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Ad Fontes



John Maggiore - Candidate for SGA President

John Maggiore, '91, is running for President of the Student Government Association. He is Lazrus House Senator and the editor-in-chief of Blats magazine among other extra-curricular pursuits.

John Maggiore

Maggiore would like to be SGA president because, "[SGA] should do more than dances and paper work." Referring to the implementation of the 3:2 plan, Maggiore said "if it's time for a change, let it be student initiated...students haven't had sufficient input especially in the 3:2 plan."

Maggiore saw that "dealing with the administration" was one of the greatest challenges facing the next SGA President. "It's time for some solid accomplishments...and getting people involved."

Maggiore saw the governing body as "reactionary this year." He cited the implementation of the 3:2 plan and the proposed change in the length of spring break as examples. "I would push for an active SGA."

The SGA Presidency

- issues -

- Voice of the students in college decisions
- 3:2 implementation
- Strategic Planning Implementation

Carla Munroe - Candidate for SGA President

Carla Munroe, '90, feels that she is "the most qualified candidate for the [SGA president] position." She is currently the Junior class president and was the SGA public relations coordinator last year along with



Carla Munroe

participating on various other committees." Munroe believes that the "3:2 implications [are] one of the greatest challenges facing the next SGA president...as well as dealing with the administration. Student input is a vital priority to open and standardize channels immediately."

Her solution to help communications is "holding the House Senators accountable for their vote by having voting records published...[and] they should voice their opinions more in the assembly meetings."

Munroe also felt that issues such as 3:2 and campus safety are a priority. "Putting phones outside of the dorms will stop the door propping problem and I think it is vital for safety to put phones in the parking lots."



Betsy Grenier - Candidate for SGA Vice President

Betsy Grenier, class of 1991, is a candidate for the position of Vice President/Financial Committee Chairman. She was a member of the Freshman Class Council and is currently the Cultural Events Chair on the SAC Executive Board. She is also a member of the SGA Shareholder Responsibility Committee and an OVCS volunteer.

Betsy Grenier

Grenier believes she has a "unique perspective" as a result of her SAC background. She said, "the Vice President should be a directing spirit, exhibiting leadership and hard work".

Concerning the budget, she said, "I would like to construct a budget framework that instills confidence in the Assembly and in my peers."

Grenier proposes to work with clubs in fund raising projects in order to supplement the See Grenier p. 7

The SGA Vice Presidency

- issues -

- Finance Committee Responsibilities
- Auditing Process
- Allocation of Money to Clubs and Organizations

Paul Rosenbloom - Candidate for SGA Vice President

Paul Rosenbloom, class of 1991, is running for Vice President. He has been a dorm and class treasurer, and is currently the House Senator of Lambdin. He is a member of both the Financial Resources Planning Team and the Finance Committee, and



Paul Rosenbloom

is the Student Organization treasurer. He believes, "the student body requires someone who has the experience and direction to most effectively handle these responsibilities."

Rosenbloom proposes an increase in the student activities fee for the 1990-1991 budget. He also supports the "Umbrella" proposal which would work in conjunction with the Development Office to allocate more funds to individual clubs. He said, "I can best appreciate a balance of how much things cost to put on, and yet, the dilemma of not having the funds to See Rosenbloom p. 7



Nicole Breck - Candidate for Public Relations Director

Nicole Breck, '90, is running for Public Relations Director because of the position's role in SGA. "Public Relations" says Breck, "is one of the crucial aspects of the Exec. Board because [it lets] people know what's going on-not just in assembly, but advisory boards, class exec. boards, the SAC reps, the governors. SGA has a lot of power on this campus, but it's not known exactly what it does. People don't know what the committees are, how they can get involved in it."

Nicole Breck

Breck has gained experience in her position as J-Board Secretary this year, and from working in Fanning she has come to "know a lot of the resources" available within the college. She plans to use more information resources for SGA than are currently used, including giving press releases about pertinent issues to student publications, the Communicator, and various offices of the college.

The first issue Breck would address as PR Director is separation of the PR budget from the See Breck p. 7

Public Relations Director

- issues -

- Campus Awareness of SGA
- Organization of Elections

Ricky Prah - Candidate for Public Relations Director

Ricky Prah's student government experience includes sitting on Freshman and Junior Class Councils as well as a five year planning team.



Ricky Prah

If elected, his "main concern is accountability of representatives." Prah is "surprised that we don't have already... voting records and attendance records" of SGA members. He believes the Public Relations director is the person to spread this information to the student body by means of student publications, CONTACT sessions, and the SGA paper, which he wants to publish regularly.

In addressing problems with the current SGA, Prah says, "I don't feel that everybody is necessarily represented. As PR Director I would make sure everybody knows SGA is representing the students." He wants SGA to work as "the hub of communication" between student clubs and organizations. See Prah p. 7



Dawn Gundlach - Candidate for Chair of Academic Affairs

Dawn Gundlach, '91, believes that student input on the curriculum is essential and that her qualifications will give her the knowledge and ability to ensure that the students are represented. Gundlach has served as a member of the Psychology Advisory Board, the Board of Advisory Chairs (BAC), Harkness Dorm Council, Junior Class Council, and as the Coordinator of the Phillip Goldberg Internship Program funded by SGA.

Dawn Gundlach

Gundlach thinks her greatest challenge will be working with the administration to implement the 3:2 plan and alleviating the problems that arise.

Gundlach also believes that ensuring student input on the curriculum and tenure for faculty are important issues. Gundlach contends that in some departments students have a major impact on tenure decisions, but in other, mainly smaller, departments, "students have no input See Gundlach p. 7

Chair of Academic Affairs

- issues -

- Student Involvement in the Tenure Process
- 3:2 Implementation
- Maintenance and Growth of the Curriculum

Huao Hwang - Candidate for Chair of Academic Affairs

Huao Hwang, '91, believes that a strong Chair of Academic Affairs is needed to ensure student input in the College decision making process. According to Hwang, Claire Gaudiani



Huao Hwang

"has an idea of where to go," and the student view must be expressed by someone who can be effective in meetings with the President, faculty, and the Board of Trustees.

Hwang feels that his previous experience in dealing with the administration will allow him to be an effective representative. He has served as Chair of the Minority Student Steering Committee, President of ASIA, and a member of the Strategic Planning Committees.

One of Hwang's greatest challenges will be to monitor the implementation of the 3:2 plan. "3:2 has been passed. It is vital to be sure that student input is involved," said Hwang. He also believes that students should have input in decisions to grant tenure to professors See Hwang p. 7

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Presidential Platforms

John Maggione

Connecticut College is teetering on the threshold of greatness. As the community is about to embark on a pervasive five year plan designed to cross that threshold, it is, consequently, preparing for a period of transition. Now is the time for an SGA president who will not only insure a role for students during impending challenges, but *protect* student interests throughout. Now is also the time for an SGA president to lead student government beyond *traditional* boundaries, into the dynamic realm of *innovation*. I, John Maggione, am ready to be that SGA president.

My credentials have been built on a record of community involvement. While my most visible accomplishments have been made through my position of House Senator of Lazrus, and as Editor in Chief of *Blats Magazine*, I have also been involved with the Office of Volunteers for Community Service, S.N.A.P., S.O.A.R., the Faculty and Staff Development Planning Team, various committees, and other activities. My commitment to student activities shall continue as student government president. High on my list of priorities will be the development and implementation of the "Umbrella" plan, which was proposed this year, for substantially increasing funds for student activities.

The plan, which would allow, for the first time, SGA to raise funds on behalf of clubs and organizations through alumni, is only one of several plans that have been proposed this year, but must be carried out next year. While it has been several weeks since I proposed a detailed plan for the installation of condom machines on Campus and an increased sexual issues education program to be instituted, certain administrators, have delayed making a decision about the issue until after SGA Executive Board elections. A vote for John Maggione is a vote of approval for the plan, and a John Maggione victory will serve as a mandate.

But I do not want the period before the election to be known as "the condom campaign!" In addition to innovative new ideas, and a strong record of involvement, I am also the best prepared to be the students' chief negotiator and liaison officer with the administration. Because an SGA president must work closely with administrators, he or she must be open minded, well-versed of the issues, firm, and perceptive. I have developed these qualities through the working relationship I have *already* developed with the administration. Furthermore, to additionally *protect* student interests, I propose that SGA release official statements concerning matters such as the Honor Code, alcohol policy, and parking *before* the administration attempts any sudden changes.

Connecticut College needs an SGA president who is experienced, innovative, strong, committed, and optimistic. I feel that I am the candidate who best fits these qualifications, and I know I am the candidate who looks towards the future most enthusiastically. I hope that if you share my enthusiasm you will vote for John Maggione.

Carla Munroe

The SGA President sets the standard upon which the academic and social policies affecting Connecticut College students are based. In conjunction, the President must uphold the rights of students ensured beneath our Honor Code. These two overriding themes will guide my actions throughout the duration of SGA President.

My leadership style is diplomatic and effective in that I will incorporate diverse points of view in dealing with issues in order to reach the most appropriate solution for the college community as a whole. Consequently, I will exercise my prerogative to vote and voice my opinion on all key issues, ensuring that students will be aware of my position at all times.

Issues on my agenda include: 1) Addressing the need for Campus Safety to reflect an actual "preventative policy mode", rather than simply expressing rhetoric, regarding break-ins, vandalism, and more serious crimes on campus. 2) Closely monitoring the ramifications of the 3:2 implementation next year along with the Academic Chair to insure that student concerns are properly considered. 3) Assuring that procedures maintaining student input are well established and utilized in dealings between the Administration and students. 4) Evaluating the House Senator/ House Governor system in order to improve communications within the dormitories and throughout the community.

Extensive experience within the Student Government Association as Public Relations Director, Junior Class President, and Priorities, Planning & Budget Committee member has provided me with unique insight into the processes of SGA and the College hierarchy. For instance, I was a member of the Residential Life Committee which proposed the House Senator/ House Governor positions to SGA. In addition, I participated in the debate on the Assembly floor. This year I have seen both the pros and cons of the new positions, and thus, I am in the best position to evaluate them next year. My proven leadership ability is essential in assuring expedient action on pending and future campus issues. When voting, please consider me.

Vice-Presidential Platforms

Betsy Grenier

HANDS ON HARD WORK, SPIRIT AND DIRECTION

The job of SGA Vice President is three-fold; it requires financial planning skills, a project focus, and leadership direction. The Vice-President is charged with the responsibility of developing an operative budget that reflects the needs and desires for growth of Connecticut College's clubs and student organizations. I would like to construct a budget framework that instills confidence in the Assembly and in my peers. Mine is a unique perspective; for with a SAC background I've worked closely with most of the clubs and classes and I am familiar with budget needs and expectations in planning.

THERE'S MORE...

The Vice-President should be more than a financial manager. The position should also entail a project orientation. I would like to continue to set into motion ideas such as; the establishment of summer educational programs and workshops for area minority high school students. I want to increase communication with SAC, redefining and therefore strengthening it, in order that we may work together of tasks such as Cro-Renovation Plans, for a better student union that meets our needs. A topic of timely concern is promoting dorm life, specifically in supporting the new House Governor/House Senator system. Greater emphasis needs to be placed upon the people SGA serves; you. There must be a bridge between student opinion and the SGA assembly.

Finally, the Vice-President should be a directing spirit, exhibiting leadership and hard work, and welcoming an onslaught of ideas and helping hands.

My experience displays my commitment to these qualities. As a freshman I was an active member of class council, a Big Pal and a OVCS volunteer, while this year I have further involved myself on the SAC Executive Board as Cultural Events Chair, I brought to campus such notable presentations as Michael Deaver, Dith Pran and The Abortion Debate. I handled a \$12,000 budget for these events. I am currently a member of the SGA Shareholder Responsibility Committee, the OCS Director Search Committee, and the Sr. Week and Sr. Breakfast planning committees.

My ambition, hard work and experience show my commitment to you that I will bring strong leadership to the Vice Presidency. PLEASE VOTE BETSY GRENIER ON APRIL 4th and 5th.

Thank you for your support,
Betsy Grenier

Paul Rosenbloom

The main responsibility of the SGA Vice-President is to express the financial interests of the student body. As chairman of the Finance Committee, the Vice-President must turn out a budget that is not only fair but representative of the community's concerns. In addition, I will propose an increase in the student activities fee for the 90-91 budget. Every year the Finance Committee is faced with the dilemma of properly funding the various active organizations which are the heart of the college community. The student body requires someone who has the experience and direction to most effectively handle these responsibilities.

I believe my diversified financial experiences have well qualified me for this position. Having been dorm and class treasurer I can appreciate the lack of funds available and the rising costs of quality events. As a Student Organization Treasurer, I have learned to work with administrators and understand their perceptions of student activity expenditures. This insight will help facilitate my proposal to the Trustees for an increase. Finally, as a member of the Finance Committee for the past two years, both as a student-at-large and the House Senator of Lambdin, I feel that I am most qualified to run the budget process in a fair and efficient manner. I hope you will agree that my experience and direction is best suited for the role of SGA Vice-President and elect Paul Rosenbloom.

Thank you
Paul Rosenbloom

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Platforms for the Chair Of Academic Affairs

Dawn Gundlach

Past Experience/Qualifications: Over this past year I have been active in many aspects of the college community and feel my experience in such groups as the Psychology Advisory Board, the Board of Advisory Chairs (BAC), the Harkness Dorm Council, the Junior Class Council, and as the Coordinator of the SGA-funded Phillip Goldberg Internship Program, provides me with the knowledge and the ability to be an effective Chair of Academic Affairs.

For the Psychology Advisory Board I have: 1) evaluated the effects of the 3:2 plan on the Psychology Department; 2) revised course/instructor evaluations; 3) developed a handbook for Majors; and 4) developed a summer work experience survey.

As a representative on BAC I have worked with this year's Chair of Academic Affairs to: 1) evaluate the 3:2 plan and its effects on the College; 2) update the departmental books containing course syllabi; 3) research the possibility of computerizing the departmental book for great access and use by students; and 4) formulate a program to recognize instructors who are outstanding teachers and dedicated to the education of students.

Goals as Chair of Academic Affairs: 1) to monitor the 3:2 plan and remedy any problems that may arise; 2) to strengthen student-faculty relations through the institution of a fellows program; 3) to update and improve accessibility of departmental books; 4) to institute a program to recognize outstanding professors; and 5) to meet the academic needs of students through SGA and working with the President, administration and faculty in long range planning.

I am pleased to see that the importance of academics has been recognized through the institution of the Chair of Academic Affairs as a voting member of SGA, and I am confident that I will be effective in representing the academic needs of the students.

Huao Hwang

The position of Chair of Academic Affairs is a new one this year. However, its importance cannot be understated. In the coming year, we as a college face new challenges as we move toward new objectives. The role of the President thus far has not been unnoticed. Her's is a management style which chooses to lead. As students and as student leaders it will be imperative that we make our voices heard above the din of "Five Year Plans." We must be willing and able to assert our ideas and priorities into the fray so that they may receive all the attention not only which they demand, but also what they are due.

This year we have made great progress in getting student concerns on academics heard. We must not, however, be complacent. Issues such as the 3:2 plan will merit constant monitoring in the coming year. An issue resolved is not an issue dead. We must also move forward in areas which have heretofore not been addressed as student concerns the most important of which is student input into decisions of tenure. From the progress we have made this year in securing the assurance that student input into academics is paramount; the move to student input into decisions of tenure is not a pipe-dream. It is a real opportunity for students. It is an opportunity we cannot afford to let pass.

The accomplishments made this year in the area of academics are impressive. From the "Black Books" of departmental course rationales to the successful resolution of the 3:2 plan, student academic concerns on this campus have been championed, but not without hard work. As a chair of Minority Student Steering Committee, President of ASIA, and a member of the Strategic Planning Committees, I know that good work comes from hard work. With your vote I look forward to the chance to keep student academic concerns in the forefront on Connecticut College politics. Thank you.

Platforms for the Public Relations Director

Nicole Breck

Do you know what happened in SGA this year? I promise that if you vote for me for Public Relations Director, you will.

The accountability of every elected Student Government official will be insured through communication campuswide concerning their work. I intend to not only continue the publication of the SGA newsletter, but to increase the number of issues per semester. I intend to continue the close working relationship with *The College Voice* through the SGA column as well as establishing a relationship with *The Echo*. In addition I intend to include voting records in these publications on every issue in the Assembly. For important issues I will write press releases separate from the SGA column to insure campus awareness on these issues.

The office of Public Relations has, in the past, ignored its obligation to branches of The Student Government beyond the Assembly. If I'm elected this will change. I intend to be a resource for all clubs, Governors, Senators, SAC reps., class executive boards, class presidents, and department advisory boards for information and for help in publicizing activities, events, and sentiments.

If I am elected Public Relations Director I intend to increase the number of dorm CONTACT sessions to increase student input, discussion, and knowledge of SGA issues and functions. Moreover, I intend to create a booklet for all students on the different branches of the Student Government which would include specific definitions of responsibilities, as well as th opportunities for students to get involved. This booklet would deliniate exactly what services the Conn. College Student Government offers the individual student. This would not only increase all elected representatives accountability, but would also allow all students to utilize college resources.

I intend to make the Student Government accountable to its constituency by making you aware of each position's services and activities. VOTE FOR INFORMATION, VOTE FOR AWARENESS, VOTE FOR NICOLE BRECK.

Ricky Prah

In my experiences in student government organizations, as well as committee work, it has come to my attention that communication and rapport are among the most important things in making organizations effective.

As Public Relations Director I feel that my highest priority would be to keep the lines of communication between the Student Government and the college community open. I would rely on several channels and institutions already in existence to achieve this goal. *The Voice*, for one, can serve as a very effective tool in informing students of SGA happenings and can be used as a possible sounding board. This would have to be done in a responsible manner, and I feel that I could effectively make the students aware of SGA events. Also with an eye to getting students involved, I would like to push for a more frequent printing of the *Inside SGA* newsletter. This would be a more inclusive newsletter to include related SGA activities as well (student clubs for exp.). Seeing how much of our college is run by the students, it is also important to have a way of communicating with the extended community. I see myself as continuing to work with the college's PR office to keep these sources of input open.

All these ideas are to keep the level of confusion down and the level of understanding and participation high. In a community so closely tied to its government, and so involved in committees, confusion is detrimental to all. Which is why I promise to keep the student body informed, and am open to having you inform me. Please consider me when voting.

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Judiciary Board Chairman Platform

Tod Preston

Although invisible to most of us on campus, the enforcement of the honor code is a continual and vital process to this institution. For the past two years, I have energetically represented the Class of 1991 on the Judiciary Board. During that time, I have done my best not only to uphold the integrity of the honor code, but to energize the honor code as a whole.

As I look to next year, I see many opportunities to strengthen our honor code and to help it attain its true potential in our community. I have learned a great deal by serving on the Board under the leadership of Paul Hyde and Jansen Calamita. One of my primary concerns regards the effectiveness of the academic honor code. As I think many of you are, I too am skeptical about the honor code's ability to deal with cheating. This is an important problem, and one that I feel should be finally taken up for consideration by the student body next year. This is just one of my goals for next year.

I hope I will have your support so that I can provide the leadership as Judiciary Board Chairman in the year ahead. Please vote on Tuesday and Wednesday.

Sincerely,
Tod Preston.

Platform for SAC Chairman

Jeannie Thomma

In '87 He said "Go nuts!"

In '88 He said "Choice"

In '89 He said "Social And Cultural"

Today SHE says-

Enthusiasm, creativity, flair, spunk, spirit, challenge!

That's what it's all about

—A wide variety of social events that are creative and fun, including more Friday night programming. A series of cultural events to challenge and intrigue the student body—with the primary focus on America today.

—Internal reconstruction of SAC is essential for positive external recognition. A clear direction, a steady focus, and a strong foundation. Establishing precedent, and improving SAC's SGA role.

— Experience. Freshman year: class SAC representative and Senior week formal. Sophomore Year: Traditional Events Chair on the SAC Executive Board, Art Advisory Board, SGA Residential Life Committee, senior week party. Previously established working relationship with many administrators, familiar with procedure, responsible. Experience and confidence, that's what it takes to be both a leader and a team player within the SGA structure.

Young Alumni Trustee Platforms

Ward Blodgett

During the past four years we have experienced many things here at Connecticut College. The most important of these experiences have been developments and changes. Connecticut College has changed both socially and academically; especially in the past twelve months. President Gaudiani has shed new light on the college community. This new light has been both positive and alarming. Connecticut College is not the same institution we entered in the fall of 1985. We are stronger academically and socially different. The most alarming change is the depletion of student input in institutional matters, over the past year. I believe one of the major strong points of the Connecticut College community is the power of student government and the input of student voices into institutional concerns. I strongly support the power of the student. I have been a member of the Student Government Association for the past three years as a House Senator, House President and Class Representative. During this time there have been situations in which the student voices have been undermined.

I am running for Young Alumni Trustee because I want to work with, and for, the students of Connecticut College to assure that the student voices are heard. As our class' representative on the Board of Trustees I will listen to the students. Student voices and power is what makes Connecticut College a unique institution. In the past year certain issues have been dealt with by the administration that have circumvented the voice of the students. A perfect example of this was the calendar issue first semester when the proper channels of student input were neglected by the administration. I stood up for student power during that issue by running a contact session to get input from the student body. The proposed changes to the academic calendar were never passed, but that is not the issue. The voice of the students is the issue. I have stood up for student voices in the past and will do so in the future. As young Alumni Trustee my job will be to stand up for the best interests of the community as a whole and see that the students are heard. I believe I have the qualifications for this responsibility. I am willing to make the commitment of time, work and dedication to the future of Connecticut College. Please consider Ward Blodgett for Young Alumni Trustee.

Jamie Worrell

I am Jamie Worrell, Class of '89. I want to be the Young Alumni Trustee for our class. I am confident that I am qualified for the position. I am conscientious, hard-working, and have experienced many of the varied aspects of life which make Conn what it is.

I value the part played by the students in the governing and advising of the College. I am a four year member, and present Co-Chair, of the Athletic Advisory Board, and as such I have dealt with policy issues regarding everything from drugs and alcohol, to budgeting for the Sports Clubs. Active, and positive participation is why I was elected as Co-chair.

Through participation in this small branch of Student Advisors to the Administration, I see that student input is important and is valued by the administration. We are fortunate that they listen. If elected you can be sure that our voice will be heard, and that I will be able to represent our class well.

Involvement in the Annual Giving Program Phonathon, budgeting for the clubs on campus, and fund-raising for the Men's Lacrosse team, has given me an awareness of the financial standing, and needs, of the College.

In four years here I have been a concerned and interested member of the community, both academic and extra-curricular. Because of the interest which I have maintained, and the many activities in which I have participated (Varsity Soccer, Varsity Lacrosse, Campus Bartending, House and Class Council, Athletic Advisory Board, Sports Club Council, Drugs and Alcohol in Athletics Policy Committee, Campus Fundraisers) I feel I do have an "insight into the student body's perspective on a variety of issues."

Larry Friedman

Dear Members of the Senior Class:

The position Young Alumni Trustee offers a special place from which a graduating senior may participate in plotting the course the College will take in the upcoming years, and continue to emphasize the role of the students in the overall structure and workings of our school. As such, the Young Alumni Trustee candidate needs to be enthusiastic and committed, and be experienced in dealing with many aspects of life at Conn. He or she needs to have had, and be able to maintain, contact with students, administrators, and faculty members, and have a knowledge of how the students and Student Government Association function and interact within the system. The Young Alumni Trustee must also be prepared to use this perspective of "the big picture" of Conn as a full Trustee of the College; these next few years, especially, with a new College President and some serious long-range plans, are going to be critical in determining the College's future direction.

I believe my experiences here have provided that essential view of the school as a whole from my vantage point within the student body. I have been active at Conn in a variety of ways, including working with SAC my sophomore year as a dorm representative, and writing for both the College newspaper and the College magazine. This year, I served on the SGA Executive Board in the capacity of Assistant to the President. I have worked to expand and enhance this position, and through it have interacted with virtually every member of the College community, from regular meetings with the President and Deans to the Assembly, Governors, Housefellows, clubs and numerous other students. As the Assistant to the President, it was necessary that I be aware of every aspect of SGA in order to help the President maintain SGA's smooth running; in this capacity, I also served as a resource for those with problems and questions involving SGA; this has increased my awareness of the various student concerns on campus. As part of the regular duties of the position, I have already worked with the Trustees of the College, and the Young Alumni Trustees, on the Student-Trustee Liaison Committee, meeting to resolve student concerns and discuss issues facing the college community. In addition, I have had close contact with both the Strategic Planning Process since its inception, and with the several searches now being undertaken.

I believe I am qualified to serve as the Class of 89's representative on the Board of Trustees, and ask that you please vote next Tuesday or Wednesday. Thank you.

PROFILES

Candidate for Judiciary Chairman

Tod Preston - Candidate for Judiciary Board Chairman

Tod Preston has served on the Judiciary Board for two years. He is a firm believer in the Honor Code but has, in his campaign, stressed the need for reforming methods of enforcement, specifically in the academic area.

"I know cheating goes on here like at any other school," Preston said. "To me that means the system isn't working very well."

The solution, the candidate believes, would begin with a survey of campus attitude toward the system.

"I think," Preston said, "that we need to bring it out in the open - see what people think."

Also, Preston would push for amending the trial system so that a person bringing charges would be assured anonymity. Such

a guarantee would hopefully encourage more students to report incidents of cheating.

Preston also intends to improve the relationship between the chair and the Board itself. It is essential, he explained, that J-board work as an intimate body if it plans to function effectively. He also sees the need for better contact between it and the student body between elections.

Preston is satisfied with the social honor code and does not plan to tamper with it. He has, however, expressed concern over the administration's tendency to overturn or modify the board's decisions, and has emphasized the need for the board to be included in "high profile" decisions.

"I think the honor code overall works well - no system is perfect . . . but we can enjoy the privileges that it gives us."



Tod Preston



Jeannie Thomma

Jeannie Thomma - Candidate for SAC Chairman

Jeannie Thomma has a long resume of experience in coordinating social life at Connecticut College. As a freshman she was a SAC rep. As a sophomore she sat on the SAC executive board, the Art advisory board, and the SGA Residential life Committee. She has also helped organize festivities at Senior week.

Candidate for SAC Chairman

She continually emphasizes her success establishing a working relationship with the administration, her familiarity with SAC and SGA procedures, and her willingness to experiment if necessary.

"I really enjoy SAC," she said. "My creativity can help to add spunk to events on campus."

Thomma would like to define the relationship between SAC reps. and House Governors. She has also suggested a possible monthly newsletter to inform the campus of SAC's work, and of goings-on about campus.

"We need to concentrate on getting SAC a better name . . . It would be very wise on our part to try to give something back to the community, maybe by a charity drive."

Issues Facing SGA Exec Board Discussed by Candidates During Speech Night

by Jacqueline Soteropolous
The College Voice

Vital issues concerning the future of Connecticut College were discussed by candidates for elected positions during the speeches held in Conn Cave on Sunday evening, April 2.

Students running for Chairman of Student Activities Council (SAC), Judiciary Board, Board of Advisory Chair, as well as Director of Public Relations, and the President and Vice-President of the Student Government Association (SGA), spoke about their concerns with the Honor System, the accountability of student representatives, the budget, and difficulties in dealing with the administration, and the new president of the college, Claire Gaudiani.

Jeannie Thomma, '91, candidate for SAC chair, stated she believed the chairman should act as a liaison between SAC and SGA, and had a "responsibility to initiate student-faculty relations."

Furthermore, she expressed the need for more campus-wide weekend events organized by SAC.

"I really think this campus calls for more Friday night on-campus programs," Thomma stated.

Tod Preston, '91, candidate for Judiciary Board chair, expressed his belief in the "ineffectiveness of the academic honor code in dealing with cheating."

"[The college] should seriously consider changing the procedure of reporting cases of cheating," Preston stated. Preston explained his wish that the reports of cheating to the Board should become confidential, to encourage more of these reports, although Preston acknowledged that some students had challenged the constitutionality of his proposal. Preston stated that letting the students decide, and bringing the issue up for referendum "would be a very good idea."

While Ricky Prah, '90, candidate for Director of Public Relations, discussed the need for increased communication with the college administration, and expansion of SGA information through *The College Voice*, and the *SGA Newsletter*, his opponent, Nicole Breck, '90, believed the key issue was the "accountability of elected dorm representatives." Breck also

expressed the need for more contact sessions, to involve the student body in SGA decisions. Huao Hwang, '91, candidate for BAC Chair, stated "student input must be heard by President Gaudiani and...the trustees," especially concerning the hiring of faculty members and tenure decisions.

Dawn Gundlach, '90, Huao's opposition, stressed the "development of student-faculty relations," and her commitment to "making sure the administration follows through on its promises."

Both candidates spoke of monitoring the progress of the controversial 3:2 plan and the need for more awards to recognize excellence among faculty members.

Candidates for SGA Vice-President, Betsy Grenier, '91, and Paul Rosenbloom, '91, declared their main concern the budget, and the lack of funding that is encountered each year.

Grenier stressed fundraising as a partial solution to inadequate funding, while Rosenbloom emphasized the need for an increase in the student activities fee, which he stated would not affect the families of college students.

Both candidates for Vice-President supported the "umbrella proposal," initiated by the college Office of Development.

The candidates for President of SGA, Carla Munroe, '90, and John Maggiore, '91, gave heated speeches, making direct criticisms on various actions of their opponents.

Maggiore attacked Munroe's switch from immediate moral opposition to the condom machine proposal, to support after talking with her constituency.

Munroe, however, defended this change in position, citing the importance of being a representative.

Munroe stated to her opposition to a proposal Maggiore initiated early in the year, allowing students to abstain from voting on the budget.

"I wanted to allow the option of abstention...so the people who have the most concern should have the most to say," Maggiore stated.

Both Munroe and Maggiore stressed communication with Gaudiani and their student constituency.

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RECOMMENDATIONS

Recommendation Introduction

The following recommendations are unanimously made by the editorial board of The College Voice. We suggest that they be used as part of a comprehensive look at the candidates. Our decisions are based upon a synthesis of the candidates' experience, past effectiveness, platforms and an interview with the editorial board. In cases where a unanimous decision could not be reached within the editorial board, an abstention was ruled. All SGA Executive Board candidates were asked four structured questions:

(1) What qualifications do you bring to the position you seek & why are you running for that position? (2) If elected, what do you see as the greatest challenge facing you in your position? (3) What three problems do you see in this year's (position)? What solutions can you offer to these problems? (4) What do you perceive is the role of the SGA in college-wide decision making? Has this year's SGA been able to fulfill this role and what, if anything, would you change if elected?

Candidates for Young Alumni Trustee were asked the following three questions:

(1) What qualifications do you bring to the position of Young Alumni Trustee and why are you running for that position? (2) If elected, what do you see as the single greatest challenge before you as Young Alumni Trustee; what other problems/challenges do you see before you if elected? What solutions can you offer? (3) Where do you see Connecticut College in five years?

The results of our lengthy examinations of the candidates comprise the following recommendations to our readers.

Our recommendation for Vice President:

Besty Grenier

The editorial board recommends Besty Grenier for the position of Vice President of the Student Government Association. Her wide range of involvement in the college community includes such positions as SAC Cultural Events Chair, Shareholder Responsibility Committee, Freshman Class Council. She additionally has participated in community volunteer work. She has a strong personal vision of a more communicative assembly, one that will foresee issues and act upon them.

Our Reasons:

1. Grenier has demonstrated her ability to work with financial responsibility within various organizations of Connecticut College.
2. Grenier will infuse the position of Vice President with new creative energy, concentrating her efforts on promoting club growth through fund-raising.
3. Grenier will strengthen the auditing process by beginning it earlier in the year.

Our recommendation for Judiciary Board Chair:

Tod Preston

The editorial board recommends Todd Preston for the position of Judiciary Board Chair. Todd Preston has proven his strong leadership ability in his two years as a Judiciary Board representative. He supports the honor code and has a firm understanding of it, but believes that constant maintenance of the honor code is necessary. We believe that Preston will make an excellent Judiciary Board Chairman.

Our reasons:

1. Preston is a staunch supporter of student rights who sees the Honor Code and Judiciary Board as the key means of protecting our privileges.
2. Preston sees room for improvement regarding the Academic Honor Code and is committed to improving the integrity of it.
3. Preston believes in campus awareness of the Judiciary Board, wishing to publicize logs with greater frequency and regularity.

Our recommendation for Public Relations Director:

Ricky Prah

The editorial board recommends Ricky Prah for the position of Public Relations Director. Prah has learned the importance of communication through his work on both his Freshman and Junior class councils and the Strategic Planning Team.

Our reasons:

1. Prah has firm grasp on the importance of communication and campus awareness.
2. Prah wishes to utilize new channels of campus-wide communication and augment those already in existence.
3. Prah believes that both the voting and attendance records of the SGA Assembly members should be publicized.

Our recommendation for Chair of Academic Affairs:

Huao Hwang

The editorial board recommends Huao Hwang for the position of Chair of Academic Affairs. Among his myriad involvements, as president of A.S.I.A. Hwang was a motivating force in the addition of an Asian History course to the college curriculum. Additionally, as a member of the Minority Steering and Conference Committee, he was instrumental in effecting the move of Unity House onto the main campus. Hwang demonstrates a strong commitment to excellence in education and persistence in following sought after goals.

Our reasons:

1. Hwang wants to incorporate student input into the faculty tenure process. He will implement this by including questions concerning faculty tenure on student evaluation forms.
2. Hwang recognizes the importance of the 3:2 plan, its implementations and repercussions.
3. Hwang understands the value of student input in issues concerning education at Connecticut College.

Our recommendation for Student Activities Council Chair:

Jeannie Thomma

The editorial board recommends Jeannie Thomma for the position of Chair of the Student Activities Committee. Thomma has demonstrated her ability to handle the post in her past experience with the Student Activities Committee. As Freshman class SAC representative, Tradition Events Chair and a member of the SGA Residential Life Committee she has proven her commitment to Connecticut College. We feel that she will continue her marked interest in the social and cultural well-being of the college.

Our reasons:

1. Thomma sees a need for an increased strength in SAC, involving improved communication between the members of SAC and students at large.
2. Thomma wishes to further define SAC representatives' roles within the dormitories.
3. Thomma intends to strengthen the relationship between the college and the community.

Our recommendation for Young Alumni Trustee:

Larry Friedman

The editorial board recommends Larry Friedman for the position of Young Alumni Trustee. As Assistant to the President of SGA this year, Friedman has been closely involved with faculty, house governors, senators and club leaders. In his dealings with this year's SGA president, he has proven himself a strong worker, one who listens to suggestions yet is able to consider divergent points of view.

Our reasons:

1. Friedman recognizes the importance of growth and change at Connecticut College. He foresees an increase in student diversity, greater handicapped accessibility, and a more competitive institution as a whole.
2. Friedman pursues a comprehensive understanding of issues, seeking out all relevant opinions in decision-making processes.
3. Friedman is committed to maintaining his objectivity within the Board of Trustees. He will make decisions with the entire college's best interests in mind.

PROFILES

Candidates for Young Alumni Trustee

Ward Blodgett - Candidate for Young Alumni Trustee



Ward Blodgett

"I feel the position of young alumni trustee is important for the future of Connecticut College and I'm seeking the job because with my qualifications, I can do a good job." said Ward Blodgett. Blodgett has had extensive involvement with student government in the past two years.

Aside from being a house president/senator, he has served on the Priorities, Planning, and Budget Committee.

"Aside from serving on the only institutionalized budget committee that meets regularly, I worked directly with the treasurer on the budget subcommittee which went through the entire budget of the college," said Blodgett. "On the committee, I have worked on the Crozier renovation project and the deferred maintenance account which allocates money for repairs that need to be done."

Blodgett sees staying in touch with student voices and concerns as the most challenging aspect of the position. "As a young alumni trustee, I wouldn't be on campus, so I must accurately know how students feel and keep in touch with the members of committees to make sure students would be heard."

Another challenge for Blodgett would be the change in perspective from student to alumni. "Although a student liaison, I would have to take a step back as a trustee to look at the whole picture. I have to analyze what's best for the community and separate my own personal bias."

Blodgett has the future goal of strengthening Connecti-

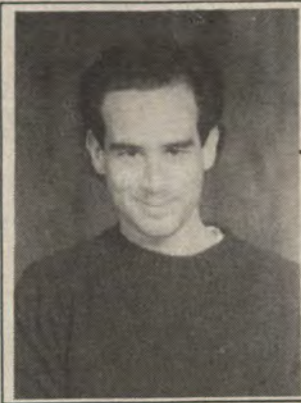
cut as an institution. "We're still a young college, not even a century old. There is a lot we could do if our endowment was bigger. Down the road, with a lot of work and time, we can improve the college.... however, I wouldn't like to see Connecticut change dramatically... I liked the school I came to four years ago."

Larry Friedman - Candidate for Young Alumni Trustee

Larry Friedman, '89, a candidate for Young Alumni Trustee, said that he will work hard to see many new programs implemented into the Connecticut College community over the next five years, including the completion of a new Crozier Williams Student Center, a handicap accessible campus, and most importantly, "a more diverse student body." Along with these three goals, Friedman says that the will also concentrate on making the President more aware of issues concerning the student body as a whole.

Friedman's qualifications include his involvement with SGA through his job as Assistant to the President and his seat on the Student Trustee Liason Committee.

While his greatest challenge will be the establishment of a good "working relationship" with President Gaudiani, Friedman said he is already well acquainted with various Deans, Clubs, and SGA members, thus has the support he will need to become a part of the "future planning of Connecticut College."



Larry Friedman

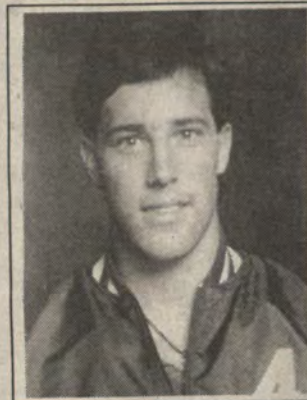
Jamie Worrell - Candidate for Young Alumni Trustee

Jamie Worrell cited his personal attributes and participation in athletics as the two components that qualify him for the position as young alumni trustee. "First of all, I'm a hard-working, conscientious person. From being involved in sports and other committees, I have a broad base of issues."

Worrell has been a four year lacrosse player and has served the past year as co-chair of the athletic advisory board. In that capacity, he has been in charge of the sports club council which allocates funds to sports clubs. "I realized how much money the school needs, as economically, we are very tight.... we need to increase the endowment."

Worrell's impetus to run for the position was to continue student input. "Student government is very important and I want to see it continue... some think that it is endangered by the president. I think she is dynamic and has great ideas... but as young alumni trustee, I want to make sure her ideas are not sacrificing student concerns."

Worrell has seen a lot change at Connecticut during his past four years and sees Connecticut as a college on the rise. He has some long-term ideas to improve upon what the college has recently begun. "I'm a big fan of international studies program... and we need to follow the implementation of the 3/2 plan. We've seen increased sensitivity to minority issues and increased awareness, but we have to work to make Connecticut more attractive and comfortable to minorities."



Jamie Worrell

Candidates for Public Relations Director

Nicole Breck

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rest of SGA's budget. In the present system, the PR department does not know how much money it will get throughout the year for purposes of publishing an SGA newsletter and other purposes.

Breck will try to create more campuswide enthusiasm for the student government through her public relations work. In the capacity of coordinator for student elections, Breck wants to create a standard voting board for the entire year to run all elections and count votes.

As another means of disseminating current SGA information, Breck wants to move the SGA bulletin boards to more prominent locations. Of the SGA boards in Fanning and Crozier-Williams, Breck says, "most people don't even know where they are." She suggests moving the one in Crozier-Williams next to the Barney Machine.

She believes the position of SGA is changing within the school. "I think the role of SGA this year has been thrown off because of president Gaudiani. It's a new administration and [SGA doesn't] know where they stand or how much power they have and that's going to be one of the Exec Board's biggest challenges, finding it's place in the school's power structure."

Breck wants to regularly publish voting records of SGA representatives, as well as to "make sure people know exactly what SGA does, how they can get involved in it, and... how they can have their voice heard in it and how it works."

SGA Vice Presidential Candidates

Paul Rosenbloom

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do it." Rosenbloom plans to design a budget that is "representative of the community's concerns". He feels SGA has to work with clubs and let the clubs know that SGA is there to help.

He believes his "diversified financial experiences have well qualified [him] for this position".

Betsy Grenier

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funding they are not able to receive from the budget. She said, "I would like to take on projects to help them [the clubs] increase their budgets so that they can grow and do more things."

She believes in strengthening the communication between SGA and students. "Senators could go back to their dorms and be more vocal and bring out the issues." Grenier said, "greater emphasis needs to be placed upon the people SGA serves".

Ricky Prah

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the administration and the president's office. With regard to past friction between SGA and the President Gaudiani, Prah believes "the abrasive tactics [by SGA] of the past... should be used as lessons," he says, "and diplomacy should be more of the game."

Because the PR Director presides over the student government elections, Prah sees public relations campaigns as the way to get students to vote, though he is careful to add, "a lot of it depends on student apathy or caring.... You can install the means of communication-that doesn't mean they get used."

Prah would also encourage Freshmen and Sophomores to become more involved in student government positions open to them.

Candidates for Chair of Academic Affairs

Dawn Gundlach

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on tenure decisions." Her experience on the Psychology Advisory Board has shown her how student input can play an important role in tenure decisions, and she would like to expand and safeguard student input on tenure to all departments.

Gundlach would also like to see SGA become an even more representative institution. "It is important that SGA work not only for the Assembly but for the students at large," she said, "To a large degree that [condition] is being met." Furthermore, she feels that it is essential to delineate the lines between student and administration power in the academic decision making process.

Huao Hwang

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and would like to see something included on class evaluation forms. "We are here to get an education," he said, "it is for us."

Hwang believes that consensus should be the basis upon which the SGA Assembly acts, and House Senators must ascertain the opinion of dorm members before voting, even though this is difficult. "SGA was hasty when they made the [smoking ban] vote," he said.

Finally, Hwang sees getting things accomplished as a major concern. The Chair of Academic Affairs must persuade and be persistent to get faculty to accept his suggestions.

DEBATES



John Maggiore

SGA Presidential Candidates Debate, Focus on Pertinent Campus Issues



Carla Munroe

by Craig Timberg
The College Voice

The candidates for SGA president took turns comparing credentials and criticizing President Gaudiani's dealings with the SGA over the past year to a barely half-full Conn Cave Sunday night.

John Maggiore, house senator of Lazrus and candidate for Student Government Association (SGA) president, opened the attack on Claire Gaudiani, president of the college.

"We can't be a reactive body," said Maggiore referring to what he believes to be SGA's diminished role in decision making at the college.

"We cannot be confrontational," started Maggiore, but said, "There is a time for criticism."

"President Gaudiani's handling of the 3:2 plan with regard to students

deserves some criticism," he said.

Maggiore, an outspoken critic of Gaudiani who once referred to her as "Big Mother" in *Blats* magazine, an allusion to the omnipotent leader "Big Brother" in George Orwell's novel about totalitarian society, 1984, also criticized her attempt to shorten spring break to one week.

"With Student Government we're not just interested in planning dances and having parties," said Maggiore.

Carla Munroe, president of the junior class and the other candidate for Student Government Association (SGA) president, took a slightly more conciliatory tone.

"I would not go to the president as an adversary," said Munroe.

However, later in the debate after praising Gaudiani's efforts and new plans for the college, criticized her handling of those plans.

"She [Gaudiani] is moving a little

too quickly and doesn't have the money there," Munroe said.

"She says she knows about student processes," said Munroe, "but things have obviously changed in the twenty years [since Gaudiani was a student at this college]."

Throughout the debate, Munroe emphasized her role in helping to create the offices of house governor and house senator, whose responsibilities were formerly handled by a single house president.

She also suggested a more active role for the house senators.

"We have to make the house senators more accountable to the dormitories," said Munroe. "House senators have to go door to door."

Maggiore agreed, and later responded to a question from the audience by saying "it's their [the house senator's] job to listen to you."

In addition, Munroe questioned Maggiore's decision to vote against the SGA budget even though the dormitory for which he is house senator voted for it.

Maggiore responded by asserting that he did discuss the budget with members of his dormitory but met with apathy.

"Most of them didn't care a whole lot," said Maggiore.

He characterized his vote against the budget as "a symbolic vote" for those students who were against the budget but could not gain a majority in any dormitory.

Maggiore also criticized the budget process of having each dormitory vote separately rather than an all campus vote so that the amount of campus support for the budget could be more accurately recorded.

During the debate, both expressed their support for the so-

called "umbrella plan" which would allow student clubs to raise money independently from the college. Currently, student clubs and organizations may not solicit donations from alumni or others.

The two differed, however, on whether the student activities fee should be raised so that SGA would have more money to allocate to clubs.

After the debate, Munroe responded to a question about whether she would support increasing the fee which all student pay to support campus clubs and organizations, saying "totally, yes."

"That's an excellent plan," said Munroe.

Maggiore doubted that the board of trustees would allow another increase in the fee.

"I would be for it, but I don't think it's worth the effort," said Maggiore.

Vice Presidential Candidates Hash Out Budget Issue During Sunday Debate

by Craig Timberg
The College Voice

In this Sunday evening's debate, which was dominated by discussion about next year's budget, vice-presidential candidate Betsy Grenier, '91, emphasized the need for better fund raising for clubs while opponent Paul Rosenbloom, '91, proposed and increase in the student activities fee.

"The individual role of the vice president...is concern for the finances of the clubs," said Rosenbloom.

Rosenbloom, house senator of Lambdin and member of the finance committee, suggested a \$15 increase in the student activities fee that each student pays with his tuition.

"My greatest concern by far is the student activities fee," he said.

Raising the fee by \$15 to \$140 would add about \$25,000 a year to the student activities fund, which this year was \$200,000.

An audience member questioned Rosenbloom about whether his proposed increase in the student activities fee would further burden families already straining to send their children to college.

"Many of the people who the \$15 would effect are probably already on some serious financial aid," said Rosenbloom.

Grenier, head of cultural events for the Student Activities Committee (SAC), took a different approach to the problem of club finances.

"My first priority is fundraising," said Grenier.

When asked about the possibility of raising the student activities fee, Grenier said, "I don't think it's necessary."

Grenier said that she would work individually with clubs in a effort to help raise funds and denied the charge that in past budgets clubs that raised money were allotted less money by the SGA.

"It's been overexaggerated in the past," Grenier.

Rosenbloom also encouraged fundraising, but refused to guarantee that clubs wouldn't receive less money from the SGA as a result of fundraising.

"Never guarantee. There's no such thing," said Rosenbloom.

However, he cited instances in which clubs that did fundraising were rewarded and other clubs that didn't had their funds cut.

"Fund raising is to be encouraged," he said.

Rosenbloom also hedged on specific questions about the budget.

"You cannot answer whether a budget will be raised or cut," he said. "Every club deserves a

chance."

He emphasized the complexity of the budget issue, saying "If someone abuses [the club budget]...and the next club president asks for money, you can't punish."

Rosenbloom frequently referred to his work on this years budget during the debate.

"I would like to think that I've had my most significant impact on the budget," he said.

Grenier cited her work with the SAC Human Rights series which brought Dith Pran and the abortion debate to campus as her most important achievement. She also mentioned the SAC sponsored presentation by Michael Deaver which generated controversy on campus.

"He certainly was a good speaker for ethics in government," she said.

Grenier also advocated a closer relationship between SAC and SGA.

"SGA and SAC should work more closely and define their relationship," Grenier said.

Both candidates expressed their support for the umbrella plan which would allow clubs to raise funds from alumni independently of the school, a practice currently forbidden by the college.

Neither would comment on whether funds for Senior Week

Young Alumni Trustee Candidates Stress Importance of 'Student Voice'

by Alexandra Silets
The College Voice

Three candidates running for the position of Young Alumni Trustee, Ward Blodgett, Jamie Worrell and Larry Friedman. All three stressed the importance of keeping the voice of the student body heard within the board of trustees.

Worrell pledged his support for SGA and its input to the board of Trustees if he is elected. "I want to ensure the student voice is heard." Blodgett sees the role of the Young Alumni Trustee as "a liaison between the student body and the board of trustees." Friedman believes that he can "bring insight to the board of trustees...from the point of view of the students."

While all the candidates ensured the audience that they would be representing the College to the best of their ability, some issues that concern the College campus were discussed. "I want to see a better environment for minorities

at Connecticut College," said Worrell. Friedman wants to hear and voice "individual concerns of students and student groups." Blodgett took a more general view by saying that the "Young Alumni Trustee must consider all aspects of the College."

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