the field.

One Out of Three British Men Talks on the Phone While Naked –

One of three British men has conversations on the phone while naked, a new survey finds. 40% of asked men said they talked on the phone naked, while 27% women said so.

Man Breaks Record, Kisses Cobra Snake 51 Times – A Malaysian man decided to press his luck, and kissed a Cobra snake 51 times during 3 minutes. The snake was 5 meters long.

Burglars Try to Rob Money-less Bank – This happened in California to a bank that does not hold cash. Two masked men broke into the bank, waved their weapons and yelled at the workers to get them all the money in the bank. The criminals were surprised to find that the bank did not have money. It is a credit bank where cash is deposited in another location immediately and cannot be reached. The robbers left the place depressed, but not before they cursed the workers who were laughing at their stupidity.

Apartment Mistakenly Gets Beer in its Kitchen Faucet – A Norwegian citizen thought she had reached heaven, when she opened the kitchen faucet and got a stream of beer. It seems a bar worker at the basement level of the building mistakenly connected a fresh barrel of beer to the water pipe leading to the apartment. The barman found himself pouring water to his costumers.

“May Allah rip out his spine from his back and split his brains in two, and then put them both back, and then do it over and over again. Amen.” – “praise” for Spencer on the website (<http://www.revivingislam.com/>)

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Connecticut College Idol: Reality Star To Play Floralia

BY RYAN SEACREST

staff writer

This time of year, Floralia is on every student's mind. Who will be performing? What will the weather be like? What will you be drinking? Well, SAC, in collaboration with Fox television, has provided Conn with an easy answer. Thanks to Paul Dryden's ('07) connection with Fox, the season finale of the best-loved show in America will be taking place at our own Floralia celebration.

Considering the number of Americans who watch American Idol and vote for their favorite contestants, it's surprising that the whole campus is not abuzz with Idol fever.

Junior Brenda Miller, a music major whose dedication to jam bands such as the Grateful Dead feeds her obsession with Floralia, is outraged at the news of pop's infiltration of her favorite Conn event. "I can't believe this! Floralia isn't about ratings, it's about the music, man. Let's bring back Mr. Brownstone. Now that's music."

Not all Conn students are so averse to the idea of having American Idol on our own home turf. Freshman Jed Pasta is a strong supporter of the musical talents of such rising stars as one contestant, Kellie Pickler. "She's so cute, and pretty, and adorable. And blond. And she's got a pretty good voice too."

Among the people most excited for Floralia are the contestants themselves. While there are nine contestants now, some frontrunners will obviously be contenders for the final crown, and will therefore grace our stage on that special day.

Taylor Hicks, a (questionably) 29-year-old singer in the competition was asked to comment on the change of location for American Idol (usually held at the Kodak Theater in Los Angeles).

"WOO!" he cried. When asked for further comment, his thoughts included, "Yeah!" "UH!" and "Soul Patrol!"

Kellie Pickler, known more for her sweet tea and biscuits southern accent, charm and Barbie doll beauty than her voice, or smarts, was equally excited but confused about the change. "It's sounds fun, but what's a

some of my favorite songs. I really think they'll speak to the young ladies." The list includes "Your Body Is a Wonderland," "Sexual Healing," "I Wanna Sex You Up," "Sex Bomb," and "I Touch Myself." Ace will surely make an impression with the young women at Connecticut College.

The College Voice contacted Fox Executive Jasper

port any one particular contestant. Plus, we knew that *The College Voice* would do such a good job promoting the show that the student body would be well informed about our program." When asked if he was kidding, Hindbrich responded affirmatively.

Fans seem to watch the show as much for the personalities of the judges as the rising stars. Although they

were not involved in the decision to move the show to New London, they did have some positive things to say. Paula Abdul, notorious for being the resident softy on the judging panel, seemed fond of the College. "I love the personality here. There's so much energy and...let me just say: Connecticut College, I'm your biggest fan."

At this, Simon Cowell pretended to vomit and immediately broke his contract from Fox. "This is awful! Awful! This College is nothing more than an overpriced lust colony. It is painful to be here and look at you people."

Randy Jackson, certainly a fan-favorite, was also relative positive about coming to Conn. "You know, you guys are aight, dog. Where the

dog pound at? Woof woof woof." Again, Cowell went to vomit.

The most exciting part of the Connecticut College/American Idol venture is the fact that YOU, the students, get to decide who ultimately wins that recording contract. After the performances on Floralia, if you are sober enough to stumble to a computer or dial a phone, you can vote for your favorite singer along with millions of fans across the U.S.

The phone lines will be open for at least two hours after the performances.



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1-866-IDOL-02



To vote for Chris call
1-866-IDOL-03

Floralia?" After learning about the Connecticut College tradition, Pickler became more enthused. "Oh I love flowers! And sunshine. And smilin'..."

Ace Young, whose status as a contestant has been imperiled lately, has promised to step up his performances in the coming weeks to ensure a spot at the Connecticut College finale. In fact, he proposed a set-list for his potential performance, which included some of his riveting standards.

"I'd like to show Conn College sensual versions of

Hindbrich to inquire about the selection of Connecticut College as the location for the Idol finale. "We felt that Conn was representative of a large portion of our fan base. Studies show that students with popped collars tend to watch 3 more hours of Idol on average per season than do the 'cold necks' as we like to call them." Furthermore, Hindbrich explained that it would be a good, neutral choice from the show. "No one with any talent has ever come out of that region, so we knew that there wouldn't be hoards of crazy townies there to sup-

High School Music Graduates From TV Movie To Classic

BY RAVEN SYMONE

disney correspondent

College students love to rant about how much they hated high school. It was so cliquey. There was no freedom. Yada yada yada. This winter, the Disney Channel finally made it okay to love high school again with their newest original musical film for TV, "High School Musical."

The show stars up-and-comers Zac Efron (Summerland, CSI: Miami) and Vanessa Anne Hudinson (nothing you would care about) as strangers, brought together by fate and song. When Troy and Gabriella (Efron and Hudinson) meet at a karaoke bar (don't worry - they weren't drinking) during their winter vacations, they performed an impromptu duet and the audience was instantly mesmerized.

The big surprise comes at the end of vacation, however, when they learn that Gabriella will be attending the same school as Troy! How could this be? At first it seems like great news, until life gets in the way. Troy, as the school's basketball star, cannot go off singing and gallivanting with gorgeous science nerds like Gabriella, who is the new star of the school's academic team. And yes, there is such thing as an academic team. There is simply no way these two worlds can collide.

Or can they...

When Gabriella walks into an audition for the school musical, but is told the audition is a duet and that she cannot do it alone, she is sure her chance at musical expression is squashed. But what luck! Troy happens to be walking by the auditorium and hears the discussion from within. At that point, his passion for song is simply too powerful and he must go sing! The two perform beautifully and are granted a callback. The school, and society, is not ready for this kind of radical breaking down of barriers though.

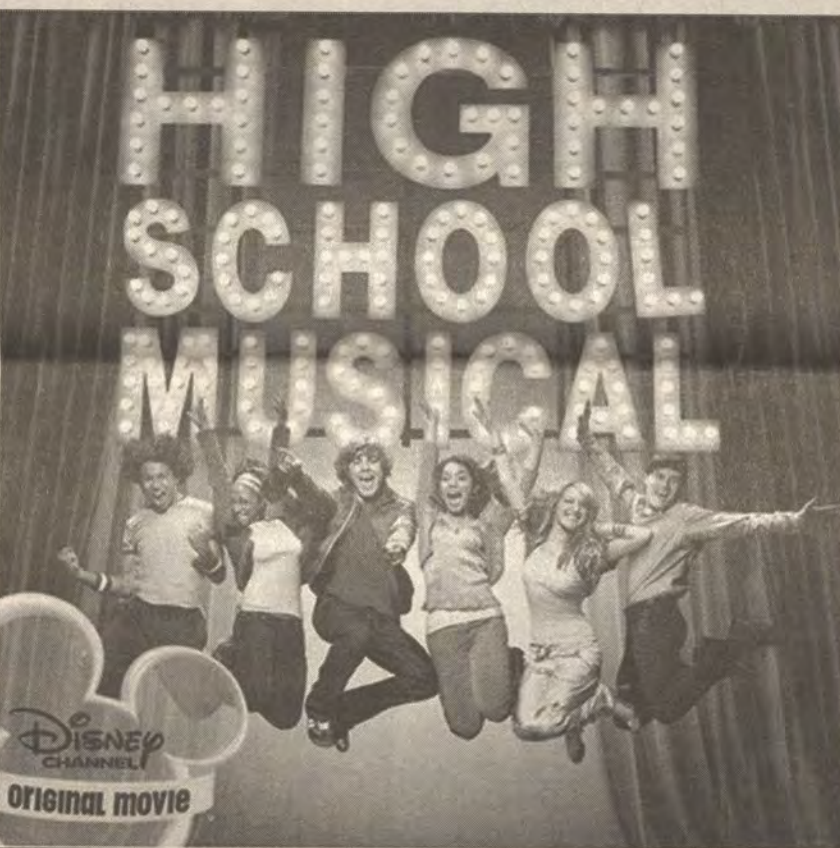
The big all-school number that most accurately explains the close-minded ignorance of the kids at East High is called "Stick to the Status Quo." The scene takes place in the cafeteria where students are unofficially assigned seats based on their social status and classification. During this scene, some students who are strong-

ly stereotyped attempt to break out of those taxonomies through song. One student, a basketball player named Zeke, admits that he likes to bake, but not only his teammates, but the entire school demands that he repress these base instincts and "Stick to the stuff you know / If you wanna be cool / Follow one simple rule / Don't mess with the flow, no no / Stick to the status quo."

The students most adamant about this adherence to tradition are the theater snobs, Sharpay and her brother Ryan who not only maintain a sense of comfort through the categorization of cliques, but also have their eyes on the leads in the play.

The final portion of the movie turns into a battle of Troy and Gabriella versus, on the one hand, Sharpay and Ryan who try to sabotage their audition by changing the date to a time when Troy is playing in a state championship basketball game and Gabriella is competing in the biggest academic competition of the year. Oh no! On the other hand, their friends are working to drive the two apart in order to serve their self-interest and win their respective events. Needless to say, tears were shed both on the screen, and by those viewing from home.

Shockingly enough, the two manage to win the basketball game at the last minute, win the academic contest with a chemical equation discovered by Gabriella, and make it to their audi-



tion with all their friends are there to see it.

Troy and Gabriella sing a poignant song for their audition called "Breaking Free" (which is still on the top 10 iTunes downloads to this day). The essence of the song is that through their audition and the blending of their voices, they are breaking free from all the stereotypes and other crap that keep them down. Even Sharpay and Ryan are on their side by the end and finally understand the pain and suffering caused by cliquishness and judgment in high school and beyond.

This film is truly moving and has an important message for children of all ages. You can be whatever you want to be as long as you are beautiful, smart, a good athlete, and can sing like a pop star. The world is your oyster kids. Don't let it get away.

Fashion DisASSters

BY ARTIE SEKLARS

staff writer

Every now and then I wake up on a Friday morning and roll my decrepit body to Harris- no shower, no hair, no makeup. Then I spy a mysterious figure, insanely humongous sunglasses, distressed jean mini-skirt cut to there. Yes! To THERE! "JIMMENY CHRISTMAS!" I exclaim. Obviously I missed that memo. But it's only 40 degrees? What if she gets pneumonia? Oh, I forgot you can now order fabulous rhinestone encrusted prescription medication bottles and pill boxes from Neiman's.

In the main line I proceed to gracefully drop the delectable baked french toast in all it's syrupy glory on the counter. The kitchen staff glares at me from atop Mt. Olympus

and I feel the wrath of the Harris gods weighing me down. "What should I do? Let me clean this up for you?" Crap, I am looking like a fool standing here talking to them, and they are not responding. Inwardly they are laughing hysterically and I, head hanging low, move along and vow never to get in the main line again. Unbeknownst to me there was some water on my seat and I sat comfortably in it. This is more tragic than going to the bathroom and emerging with the classic water-line across your front.

There's more goodness, and since I am the most conceited person you will ever meet at Camp Conn, let's delve into my top three fashion moments all from the past week: #3 Last week was my first time in Jasmine Sola. Can you say "candy shop?" I gleefully started pulling out

graphic tees and imagining myself wearing them to all the cool hotspots here. In the midst of this rainbow bright temple of trendy clothes, I died, literally. "Oh my gawd!" I rush to the altar of designer denim. After a sacrifice was made to my bank account—daddy loves me, right? And I am, like, so totally worth it! giggles!—to acquire the honor of wearing those luscious Hudson Jeans. While doing my runway-ready walk to breakfast Thursday, I reached into my pocket and pulled out a plastic sensor strip! "What the WHAT?!" I put it on my neck and pretend not to notice the gawking. All the while looking for the VIP Lounge, I am "beeping" around and annoying my friends. Have you heard a 125 pound body fall to the floor? Well, joke's on me: my pointy toe-shoe got caught in the other pant

leg. Thank you designer jeans with your wide legs, now people are laughing at me. More than usual. And to make matters worse, I wasn't wearing waterproof mascara, and I looked like a tramp after I regained composure.

#2 Do you like laundry machines? Apparently I love them! YES! I like being in them even more! After a summit meeting in the laundry room on Smith third floor, I was squeezed into the dryer. All because I was sporting my deep purple satin "Magnificent One" cape and over the knee boots. I think all dryers deserve to be saved from the tyrannical washing machine empire and who was better suited to do that noble deed? Exactly, I mean, I had

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Spencer Taich: A Better Guy



"Grades don't make the man. I went running today."

No Faith in the Rich and Famous

BY CLAIRE DOWD

ace editor

In honor of April Fools, I concocted a list of non-traditional comedies that should be watched by anyone who loves to laugh at the expense of others.

The Exorcist

I know the movie is dated and the special effects were expensive and the technology required was hard to come by, and maybe it's because I have no soul, but I found myself cracking up during *The Exorcist*. It could have been the countless parodies of the film I had seen before or maybe it was because I was so prepared to be terrified, but the scene where Linda Blair flops all over the bed like a dead fish is pure comedy. *The Exorcist* takes itself and its message so seriously that the comic aspects shine through.

Crossroads

The sheer concept of Britney Spears having a lead role in a dramatic film is a knee-slapper. Miss Spears has mentioned having aspirations of winning an Academy Award, and all I have to say is that I pity the fool. *Crossroads* is just one ridiculous scenario after another, starting with Britney's character being a straight-A student. Then there is Britney singing "I Love Rock 'N Roll", and the list goes on and on and on...

Anything with Hilary Duff, especially Raise Your Voice

She seems like an obvious target, but she makes it so darn easy! It is a mystery as to whether she really sees herself as a serious thespian, but I'm sure she also has her eye on Oscar gold. H-Duff, if you want Academy gold, I would advise against choosing roles where singing or acting are required.

Honorable Mention to Rudy

It takes a bitter heart to look past the inspirational message of *Rudy* (it's wonderful that anyone can achieve what they put their minds to), but Sean Astin's character is so funny. He has this one-track mind and everything that comes out of his mouth has to do with football and/or Notre Dame; it's a little extreme. But again, this could be evidence that I have no soul, although I'm not the only one who found this film funny (Jen Superson, I'm pointing at you).

I'm sure there are plenty of unsung comedies out there, but here a couple more films to check out: *Gigli* (obviously), Led Zeppelin's *The Song Remains the Same* and The Who's *Tommy* (they take themselves way too seriously and are so incredibly WEIRD), and *Kazaam* (worst idea for a kid's movie ever).

ARTS&ENTERTAINMENT

Eat This, Morgan Spurlock Hollywood Springs Into Action
This Spring With Spring Movies

BY JENNY CRAIG

food expert

When the droning repetition of the Harris selection becomes too much for me ("Tilapia with zesty mango salsa! My favorite!), I like to venture outside the safe walls of our college and into the wide world Eastern Connecticut dining establishments. However, like many other students, my funds are tight these days (shouldn't have bought that Ferrari), so I prefer to stick to some of the classic, understated, and inexpensive New London hot spots: the always-satisfying fast food.

As I drove down Colman St, the Rodeo Drive of cheap eats, I gazed at the glittering signs in wonder. The numbers jumped out at me—beacons of hope for a hungry soul—"2 for \$3.00!" "The \$1 menu!" "Over 100 million served!" One sign immediately caught my eye: "Free guacamole with your extra-extra-large double-decker Chalupa!" Nothing grabs my attention like Mexican condiments, so I veered quickly into the Taco Bell parking lot.

I placed my order for the Chalupa and the guacamole of my dreams, and was pleased with the prompt and friendly service of the late-night crew. They passed the



coveted treat over the counter, and I began to devour the golden greasy delight. As the neon oil dripped down my chin, it occurred to me that I had no idea of the nutrition content of my choice. Gripped with fear, I raced

back to the counter, and grabbed the attention of the first free cashier. He whipped out his calculator at my request, and tabulated the calories of my Mexican feast. "Extra-extra, double-decker Chalupa with nacho cheese sauce, sour cream, lettuce, tomatoes, and of course, the free guacamole—that comes out to... 1250 calories, miss." I breathed a sigh of relief (even though he hadn't added in my large Coke), and returned to my table and my Chalupa. I'd just work out tomorrow. Maybe.

After I finished at Taco Bell, I realized that to be a true reporter, a finder of facts, an investigative gumshoe, a critic of the highest quality, I should continue my reviewing voyage in search of the best fast food options for my readers. I chose McDonalds, the Old Faithful of fast food haunts, as my next choice. I know, I know, I should know better after seeing "Super-size Me," the

graphic and eye-opening documentary by Morgan Spurlock about the evils of saturated fats, processed cheese, and Ronald McDonald. But I trudged onward, for the sake my readers. I ordered the classic happy meal, and got a cheerful little plastic figurine from "Ice Age: the Meltdown," a mild case of diarrhea, and possibly a tapeworm. I named him "Hamburglar."

I was starting to regret my choice of topic for this restaurant column, but I figured that three establishments sufficiently round out the review. My final selection was KFC, which had received four stars from resident fast food expert, Andrew Meyer, on the occasion of his visit two days earlier. I called Andrew on my way into the restaurant to ask his advice on what to order. He specifically instructed me to stay away from all vegetable items (mashed potatoes being the exception, of course). Per his advice, I ordered the Extra Crispy chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy and four homestyle biscuits. I checked to make sure my chicken came with the promised 11 herbs and spices (it did!) and dug in. The potatoes were creamy and buttery, and the biscuits were perfect for sopping up the extra gravy. It was a truly delicious meal, and the perfect end to my calorie-fest. I waddled out of KFC the happiest and fullest I had been in months, and my pockets were still stuffed with the cash I had needed to spend. Though fast food has its

drawbacks and health risks, there's something to be said for 2000 calories for \$2. So next time your wallet is feeling thin and you are too, head out to Wendy's, Burger King, or any of the spots I've listed above for a tasty and fulfilling experience.



BY JOANNE RIVERS

staff writer

so nobly examining human pain, the triumph of love over all.

This spring, Hollywood pulled out the stops and gave America some of the best films of all time. Without a doubt, 2006 will be an historic year for our nation in terms of the artistic contribution being made to the world.

The first film to watch for is the newest flick from cinematic masterminds, Paris Hilton and Tom Cruise. The movie, entitled *Not Your Average Movie About a Psychotic Actor and a Slutty Heiress*, follows in the footsteps of such classics as *Scary Movies*, *Not Another Teen Movie*, and *Date Movie*.

The story begins at a fancy LA party full of familiar faces and cameos from Dustin Diamond to the guy who played Slater. Cruise's character, John Jackson, arrives alone shortly after leaving his young, pregnant wife, Katherine Houses. Still depressed from the break-up of his family, Jackson tries everything in his power to dull the pain, from excessive drug use to joining a cult.

Simultaneously, London Marriot, a young heiress, enters the party looking to have a good time. Once Marriot meets Jackson, however, her wild streak is calmed and she is forced to truly reexamine her priorities and life plan. The life journey on which these two embark together is a moving example of how we all should be living our lives. Kudos to Hilton and Cruise for

The action film to watch for this year is a revolutionary attack on the corrupt politics of Hollywood filmmaking. *Bad Ass Death Squad* is the directorial debut of Dwayne "The Rock" Johnson who is just coming off his recent smash success of *Doom*. The film is set in the far off future of LA in 2021. Our hero, Leo Goldstein, played by Johnson, owns a small deli and lives each day with the ambition of just making good sandwiches for his faithful patrons. One day, however, alien movie executives from Bitchin' Flicks Film Co. storm into the deli and demand that Goldstein sign over the rights to the building so their studio can produce *Diner II*, the sequel to Barry Levinson's 1982 comedy about a group of college-age buddies as they struggle with their imminent passage into adulthood.

Goldstein puts his foot down once the studio really begins to pour on the pressure. Armed with only a red-hot spatula and a cast-iron skillet, he takes on the man...or more appropriately, the alien(s). A blood-bath ensues, but the stylized violence is artistic and graceful, making it worth watching even if you are sensitive to violence or are a small child.

The point is that Johnson's portrayal of an innocent man taken advantage of by the corrupt Hollywood elite sends a message to audiences about the absolute and unquestionable evils of mainstream

The third, and probably most ground-breaking film of this spring's lot, is a realistic depiction of the realities of going to college in 2006 called *Dude, Where's my Nalgene?* Professor at NYU's New School and host of "Inside the Actor's Studio" James Lipton says of the picture, "I have never in my entire career been so emotionally and intellectually aroused by the piece of art work as I was when watching *Dude Where's my Nalgene?* The utter genius of the film can be found in the indescribable sublimity and elegance of the dialogue between Chad and Ethan, who are, without a doubt, the most deep and heartfelt characters ever seen on the silver screen." If James Lipton says it, it must be true.

Chad and Ethan, two best friends who attend a small, liberal arts college somewhere between New York and Boston, meet as freshman and experience all the trials and tribulations associated with a life of struggle: people want to borrow their Audis, romance goes wrong, they run out of beer at a beruit party, and even experience the horror of getting a B on a paper. Yes, this film goes there. Life is not easy for these two, but what is so moving about the picture is the way in which they enter college as boys and leave as men, and more importantly, brothers. For a college student to miss this movie would be not only a mistake, but also a travesty.

Think this is funny? Naw, we don't either.

If you're funny and can draw well, or not so well, contact Rachel at regai@conncoll.edu to talk about becoming our editorial cartoonist!

DisASSters

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the outfit, might as well. Then I saw that the trash was brimming with ratty old socks, so I grabbed some and played plastic surgeon. If anyone asks, yes, they are 100% real and I will not be offended if you stare. My "growth spurt" has been amazing, I can't wait to go on Maury and talk about the lovely gifts I get now! Yay for me!

#1 Armpit Awareness Association. Founded last October, it is devoted to raising awareness of the grossly underappreciated armpit. Think about it: our whole culture is based on the Axe Effect. Guys, you know you use it because you want moms to put the moves on you. Girls, you know you love it. And so, when we all do that sniff sniff check, there is no shame as long as there is

no stain! Moreover, why is it that every professor seems to have sweat-stains? Is it a job requirement? Can you major in it? So when the teacher raises his arm and you behold that notorious ring do you look away fast because you don't want him to think you're staring or do you pretend not to notice? Did he see your grimace? Are you gonna fail now? Crap! Now you too are breaking a sweat. Should you go to the bathroom and check your armpits, or try to calm down by engaging in the breathing techniques you picked up when you were studying in Athens. Face it, Greeks in Greece especially need to get in on the deodorant /anti-perspirant bandwagon. It is not, I repeat NOT a conspiracy designed by other nations hoping to monopolize the Grecian

sweat trade. While there is something great about sweaty Greeks in enclosed spaces—have you ever experienced the unparalleled bliss of a Greek clinic in August?—I genuinely believe that no one else thinks Greek sweat, once smeared on the bodies of others, will give rise to mighty civilizations.

There's something to be said about the way we dress, act, and how we feel. How does it make you, dear reader, feel? I know nothing seems to go right in my God-forsaken-slave-to-materialism life, and I just put my name on a waiting-list for a really shiny new life with rhinestones plastered all over it at the low price with a 300% markup. I just want to fit in with all the cool kids.

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NEWS

Senior Fails Midterm; Doesn't Give A Damn *Facebook Addiction*

By MICHAEL MOORE

truth-seeker

Just before spring break, Darren Roberts '06 failed his midterm in Government 252, U.S. Foreign Policy. Although bemused by his grade of 17% on the exam, Roberts will tell anyone that he frankly does not care.

"Why should I worry about my grades anymore? Even if I were to get a 4.0 this semester, which obviously isn't going to happen anymore, my overall GPA would hardly change. It's past spring break, and it's time for seniors to relax and enjoy their last few weeks of college," Roberts said.

With the time he will save by not studying or reading, Roberts believes he will have more time to pursue his interests, which include spending hours in front of his PlayStation 2, watching re-runs of "Family Guy," cruising the



Darren Roberts '06 enjoys time at the beach, while not studying for his midterms (Cartman).

Facebook, and pushing the human limits of Busch Light consumption.

Roberts is far from an isolated case. Many professors agree that the

annual epidemic known as "senioritis" has struck Connecticut College once again. According to some faculty members, senioritis has taken

an especially heavy toll in academically challenging departments such as Dance, Art, and Biochemistry.

"Some of my seniors are too lazy to even put their tutus on straight," said dance instructor Grace Yip. "It's sad to see such talented people sabotaged by this cruel, ruthless disease."

Despite the annual return of senioritis, professors and administrators have no solution in the works.

"We wish there was a way to solve this problem," said Mimi Williams, Dean of Health and Wellness. "It's almost as bad as Ebola, and it affects far more people."

This, too, left Roberts unfazed. "I know it's hurting people's GPAs and all, but I really don't give a damn," he said.

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to grips with their Facebook addictions," Bromley said. "Only with such acceptance can they take measures to prevent them from going out of control."

Arboretum

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the College.

"It is simply sustainable for the College to remain a trustee over such a large, unused expanse of land," said Fainstein. "The land must be put to use if students will not use it to enjoy the natural beauty of Southeastern Connecticut."

Some students do not accept the blame for the demise of the Arboretum, however.

FAU meets every Monday night in an undisclosed location. Students interested in joining are encouraged to get in touch with Bromley. His contact information can be found on Facebook.

"I didn't even know the Arboretum belonged to the College," said Susie Baker '06. "They should have told us about it if they wanted us to use it."

The College has arranged a "farewell tour" of the Arboretum next Tuesday at 4:00 p.m. Students wishing to take one last look at the Arboretum, as we know it, are invited to enjoy an hour-long walk around the facility.

Mascot

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motto "Long live the Camel."

Other students are happy that the mascot may be changed, regardless of what its replacement may be.

"Whoever thought of the idea of a camel for a mascot in Connecticut is crazy," said Owen Langden '06. "At least one good thing came out of the mugging — that is finally having a real excuse to get rid of this ridiculous camel

nonsense."

Because of the emphatic emotional display by students over the idea of changing the mascot, the Student Government Association (SGA) is proposing to hold an open forum sometime in April. The forum seeks to discuss the value of a mascot to the campus community and to openly share further ideas for whether the mascot should change and if so, what it should become.

Gaudiani

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national radar. Faculty who served under Gaudiani, however, view her and her husband as two of the four horsemen of the Apocalypse; Don Quixote, professor of Economics, simply said "This bitch is crazy."

There is no doubt that unanimous support for the Board's decision will never be reached, but at this juncture the student body has no choice but to accept the inevitable. If her first term in office was any indication, Mrs. Gaudiani will bring intelligence and drive to a position in

dire need of it, and hopefully help the college to achieve the number one ranking it so richly deserves.

Personally, the author is thoroughly impressed with the Board of Trustee's decision-making and feels as though the College will be better off with the new president than it ever has been before. I am only disappointed that because of the author's graduation, he will not be around to enjoy the benefits Claire Gaudiani's second term will bring to Connecticut College.

STEVE STRAUSS: A GOOD GUY



"I GOT AN A!"

College Considers Adding Seating Capacity In Fishbowl Due To Harris Overcrowding

By NOMAHHH

staff writer

Students walking into Harris between 12 and 1 or 6 and 7 during any weekday will immediately recognize how difficult it is to find a table at which to eat. In an attempt to alleviate the crowds in Harris during peak meal hours, Dining Services is considering placing additional seating in the Fishbowl.

The proposal is to have wooden picnic tables placed outside underneath a green army tent.

A major roadblock to the proposal is having such an eating arrangement approved by the Connecticut State Health Department. College administrators fear that the decrepit state of the Fishbowl, which is surrounded by outmoded buildings, may make it difficult for state officials to see the site as a sanitary place for students

to eat.

"We acknowledge that the Fishbowl is an eyesore, to say the least," Dean Adam Goldman said. "The overall ambiance of the area may give a negative impression to the Health Department."

However, Dining Services sees additional seating in Fishbowl as the only practical solution to the overcrowding in Harris. As a result, certain administrators are arguing that the College should first focus on

"fixing up" the Fishbowl area and then worry about the seating crisis.

"We need to get our priorities straight," Dean Goldman added.

With renovations on the Old Plex scheduled to begin this summer, many College officials are optimistic that the work will raise the prospects of having the Fishbowl authorized as a legitimate dining area. Until then, students will either have to eat standing up or find alternative places to dine.

The Voice Graduates From Printing Press To Typewriters; Reactions Mixed

By EZEKIEL SIMMONS

not your average bear

Due to a highly generous grant from the Office of Student Life, The College Voice has just updated from its 16th century printing presses to new, IBM typewriters. This quantum leap in printing technology will allow the Voice to enter a brave new world in its dignified history of journalism.

"We thought that it was high time that the Voice be given state-of-the-art technology," said Richard Wilkins, Dean of Student Life. "For too long, the Voice has been neglected and expected to produce a weekly paper while using medieval technology."

The staff of the Voice appreciates this gift from the College, and plans to put it to good use.

"We should now be able to cut

our production time from 4 days to a day and a half," said Lupe Martinez, editor-in-chief of the paper. "It's nice to know that we're on a par with the technology level at real colleges, like Amherst, Williams, and Bard. Okay, Bard's not a real college."

However, not everyone is pleased that the Voice has received this gift.

"Dude, this will like, totally let

the Voice be more effective in spreading its racist ideology," said one anonymous student. "We've got to fight the man, and like not let the Voice print anything."

As for the Voice's staff, it's onwards and upwards. Martinez dreams of one day being able to actually use color in the newspaper, and maybe even get some of those new "computers."

Disclaimer: if you haven't noticed by now, this is the joke issue. Cause of April Fool's Day and all. All news stories were made up by creative writing majors.

WRITE FOR THE VOICE, OR DON'T



Final Semester: Yoni Meets The Seniors

College Voice: Where are you from, and where do you live on campus?

Abraham West: I am from Canada, I think, and I live down at the AC.

CV: Favorite Dorm?

AW: It no longer exists, which is a shame.

CV: What is your major?

AW: I haven't declared my major yet. When is the last day to do so?

CV: Over the years, what has been your best class?

AW: Freshman Orientation.

CV: Best professor?

AW: Didn't catch his name.

CV: What are your plans for after graduation?

AW: I plan to go to college...wait I would have already done that - maybe I should stick around here somehow.

CV: What is your dream job?

AW: President of Connecticut College.

CV: What do you think of Conn's girls?

AW: I wish they would go out with me.

CV: What has so far been the most memorable or craziest moment of your time here?

AW: Getting physical plant to deliver me a mattress, after I explained to them the AC greens did not come furnished.

CV: Where on campus have you hung out the most, apart from being in a classroom?

AW: Gatehouse.

CV: If you go off campus, where do you usually go?

AW: Does River Ridge count?

CV: What has been the most annoying thing about Conn?



AW: Lack of heat outside during the winter months.

CV: What is something about Conn you want changed?

AW: Its logo. We need to toughen it up, put a blazing camel on it or something, not just have some weakly tree.

CV: What do you do during your spare time?

AW: Dropping and adding courses. Oh, and I like playing kick the can.

CV: What is the worst food you have had in Harris?

AW: Poached pork chops.

CV: Movie you recently watched?

AW: Lord of the Flies.

CV: What ring tone does your cell phone have?

AW: I refuse to use cell phones. But I have a couple of mail-pigeons who really make some wonderful rings when they fly off.

CV: Do you have anything to say to the rest of the senior class?

AW: Hopefully I will be up there on the stage getting my diploma in May.

CV: Yeah, in 2014.

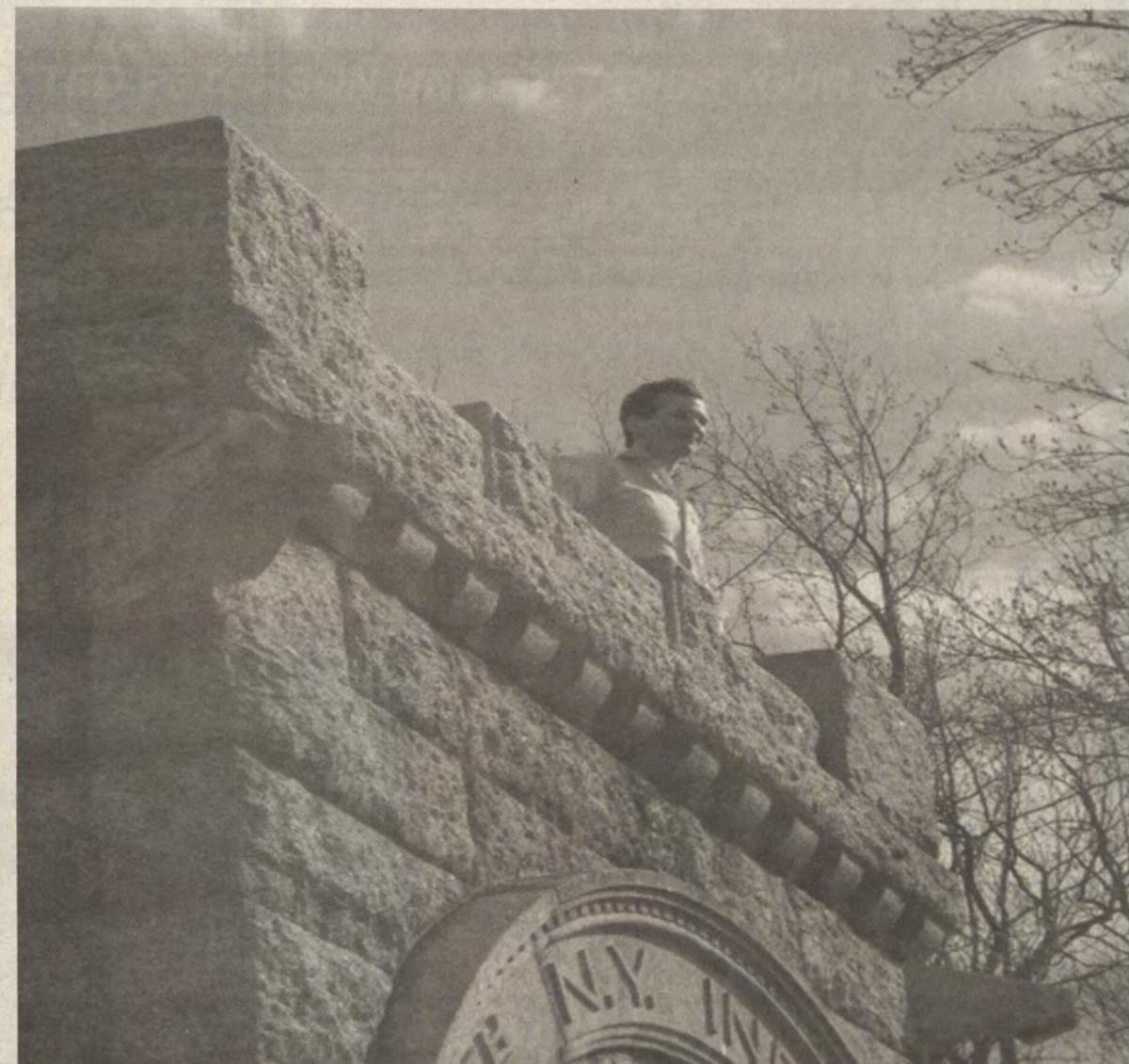
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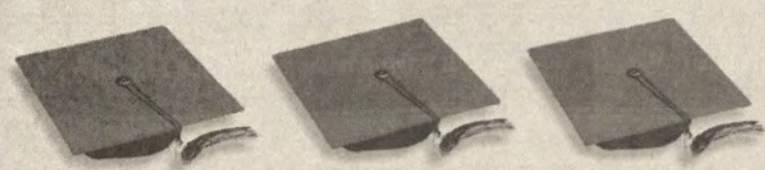


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- 3/27: 8:00 AM: Grand Theft Auto -- Athletic Center
- 3/27: 12:00 PM: Taking more than one fruit and/or bagel -- Harris
- 3/27: 11:00 PM: Destroying security cameras -- Main Street
- 3/28: 9:00 AM: Farting in class -- Fanning Hall
- 3/28: 1:00 PM: Stealing a Campus Security van -- Plant
- 3/28: 10:00 PM: Smoking -- Power Plant
- 3/29: 12:10 PM: Manslaughter of squirrels -- Road in front of Branford
- 3/29: 5:30 PM: Alien abduction -- Fanning
- 3/29: 8:00 AM: Cruelty to animals -- Earth House
- 3/29: 12:45 PM: Sneaking in through the door on the right -- Harris
- 3/29: 11:30 PM: Taking a backpack inside -- Bookstore

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Aries - You know those napkin notes you keep leaving in Harris? We all find them very annoying, so stop it. The school will never get a caviar container placed next to the cream cheese.

Ford Taurus - Tuesday will be your luckiest day. You will hear about a job offer that you will not be able to refuse in St. Petersburg. However, after telling all your friends you realize it is St. Petersburg, FLORIDA.

Jim and I - Make sure you check how your name is spelled in the registrar's office. If you don't, you are in for a surprise on graduation day.

Cancer - Stop following that guy around both on facebook and around campus. He isn't who you think he is... and he is not a student either.

Leo DiCaprio - You made a mistake declaring that major. Due to budget cuts next year it will no longer be available at Conn.

Virgo - Your meaningful number this week is 31. Why is it meaningful? Don't ask me, I'm no freakin' fortune cookie.

Libyas - You will be very hyper this week. As a result you should stay off your regular breakfast diet and just have the coffee without the chocolate candy bars.

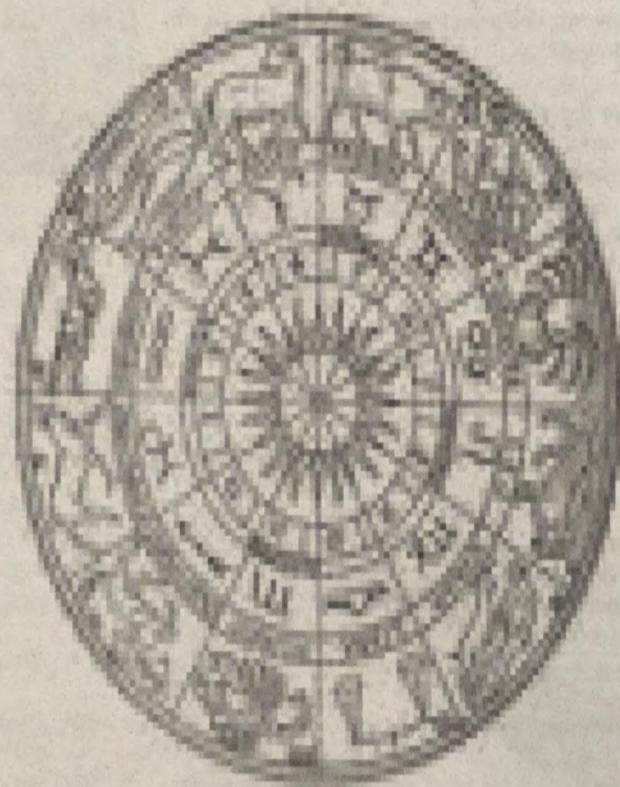
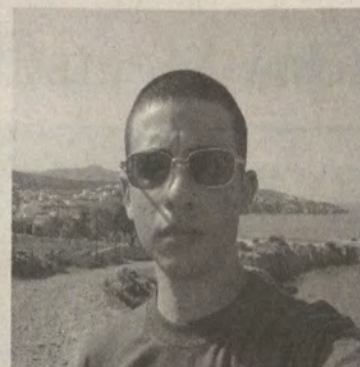
Scorpio - Lifting weights in the gym will be easier than ever. Your muscles will be so big they will be casting shadows.

Sagittarius - After you go back to your room drunk make sure you wake up a little later than usual the next day. That way you will forgot who you mistakenly came back with to the room that night.

Captain Crunch - You will be very lucky at Mohegan Sun the next time you go there, you will only be banned from returning for just one year.

Aquarium - Go see Sea World...duh

Pisces - With a sign like that, it's no wonder you can't get any dates. Try to get your birth date officially changed.



Golf

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 tems, who think afternoon and weekend golf lessons for their youngsters is going to be an enormous success."

If everything flows smoothly, a groundbreaking ceremony could be held as early as mid-April. Following the relatively recent unveiling of the turf field last year

and the installation of televisions in the campus gym, it is clear that Connecticut College has established itself as a leader in athletics among its competitors.

"I just cannot wait to get out there and work on my drives," added one jubilant student. "I've already brought my clubs from home and I'll be out here every afternoon once

this place opens. I wonder why nobody ever tried to do this before? I mean, it's golf. Everyone loves golf."

That about sums up the attitude of a campus buzzing with excitement towards the coming months. Suggestions as to the name of the course are currently being accepted in Fanning.

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reason why I picked them is because I know some people who go there. If only I could have rode on that bandwagon for a few more rounds. At the end of the first round I somehow found myself in 4th place among ten participants, picking 22 of the 32 games correct, including an amazing 7-1 record in the Minneapolis region. Little did I know that 4th place would be the highest standing I'd ever reach. While I correctly assumed that Duke and Texas would move on to the Sweet Sixteen I did not see 4th seed Pittsburgh getting knocked out of the tournament by number 13 Bradley. With Pittsburgh's exit, my Final Four was down to a "Timid Three." At the end of round two I had fallen down to 6th place, though I received some solace in the fact that Georgetown, another pick of mine to make the Final Four, had blown out 2 seed Ohio State by 18.

Going into the 3rd round I knew my chances for 1st place were on life support but I still had some aces up my sleeve. With Duke, UConn, Texas, Gonzaga and Georgetown still alive I had 4 teams who each boast a potential player of the year candidate. Among the people still remaining in the pool I was the off the map candidate, believing that UCLA and Florida would be going

home. Somehow, the first team to go down was Duke. As I look back on my bracket now I wonder why I rode them for so long, considering I've never liked the Blue Devils anyway. Even when the Duke played UConn, at that time St. John's biggest nemesis, in the 1999 finals I still rooted for Richard Hamilton and company! With their loss, now only two teams remained alive in my Final Four bracket. I expected the UCLA-Gonzaga game to be a good one, maybe even a game for the ages, but I did not expect an Oscar worthy display of emotions by Adam Morrison in the games closing seconds. I've seen some upset little kids cry and pout before but none of them came close to the performance turned in by Morrison. Yes the 'Zags had suffered a heartbreaking defeat, but the way he carried on was ridiculous. When it was all set and done, I couldn't even feel sorry for him. Besides, I had my own bracket to tend to, which was now down to just UConn.

This weekend I'll be watching the tournament with nothing on the line, except to wonder how, when and where it all went wrong. Picking the NCAA Tournament isn't rocket science but it's damn close. I guess I just didn't give it enough of the ol' college try

The Australian Open To Post University: Camel Tennis Excels

By Nigel Wols

sports writer

It is not called March Madness for nothing. The fact that odd things happen during March have become something of normality, fueled by the NCAA Basketball Tournament March madness has a special place in the heart of American Sports. It is the month when the underdog excels and stands up against the favorite and plays one sometimes two exceptional games of sport. In the case of the Connecticut College Men's Tennis team the phrase "March Madness" should only be used every leap year or so. Once in a blue moon this star studded group of WTA players has an off game and losses its wits to mediocre misfits of tennis players.

The Camels which host mixture of talented players from across the

United States and one international superstar are the jewel in the crown in Camels sports, competing at the Grand Slams such as Wimbledon, U.S. Open, Australian Open and the French open at Roland Garos during the Summer months, it is amazing to see the team motivate itself to play normal conference games. They have outperformed all Sports teams fielded by the Camels Athletics department which is traditionally a fierce competitor in the NESCAC Conference and have blown away most of its competitors in this season's run to the NCAA championships. Led by their inspirational leader Pat Jones the team has excelled in this years Conference play, beating the likes of highly rated teams such as the Coast Guard Academy situated in the picturesque sea-side town of New London and the College of St. Scholastica, which

is not based in Italy. On Wednesday afternoon the Camels excelled by beating the highly rated Post University 7-0 in New London. Senior captain Pat Jones of Winchester, MA posted a 6-0, 6-0 victory at #3 singles as the Camels surrendered just three games to the Eagles in individual play.

Junior Ned Minevitz notched a 6-0, 6-0 victory at #2 singles. David Kellogg '09 collected a 6-1, 6-0 victory at #1 singles. Jones and Kellogg paired up for an 8-0 victory at #1 doubles. The Camels will host Hamilton College for a 1:00 p.m. match Sunday afternoon. The game should be a match up of the titans and will determine who will come up on top in the NESCAC conference. The Camels are Favorites and should have little problems considering the way they have been disposing of teams in the last 4 seasons.



Sex, Drugs, Lies: Frisbee Exposed

By Gary Grant

sports writer

With the a successful spring break "High Tide" tournament in under their belts, the Conn College Ultimate Frisbee team (known in Frisbee circles as "Dasein") is riding high. The team went 8-1 in the tournament, finishing second, with their only defeat coming at the hands of the mighty University of Oklahoma Apes of Wrath. As a recent undercover report explains, however, the team is riding high on a lot more than success. The shocking account of their debauchery, compiled by a source that wishes to remain anonymous, detailed the all night partying, police bribes, incendiary devices, cruelty to animals, whoopee cushion/fake vomit pranks, cross-dressing, extortion and other unmentionable illegal actions. The events of this week have come to be known as the "Georgia-gate" scandal, since they took place in Savannah and Tybee Island, Georgia. Local officials in the peach state have declined to comment.

News of such a disgusting misrepresentation of Connecticut College by one of its athletic clubs had disheartened and appalled students, staff and faculty alike. Jake Hays '06 surmised "I thought those guys were my friends, but hearing about something like this really changes your perspective on stuff. I mean...how could anybody be so callous and have so little respect for people's feelings and the law...I'm too disgusted to talk about it right now." Others in the community claimed to see this train wreck coming. Noted an anonymous nurse at the health clinic, "We had 10 or 12 guys in here about six weeks ago...confidentiality laws prohibit me from saying much, but...lets just say that what I saw made me throw up a little in my mouth."

Who is to blame for such a rancid catastrophe? Where did these seemingly disciplined and focused young men and women go wrong? The questions pile on, yet answers are more sparse than clothes at a "Dasein" party. Finger pointing is rampant; many are blaming the leadership on the team. Co-Captain Ben "Philly" Sanfilippo-Cohn '06 has lashed out at the media. Sanfilippo-Cohn shouted, "Hey...back off my case. Do I condone illegal and immoral behavior? No. I

just write the checks." Many are questioning the efficacy of the Conn College Student/Residential Life safety net. It is clear these students have slipped through the cracks, and the institutional structure of these departments may very well be to blame. Chase Hoffberger, '07 lamented, "Listen...I was wrong. But that doesn't mean the school didn't let me down too. I blame the system, especially the pansies on J-Board."

Copious amounts of criticism have been directed at Sanfilippo's co-Captain, Connor Donohue '07. The reckless and vociferous leader, on and off the field, has fallen under fire for alleged number running, extortion and human trafficking. One would think that such serious allegations would have a person on the defensive: not so with Donohue. When I had a chance to speak with him, Donohue shouted answers at me, with words even more violent than his deeds. He ranted, "There were horses and a man on fire: and I killed a guy with a trident." The captain, who compiled 30 assists on 95 total points scored at the High Tide tournament added, "Am I a martyr? I don't think so. I'm more of a rock star who happens also happens to be a talented ultimate Frisbee player."

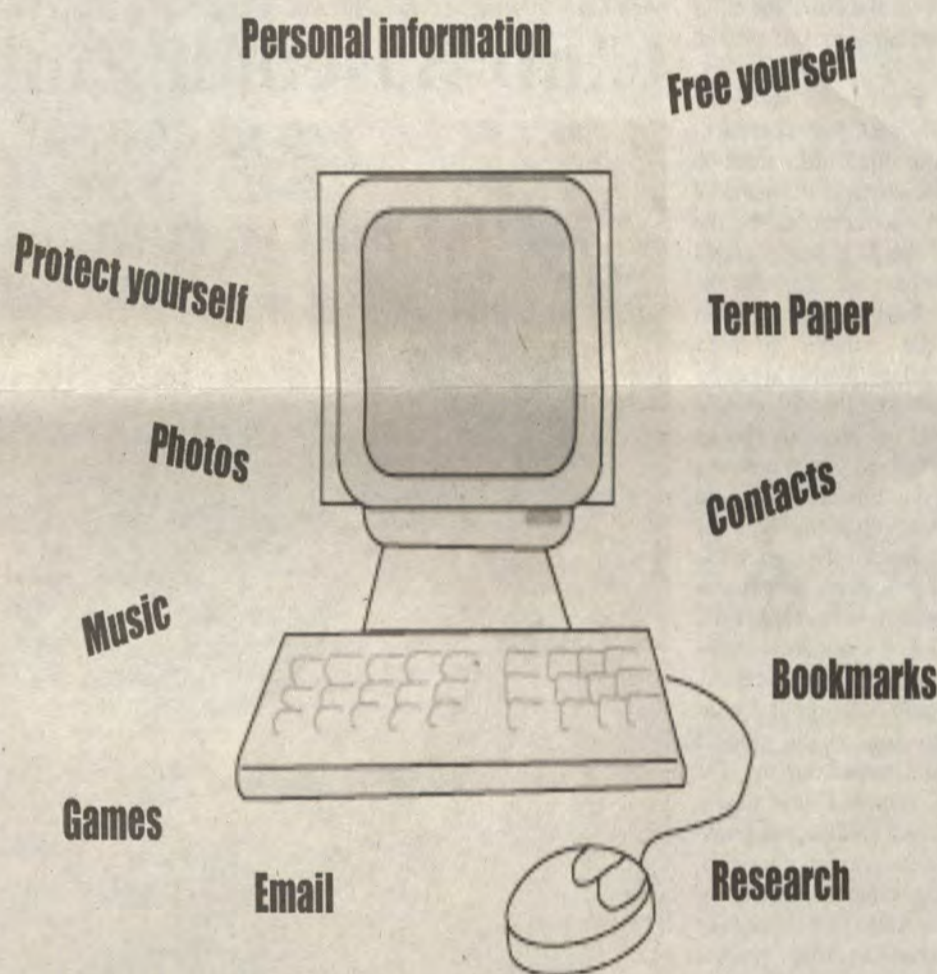
Several players, in confidence, informed me that the beach at Tybee Island, adjacent to their residence for the week, provided a perfect location for the dumping of bodies. As Jesse Taylor-Waldman '07 put it, "Lots of people got in the way...we had to put their remains somewhere. You'd be shocked how poorly most police officers respond to public sacrifice...I don't think there's nothing wrong with traditional Santeria rituals." Adam Zeender '07 added "Yeah! The beach is perfect! You can just mess up somebody's hair a little bit and make it seem like they washed up on shore from far away!"

To be sure, the campus will be reeling from the accounts of the ultimate Frisbee team's spring break for months to come. While it may be tempting to ostracize members of the campus community who so blatantly slander out name, the College Voice would like all readers to please respect each other. If we forfeit this basic courtesy, we would be acting as morally depraved as the monsters we wish to distance ourselves from.

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Bracket Busted

Though I have not recently ventured into the world known as "March Madness," not since St. John's was last in it in 2002, I was persuaded by a friend to come out of retirement and get back in the game. First off, let me be perfectly honest in saying that College Basketball is not



PAUL CARTER
Viewpoint

College Basketball could just do away with the entire regular season and go straight to the NCAA tournament; I'll bet no one would notice. Nevertheless, there's something about College Basketball in March that gets the juices flowing. I think the highlight of the whole thing is the first four days of the tourney. Thursday through Sunday there's nothing but basketball from midday till midnight. There are bracket busters, a sense of urgency, and passionately played basketball that would make even the most critical of basketball purists shed a tear. Certainly a one and done formula may be a rude goodbye to the elite teams who get bounced early in the tournament, but it's definitely an improvement from watching those NBA guys loaf up and down the court during the first four games of a seven game series.

With the deadline to enter my friend's NCAA pool fast approaching, and having done little research on who's who amongst the teams I decided to go conservative for the first round. Of the 32 games played I picked only 5 major upsets, with the most notable being 12 seed Utah State over the number 5 seed Washington Huskies. I was so confident of my bracket that I actually decided to resist the great urge to sit in front of the TV and watch how my choices panned out. I didn't come in to watch the games with 10 minutes left in the first half, nor for the start of the second half or even with 10 minutes to go in the game. It wasn't that I did not want to watch competitive basketball, but I just felt good about my selections. Finally with about 3 minutes to go showing on the clock I went inside and turned on the TV. The first few scores I saw nearly knocked me over. While Tennessee was in a nail-bitter versus Winthrop, Syracuse was getting hammered by 12th seed Texas A&M and Seton Hall barely registered a pulse against Wichita State, losing by 20! With my bracket disintegrating before my eyes, I finally got some relief when Tennessee squeaked by Winthrop, winning 63-61. After the game was over I couldn't help but think back to an interview with the Tenn. Coach that I had seen earlier in the week. Something about "...if we play Tennessee basketball I think we'll be in pretty good shape." Wow, I said to myself, if that was Tennessee basketball then it's a good thing I picked you guys to lose in the next round. Sure enough, that prediction was correct, as good ol' Wichita State sent the Volunteers packing. Perhaps the only highlight on the first day was my pick that Michigan State University would get beat by some school named George Mason. I'm convinced that the only reason why I picked

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CAMELSPORTS

Golf Course Scheduled For Arbo

By Associated Press

Editorial Board

After a unanimous vote, campus officials recently decided to turn Connecticut College's arboretum into an 18-hole golf course. Construction is slated to begin at the end of April and will continue until late fall of 2007.

The decision to proceed with immediate construction was made in order to increase revenue for the college, as well as to foster a growing number of golf enthusiasts on campus that are increasingly unhappy with the lack of quality courses in the area. Questions are understandably being raised as to just how playable the grounds of the arboretum will be, as much of the proposed course lies in low, marshy areas that flood during the spring and summer months. Construction consultants inspected the area, however, and stated that the majority of the proposed course will be laid out on higher terrain located farther away from the central pond. Campus officials and workers agreed that the pond should remain intact both to present an enticing water hazard, as well as to maintain a "natural feel" to the course.

"We really like the location of such a beautiful water source," added one official. "One option was certainly to fill it in, but we thought it a much better idea to leave it intact. Hopefully it will still attract abundant wildlife throughout the year. Golfers love wildlife."

Aside from the pond, many of the seasonal streams present in the arboretum will remain "as natural as possible." Water hazards make for interesting play, and because the course lacks an oceanfront view, many feel that the inclusion of such hazards brings excitement. And with excitement, of course, comes almost certain revenue for Connecticut College.

The construction will likely be slow going in the early stages, as officials are still in the process of hiring a course-designer to undertake the massive process. Rumored to be in the running for course architect is Bruce Devlin, designer of numerous clubs in Florida, Texas and the Carolinas. Despite what would certainly be a radical change in climate, Devin has assured the college that he feels up to the task of creating a beautiful, modern course out of a thick, wooded area covered in snow several months out of the year.

In addition to the many golfers in the campus

community thrilled at the idea of a leisurely afternoon round just yards from their doorstep, the college has pushed the notion that this is a good thing for New London as a whole.

"This is a good thing for New London as a whole," said a member of the board of trustees. "I think everyone here at Conn feels that members of the town are going to embrace this establishment with open arms. We've already had several productive discussions with the local school sys-

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A picture here depicts what the new championship course is projected to look like after construction is finished on the arboretum.

Major League Sports Column

It's that time of year again. No, I'm not talking about fun in the sun. Major League Baseball officially kicks off Sunday night. Anyone knew the season was approaching when Commissioner Bud Selig announced that former U.S. Senator George Mitchell would lead a full-scale investigation into steroid use. I suspect that just as frequently as the

Mets lose another disappointing game, another steroid user will be uncovered.

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SPORTS EXPERT

But let's not get carried away with the whole steroid drama. I say if players want to inject themselves with steroids in the butt until their heads pop off, I say they should go for it. There's nothing more thrilling than watching a Bonds-like figure crush a 3-2 pitch into the left field bleachers - well except maybe seeing that really annoying jerk who sits in front of you at games get hit in the head with a full cup of beer.

So you're wondering what this baseball expert's opinion is on what teams are going to make it to October? I say hands-down Colorado for the National League and a toss-up between Tampa Bay and Kansas City for the American League.

I know these are probably the last teams you were expecting me to say, but one must not forget the intense team spirit that they each hold. And that's all it takes.

Look at the Yankees. The highest paid team in sports history can't win a World Series (nor even a Pennant) for four consecutive years. Why? Well, aside from the fact that Giambi was juiced up on the juice and A-Rod couldn't get his mind off his ridiculously high salary, the Yankees lacked the team spirit needed to earn them a ring.

Oh yeah - and what about the Red Sox? Sure they staged the biggest comeback in sports history in 2004 to win the World Series, but what's their latest status? In addition to the dull and anti-climactic ALDS they lost last season, the team now stands broken apart, justifying the chants of any hater who proclaims that another 86 years will pass before they win another World Series.

I don't care about the fact that not one pitcher in the Rockies, Devils, or Royals' bullpen can reach 90 mph nor hit a two foot wide bulls-eye three times in a row; nor the fact that their best outfielder can only rival Damon in fielding a throw; nor the sad truth that all their batters are as un-clutch as A-Rod. These teams have the thirst for a desperately-needed ring, and their team spirit should take them in that direction.

Of course, it wouldn't hurt these teams to partake in the steroid scandal themselves. I'd love to see Colorado's Clint Barmes or Kansas City's Angel Berroa take one for the team.

THE END

Club Baseball Embroiled In Steroid Scandal



A recently uncovered photo of Mike Evans being injected with a steroid "cocktail" in his ultra-super secret River Ridge 17 laboratory.

By LEWIS "SPENCER" TAICH

sports editor

The Connecticut College campus woke up in shock today as word came out of the Office of Student Life that senior club baseball super-slugger, Mike Evans, has tested positive for a variety of banned substances. It was widely believed that this season Evans, the single season home run record holder for club baseball, was on track to surpass the all time career home run milestone of five, set by the legendary Timothy Noe in 1973.

For many club baseball fans, these positive results are a mere vindication of their long-standing belief that Evans has always been on the juice. When Evans first reported to practice in the spring of 2003, his

appearance was vastly different from the muscle loaded "freak" that has shattered many of club baseball's most revered records. Coming out of high school, Evans was never considered a power hitter and was touted more for his defensive prowess at third base for the Pilgrim High School Patriots. The lack of offensive power continued for Evans throughout his freshman season at Conn. Although he batted an impressive .338, Evans failed to hit a single home run.

The 2004 season was a far different story for the now tainted slugger. Over the off-season, the tall lanky third baseman had ballooned in size. Attributing his new muscle mass to a change in his workout regimen (actually going to the gym), Evans quickly changed his image

throughout the club baseball circuit as a power threat to be reckoned with.

In what has been popularly termed "The Magical Season of Y2K4," Evans became an overnight legend. Evoking fear into opposing pitchers, Evans wowed the league as he crushed baseballs with a power never seen before in the greater New London/Groton area. It was during this epic season that Evans set a new benchmark of perfection as he set a single season club baseball home run record with three, a number which will, without question, now be accompanied with an asterisk.

Suspicion over Evans' use of illegal steroids is nothing new. Many fans point to a direct connection between the increase in Evans' power numbers and the arrival of

first baseman Adam Robbins '07 in the fall of 2003. Robbins, an admitted steroid user, has been widely viewed as the first to get Evans addicted to the 'juice.' In the popular tell all book *How Their Humps Got So Big: The Steroid Culture at Conn Coll*, written by former club baseball standout Steve "Stever" Leone '06, one unidentified player wrote; "Robbins and Evs (Evans), they were always running off during practice to inject each other with something new. We all knew what was going on. You could really notice the change in the locker room...their muscles may have been getting bigger, but other parts of their body were getting smaller."

With the publication of Leone's book in the spring of 2005, Evans faced a firestorm of criticism as he entered his junior season. Injuries coupled with pitchers' refusals to throw strikes to him limited Evans to only hitting one home run, leaving him one shy of the all time mark where he stands today.

The positive test results could not have come at a worse time for Evans. Instead of focusing on a run at the record books, he is now forced to think about how he can repair his damaged image. Although it is still not public which substances Evans tested positive for, one official from the Office of Student Life simply stated, "We found a smorgasbord of contraband chemicals in Mr. Evans' blood and urine."

As the campus community collectively shakes its head in shame at Evans, the 2006 club baseball season has become an afterthought. High expectations for the team have been replaced with disappointment, as now fans are wondering who will test positive next and what records should and should not be kept. All club baseball can hope for now is that Evans will retire and save whatever little dignity he may have left.

Camel Scoreboard

Men's Lacrosse

3/30 CC 1, Duke University 0 (Forfeit)

Men's Tennis

3/17 Pac Life Open
B. Sherman Def. A. Roddick 6-2, 4-6, 6-1, 6-1

Outdoor Track

3/30 CC 180, Kenya 3,400

Women's Crew

3/29 CC boat lost at sea...

Women's Tennis

3/29 B. Remak Def. B Sherman 6-0, 6-0

Club Baseball

3/30 CC 2, Williams School Freshman "B" 17

...found later