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Confidentiality Needs Review

Confidentiality is an integral aspect of the daily functioning of Connecticut College. The time has come, however, for a substantive review of its drawbacks, its effectiveness, and, specifically, its relationship to accountability. This view must extend to every facet of the community's functioning.

The most obvious problem with the relationship between confidentiality and accountability is with the Judiciary Board. Students have no way of knowing how well their representatives are performing. The Judiciary Board Log serves only to give the community a thumbnail sketch of what happened in each case and how the Judiciary Board acted. It does not provide individual representatives voted thus, fails to give students a reasonable idea of how representatives set their criteria.

Additionally, a case last year against a house governor who had been convicted of sexual breaches of the Honor Code highlighted the difficulties with keeping other elected officials who come before the Judiciary Board accountable for their actions while upholding the confidentiality regulations.

Clearly, because these are elected officials, and because some will either run for re-election or for another position of student leadership, it would be advantageous to have some idea of how this person executes his or her duties.

The confidential proceedings of the SGA Finance Committee also demand review. Ruth SGA and the student body must vote to approve this committee's recommendations for funding to student organizations, yet only minimal details regarding how they make their decisions are provided. Again, it is difficult to judge performance adequately with so much information withheld.

The third area of need is review of the confidentiality of organizations' expenditures, i.e., the confidentiality of Student Organization Reporting Committee accounts. Because there are about one group's misappropriation of funds and questions this year about at least one house governor's bookkeeping, prove that there are accounting accountability problems. Allowing access to these students, specifically organization or dorm members and student journalists, might help.

With all of these issues, confidentiality limits the level of understanding students can achieve. We are not saying that it is time to erase confidentiality at Connecticut College. These three points, however, provide ample evidence that a comprehensive review of confidentiality policies is in order.

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Letter to the Voice:

Apology Does Not Run Rampant

Dear President Freeman,

I am writing with regards to your editorial ("Arab Studies""). Your editorial was rather controversial given the current situation in the Middle East. However, I must take issue with your statement that "apology does not run rampant." This is a mischaracterization of the current situation.

I believe that the current situation in the Middle East is a result of a lack of understanding and empathy towards the Arab world. We as a society have been quick to judge the actions of the Arab world without considering the historical and cultural context.

I believe that it is important to have a better understanding of the Arab world and to promote cultural exchange and understanding. This will help to create a more peaceful and understanding world.

Sincerely,

Michael Langlois, '91

Curriculum Lacks Arabic Studies

Letter to the Voice:

With the war going on against Iraq, it has become apparent that the Western world can no longer ignore the Middle East. Many people believe that Arabs have only acknowledged the Middle East in regard to oil, terrorism and Israel. However, we must consider that there may be another side to the Arab world.

We must acknowledge that there is a demand for Arabic specialists, and we must respond to this demand. This is not only for the sake of our own military, but also for the sake of our economy. The United States has a significant economic interest in the Middle East, and we must be prepared to deal with the political and economic consequences of this situation.

Sincerely,

Robert Freeman, '93

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CONNTTHOUGHT

The J-Board Granny

Jeffrey Berman, '93, Alice Maggin, '91, Sarah Huntley, '93, and Rebecca Flynn, '94, all have been found guilty of breach of confidentiality by the J-Board. This ruling came about in response to an article written by Flynn and Huntley last December which revealed J-Board's apparent mishandling of a case which involved the Student Court Cinema and Film Society.

This blatant act of censorship should not be tolerated at Connecticut College, and we, as college community, should consider the opportunity right now to re-evaluate the role of J-Board on this campus. J-Board is distinct from all other student-run organizations, not because of its brilliance or excellence, but rather for its immunity from criticism. In fact, a Conn student is prohibited from uttering that a J-Board case even exists. If one does, he or she is branded a pollutant, a contaminator, of our unique Honors Code. The thought police at J-Board swiftly condemn those courageous writers who attempt to expose the organization's alleged wrongdoings or inefficiencies.

First, the victims are journalists. Then it is you.

What if a member of J-Board held a personal vendetta against an accused student and proceeded to judge him unfairly, refusing to step down from the case? What if you had a good friend whom you knew was being judged in an unprofessional way? Are these situations so far-fetched? Well, nothing could be done about it. Nothing could even be said. We are left helpless, to be perpetually victimized by the untruths at J-Board.

Is this organization worthy of being spared from critique? Are we all simply reduced to powerless hosts, incapable of voicing dissent over a possible J-Board error? The J-Board rogues continue to hide behind a veil of Honor Code righteousness, while conveniently maintaining their hegemony over all students. The latest episode of censorship was the straw that broke the camel's back (excuse the pun), and now the Voice must confront J-Board. The seriousness of this issue calls for your awareness, and this publication needs your support.

The Honor Code is extremely important at Connecticut College because it encourages responsibility. But should we allow one of its tenants, breach of confidentiality, to infringe on any issue or organization which exists on campus?

Will we remain entirely sheltered during our stay here at Connecticut College? Or will we be responsible and take the termination of "breach of confidentiality" as an opportunity for our voices, even if it entails public ridicule or possible controversy. In addition, the termination of "breach of confidentiality" would send a clear message to every potential data raping, plagiarizing, or手法 evil student. People will be more apt to consider the negative repercussions of publicity before they break the rules.

Being a Conn student at Connecticut College, with honorable exceptions, simply consider this issue to involve solely these two big entities: J-Board and The College Voice. However, it affects EVERYONE. J-Board can severely punish students, even unjustly suspend a student, while being forever free from being questioned or denounced. No student should possess this dominating power over other students. It is neither fair nor appropriate in an institution of higher learning.

College is supposed to be an arena of debate, where all students are encouraged to express whatever opinions they wish. And the student press is a perfect forum for writers to denounce or praise any issue or organization which exists on campus.

However, those pugnacious souls at J-Board are severely restricting the Voice from delivering its pages to truth, pages untouched by the menace of censorship.

We must address this issue right now, or be forever silenced. Otherwise the Big Brothers and Big Sisters at J-Board will continue to flagrantly violate the rights of the free press, which is not only guaranteed to all Americans, but to Connecticut College students as well.

by Jed Low
CONNTThought Editor
Governor Weicker Adopts Controversial Budget Plan

by Lauren Klatzkin
Connecticut View Editor

A radical budget plan introduced by Connecticut Governor Lowell P. Weicker, Jr., Wednesday promises dramatically to change the state's tax structure by implementing an income tax and greatly reducing the state sales tax. It also includes a broadening of the sales tax base. These tax reforms, coupled with $1.1 billion in cuts from former Governor William O'Neill's tentative budget, are necessary to reduce Connecticut's $2.4 billion deficit, said Weicker.

Weicker delivered his speech to the Connecticut General Assembly at 7 p.m. Wednesday. It was broadcast live on radio and television stations, reflecting Weicker's wish to speak directly to the people in an effort to minimize misconceptions and adverse reactions to his plan.

Weicker's proposal is especially controversial because O'Neill, who succeeded him in the governor's mansion, has opposed a state income tax. Residents have shown overwhelming resistance to the idea, in part because Weicker himself openly opposed the idea of an income tax during his campaign for governor.

Before the election, Weicker ran a full-page ad in several state newspapers, stating, "Make no mistake...I'm not for an income tax." He also maintained several times during the campaign that an income tax would be "poor gasoline of the fires of recession." Weicker won the three-way election as an Independent Connecticut candidate. His opponents, former Democratic Representative Bruce Morrison and former Republican Representative John Rowland, also vocally opposed the implementation of a state income tax during the campaign.

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Local Programs Support Smokers' Efforts to Quit

by Carla Cannizzaro
Associate Connecticut View Editor

Of the 4000 chemicals and compounds in cigarettes, 70 are carcinogenic. One out of every six deaths in the country each year is attributable to smoking-related diseases. These are just a couple of the many facts collected each year by the American Lung Association.

Laurie Batignani, the state-wide coordinator of such programs as "Freedom From Smoking," a group participation program to help people quit smoking, will institute the program this March at the Crystal Mall.

Batignani said that the "Freedom From Smoking" program stresses "education about how to live a healthy lifestyle without cigarettes through positive behavior modification." This addresses the important issues of stress, exercise, diet and withdrawal symptoms in a supportive group format. According to Batignani, "smoking is a learned behavior. No one is born knowing how to smoke, so by helping people quit we're helping them get back to a natural state without chemicals."

While the majority of people start smoking in their teens because of peer pressure, a large number of the people who have attended past sessions of the program have admitted to taking up smoking into their late twenties and thirties due to pressure in social situations. Batignani feels that her program is "able to reach a lot of people because it doesn't target one specific age group or social set of people other than those who smoke. Those who attend the program give each other support, and the four weeks of classes that are allotted to educating people on a new lifestyle that will be suitable for them is of major importance also. Many programs leave people hanging once they do quit."

The "Freedom From Smoking" program is a seven week course designed so that by the third session people have entirely given up smoking. The remaining four sessions are support sessions presided over by a trained clinician. Those enrolled in the program also receive several handouts and an audio tape as part of their participation. The American Lung Association of Connecticut has been running the program usually in all facets of society."

The success rate for the "Freedom From Smoking" program can vary with each individual group, but Batignani has observed that "the majority [of people] enrolled quit. A major factor in getting people to remain smoke-free in our program is the fact that people are paired up in a "buddy system" to increasingly strict laws against smoking, there is now greater social pressure not to smoke than there is to start smoking. This change is due in part to scientific studies that have determined that nicotine is more addictive than heroin or cocaine, partly because smoke inhaled affects the brain within seven seconds. Norwalk, New Haven, Waterford and Danbury will host "Freedom From Smoking" programs in the upcoming months, with the Waterford section being held in the Crystal Mall and the Danbury section hosted by Western Connecticut State University as a response to student interest. The Waterford program will be run between 12:30 and 2 p.m. by clinician coordinator George LeFleur. The act dates for the Waterford session are March 5, 19, 26, and April 2, and 16.

Response to the program in the past "has been enthusiastic," states Batignani. "People love the fact that they're paired up with people whom they know are going through the same things they are. One of our main goals is to keep people's motivation level up so that they can quit successfully."

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TRIPLE Members
Tackle Illiteracy at SCALE Conference

by Christi Sprunger
The College Voice

Twenty-three million Americans are classified as functionally illiterate. In the United States, millions of adults cannot read or write. The Connecticut College community has taken substantial steps towards a solution to the problem of illiteracy. In particular, Lisa Phillips, '92, and Jen Silverman, '93, are pioneers in campus literacy programs. Phillips and Silverman are Tripling Prison Literacy Experience (TRIPLE) Coordinators and will represent Conn College and all of New England at the first national Student Coalition for Action in Literary Education (SCALE) conference, which will take place at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, February 21-24.

The U.S. Department of Education honored Connecticut College with a two-year $47,397 Student Literacy Corps grant, which has been used to fund TRIPLE. At present, TRIPLE includes 35 students. All of these students have taken or are taking CS 210, "The Origins and Consequences of Adult Illiteracy," an interdisciplinary class which combines academics and practical experience. These students receive 6 hours of literacy training from the Literacy Volunteers of America and then tutor at Connecticut Correctional Institute (CCI) Niantic, JB Gates Correctional Facility and CCI Montville. Of the 69 college campuses with literacy programs, Conn is one of a small number that tutors in prisons.

Phillips and Silverman work as liaisons between the student tutors and Lorraine Boucher, visiting instructor of sociology and faculty coordinator, Anais Troadec, director of the office of volunteer and career services, the CCI's and centers where tutors work, the Connecticut Department of Correction and organizations like SCALE. Phillips has completed CS 210 and has been tutoring an inmate at JB Gates. Phillips is presently enrolled in CS 210 and tutors two inmates at CCI Niantic, a women's correctional facility. Both expressed their high praise for "The Origins and Consequences of Adult Illiteracy" and for Boucher. The course has been depicted as "the most academically rigorous course" by some.

Phillips and Silverman expressed the importance of not only teaching others, but especially of presenting the positive aspects of education and why a person should want to be literate for himself, not because society says he should be. Both were also concerned about keeping cultural integrity intact.

Founded at UNC-Chapel Hill in 1989, SCALE is a national network of college and university students, administrators and faculty who are committed to increased literacy in the United States. It provides "a mechanism for an explosion of college student activity in literacy education." Phillips and Silverman have been selected as one of 17 peer consultants. Their responsibilities include providing phone consultation to regional schools, occasionally visiting regional campus literacy programs, developing a knowledge and understanding of local literacy resources and keeping SCALE informed of their progress.

Topics to be covered in the conference are "assessing the needs on the campus and in the community, multicultural issues in literacy, the importance of leadership and development in campus programs, working together, and to a broad view of current college student involvement in literacy education as well as an historical perspective on literacy and student service." Silverman commented, "The point of SCALE is to learn to take literacy programs to other schools and correctional institutions.

Silverman and Phillips see TRIPLE evolving in the future and hope that the core of 35 students trained in literacy will be able to start a program for campus employees concentrating on English as a Second Language tutoring. They are planning Campus Literacy Awareness Week from February 25 to March 1. The two also hope that the Connecticut Board of Higher Education will help replicate TRIPLE in other area colleges.

Troadec commented, "I am extremely proud. Our students are at the forefront and are pioneers for campus literacy programs."

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Lisa Phillips, '92, and Jen Silverman, '93, TRIPLE Coordinators
Mass Brings Strength to SAC
by Sarah Hunley
News Editor
This is the fourth article in a six-part series examining the number of residents in the building.

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Resigned Editor Returns to Blats
Khosrovian Reports Harkness Green Sighting of Divine Angel, Gabriel
by Dana Rosemary
In the College Voice

Melkon Khosrovian, '91, former co-editor of Blats, has returned to his former position with the magazine. Khosrovian resigned from the publication last semester after evidence was unearthed that he had lied to SGA and to the Finance Committee concerning Blats' access to the computer labs.

A claim that the group was banned from campus computer facilities asserted by Khosrovian and confirmed in a letter from Matt Haggett, '91, co-editor of Blats, was found to be false when Tom Neff, '91, chair of Judiciary Board and member of the Finance Committee, approached Cindy Lyons-Bloomsedt, microcomputer specialist. She denied that the magazine had ever been banned from the computer facilities.

Subsequently to this discovery, Khosrovian resigned from his position. In the most recent issue of the magazine, however, it was announced that Khosrovian is back in his full capacity.

When questioned, Khosrovian said, “Blats got together and asked me to come back.” Haggett went into more detail saying that at one of the weekly meetings of the Blats Executive Board, the decision to ask for Khosrovian’s return was made. Haggett said, “The way that Blats works, when one person does the most work, gets the editorship.”

According to Khosrovian, a diverse force helped him with his decision to return to Blats. He said, “Me and Matt (Haggett) were the sole ones on Harkness Green. . . . We had a vision, the angel Gabriel came down.” Khosrovian said that he took this appearance to be a sign that he should return to Blats.

When asked about this alleged vision, Haggett denied having seen it, saying, “I wasn’t visited personally,” but he added that it seems that Khosrovian’s return comes on rather high authority.

Both Haggett and Khosrovian denied that Khosrovian’s return had been planned when he resigned.

Both were optimistic about the consequences of Khosrovian’s return, expecting no repercussions from either SGA, the Finance Committee or the Judiciary Board.

In regard to Khosrovian’s return, Michael Sandner, ’91, vice-president of SGA and chair of the Finance Committee, said that no repercussions from the Finance Committee would result since the issue had already been dealt with.

Khosrovian said that the editors have not given up on getting their own computer. “Blats needs one computer,” just like In Politics and Wave Magazine,” he said.

Dorm Accounting Incurs Scrutiny

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nor of Burdick, in the affair?
According to the Burdick resident, “There’s a rumor in the dorm that [Cassidy] has mismanaged some or all of the funds.”

Cassidy said that he has not approached the house fellow or worried students about this issue, and that no one has ever “called by this Voice reporter surprised him. He denied any poor conduct, saying, “It’s not a problem.”

Cassidy also said he has been working closely with Burdick student activities coordinators to best handle the dormitory funds. He said, “We’re going to talk about [the funding problems] with our House Council.”

Tod Preston, ’91, house sensor of Burdick, said that he does not think misconduct has occurred. “I believe there may have been some poor judgment, and that’s it. Otherwise there is no impropriety.”

Dorm dues in Burdick last semester were $15 per resident. According to Betsy Gurevich, ’91, Student Organizations treasurer, dorm budget statements are not open to the public.

Mark Hoffman, coordinator of student activities, confirmed that dorm budgets are not public documents. In terms of specific Burdick situation, Hoffman said, “I can’t make any comments in general at all.”

As there is little evidence at this time that Burdick’s accounting difficulties should cast suspicion on the house governor’s behavior, a more important concern raised by this situation is possible glitches in the dorm accounting process.

According to Gerard Choucroun, ’93, house governor of Blackstone, no talk about the Burdick situation has been broached at house governor meetings. Choucroun does believe, however, that the dorm budget process needs to be examined carefully.

If, and I stress if, there is a problem with [Cassidy], I would be it has to more with the whole dorm budget process than with Cassidy personally. . . . The whole thing is just a tenuous process. It’s difficult to balance having a strict well-kept budget, while keeping the dorm functioning simultaneously. Sometimes itemizing the little stuff seems to be more of a hassle than it’s worth,” he said.

Hoffman said that the new computer has enabled the office to issue charge cards to house governors and organization presidents for on-campus expenses.

The responsibility of budget management by house governors is likely to become a hotter topic in the upcoming weeks, as Michael Sandner, ’91, vice president of SGA, and Amy Mass, ’92, chair of the Student Activities Council, offer legislation to create earmarked monies for individual dorm accounts.

According to Mass, she and Sandner hope to propose a $10 increase to the Student Activities fee, which is currently paid with the total cost of education. The extra money collected will be allocated to dormitories based on the number of residents in the building.

The Assembly defeated a proposal by Jackie Scortepoulous, ’92, house senator of Blackstone, which would have given an accused in a Judiciary Board case where the Board or an SGA member is the accuser the right to waive confidentiality. The vote was 25-4.

Committee elections were held. The results are:

- Philip Goldberg Internship Committee: No Nominations
- Technical Support Committee: Harlan Rust, ’91, house senator of Knowlon
- Environmental Issues Committee: No Nominations
- Bookshop & Library Committee: Adam Green, ’93, house senator of Smith

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SGA Squelches Code Reform

by Jon Alegntf
The College Voice

SGA offered stiff opposition this week to a proposal which would have reformed Honor Code confidentiality.

The legislation, sponsored by Jackie Soteropoulos, '92, house senator of Blackstone, failed 25-4-1. Had it passed, accused parties in Judicial Board cases would have gained the right to waive confidentiality if the accuser was the Board itself or an SGA member acting as an agent for the Board.

Typical cases where the J-Board is the accuser include breach of confidentiality charges or alleged failure to comply with the Board's punitive recommendations.

Contrary to current J-Board policy, which maintains that all cases be held in strictest confidentiality, Soteropoulos argued that her proposal would have allowed all involved parties to discuss the case in full. This right, valid for all applicable past, present, and future cases, could be initiated by a simple notification in writing to the J-Board.

According to Soteropoulos, the legislation would have increased accountability of the elected officials, while simultaneously freeing them from their obligations to repress criticism.

Tom Neff, '91, J-Board chair, was against this proposed legislation. He was concerned that the Board would only be held accountable in the atypical instances when the Board is the accuser. Said Neff, "My big problem with this is the breach of confidentiality, that is, do we want the whole campus discussing these cases and getting a warped view of the cases and decisions?"

He believed the views would be warped if not analyzed in the context of Board decisions as a whole. Neff also denied that there are no checks and balances on the current system.

"There are already appeals and checks," said Neff. "Deans Tulliver and Hampton and President Gaudiani hear students' appeals," he said.

At one point during the debate, Neff said, "somewhat sarcastically, "Let's ban confidentiality all together; I'm not saying that's a bad thing."

At a later date Neff said an absolute ban of confidentiality is not something he personally advocates, however, he is receptive to campus input.

Soteropoulos stood firm despite Neff's defense of J-Board policies. "I believe all elected officials should have public accountability for their actions as well as accountability to the deans and president Gaudiani," she answered.

Jeffrey Berman, '93, publisher of The College Voice and former J-Board representative, said, "If J-Board is right, then this will increase students' trust in the Board."

II-J Board did make a mistake, then wouldn't the student body want to know that? I honestly feel this would strengthen the J-Board. Upon hearing Berman's arguments, Vinny Candeleria, '92, assistant to the J-Board chair, responded, "I think [the legislation is] greatly restrictive and makes the point. The accused could waive their rights and discuss their case anywhere on campus where it would be against itself?"

Candeleria also questioned, "Why only [J-Board confidential] could be disastrous," he said. Despite her vote against Soteropoulos' reform, Mary Beth Holman, '91, Senior Class presi
dent, commented, "I think that the fact that this matter has been brought up and discussed so care
fully is encouraging because of the concern it shows by students for the effectiveness of institutions on this campus."

A proposal by Neff to clarify the campus's view of the current confidentiality statement in the C-Book will be discussed next week. It includes the statement, "Breaches of confidentiality may neither be facilitated nor extended by any individual, campus organization or club."

The accused could waive their rights and discuss their case anywhere on campus, and where would J-Board be to defend itself!"

-- Vinny Candeleria, '92, assistant to the J-Board chair

Assembly Braces for Diversity
Executive Board Position Debate

by Michelle Moon
The College Voice

Citing the need for a student leader who would work for attention to the goals of the college's Mission Statement and better communication between diversity groups and the Student Government Association, Colleen Shanley, '93, house senator of Hamilton, is sponsoring a proposal to add a diversity officer to the SGA's Executive Board.

In a letter distributed at the meeting, Shanley, a member of the Ad-Hoc Committee on Student Governance, said that the diversity officer "would preside over a SGA committee which would... review college policies on issues such as the sexual and racial harassment policy and the diversification of courses" and would "serve as a channel for proposals concerning diversity to reach the Assembly floor."

According to Shanley's letter, the diversity officer "would also be a liaison to the Minority Student Steering Committee (MSSC) and the college Diversity Committee." Shanley said that the idea to create the diversity officer position was first proposed by Anjali Banu, '91, house representative from Windham. "She wanted to see how SGA could better apply itself to diversity issues," Shanley said.

The Executive Board referred Banu's proposal to the Ad-Hoc Committee on Student Governance last semester.

In order to determine the best way to address diversity concerns, the Ad-Hoc Committee conducted interviews with student leaders. "We talked to different people: presidents of Unity clubs, members of SGA, members of MSSC," Shanley said. "What we realized after interviewing all these people was that there's a real lack of communication and understanding between the student groups and SGA."

Shanley attributes problems with the proposal to declare a college holiday on Martin Luther King Day and disputes with Unity clubs over budgeting procedures to such misunderstandings.

Shanley also believed the officer proposal is needed to help put college policy to the Connecticut College Mission Statement. "One of the main goals to "Endeavor to be a diverse college community," Shanley said. "Unfortunately, due to a lack of direction and understanding, the SGA has not been able to take a leadership role in attempting to reach these goals," said Shanley.

Shanley believes a Diversity Officer would strengthen the SGA's inability to lead on diversity issues is that "There's no outlet to go through a coordinate or to Shanley, "Students of color see the MSSC's leadership, not SGA."

Shanley also believed the officer position would eliminate the MSSC representative who sits on a Student Government Diversity Progressive Committee that would strengthen the J-Board. Shanley responded that the proposal would eliminate the MSSC representative. Instead, an MSSC representative would sit on a Student Government Diversity Progressive Committee established by the J-Board.

Sabra Durand, '92, chair of MSSC, said she is in favor of the proposal. "In a college like ours where diversity is valued, there should be a person who is committed to something like this."

"I am a little apprehensive about the proposal because it's vague," Durand added. "I think it needs to be a little more specific about what a diversity officer would do." Shanley responded that the proposal may yet go under some revision. "If it comes out in discussion that there are concerns for dealing with the practicalities of the position, I'd rather make a motion to table the proposal than rush it through," said Shanley.

However, Shanley is conscious of constraints on time. If the proposal is not passed by the executive board elections in March, the position will not be filled until next year.

"We anticipate a fight and lengthy discussion," Shanley stated. "It's a controversial proposal in that we're dealing with a lot of different kinds of people, and you can't satisfy everyone. There are some people who don't think special minorities should be treated differently."

Durand addressed concerns about a name, "I am not worried about the color don't want to be singled out and have this person just for them," she said. "I think a lot of majority students want to go to a college where all of diversity. Both groups are benefitting."
Calvin and Hobbes by Bill Watterson

Academia Crunch by Kathy Burtell

Last week, Academia Crunch depicted Valentine’s Day as a magical, innocent occasion which renders everyone lovestruck. That was a week ago—I was young. Whilst this notion may hold true for some, I wish I had a back for everyone I encountered who said, "Good. I hate Valentine’s Day!" So, for the benefit of those people, here now is a more realistic look at the most romantic day of the year.

The Box–Mate with a death wish...

The romantic Harris dinner...

and the candy...

COCONUT AND TRULY DIFFICULT
College Names Mellon Recipients

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fessor of history, will be funded. Margaret Sheridan, associate professor of child development, will offer a course on Developmental Issues in Exceptional Children. The course will examine the needs and capability of developmentally at-risk children.

A project by Steven Smolnick, director of the Language Lab, will enhance computer knowledge of the faculty and students in an attempt to utilize more resources in diverse classroom scenarios.

The three proposals to revise existing courses are from the art history, English, and psychology departments. Guadaleni also announced Friday that she will accept additional submissions from faculty in May, September, and next February.

The president believes this program is the ideal way to diversify the curriculum at Connecticut College.

She said, "Fundamentally, it is the best way to transform a curriculum because a curriculum is an expression of the interest and expertise of a faculty."

She praised the faculty for accepting the challenge.

Guadaleni also emphasized that these courses will be continual, permanent parts of the curriculum.

"The initiative is designed to use this Mellon money not simply to do one-time events, but rather to insur that with the expenditure of each dollar we are improving the curriculum long term," said Guadaleni.

MCC has also supported such projects as the move of Unity House from Vinyl Cottage to its present, on-campus location. MAC also wrote letters of support and contributed monetarily. Hodge reports that MAC has raised $56,000 to contribute to the renovation of Unity House.

Hodge says MAC members are aware of issues affecting students on campus. They receive campus publications, participated in the Strategic Planning process last year, and are active in recruiting prospective students. But perhaps the most important function of MAC, said Copeland, is to act as mentors for students of color at the college.

"From MAC's perspective, one of the strongest roles we can play is as a support system for minority students. We've been there; we understand the experience. We want to help them in any way we can," said Copeland.

College Candidate Pool Triumphs Over Nationwide Admissions Problems

The number of students applying to colleges has been affected by a variety of external situations. The cost of education, demographics, and the economic climate are some factors that have affected the college applicant pool, said Claire Matthews, dean of admissions and planning.

Even though the number of college applicants has decreased nationwide, Connecticut College has been doing well in terms of the number applicants compared to peer institutions and the college's past history.

According to Matthews, the unofficial number of applicants for the class of 1995 as of now is over 3000. This number is down seven percent from last year but together with the resources we have here," she said.

Durand also announced that MSSC will initiate a retreat for minority students in the next week concerning curriculum diversity. The student leaders hope to invite members of departments and Dorothy James, dean of faculty, at a later date.

John Maggiore, 91, president of the Student Government Association, is also enthusiastic about Guadaleni's plans announced Friday. "This is a major new initiative that is a very substantive step towards diversifying the curriculum," he said.

The $2,500 grants are the second best way to get new courses taught next to hiring new professors," Maggiore added.

Gail Hodge, director of Unity House, said during Friday's announcement, "In my 15 years at Connecticut College, this is the first time I've heard of such diversity in the curricula.

The members of the presidentially-appointed committee to choose funded projects were: Joan Durand, associate professor of anthropology, Art Ferrari, professor of sociology, Barkley Hendricks, professor of art, Beverly Hong-Flinters, professor of Chinese, Julie Rivkin, associate professor of English, and Paul Mackenzie, professor of mathematics.

MIMIC is funded by a portion of a $200,000 Mellon grant given to the college last March to facilitate intellectual growth on campus.

Monies from the grant will also be allocated for the ongoing re-examination of general education requirements, study of a senior culminating experience, freshman seminar implementation and expansion of the Sykes Scholars programs.

The college is required to match the Mellon Foundation grant given to the college. Last Friday, the task is almost complete.
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Matthews Paints Optimistic Outlook

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Although extra-campus events have affected Connecticut College, Matthews believes that Connecticut College will continue to do well. "Connecticut College is enjoying a positive reputation in high schools. Its reputation for being an excellent small college choice is on the rise... We know that we are a typical number of people may study abroad next fall."

When Connecticut College accepts a person, special steps are taken to help ensure that those students distinguish the college from other schools or he might be considering. One such effort is a student orientation in which presently present students call prospective students and try to convince them to choose the college by describing their experiences here.

Special emphasis is also placed on perceiving Connecticut College as a place for men as well as women. In spite of emphasizing selling points that have been historically attractive to men such as the Athletic Center and sciences, this year's freshmen class is dominated by females. An equal number of males and females were admitted, but more females enrolled. The past few classes are balanced. Matthews expects that next year's freshmen class will be an equal ratio as well.

-T. Claire Matthews, dean of admissions and planning

Hamilton Fire Bell Tolls Again and Again

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doctor, was hit on the back, either by the door, or by someone flinging the scene. Sanchez hit her body on the bottom step of the stairway, was knocked unconscious, and was revived by Campus Safety while an ambulance was called to take her to the hospital. Both she and Bailey suspect that the person or persons pulling the fire alarms are to blame for her bruises.

Although Sanchez suffered no serious harm, she fears that what may be just a pranked joke is "getting dangerous," and she hopes that the whole thing will stop.

Currently officers are not entering students' rooms to look for the culprit, but a Campus Safety officer was overheard suggesting to the housefellow that he "get permission from the residents of Hamilton" to enter all [the] students' room."

Joseph Tolliver, dean of student life, would like to see the situation resolved with the help of the students.

Tolliver confirmed that the college does reserve the right to enter any student's room, but he would rather see the problem solved in cooperation with Campus Safety, rather than create unnecessary conflict.

-American Red Cross

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**ART SHORTS**

A guide to cultural events

**LECTURES AND PRESENTATIONS**

**Thursday, February 21.**

Branford living room. English Department faculty will read from favorite literature at 8 p.m. Refreshments will be served.

Knowlton living room. "African influence in the Music of Latin America." Presentation starts at 7 p.m.

**CINEMA**

**Tuesday, February 19.**

Lambdin house/fellow's suite. Chazurah VCR Movie night featuring Mel Brooks' Blazing Saddles. Show starts at 9 p.m.

**Thursday, February 21.**

Bluestein 210. Japanese film Odd Obsession (1960), directed by Ichikawa Kon. Show starts at 7 p.m.

**Friday, February 22.**

Oliva Hall. The Connecticut College Film Society presents The Empire Strikes Back. Showtimes are at 7 and 9:30 p.m. Admission is $2.50.

**Saturday, February 23.**

Bluestein 210. SOAR presents Spike Lee's She's Gotta Have It. Show starts 7 p.m. with a donation requested at the door.

**MUSIC AND DANCE**

**Thursday, February 21.**

Third Floor Studio of Cro. M.F.A. Thesis Dance Concert with artistic director Susan Davis. Admission is $5, general; $3, students.

Friday, February 22.

Dana Hall. Peter Sacco, violin. "No Piano Recital." Admission is $5, general; $3, students.

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Oliva Hall. The Connecticut College Film Society presents Die Harder. Show starts at 9 p.m.

**Wednesday, February 21.**

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Mel Brooks' Raising Arizona (PG-13)

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**"ABOUT LAST NIGHT..."**

In an acting career that reached its height with a overlooked Rocky-

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**DIE HARD: DIE HARDER (R)**

This movie had everything to work with: spectacular stunts, great special effects, terrorists in Washington Nation airport, and the best action character since Arnold Schwarzenegger's Terminator. Yet, it left us with a feeling of regret that we even watched it in the first place. The most intricate part of the first Die Hard was that everything Bruce Willis did was out of desperation, not of some idiotic complex. In this film, his stunt double drives off of snowmobiles, jumps off of a helicopter onto a moving airplane, and invades a church. Alan Rickman and Alexander Godunov, who highlighted the first film with their evil antics, are replaced this time with a monosyllabic moron who is a cross between Van Damme and Fred Flinstone, and the father from the "Good Times" television show (that's right). All the supporting characters are back (Ronnie Bedelia as the damsel in distress and Reginald Vel Johnson as the cop in the know), but their characters cease to develop. In fact, the whole movie seems to be in a state of arrested development. Stylized for Die Hard 3: Still Dying Harder.

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**VIDEO**

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SPORTS

Men's Hoops Splits Two on the Road
by Daniel Levine
Acting Sports Editor
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This weekend the Camels travelled to Maine for games against Bowdoin College and Colby College. At Bowdoin the Bears were leading the Camels by a score of 32-23 at the halfway point in the first half. Because of a leak in the ceiling, the game was paused to allow the problem to be fixed. When a piece of the ceiling fell onto the gym floor, the game was called. A Camel/Bear dunk contest followed instead of the game. The results of the dunk contest have not yet been released.

On Saturday the Camels challenged Colby College. On the court they were the superior team, winning 85-63. Perez led the Camels with 17 and Bob Turner, '93, added 16. Turner also grabbed 10 rebounds. Carlos Perez, '92, had 17 and Bob Turner, '93, added 16. Turner also grabbed 10 rebounds.

Schmoozing with Dob and Pops
by Dob and Pops

Opening Remarks
It's about time that Schmoozing hit the front page, as half of Schmoozing, Dobby Gibson, '92, graced the cover of the Voice last week. Gibson, in one of his more illustrious moments, has no recollection of the picture being taken. However, when he saw it on the cover of the Voice, he broke down and went for joy. His parents, upon being interviewed after the episode, released this official statement, "We have never been so proud in our entire lives. We had always dreamed it would happen one day, and now it has. We're so happy!"

This is what going to college is all about. It's really a dream come true. "Our sons/daugther are doing exactly what we wanted them to do. Furthermore, watch in the future for this preppy boy face in other superstar's. Schmoozing has already broadened from Ms. Cosmopolitan, J. Crew, and PLAYGIRL.

College Hoops
As sports fans, we can always be sure of some consistent changes in our lives. But college basketball has seemed to be going through a changing world approaches the Global Decade: the pistols of the Boston Bombers, the silver and blue of the Dallas Cowboys, the jet black of the Boston B's, and the navy and gold of the Fighting Irish -- well, maybe we can't be totally sure. Kids, believe it or not, but the University of Notre Dame basketball squad took the court last weekend in radiant fluorescent green uniforms. Now, we're by no means trained to be fashion critics (thank Good), but not only did these

fluorescent green tank tops make the Fighting Irish look more like the Bitchin' Surfer Dudes, but they further convinced Dob and Pops that fluorescent green will be to the 90's what purple was to the 60's -- the very color that brings to mind the horrifying thought: "I can't believe I ever wore clothes like that!"

Miscellaneous
Here it is, what you've all been waiting for -- the official listing of WLAF team names. Have a laugh. They read as follows: the London Monarchs (وك, now running...), the Raleigh-Durham Skyhawks (hawks--so original!), the Frankfurt Galaxy (sounds like one hell of a nightclub or maybe a destination for Capt. Kirk and the boys), the Sacramento Surge (also a great new dance step), the Orlando Thunder (it hasn't rained in Orlando since Hurricane Guido back in '74), the San Antonio Riders (they used to be a hockey gang) and the New York-New Jersey Knights who will be a perfect rival for the Barcelona Dragons.

We did not make up these team names nor did we make up the fact that this league actually exists. Dob and Pops urge you all to write your Senator or Congressperson immediately. . . . Kids go out this week to Minnesota's own Ten Erinkek, '92, who earned ECAC North South Goalie of the Week honors, and Ranny Stork, '94, who not only earned ECAC North South Rookie of the Week honors, but who also has a name that creates a perplexing visual. Beland Kudia go to shoe schmoozer Jeff Legro, '92, who was ECAC North South Player of the Week a while back, and

schmoozeet Liz Lynch, '92, who tallied her 1,000th point before juggling herself on the AC's main court in the dangerous area now known as the Graveyard. The Graveyard has known claimed three victims in the last three weeks. . . . Dave Baum, '92, is disgusted with the new format of Sports Illustrated. Dob, a diehard SI fan, can only agree since the best part of SI, "The Say It," is no more. He recommends that part of Dob's issues from last week accidentally got replaced by an intriguing beachwear catalog.

Schmoozing Thought o' the Week
Last weekend, a group of NBA players and a throng of basketball fans gathered in Charlotte, North Carolina for the NBA's version of an all-star game. Don't kid yourself, sports fans, this game, along with its siblings in the NFL and NHL, in no way measure to the stature of an NBA all-star game. What is going on with this new format, but we do think that part of Dob's issue from last week accidentally got replaced by an intriguing beachwear catalog.

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2. Who is currently the oldest player in the NBA?

3. Which players have won the last three slam dunk contests on the NBA all-star weekend?

4. What is boxer Roberto Duran's native country?

5. In which country will the next World Championship take place?

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Camels' Comeback Stalls

by Shannon Range
The College Voice

The Connecticut College hockey team, ranked number five after winning seven in a row, and the Iona College Gaels, the league leader, sat and waited in their locker rooms, keyed up to face each other in one of the most important games of the season.

With only two league games left for each team, this match-up provided a playoff preview for the fans packed into Dayton Arena. The day before, Conn co-captain Ken Smaltz, '91, had joked, "[Iona] won't be much tougher than Quinnipiac," who they had handled with ease on Sunday, winning 7-2.

But now as the sun set in the locker room, the game faces were on. Tensions rose as the start of the game was delayed because of a stick jammed in the Zamboni. Ten minutes later, the problem was fixed and the players were on the ice.

The Camels looked to key on Scott Conforte, Iona's leading scorer with nine goals and 37 assists on the season; so they sent out the Matt Hopkins, '93, Mark Chase, '91, and Ray Weishok, '93, three players who were leading the Gaels in their efforts to key on Scott Conforte.

The game was delayed because of a stick jammed in the Zamboni. Ten minutes later, the problem was fixed and the players were on the ice.

The Camels took advantage of the power play after Conforte was penalized for a high stick with 8:04 gone in the second with a rebound to end the second period at 3-3.

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Iona added one more goal to the Conn frustration. The game ended with a scuffle and 40 minutes in penalties before the buzzer sounded a 5-3 Iona victory.

"We're really looking to the power-play right now," said Roberts, Jr., "and tonight it wasn't there." There was a feeling of frustration at the referees although the Conn players were not blaming them for the loss. Forward Coley Cassidy said, "It seems like there are referee problems every year."

Sailing Soars Down South to Open Season

by Josh Vinitsian and Carolyn Ulander
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The women's sailing team traveled to Charleston, South Carolina on February 10 for the College of Charleston's Spring Intersectional competition. There they upset Brown University, the number-one ranked team in the country.

Carolyn Ulander, '92, Alme Conley, '91, Jennifer Coolidge, '91, and Liz Vemey, '94, won the regatta for the Camels by an overwhelming 12 points. Forging through ripping current and overcoming Sunday's lack of wind, Conn persevered to bring home the trophy. This win should improve their national ranking.

While the women were busy in Charleston, the varsity team journeyed to New Orleans, Louisiana for the Nelson Rolfe Memorial Regatta on Lake Ponchartrain. Karl Ziegler, '92, sailing with Ann Rose, '94, and Justin Paul, '92, with Heather Creasy, '93, finished fifth overall. The Conn sailors, who were sailing 420's, were challenged by light winds, choppy waters and shifty conditions.

Both teams returned home thankful for a successful opening to the spring season. With their new and enthusiastic coach, Bill Park, the Camels are looking forward to an exciting spring and a chance at the National Collegiate Title. The women's next regatta, The Navy Spring Women's Intersectional, will take place on March 9 and 10.