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Joseph Tolliver, dean of student life

## Alert system developed to warn students

by Liz Michalski  
The College Voice

Connecticut College now has a new system of security. Suggested by Joseph Tolliver, dean of student life, the system involves the posting of written alerts immediately after an incident of danger occurs to the college community.

"Our intent is to get the alerts up right away, to prevent others like it from happening," said Christopher Koutsovitis, coordinator of residential life and housing.

Koutsovitis explained that when an incident, such as an intruder on campus occurs, Campus Safety will call Tolliver, Koutsovitis, or Trudy Flannery, coordinator of residential life and housing.

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## Union bid defeated 124 - 52

by Thorn Pozen and Isabel Thompson  
The College Voice

The movement to form a union at Connecticut College among the employees of Dining Services and Physical Plant came to an end Thursday night. In an election at the College, under the direction of the National Labor Relations Board (N.L.R.B.), the union bid was soundly defeated, 52 to 124 with six challenge votes.

Richard Eaton, Treasurer of the College, said the election was a "vote of confidence for the College." And the College's Director of Public Relations, Julie Quinn, sees the vote as an "affirmation" of faith in the College by the non-academic staff.

The union movement was precipitated by employee dissatisfaction with administration cost cutting policies implemented in the last two years. Employee discontent reached a peak when the College hired a consulting firm, The Facilities Resource Management Company (F.R.M.), of Madison, Connecticut, to assist in the management of the College's physical plant. According to Eaton last week, F.R.M. is currently in "a six week cooling off period." The six week period may be a prerequisite to possible dismissal.

Co-President of the union organizational committee, Bob Ploof, said that Thursday was "a sad night." He said, however, that there would be no appeal of the vote. "We lost," he said, "and we're not going to cry about it."

In the last three or four days there was a great deal of effort made to influence the electorate [See Campaign tactics, p. one]. It was the administration's intent to inform the staff about the issues surrounding the union vote. But, Ploof, and fellow Co-President of the unionizing effort, Linda Cotugno, saw the administration efforts, which included films, slides and numerous mailings, as coming very close to breaking President of the College, Oakes Ames pledge on non-interference in the union process.

Ploof felt it is too early to tell the impact of the union defeat on the workers. He is confident, however, that no disciplinary action will be taken against him, or any of the other union organizers. "The College couldn't afford to do anything like that," he said.

The administration "wants to work harder to unite all the members of the College"

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## Questions of campaign tactics raised

With the decisive defeat of the unionizing effort at Connecticut College on Thursday came claims by union organizers of unfair campaign practices by the administration. The union bid lost in an election at the College Thursday 52 to 124, with six challenge votes.

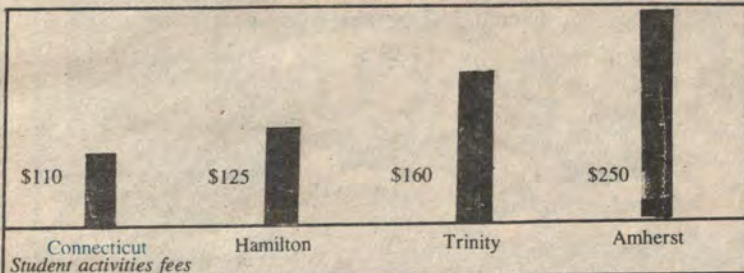
As recently as December the union organizers had the tentative support of 76 percent of the employees of the College's Dining Services and Physical Plant departments, according to cards of intent distributed at the time.

The fast turnaround in support for the union came as a result, according to Bob Ploof, co-president of the union organizing committee, of a well-financed and organized campaign by the administration.

Of the campaign, Richard Eaton, treasurer of the College, said, "I honestly don't know what it cost."

Ploof said of the administration's use of films, slide shows, meetings and mailings, both to employee's campus mail boxes

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## Trustees approve S.G.A. proposal to raise student activity fee

by Isabel Thompson  
News Editor

In an attempt to ease the tight student activities budget, the Connecticut College trustees approved a proposal from the S.G.A. Budget Committee to raise the student activity fee.

The fee will be raised from \$110 to \$125, an increase which will generate an additional \$20,000. The increase represents the largest itemized increase in the student activities budget this year.

The S.G.A. Budget Committee received approximately \$215,000 worth of requests from student clubs and organiza-

tions this year. The student activity fee gives the committee about \$175,000 to allocate.

In the fall the committee reviews individual budgets and assigns funds based on merit. After a budget is devised, it is sent to the dormitories for ratification.

Dean of Student Life, Joseph Tolliver, said that the student activity fee has not kept pace with inflation. The result is that \$175,000 in 1988 of allocatable funds represents a decrease from '84, even though the fee has remained constant.

Tolliver recommended that the Budget Committee look at

see Activity Fee page 9

## Cesar Chavez seeks support for "Wrath of Grapes"

by Lisa Broujos  
The College Voice

"I urge you not to eat grapes with seeds, seedless, white, or red. In fact, don't eat anything that even looks like a grape," said Cesar Chavez, president and founder of the United Farm Worker's Union (U.F.W.) last Wednesday night in Dana Hall. Chavez was speaking about the current boycott on California table grapes due to the extremely poisonous pesticides that the growers use on the fruit.

"Tonight we will learn that violations of human rights happen even in our own country," said Quentin Nason, '88, S.A.C. Chairman. Chavez stated that "one of the most important problems facing us today," is the plight of the migrant farm workers in the United States, due to their poor working conditions and exposure to harmful chemicals. He also stressed the potential harm that the pesticides pose to consumers all over the United States.

Chavez and the U.F.W. organized this boycott of grapes in 1984 and have gained national attention of their efforts. They hope to urge enough



Cesar Chavez, president of United Farm Workers

consumers to stop purchasing grapes, thus making a statement to the agro-businesses who continue to use fatal pesticides, despite their known effects on people.

According to Nason, Chavez is noted to be "the mastermind behind the boycott of grapes," which has been termed the "Wrath of Grapes." Through the boycott, he and the U.F.W. hope to gain better working conditions and higher pay for the migrant workers, a ban on the five most dangerous pesticides used, and public display of test results which detect poisonous residues left on grapes.

"We think the boycott is at the half-way mark

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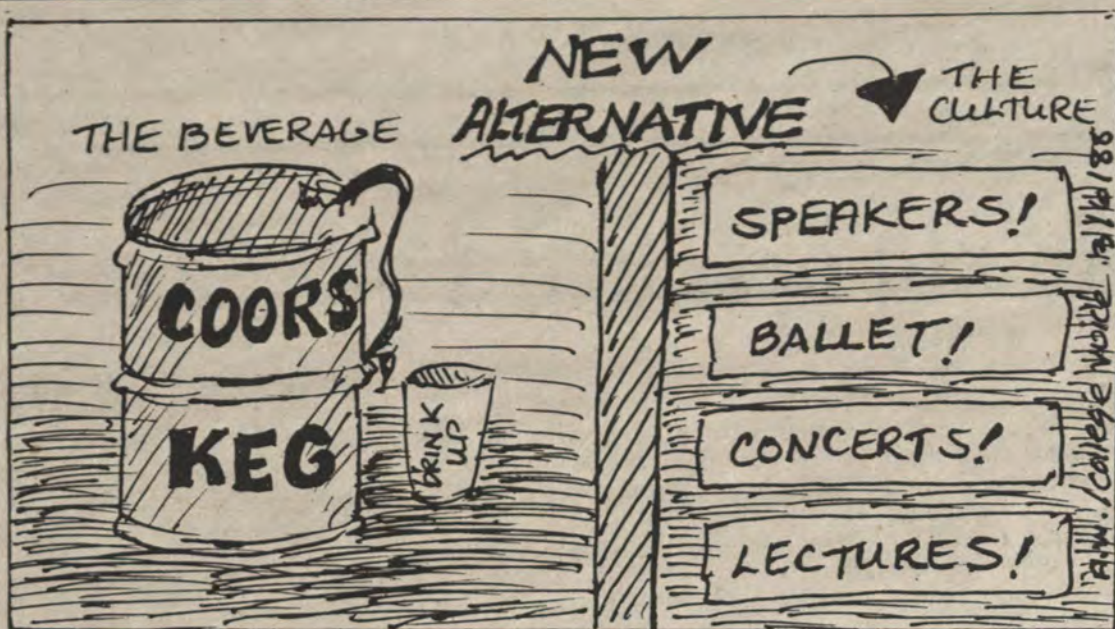
### Sports Swim coach retiring



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# VIEWPOINT



## Reminder to Honor the honor code

To the Editor:

With this letter I would like to remind readers that it is a violation of the Honor Code to attempt to remove library items improperly from Shain and Greer Libraries. As the "C" book says, books and periodicals are acquired for the SHARED USE of the College and community. This is an important point, and illustrates one of the differences between stealing paperbacks from a bookstore and trying to walk out of a library with a periodical or unchanged book: a

bookstore probably has more copies of the stolen item, and only loses money, whereas the library has but ONE copy and its "unauthorized removal" deprives the entire campus community of that publication. It is an utterly selfish act. It is also immoral.

While I'm on the subject of the Honor Code, let me take this opportunity to ask the person who scratched the large letters and cartoons into the oak panel on the second floor to turn himself/herself in to the Judiciary Board without further

delay. That act of vandalism was the most mindless we have seen since the building was dedicated by Kurt Vonnegut twelve years ago. It was an affront to everyone in this community and an embarrassment to the senior whose nickname was part of the "message." You know who you are. Do what you promised to do when you signed the pledge.

Sincerely,

Brian Rogers, College Librarian

## A Liberal Democrat replies

To the Editor:

I am writing in response to Tom Neff's article, "An Elephant, Not an Ass." As a Democrat, I am very offended by the sweeping generalizations Mr. Neff made regarding the Democrats on campus. He stated that we were unknowledgeable, hypocritical liberals who lack support for our ideology. Granted not every Democrat on campus knows Paul Simon's economic platform, but I doubt if every Republican understands President Reagan's defense policy.

Mr. Neff said he knows very few Democrats who give time to charities and who "donate time to their cherished Democratic party." I personally have worked in soup kitchens, visited homebound, and tutored in underprivileged areas. I also plan to work for the Democratic National Party this summer.

I know a number of people on campus who have similar backgrounds. Mr. Neff feels that if you are a Democrat you should show allegiance to the party by doing some sort of charity work. I have not worked for these places because I am a Democrat, in fact I have become a Democrat mainly because of experiences I have had working for these charities. By being exposed to people who are not as privileged as I am, I realize first hand the depravity in this country and that something needs to be done.

The article also states that we are ignorant and anti-administration, and that "it is a sign of the times: a time when president bashing is fashionable trend all across the nation." Wouldn't you "bash" a president whose administration was involved in illegal acts in Central America, sold the country on the false supply-side idea that deficits would

magically vanish if taxes were lowered, is anti-abortion yet refuses to require sex education in high school and who thinks administering prophylactics to teenagers is wrong, considers ketchup a vegetable so more money does not have to be spent on school lunches?

Granted, it is easy to jump on the band wagon and become a Democrat because of Republican policy failures. But by no means is every or even a majority of the Democrats at Connecticut College "some self-proclaimed, ignorant, Liberal Democrat who gives a pitifully lacking opinion..." Mr. Neff's harsh accusations are not totally unfounded, but they are definitely short-sighted and entirely too general.

Sincerely,

Alice Maggin, '91

## Response to "enlightening" Housefellow column

To the Editor:

I would like to respond to Mr. Xanthos' enlightening column on the Housefellow selection process:

"Housefellow Selection: It's All Politics" published in the February 23 edition of the *College Voice*. As a Conn. student, as a current Housefellow, and as a member of the Housefellow Selection Committee for this year, I beg to differ with many of Mr. Xanthos' arguments.

Mr. Xanthos, your column is a commendable example of sour grapes masquerading as critical thinking. Although your column appears under Connthought, it appears to me that you did not put much thought was put [sic] into it at all. Allow me to elaborate.

In the opening paragraph of your soap box piece, ooops I mean to say column, you mention that 50-70 candidates apply for 20 plus positions, and then goes on to infer that the process unnecessarily raises the hopes of many. I should hate to be the first to tell you this but, in light of statistics which indicate that one has a 1 in 3, or a 1 in 4 chance of being selected for a position, of course it is quite predictable that hopes will be raised. Clearly, people think themselves qualified, or why else would one, yourself as an example, even apply?

You go on to make some very disagreeable accusations. Accusations, I might add, which are quite unsubstantiated. You do yourself a disservice. I am sure you are capable of more thoroughness in supporting your arguments. What are these quotas, pray tell, to be filled? And the administration really does curry favor with the students? If so, when did this change in the power structure occur? And how did you so conveniently arrive at a number like ten [sic] for the actual number of positions left to be filled?

I am quite startled by and envious of your extraordinary ability of insight. To think that one who has participated in the selection process but once (but who surely must have observed it closely during the previous two years) could come to such "realistic, critical, down-to-earth" conclusions so as to mistake the entire process for a "three ring circus" violated our liberal arts education, which encourages critical thinking.

Although you claim that your column was not one of grievance, I beg to differ. your "advice" comes intolerably late in the column. I am sure, but perhaps you know better than I, that the Selection Committee's aim is to select the most qualified candidates. Since you so

generously concede in your column that there is no such thing as perfection, and that everyone is human, perhaps you have some full-proof [sic] method, sure to be patented in the near future, for distinguishing between those candidates who merely appear qualified and those who really are.

Finally, tsk, tsk, you are quite the spoil-sport when you so readily require the present Housefellows to search their souls and determine whether they are genuinely deserving of their present positions, as well as when he illegitimately disillusions present candidates about their prospects of even being appointed. The fact remains that there are 20 plus positions, and triple that number of applicants. Some people simply cannot be chosen. The selection process is fair and many faceted. For those who claim to have a vested interest in the school, and who have constructive, substantiated criticism of "the system," please feel free to voice your complaints either to the Dean of Student Life, Joseph Tolliver, or to the Coordinator of Residential Life, Chris Koustovitis.

Sincerely,

LaShawn R. Jefferson, '88,  
Housefellow of Branford

## S.A.C. sponsors education outside the classroom

There is no doubt. S.A.C. has caught up with the spirit of Connecticut College's educational mission. The galaxy of speakers it has brought in its Human Rights series is impressive -- and that's an understatement.

Armando Valladares, Juanita Castro and then Cesar Chavez can be ranked as some of the most distinguished speakers the College has ever had. Best of all, the students, through S.A.C., paid for the speakers' visit.

There used to be a time when S.A.C.'s only function was the provisioning of student's livers with alcohol. And that function seemed alright when there was a clear cleavage between what happened in the classroom and outside of it.

In those dark days, academics were hermetically sealed in the often suffocating spaces of the academic buildings. Everything which took place outside *had* to be "non-business" oriented. Drinking occupied much of the spare time of this student body.

In comes the new drinking age and the world seems to have changed. The students drink as much as they did four years ago when even the average Freshman could enter into the bar. Now however, it is no longer taboo to talk shop outside of the classroom. And S.A.C., through its significant investment in a speaker series, can be credited with this renaissance.

We urge both S.A.C. and the Administration to continue this trend. Excellent speakers can serve the same function as a visit to a strange place. They can illuminate previously darkened paths and enrich our understanding of the unknown.

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# CONNTHOUGHT



## The Annex--

### Unethical Business Practices ?

By M.W. Coffey

Each semester, after shelling out around two hundred dollars for books, one should be able to find comfort in the fact that the annex will buy them back. It is very disheartening, however, to discover that the money received in return could hardly pay for next semester's notebooks.

It is so hard not to feel "ripped off" when the books sold back are being resold at double and triple the prices the bookstore bought them back for.

Certainly, the students in no way benefit from these legal, but unethical policies. A textbook can be bought and resold by the Book Annex at Connecticut College an infinite number of times; as the Annex takes from the students and fills its own coffers.

A comparison between *Barnes & Noble* (a national bookstore chain) prices and the Annex prices, turns up more than a few discrepancies. Also, in a few instances, at the College, prices have been marked out, cut out, and hole-punched. The Annex price then appears on the inside front cover.

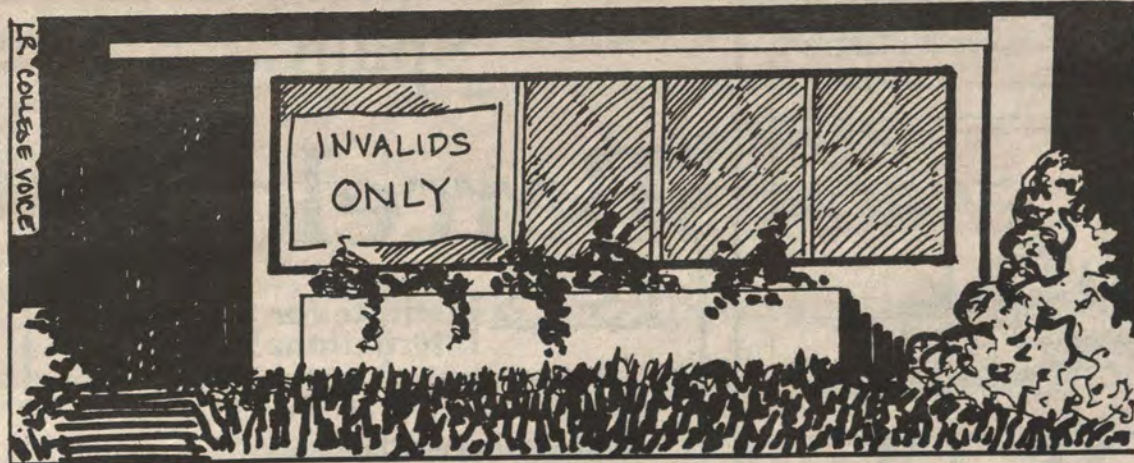
Unfortunately, if we choose to be students, we must deal with these apparent injustices. The following are some proposals that might aid each and every one of us in our quest for affordable books and an affordable education.

--Having professors put every book for the course on reserve in the library could send a shiver down the spines of those shysters.

--Professors should think twice before putting obscure books (which are usually very expensive) on reading lists. These texts, informative though they may be, are an incredible strain on the pockets of many an undergraduate.

--The best solution to ending this monopoly is a college run bookstore. Not that many students would mind if their money went to profit the student body and Connecticut College.

M.W. Coffey is Acting Associate Connthought Editor



## The Infirmary:

### a Dumping ground for housing ?

by Natalie Fine

The recent epidemic of the flu on the Connecticut College campus has brought hundreds of students to the infirmary in search of Robitussin, lozenges, and, in several cases, a bed. Many students are advised to see the doctor and do so, only to be told "basically, you have what's going around." A week and a half ago, a friend of mine, who was one of the first on my floor to come down with the sickness, went to the infirmary. She was told "Well, you *should* see the doctor, but he won't be in until Sunday, and you *should be here* in the infirmary, but we don't have room for you."

Since just about everybody and his/her roommate has had, is having or (probably) will have a case of the flu, this statement doesn't seem that shocking. However, when a full house in the infirmary means that a whopping six students are being cared for, we have a right to be outraged--six beds for 1600 students! The infirmary seems like such a large building. How can there be only six beds? Good question. Very good question. The answer? An additional ten beds, which were once used by the infirmary, are now used for housing--that's right, *housing*.

I spoke with Chris Koustovitis, coordinator of student housing and asked him if housing students in the infirmary was absolutely necessary. "Right now," he said, "we need the spaces." According to Koustovitis, last year at this time there was a severe housing crunch. When the class of '89 came back from being away first semester "we had a big problem on our hands. This year's senior class in the largest class ever to go through Connecticut College. As the next few classes move through and we equalize, we think we're going to have more space and we hope to get rid of the sub-standard housing and spaces that were added during the crunch." When I asked Koustovitis to clarify what he meant by "sub-standard housing" he replied "spaces that were not built and designed for the purposes of housing students." With this definition in mind, the infirmary most certainly qualifies as sub-standard housing, but why should it be considered housing in the first place? What we need is more housing, either through the construction of new dorms or through better utilization of current space (i.e. convert high ceiling doubles to triples or quads). Let the infirmary be used as an infirmary, not a dumping ground for the Office of Housing.

Natalie Fine is a regular contributor to the Voice

## S.O.A.R.

### Protector of minorities ?

by Edward D. Kania

In the course of a few months, the situation on the Gaza Strip has escalated to a state of active warfare. Responding to groups of Palestinians, mostly consisting of women and children, with rocks and sticks, the Israeli government has ordered soldiers to use rubber bullets, illegal arrests, unfair deportations, and searches of homes to crush the opposition to the Israeli occupation. Television has brought us pictures of weak, helpless Palestinians being brutally beaten by Israeli soldiers. Even in the U.S., the extremely pro-Israel country it is, has publically criticized such brutal tactics. It is unfortunate, however, that these facts are not being acted on by S.O.A.R., the supposed protector of minorities. For the atrocities of apartheid, the liberal student body has held referendum votes, benefit balls, scholarship drives and numerous talks condemning P.W. Botha. For the Palestinians, there has been one poorly publicized talk. Where I come from, that's called discrimination and favoritism.

*"It is unfortunate, however, that these facts are not being acted on by S.O.A.R., the supposed protector of minorities."*

The occurrences of Hitler's butchery of the Jews during the Thirties and the continuing situation in South Africa exist as two of the major crimes to affect the world during the past century. Hitler, in the name of survival for his people, invaded Poland, placed its government subservient to the Third Reich, and began his "New Order" which included discrimination against the Jews and the forced relocation of millions of individuals. South Africa is accused of squashing the rights of a majority of its people and practicing discriminatory tactics.

The fact remains that Israel has been practicing all these tactics in the name of control of the strip. Palestinians have been forced into refugee camps, had their governmental system taken out of their hands, and forced to do the dirty jobs which the Israelis will not, such as street cleaning. Any Jew who denounces what Hitler did and agrees with the actions in Gaza is a hypocrite. It is that simple.

*"If S.O.A.R. wants to portray itself as the protector of all peoples, it must support Palestinian refugees and condemn the evil actions of Israel."*

These unfortunate events in Gaza also have strong implications at the campus level. For many years, groups such as S.O.A.R. have championed the rights of minorities in the world. In particular, our campus has fought many battles against South Africa and Apartheid. Now, however, another minority needs our help. The Palestinians have been greatly wronged by the Israeli government. If S.O.A.R. truly represents the needs of all minorities, and not just the black and hispanic sector, I urge an immediate campaign to put pressure on our school and our government to stop these atrocities. Such actions will not be so readily accepted by all students, however, and S.O.A.R. may recoil from such a challenge. If so, it will be evident that such minority rights groups are merely racist organizations. If S.O.A.R. wants to portray itself as the protector of all peoples, it must support Palestinian refugees and condemn the evil actions of Israel. If S.O.A.R. is unwilling to support such actions, it should have its funds taken away. Racist groups do not deserve funds from our college.

Ed Kania is a regular columnist for the College Voice





# FEATURES

## Focus: The housefellow selection process

by Alana Herron  
The College Voice

As Dean Joseph Tolliver maintains about the housefellow selection process, "There is the human element involved." This year in particular the implementation of the new "cut" system has left those rejected candidates taking the matter to heart and to head more so than in years past.

Criticism has encouraged examination of the process and inquiry about the actual role of a housefellow. Other complaints state that housefellows are chosen as a result of their involvement in specific activities, and that members of the selection committee are therefore biased.

This process, however, deserves demystification, according to Tolliver, not only because of the recent criticism, but also because housefellows play such an integral role in college life.

The Coordinator of Residential Life and Housing, Chris Koutsovit, runs the selection process by creating the details, with Tolliver serving as an advisor if necessary.

Potential housefellows throughout the selection are judged by a committee consisting of people they would need to deal with successfully to fulfill housefellow duties. This group is made up of students, administrators, and staff members whom housefellows have had high contact with in the past. "We try to hit all of our bases and keep the campus community covered. We involve people who will be involved in the daily activities of housefellows, like Father Larry LaPointe and Associate Dean Joan King," said Tolliver.

This year, the process began with required attendance at one of the two information sessions held January 27 and February 1 in the Windham Living Room. The purpose of these mandatory meetings were to have the potential housefellows break down their responsibilities into five categories. These include peer counseling/advising, programming through Fireside Forums, assisting in the formation and support of House Council, enforcing College policy, and supervising the maintenance of the dorm environment.

The eligibility requirements of the position require the candidate to have a cumulative G.P.A. of 2.5, at least 76 credits, and to have achieved senior status in August of the following school year.

At the informational meeting, the students picked up the housefellow application and the peer and staff/administration recommendation forms. The application itself asks the potential housefellow to comment on past experiences and personal interpretations of the role of a

housefellow. LaShawn Jefferson, '88, housefellow of Branford, said, "Among the many motivating factors in applying for housefellow is a genuine interest in people and their well being as students."

After the introductory sessions, 48 students decided to apply for the position. On the weekend of February 13 and 14, the potential housefellows were faced with group process exercises, a role playing session, and group and individual interviews. Koutsovit and others involved in the programs would not describe the activities claiming that confidentiality was necessary out of respect for both this year's and housefellows-to-be. Lee Davis, '88, housefellow of Freeman, referred to sessions as the time all candidates are given to shine. "The responsibility was on us to be ourselves," confirmed Muffy Pado, '89, a candidate for housefellow.

The group process was comprised of informal group discussion between small groups of potential housefellows and members of the selection committee. According to Koutsovit, role playing meant that applicants deal with potential situations specific to Connecticut College.

After that weekend, a decision was made and 14 candidates were cut from the final stage of the process. Finalists participate in both a group interview and a one-on-one interview with Chris Koutsovit. The selection committee will deliberate and come to a final decision March 11.

This early cut is the creation of Koutsovit. The decision to make two selections was an attempt at simplifying the process for candidates who did not fare as well as their peers in the eyes of the selection committee.

"The committee voted on this cut so we could eliminate the students who were not doing very well. We did it to be helpful and not waste their time and mislead them into thinking they were going to be chosen as housefellows," said Jefferson.

Davis, on the other hand, had mixed feelings about the new cut. "My first reaction was that it was a good thing, but at Conn. everyone knows everyone else, and of course when so few people are cut, they are going to take it personally," Davis said.

What does the selection committee look for in an applicant? According to Koutsovit, housefellows need to be role

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## S.G.A. Brief

### OFFICERS REPORTS

Sam Seder, S.G.A. President - S.G.A. self-nominations will be March 9-11, and March 27-28. Positions available are President, Vice-President, Judiciary Board Chairperson, Public Relations Director, S.A.C. Chairperson, and Young Alumni Trustee (seniors only).

### COMMITTEE REPORTS

Scholarship and Internship Committee - Vic DiGravio ('88) and Sandy Pfaff ('88) spoke about their Philip Goldberg Internship assignments.

Alcohol Policy and Recommendations Committee - the committee met with Campus Safety to clarify their role and familiarize them with new procedures.

### OLD BUSINESS

Open Letter to the College Community, 1988 - Will be released in April. It will include a list of priorities for improvement. Any suggestions, contact Sam Bottom or Jeff Ramsay.

### NEW BUSINESS

Motion - Draft letter to Oakes Ames asking for a permanent probation (as opposed to a 90 days) for the offender in the January 21 racial incident. Passed with only one opposed. Letter to be drafted by Jim Piccolini and Amy Sinclair

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## Chris Koutsovit, Coordinator of Residential Life and Housing Housefellow selection examined

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models, and comfortable in the perceptions of both students and administrators. The housefellow need not fit a certain model, but instead, have potential for initiating dorm unity and dealing with whatever circumstances may arise. And though each member of the selection committee has a different idea about the qualities inherent in an effective housefellow, they all must have confidence that the housefellow can develop, work with a staff, and give and receive feedback. "We look for a balance of skills. We don't expect them to come in with certain past experiences. Whether they are trainable is the important thing. They have an eight to ten day training session at the end of August and in-service training throughout the year," said Koutsovit.

Members of the selection committee deny that personal bias plays a decisive role in determining housefellows. Davis pointed out that knowing members of the committee can be a disadvantage as well as an advantage to potential housefellows. He claims, "When someone on the committee knows you they usually know your weaknesses and your strengths. We try anyhow to work under the understanding that things won't get too personal."

Koutsovit and Tolliver, both new as of this year, have had experience in assigning student leadership positions at other colleges. They support the current system as giving everyone an equal chance. "I will listen to any complaints of blatant

discrimination and investigate if anyone comes to me, but it seems that there were students who did well in the process and others who did not. If you ask me, the complainers are people with sour grapes," Tolliver said.

Judging by the polls taken each year by Residential Life, most students are satisfied with their housefellow's performance. "We just hope we can make as good decisions this year as they [the previous selection committee] did last year," said Tolliver.

## Committee of the Week The Sexual Harassment Committee

by Jon Dobson  
Acting Associate Editor

During the course of last week, most of us at Connecticut College, if not all of us discovered a nine page questionnaire outside of our dorm room door. The questions within are not the sort that students are used to answering, yet they are kind of questions that the newly formed Sexual Harassment Committee needs answers to.

The Sexual Harassment Committee was formed at the end of last semester by a group of men and women who, as Connecticut College students, have become concerned about the fact that Connecticut College has no set sexual harassment code. The students on the committee come from other groups such as People Organized For Womens Rights (P.O.W.R.), and students who have become concerned as a result of the Fireside Forums on the sexual harassment issue.

The committee has the active support of S.G.A. and Dean Tolliver.

The seven committee members have drafted what they

feel would be an appropriate sexual harassment code that would define certain offenses and prescribe appropriate disciplinary or legal action for offenders.

This sketch is the result of studying the already existing sexual harassment codes at Yale, Stanford and the University of California at Santa Cruz. It has not yet been accepted by Connecticut College, but the committee expects the results of the questionnaire to reveal the need for the new code, and thus give impetus to administrative action.

The questions deal with some of the kinds of sexual experiences that occur on a typical college campus. A section of the questionnaire deals with relationships between students, and another section deals with the relationships between students and the college personnel.

The questions were formed using as a reference the Sexual Experiences Questionnaire, by L.F. Fitzgerald, and S.L. Shullman, (W.E.E.A. Project, 1985).

When the results of the ques-

tionnaire are in, a group of people including Paul Hyde, '88, (J. Board Chairman), Dean Tolliver, Dean Hampton, Associate Dean King, the director of counseling, and the affirmative action committee are expected to discuss the issue, and what the college will do next.

Susan Beren, '88, one of the organizers of the Committee, has said that by next fall there should be a new sexual harassment code. She stresses the importance of the results of the questionnaire and says that utmost care will be taken to ensure confidentiality. The questionnaires are expected to be returned by March 8. She is pleased with the Sexual Harassment Committee's goals which give rise to campus awareness, education on the subject of harassment and the uncovering of the subject as an issue.

The reaction to the questionnaire by students seems to be only mildly critical. "It is a bit lengthy, and somewhat repetitive," said Allison Hoskins, '91. "Sexual harassment is an important issue and should be dealt with," said Anjuli Basu, '91.

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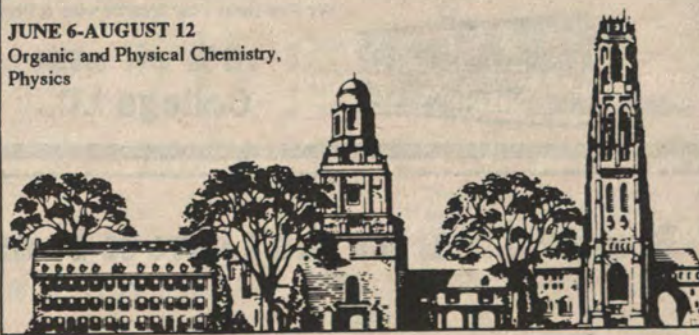
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# Arts & Entertainment

## Desire Under the Elms: A fine night of theater

by Kieran Murphy  
The College Voice

Review: Eugene O'Neill's *Desire Under the Elms*, Palmer Auditorium, Connecticut College.

A fine night of theater unfolded itself on the main stage of Palmer Auditorium Thursday, February 3 before a varied audience of Connecticut College students, Coast Guard Cadets, Conn. faculty, and members of the New London community. Eugene O'Neill's *Desire Under the Elms*, a Collaborations III production had a cast consisting of an Equity actor, a black actress, an art teacher, and Conn. theater students, and which was competently directed by theater department head, Linda Herr.

The production dealt well with formidable problems of script, including language and pace, and captured some of the raw anger and inner turmoil of America's only Nobel Prize winning playwright.

*Desire*, which deals with greed, passion, and family struggle, begins with the three sons of Ephraim (played by

Merwin Goldsmith) informing the audience how much they resent their father, and display the farm on which they live as the center of their lives.

Two characters who worked beautifully together, Simeon and Peter (Derron Wood and David Fendig), have dedicated their whole lives to slaving on their

death. Simpson's energy carried the audience through the uneven parts of the play.

When Ephraim and his bride come home, Eben is confronted by a woman who could take away his farm, and has the strength and greed to do so. The portrayal of Abbie, Ephraim's wife, by Vicki Tanner, a profes-

sional actress, improved as the night progressed. Herr's artistic decision to cast a black actress was a wonderful idea and made the production much more interesting. Abbey and Eben are irresistibly drawn to each other and the play becomes the tragic story of their love.

The only person mis-cast was the father, Ephraim. Instead of appearing as a tough old man, strong enough to beat up his own son, Merwin Goldsmith, also a hired professional, played a pathetic, roly-poly grandfather. He took the lonely side of his character and made it the only side of his character. I found it very difficult to believe that he had built the farm with his own hands, let alone that he could round up cattle or plow the fields. Goldsmith was adequate in the role, but the complexity of his character was lost. Instead of hating Ephraim for his meanness and loving him for terrible loneliness, I merely found him ineffectual and amusing.

As the play moved through hate, murder, and sacrifice, showing the incredible love of Eben and Abbie, there were moments that were outstanding, and the powerful ending was well enacted. I have to commend the members of the community who had obviously worked hard on their small parts, and everyone who worked on the set, which was truly incredible. In fact, it is apparent that everyone had put a lot of work into the production and the audience on Thursday night found that it had paid off.

I think most people felt as I did: that it was quite a successful production of a difficult play.



Vickie Tanner as Abbey and Peter Simpson as Eben



Dave Fendig and Derron Wood as Peter and Simeon

father's farm, and when Ephraim brings home a new bride they realize the farm will never be theirs and head out for the gold fields of California. Eben (Peter Simpson), the son of a later marriage, remains claiming it was his mother's farm and is rightfully his. Simpson does a magnificent job bringing his character to life and demonstrating the rage he feels towards his father, who he holds responsible for his mother's

death. Simpson's energy carried the audience through the uneven parts of the play.

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# Arts & Entertainment

## Australia's Midnight Oil releases *Diesel and Dust*

by Warren Cohen  
Acting Features Editor

Review: *Midnight Oil's new album, Diesel and Dust*

Australia may export its fair share of Foster's Ale and exotic animals, but the most prized and enjoyed product is made for music fans. These are the American record releases by Australia's foremost rock band, Midnight Oil. They have the stature in Australia comparable to that of Bruce Springsteen in this country. Their most recent album, *Diesel and Dust*, has just arrived in America and is yet another flawless, inspiring work from one of the most socially-conscious, musically-adept bands performing today in any

country.

The songs of Midnight Oil have always centered on social issues facing the world today. They sing about the threat of the nuclear world, the crimes of im-

perialism committed by the major powers, and the insensitivity to our environment. The new album focuses on an issue timely to Australia's bicentennial: Aboriginal land rights. The

songs decry the stealing and exploitation of the land by Australians and urge greater rights and resumption of land for Australia's original inhabitants. The sound of Midnight Oil is

Horn sections have been added to some of the songs, most notably "The Dead Heart." Musically, this album is a bit less innovative than their last album (entitled *Red Sails in the*

there is not a bad track on the album. All the songs are excellent, those of particular merit include "The Dead Heart," "Dreamworld," "Warakurna," and "Beds Are Burning." American fans have this spring to look forward to a tour by the band, and hopefully,

"The sound of Midnight Oil is distinctly Aussie, yet quite accessible to American ears."



Midnight Oil

Photo courtesy of CBS Records

distinctly Aussie, yet quite accessible to American ears. The band has complex arrangements due to double-barrel guitar action, powerful rhythms, and weaving dual person vocals.

*Sunset*). However, this is a strength because it is straightforward and uncomplicated.

It is quite difficult to critique the songs themselves because save for one title ("Whoah"),

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# NEW LONDON FOCUS

## Goldberg Interns Help to Bridge Community/College Gap

by Nancy Gruskin  
N.L. Focus Assoc. Editor  
Vic DiGravio, '88, along with Sandy Pfaff, '88, was one of two

Connecticut College students to be awarded the S.G.A./Philip Goldberg Internship. DiGravio works in the guidance depart-

ment of New London High School and deals specifically with the relationship between the College and New London High.

DiGravio, with the aid and direction of head guidance counselor, at the high school, Reggie Grover, and the director of the Gifted and Talented Program, Jim O'Neill, has devised two main goals for the internship.

The first goal is to establish a tripartite Tutorial Program at the high school level. This program has already been very effective at the elementary school level.

"There are already eight tutors in the high school and we'll be recruiting more, including minority tutors, since the high school is over 50% minority," said DiGravio.

DiGravio's second goal is to devise a bank of professors who are willing to go to the high school and guest lecture classes. "We want to devise almost a catalogue of professors, their academic specialties, the courses they teach at the college, and

their research interest, so that the high school teachers have access to this," said DiGravio.

DiGravio added that in just two days, thirteen professors at the college have replied positively to the proposal. In addition, Linda Herr, Associate Professor of Theater, donated tickets to Connecticut College's production of *Desire Under the Elms* for interested New London High students.

Herr also agreed to meet with the students beforehand to discuss the play with them. "This is just the thing we're looking for; more than just a superficial commitment to the high school and community," said DiGravio.

DiGravio felt that one long term goal should be to increase student exposure to the college environment and the resources available from it. "There's a definite lack of communication, a missing relationship between the college and the community," said DiGravio.

"Maybe if they get exposed to the college environment, there

would be more stimulation for them to study," said DiGravio. He and his co-workers have devised a "shadow-type study" in which students from the high school would be assigned to Conn. students for a day.

"This would give the student a more in-depth feel of college, as opposed to giving them a tour around the campus. It's more than just superficial," added DiGravio.

DiGravio applied for the Goldberg internship because of an interest in education and a desire to work with the community. "Since my sophomore or junior year, I've wanted to do something of interest to me, that I could learn a lot from and still give something back to the community," said DiGravio.

DiGravio most likely plans to pursue a career in public education, either as a teacher or an administrator. "I'm thinking about taking a teaching intern position in a private school for a year, but my main interest is still in public education," said DiGravio.



Vic DiGravio, '88

Nancy Ross/The College Voice

**"There's a definite lack of communication, a missing relationship from the college and the community."**

by Lisa M. Allegretto  
N.L. Focus Editor

Sandy Pfaff, '88, chosen along with Vic DiGravio, '88 as one of the first Philip Goldberg interns, is working at the New London Development Corporation setting up workshops to educate downtown merchants about historical refurbishment of their buildings.

"I'm going to be working with Sharon Churchill, the Executive Director of landmarks in New London, and the New London Development Corporation to set up workshops for the owners of buildings and developers to teach them how to restore their buildings," said Pfaff.

There are four buildings in downtown New London that have been pinpointed as national landmarks: the Lena and the Hygenic Buildings on Bank Street, and the Mercer and Bacon Buildings on Captain's Walk. The largest of the four projects is the \$3 million rehabilitation of the Lena Building.

The financing for this project is a result of a \$200,000 Historic Legacy grant awarded to the City of New London in November of 1986. The funding comes as a part of a pilot project initiated by the State Office of Policy and Management who chose the six communities in Connecticut to receive funding.

"Each of the four developers will receive \$50,000 to help finance their projects," said Peter Lent, administrator at the New London Development Corporation.

The purpose of the rehabilitation program according to Lent is to give downtown merchants an opportunity to upgrade their property. As an added incentive the Department of the Interior offers a 20% tax break for those property owners who follow the proper historical guidelines when refurbishing their building.

Through the seminars set up by Pfaff, the merchants will have increased awareness of the historical background of their building.

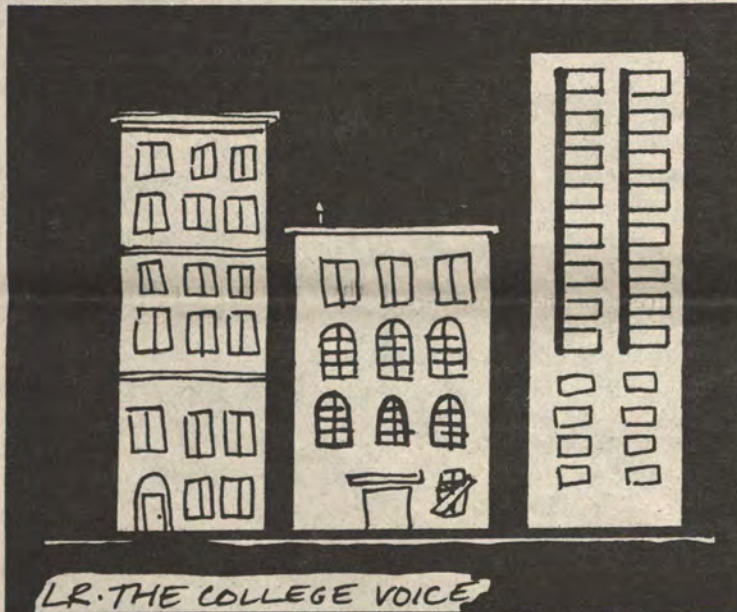
"This is all part of the revitalization of downtown," said Pfaff, "They're trying to bring more retail into the downtown and to restore the aesthetic value of the downtown."

Pfaff, who is an Urban Studies major, is excited about her new job. "This is really good for me because it combines my interest in Urban Studies with my in-

terest in architecture."

The actual internship is very flexible according to Pfaff. Her duties include not only setting up the restoration seminars but also conducting a survey of downtown buildings to determine the amount of vacant space and their historical background.

The Philip Goldberg Internship program is named for a Connecticut College psychology professor who was a strong advocate of student participation in the community. The program is part of the S.G.A. South African Scholarship and Internship and is done in conjunction with the Office of Volunteer and Career Services at Connecticut College. The interns were chosen by a committee of 12 made up of faculty, students a members of the New London community. Each student is expected to work seven hours a week and receives \$333 stipend for the semester.



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## Administration says no promises were broken

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and to their homes, that "many half-truths were told." He said that "the administration did not play fair, but we knew they wouldn't go into all of this, and that we should've been more prepared for it." He did say, however, that he "had no regrets," and that he would not press for an appeal of the vote. President Oakes Ames pledged at the beginning of the unionizing campaign not to interfere with the union vote process. Julie Quinn, director of public relations, said that the administration did not inhibit the process and that the promise was kept.

Thomas A. Sheridan, the College's director of personnel services, said that he thought it was a "clean campaign." Eaton agreed with Sheridan. Eaton said, "I feel both sides handled the campaign very well." President elect of the College, Claire Lynn Gaudiani, '66, addressed the non-academic staff

## Chavez advocates boycott

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by now. We estimate that about five percent of the consumers have stopped buying the grapes. The obstacle is informing people," Chavez said. He stated that the boycott has had more support than almost any other boycott, and that hardly any opposition to the boycott exists.

The problem lies with the large agricultural businesses who refuse to stop using the pesticides, Chavez said, "The agricultural industries don't want to admit that they are facing a serious problem. The government agencies are frightened to react."

Since the U.F.W. union is excluded from the National Labor Relations Act, a result of politics and a compromise to get the bill passed, the union has no bargaining power with the companies, said Chavez. They hope that the boycott can be effective enough to lower the demand for table grapes, thus lowering the prices.

The chemicals are sprayed in enormous amounts all over the fields while seeping into the water supply, the earth, and the fruits themselves. The effects on the health of the migrant workers and even the people living in the surrounding areas are devastating.

The businesses continue to spray the pesticides despite the numerous deaths.

The money that the union receives to promote the boycott comes from public contributions. Chavez urged people to stop buying and eating grapes to support the union's cause. Many students in the audience responded to Chavez by wanting to initiate a boycott of grapes on campus.

Tuesday, March 1, two days before the vote, to galvanize support for the administration's position against the union. In his introductory remarks, Ames outlined the administration's contention that direct communication between management and staff is best for the College.

Sheridan said of Ames' remarks, he "made some very persuasive comments to the employees." Eaton said he thinks Gaudini had a strong effect on the vote. "She had to have a very positive influence. She is a dynamic person," said Eaton.

Both Ploof and the other co-president of the union organizing committee, Linda Cotugno, objected to the hard line anti-union tone expressed by the administration in its many publications and presentations.

Julie Quinn, the College's director of public relations said, however, that the College used only "material that educated people about the facts concerning the union." Eaton said of the material used by the College, that "it was never propaganda. The College dealt only in facts."

Union organizers felt that they were able to raise the consciousness of some members of the administration about employee concerns and problems. Said Cotugno, "Maybe the new president can make a difference."



Tom Price, S.G.A. vice president

## Trustees raise fee

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the activity fees of peer colleges to see where Connecticut College's activity fee stood. Tolliver said that Connecticut College wants to be able to offer comparable services to those of peer schools.

The results of the survey showed that Connecticut College's activity fee is relatively low. Amherst College, which has an approximate enrollment of 1500 students, charges \$250 per student per year. Trinity, with an enrollment of 1700 students charges \$160.

Many of the surveyed schools

whose activities fees were lower than Connecticut College's fee do not include some of the more expensive clubs and organizations in their budget.

For example, Bates College charges only \$80 per student, but that doesn't cover sports clubs, the newspaper, the yearbook or academic clubs. The sports clubs, newspaper and yearbook represent about \$52,000 of Connecticut College's student activity budget.

Tom Price, '88, S.G.A. vice president and head of the S.G.A. budget committee said that he did not like the idea of transferring funding of the sports clubs or the radio to the administration. "The administration would want control, the students don't have as much say," Price said.

Tolliver agreed, referring to a recent Supreme Court decision which upheld the right of a high school administration to censor the school's newspaper since the administration funded the paper, and was therefore the publisher.

Another danger of administrative funding for student organizations, according to Tolliver, is the possibility that the funding would be cut off. "The College's priority is education, if they have extra money after they have paid for

classroom education they can fund organizations," said Tolliver.

However, if the College did not have the money, those student clubs and organizations could lose their funding. Tolliver used the gymnastic team as an example. The team, which was funded by the administration was discontinued because of the expense involved compared to the relatively small number of students who benefited from it.

Tolliver sees the raising of the activity fee as the best solution to dealing with the difference between club requests and the amount of available funds. Said Tolliver, "If I thought the students were getting ripped off, I'd tell you."

After surveying other colleges, the budget committee presented their findings to the trustees. The committee also initiated an auditing process to examine the ways that the clubs were using their funds. Said Price, "in general the clubs are doing good stuff."

The budget committee had requested an increase to \$130, however Price said that he is "pretty happy" with \$125. "We are actively moving in the right direction," he said.

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# SPORTS

## Hockey team drops title game

Loses to Trinity for 3rd time this year

by Julius Ciembroniewicz  
and Rich Komarow  
The College Voice

The Connecticut College Men's Hockey Team fell to Trinity for the third time this season, losing 7-5 in the E.C.A.C. South championship game last Wednesday.

The game was marred by penalties, as the officials handed out 14 to CONN, and 10 to Trinity; and CONN Coach Doug Roberts felt that perhaps the officiating cost the Camels the title.

"I was overly bitter about the officiating," Roberts said. "We were in a championship game, and you've got to let the kids play."

"It may sound like sour grapes, but it seems we came out with the short end of the stick two out of the three games [against Trinity] because of the officiating."

The game itself consisted of intense, hard-hitting play. Trinity opened the scoring at 9:43 of the first period, but the Camels quickly retaliated as sophomore Geoff Schaefer tallied only a minute later.

Coming out strong in the second period, CONN broke the 1-1 tie when sophomore Rand Pecknold notched the first of his two goals in the period.

The seesaw battle continued as the Bantams retied the score at 2-2, but then Pecknold scored on a feed from Mike Moccia ('89) to give CONN its final lead of the contest at 3-2.

Trinity answered back, scoring twice with less than five minutes remaining in the second period.

The Bantams started the third period on the power play, because of a bench penalty assessed to Roberts for arguing with the officials. They quickly took advantage, scoring only 49 seconds into the period.

CONN kept within striking distance, as Moccia scored on



Todd Taplin ('89)

the power play at the 3:20 mark.

The Camels and Bantams then traded goals to make it 6-5; and Trinity added an insurance goal at 6:10 of the third, securing the championship.

Despite the disappointing loss, Roberts was very pleased with the Camels' overall efforts this season.

"I think they did a heck of a job," Roberts said of his squad. "We really had a tight-knit group, and there was a good atmosphere where everyone was pulling for each other."

Looking ahead to next season, despite the loss of seniors Tim Buono, Dave Torrey, Peter Mohr, Randy Berner, and Dave Talanian, Roberts feels that the Camels have a good shot at a championship in 1989.

"The junior class has really put us in the situation we're in now," Roberts said. "We are only losing five fellows, and they did a heck of a job for us."

"We had a good bunch of freshman this year, and if we get some from next year's crop, we should be in pretty good shape."

## J.V. hoopsters look to move up

by Eric Stern  
The College Voice

Before many men's varsity basketball games at home this season, a dozen or so fans would gather to watch the J.V. team play. Whether the team would win, or lose, was not of prior importance.

"The main idea of the J.V. program," Jerry Paul, head J.V. coach and assistant varsity coach said, "is for kids to learn the system in preparation for the next level up."

This year, with the graduation of four varsity players, development of future players was vital, and both Paul and Martin Schoepfer, the varsity coach, agreed that the J.V. season was successful.

"Everyone had at least one good game," Schoepfer said, "and based on that I'd say it worked well."

One player that had more than one good game was Daniel Hardrick ('90). Hardrick led the team with a scoring average of slightly under 20 points per game.

"Danny really rose to the occasion," Paul said. "If we had an M.V.P., he would be it."

Several hours after Paul made this statement, the J.V. players did, in fact, choose Hardrick as the season's M.V.P.

Dan Doran ('91), an excellent shooting guard, may also earn a spot on the varsity team next year. Actually, Doran made the best out of an unfortunate situation, playing the pointguard position, an unfamiliar role for him.

Paul, however, thought the change to be not unfortunate, but constructive.

"Playing kids at positions new to them helps them down the road," Paul said. "By forcing

Dan to handle the ball, we hopefully improved his ball handling skills."

Evan Rose ('90) and Derrick Campbell ('91) may also make the switch to varsity next season.

Rose played well as the season's end neared, and finished the season with a 15 point performance against the Coast Guard Academy.

Campbell had a rocky season, but in one game scored 21 points. Players such as Campbell and Rich Vogel ('91), will be examined closely by Schoepfer in the 1988-89 preseason for varsity traits.

"Much of what happens next year will depend on which guys do their homework over the summer," Paul said.

Another freshman, John Flibbert, proved himself as a competent shooter, and Schoepfer said that Flibbert, too, has varsity possibilities.

The departing varsity players are seniors Marty Joyce, Sasha Lazor, Scott Sawyer, and Dave Schner, three of whom played at the forward slot during the season. Although Bill Brewer ('89) and Eddie Hoffman ('89) will fill the sizeable gap, Hardrick, a strong inside player, will be able to contribute off the bench, in fact, at all three frontline positions.

"Dan's [Hardrick] a bull inside," Paul said, "and that'll help because Sash [Lazor] and Marty [Joyce] were strong too."

Both coaches see good possibilities in CONN's future, and attribute them to the strength and competitiveness of the J.V. program.

"I've never seen anyone get better just watching," Schoepfer said. "These kids have to learn, they have to make mistakes—that's how you become a varsity player."

## Intramural Update

by Kieran N. Xanthos  
The College Voice

### A-LEAGUE BASKETBALL

#### Quarterfinals

Squids 67-Larry's 42

MFC 80-Barking Tree Spiders 62

Alumni 73-Rhinos 45

Public Enemy Number One 79-Chamberlains 43

#### Semifinals

MFC 51-Squids 35

Public Enemy Number One 66-Alumni 59

Finals-Wednesday, March 9, 8:00p.m.

MFC vs. Public Enemy Number One

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Spring intramural sign-ups for B-league basketball, indoor soccer, and softball will take place during the week of March 28.

## Union defeated in employee vote

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staff," said Quinn. "We want to reaffirm our commitment to them [the staff]," she said.

Cotugno, who said she was "very surprised" at the outcome of the vote, has little hope for an improved relationship between the administration and the employees. "I think you're going to see a lot of people leaving," she said.

Eaton said that he "wants to

make sure mistakes don't happen in the future," and he pointed to the newly established employee committee in Physical Plant, and a similar committee proposed for Dining Services, as the best way to improve communication. A lack of communication has been identified by both the administration and the union organizers as a major point of contention among the

staff.

The administration and the union organizers both claim to look forward to resolving the issues that continue to divide them. Eaton expressed concern about the large number of people who voted for the union, and said, "The College is committed to doing whatever is possible and practical to make people happy at Connecticut College."

## Alert system developed for campus

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ing, to the College. The administrator called will gather information and write a short description of the incident, explaining what happened, who was involved, and offering advice to the students. The notice will then be posted in dorms, at Cro., the post office, and at other visible sites around campus, the signs will remain up for

forty-eight hours.

Koutsovitis estimates that the alerts could be posted in as little as twenty minutes. Housefellows have volunteered to help also in the process.

Housefellows and S.G.A. helped devise the system. S.G.A. Public Relations Officer Carla Munroe, who was on the ad-hoc committee to investigate the alert system, feels that after-

wards incidences should be published in *The College Voice*, for greater awareness of the incidents.

"There's an attitude at Conn. that you can trust the students here. The problem is, it's not the students, it's the outsiders. Hopefully, this [alert] system will make students a little more aware of what's happening," said Munroe.

## Voice Sports

### The Scores, The Highlights



# SPORTS

## Men's basketball wraps up season at tourney in D.C.

by Gregory Long  
The College Voice

Although the Connecticut College Men's Basketball Team was denied a bid in the E.C.A.C. Tournament, the Camels still can enjoy the fruits of a successful season. The year was filled with convincing victories, last minute upsets, and strong team and individual efforts.

Head Coach Martin Schoepfer was particularly pleased with last weekend's Eastern Invitational, held at Catholic University in Washington D.C., where CONN finished fourth in a field of eight, and rounded out their record at 14-9.

"It was a great trip, and a first class tournament," Schoepfer said. "This was something our program has never done before, and we represented the school well."

CONN certainly got off to a good start by besting St. Mary's College 72-65 in the opening round. CONN led by six at the half (39-33), and by as much as 16 points, before staving off a late St. Mary's rally and taking the win.

The Camels were led by junior center Dave Blair, who scored 16 points on an impressive eight of 10 from the field.

"Dave's [Blair] inside play has been a major plus for us all season," Schoepfer said. "In fact, many of the defenses we faced at the tournament were geared toward stopping Dave."

"Next year, he could very well turn into the best low post player in Division III New England."

Frank Lombardo ('89), next year's co-captain (along with Blair), chipped in 12 points, and had a game-high seven rebounds against St. Mary's.

The Camels advanced to the next round, and faced tournament host, Catholic University. The Camels had a three point lead at the half, but CONN got in foul trouble, and a physical Catholic team overcame the deficit to beat CONN, 71-68.

"There certainly is a difference in styles between the New England teams and the Southern teams," Schoepfer said. "Our game is more finesse, while they play a power oriented game."

CONN was outrebounded 45-38, while starters Blair and junior forward Ed Hoffman were hampered by fouls.

Senior forward Scott Sawyer netted 16 points, while senior Sasha Lazor had six points and six rebounds, coming off the bench.

The final round of the Eastern Invitational featured Union College against the 1-1 Camels. Once again, CONN would play a respectable first half, only to lose the game because of foul trouble and the overpowering play of Union.

Sawyer, who was voted to the All-Tournament Team, led the Camels with 19 points; while Blair, before fouling out, had 15 points in just 20 minutes of play.

CONN's rebounding was extremely sparse--Lazor and

senior guard Dave Schnier had four apiece to lead the Camels, who were outrebounded 41-29.

"We played well as a team, but our opponents' level of play is a bit above CONN's," Schoepfer said.

The Union game signalled the end of the Camels season, as well as the careers of four seniors--tri-captains Sawyer, Schnier, and Lazor; and center Marty Joyce.

Sawyer, CONN's fifth all-time leading scorer, will be hard to replace.

"Scott [Sawyer] is irreplaceable," corrected Schoepfer. "Simply, he's a great offensive player, the best in recent years, at least. Scott's the type of player you want to take the last shot in a big game. He will be missed."

Schnier, who blossomed offensively this year, handled the point guard position effectively, and dished out a team leading 97 assists.

"Admittedly, there were some questions about Dave's [Schnier] offensive skills," Schoepfer said. "He put those questions to rest from the first game. Dave definitely came to play his senior year."

Lazor and Joyce, the leaders of Schoepfer's vaunted bench, provided the team with their hard-nose brand of basketball.

"Sasha [Lazor] is the hardest worker we ever had at CONN," Schoepfer said. "He does all the things that don't necessarily make the headlines--pulls down the key rebounds, sets the picks, and plays the defense. Every team needs a Sasha Lazor to pro-

vide the spirit and dedication.

"Marty [Joyce] was the perfect answer to a problem that arose before the season began," Schoepfer said. "The need for a reserve center was solved by Marty's play."

Despite the loss of these players, Schoepfer returns another strong core of players. With sophomore Derric Small moving into Schnier's spot, and with the return of Blair, Hoffman, and Lombardo, the only position needing to be filled in Sawyer's.

"That's one of the pluses of graduating seniors," Schoepfer said. "It opens space for other players to emerge. Who will fill Scott's role? Maybe it'll be Bill Brewer ['89] or Kevin Bellavance ['89] or Dan Hardrick ['90]."

"Maybe one of our J.V. players will show me something next year. Who knows? That's what basketball is all about."



Junior guard Frank Lombardo

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# SPORTS

## Cliff Larrabee retiring

Swim coach will be sorely missed at CONN

by Kelly Bernier  
and Jean Whalen  
The College Voice

How does one coach a team so well that he or she is able to satisfy both individual and team needs? Those who can do this effectively are far and few between, however Coach Cliff Larrabee makes it look easy.

After eight years of coaching the women's swim team and one year of coaching the men's squad at Connecticut College, Larrabee is retiring from his position as head coach.

A great deal of experience lies behind Larrabee's coaching. His career stems back to 1962, when he coached the New London YWCA team for 16 years. During that time, Larrabee also coached the Greater New London Swim Club from 1976-1983.

When asked how he balanced his career as a chemist at Phizer and three coaching jobs at the same time, Larrabee had this explanation.

"I just kept going. A typical day began with work at 8:30 a.m. At 4:30, I would leave to coach swimming, sometimes two or three practices a night, all over the area.

"I had meetings a couple of nights a week, sometimes until 1:30 a.m. At times, the pace was wicked, but I enjoyed every moment of it."

Commitment and enthusiasm—these have been the key qualities that Larrabee has displayed during his coaching career, and everyone he coaches seems to recognize these traits in him.

Larrabee's positive attitude results in a boomerang effect. His swimmers learn from him to be psyched and prepared mentally for their season which, in turn, heightens Larrabee's enthusiasm for his team.

Larrabee's most positive feature, however, seems to be his ability to meet both individual and team needs. In fact, each swimmer asked to state Larrabee's most distinguishing asset, provided almost identical answers—"Coach Larrabee really cares about how individuals perform, as well as the team."

Louise VanOrder ('90), a



Swim Coach Cliff Larrabee

member of the women's swim team, commented on Larrabee's concern for the individual.

"Coach [Larrabee] will always go out of his way to do anything you ask of him," VanOrder said. "He is really interested in making sure that the swimmers enjoy what they are doing.

"He coaches the individual," VanOrder continued. "His concern will be greatly missed, and almost impossible for a new coach to match."

Andrew Bechgaard ('89), a member of the men's swim team, agreed with VanOrder.

"The great thing about Coach is that he allows us to enjoy the sport so that we can develop according to our own needs," Bechgaard said. "Yet, at the same time, he gives us the experience and guidance needed for a varsity team."

Bechgaard and the other members of the men's team are thankful to Larrabee, not only for his excellent coaching, but also for his help in establishing the men's varsity team.

"Coach Larrabee was one of the major reasons for the men's swim club becoming a varsity team this year," Bechgaard said. "His enthusiasm for the sport and both CONN swim teams is endless."

Larrabee's swimmers are not the only people who appreciate his talent as a coach. Larrabee was instrumental in creating a varsity track team at CONN, and has been volunteering as an assistant coach since 1983.

Larrabee was a varsity hammer thrower at Bates College, and remained active in the sport until 1970.

Ned Bishop, head coach of CONN's women's track team, believes that Larrabee has been a major force behind the track team's success.

"We wouldn't be where we are today as a program without all the time and interest that Cliff has put in," Bishop said. "Ever since we started the team, he has been willing to work with any person in any event, whether it was in his area of expertise or not."

This willingness to help any athlete, no matter the event, explains how Larrabee became involved with swimming. Larrabee had no experience as a swimmer when he first took up coaching the sport.

"I can't swim," Larrabee admitted. "In fact, I nearly drowned a couple of times. I can't swim a lick. That helps me to understand the kids who can't [swim], but want to try."

Larrabee's dedication to the sport of swimming at Connecticut College will be sorely missed by his swimmers, his colleagues, and his friends. Larrabee believes, however, that it is time to concentrate on other areas of his life, but admitted that retiring will not be easy.

"I'm going to miss coaching. I haven't done much of anything else in the past 25 years. Of course, I was a chemist, but my heart has always been in the swimming pool."



by Marc LaPlace  
Sports Editor

### Spring Sports Sneak Previews

**Men's Crew:** The 21-member team has been training on the water for one week, in addition to weightlifting, ergometer work, and aerobic workouts.

"What we're doing now is getting back into the swing of being on the water," NICK ROOSEVELT ('88) said. "We're also teaching some of the new freshmen about rowing."

The squad, under the direction of Coach BOB GILLETTE, will continue training during spring break, in preparation for their March 26th season-opening race in Cambridge, Mass.

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**Women's Crew:** According to Coach CLAUS WOLTER, the women's crew team has been undergoing "a pretty comprehensive conditioning program," including on the water training, supplemented by ergometer work, weight training, and running.

Wolter has been experimenting with different combinations of rowers, as none of the line-ups for the four boats have been set yet. "I'm impressed with the technical proficiency that has been displayed," Wolter said, commenting on his squad's first week of on-water training.

The squad will have its first competition on March 26 with M.I.T. and U.R.I., while CONN's lightweight 4 will also face Radcliffe, last year's national intercollegiate champion in the event.

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**Men's Lacrosse:** 18 of the 27 players on this year's team are freshmen and sophomores, and Coach FRAN SHIELDS explained that there should be good blend of youth and experience this season.

"We are a young team," Shields said. "We lost six key seniors last year, but we have a strong nucleus returning."

The lacrosse will travel to Tampa, Fla., over spring break to compete in the 16th Annual Suncoast Lacrosse Tournament, which is directed by Shields.

CONN will play three scrimmages while down south, and will also play its first regular season game at the Florida tourney, facing New England College on March 17.

"Our goal is to have a winning season," Shields said, "and this is a realistic goal, because we're competitive with everybody we play."

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**Women's Lacrosse:** Coach AMY CAMPBELL explained that this year's women's lacrosse squad "is going to be an exciting team to watch."

Led by 10 seniors, the Camel varsity players will train during spring break at the Orlando Lacrosse Camp in Orlando, Fla., which is directed by Campbell.

The squad will start its 1988 campaign on March 31 at Wellesley, while the J.V. team opens at Yale on March 29.

"I'm looking forward to a very successful season," Campbell said. "Our teamwork should make us a hard team to beat."

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**Men's Tennis:** The Camels have the exact same line-up back from last season's 11-1 team, and according to Coach TOM PERRAULT, the squad is shooting for a NESCAC title this spring.

"We have our top ten players back, and we have added two freshmen; so on paper, it is a realistic goal," Perrault said. "But our opponents could have also gotten stronger since last year."

The CONN tennis players have been competing among themselves to determine rankings for the past four weeks, as they prepare for their spring break trip to Pasadena, Calif.

In Pasadena, the Camels will face Cal. Lutheran, one of the top ranked Division II teams in the nation; University of Redlands, ranked eighth nationally in Division III; as well as Westmont College, another Division III squad.

CONN opens the regular season at home against Clark on March 31.

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**Men's Track & Field:** Coach ED MIGHTEN explained that 22 "good athletes" make up this year's edition of the men's track program. After three weeks of preseason practice, Mighten has been pleased with his athletes' efforts.

"People have dug in," Mighten said. "We've worked really hard, and are now anxious to run in a competitive situation."

The team got its first taste of competition this past weekend, participating in an open meet at Yale. The Camels' first regular season meet will be at Rhode Island College on March 26.

"Our goal is to keep everyone healthy this season," Mighten said, "and for people to perform to the best of their abilities."

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**Women's Track & Field:** Of the 24 individuals on the women's track team this year, there are 13 new members, 10 of whom are freshmen.

"The potential is there to do as well as we have in past years," Coach NED BISHOP said. "Since we have so many new people, we have to kind of wait and see."

The team took part in a scrimmage at Yale this past weekend, and has been training for the past three weeks.

The R.I.C. Relays on March 26 will be the Camels' first regular season meet.

## Women's squash team closes rookie year

by Beth McKiernan  
The College Voice

The Connecticut College Women's Squash Team ended its rookie season last Saturday, losing to Bates for the second time this year. The defeat brought the Camels record to 4-9.

Though Betsy Rider ('88) and Marla Ker ('89) were the only CONN players to win their matches, six of the contests went to extra games.

"It was much closer than the score indicated," Coach Sheryl Yearly said. "They [Bates] are a little stronger than we are."

Despite ending the season

with a loss, Yearly was extremely pleased with the progress the team made.

"We showed that we can keep up with more established programs," Yearly said.

Ker, who joined the squad in the middle of the season, looked at the season as a learning experience for the team.

"We had drive, and learned a lot," Ker said. "We need more experience, but we began to establish ourselves as a squash team. The matches taught us a lot."

Yearly praised the character of her team.

"I was impressed with the commitment of everyone," Yearly said. "I was never worried that we wouldn't feel as a

team. It was a positive experience. We certainly had fun."

The women's squash team is now at varsity club status, which means the sport is being observed to see how it will work at Connecticut College.

"If at some point, women's squash is a varsity sport," Yearly said, "we will have this group to thank."

Looking to next year, the team will suffer a great loss, losing 10 of 13 players to graduation.

For the team's number one player and graduating senior, Rider, the season just ended this past weekend, as she competed in the National Individual Squash Championship, held at Dartmouth.