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Four professors appeal denial of tenure petitions

by Lauren Klatzkin
The College Voice

Four Connecticut College professors are currently appealing decisions of denied tenure.

Julia Genster, assistant professor of English, Robert Ireland, assistant professor of zoology, Julia Kushigian, assistant professor of Hispanic Studies, and Thomas Wilson, assistant professor of

chemistry and I don't think it would be right . . . or helpful for me to comment at this point." However, she stressed that she is "really grateful for the students' concern about this."

Neither Ireland nor Wilson could be reached for comment.

Eric Freeman, '91, co-chair of the physics department Student Advisory Board, stated that the board "recommended in favor of tenuring [Wilson]." He explained that because of the college's financial constraints, some faculty positions are not on a tenure track. The physics department has three tenure positions and one teaching slot, which is not on the tenure track. Wilson has filled this position.

Because of this, Freeman concluded, "It would have been an exceptional case for him to get tenure. In the past, there haven't been that many people tenured in untenurable positions."

Reg Edmonds, '92, chair of academic affairs, said that students who are concerned about these decisions and who wish to voice their opinions "should write letters to President Gaudiani."

He emphasized that although student advisory boards do play a role in the tenure process, "As students we can evaluate how [professors] have done in the classroom, but we really can't judge their scholarship."

When questioned about the specific tenure denials, Gaudiani declined comment.

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- Reg Edmonds, '92, chair of academic affairs

physics, have all been denied tenured faculty positions.

At the March 13 Student Government Association Assembly meeting, Jennifer Milne, '91, chair of the English department Student Advisory Board, stated that approval of Genster's application for tenure was recommended by the elected faculty tenure review committee, but that recommendation was overturned by Claire Gaudiani, '66, president of the college. "I don't think it's appropriate to comment at this time," said Genster, citing the ongoing appeals as a reason for discretion.

When asked to comment about her case, Kushigian said, "I'm still in the middle of this [appeals pro-



Daniel Seligson/Photo Editor

1991-1992 SGA Executive Board:

President - Reg Edmonds (449 votes)

Vice President - Jackie Soteropoulos (445 votes)

SAC Chair - Robin Swimmer (558 votes)

Chair of Academic Affairs - Ratiya Ruangswana (511 votes)

Judiciary Board Chair - Molly Embree (568 votes)

Public Relations Director - Adam Green (512 votes)

A total of 1,092 students voted, which is 67 percent of the student population.

State affidavit bases Sanchez arrest on witnesses and ASPEN

by Craig Timberg
Special to The College Voice

Rosemary Sanchez, '93, was seen near pulled fire alarms on six separate occasions during the string of fifteen false alarms in mid-February, alleges a court affidavit which provides the fullest account offered so far concerning the incidents.

These eyewitness accounts, which place her near pulled alarms - sometimes within seconds after

they were pulled - appear to form the bulk of the State's evidence against Sanchez.

None of the witnesses, however, said they saw her pull an alarm, according to the affidavit.

In addition to the eyewitness evidence, records from the college's voice mail system cast doubt on her earlier claim that she had received harassing telephone messages, and the affidavit strongly suggests - without directly saying so - that she sent the messages to herself.

New London Police Detective Margaret Ackley filed the affidavit, which outlines the results of the police investigation, in State Superior Court on March 11.

Sanchez was arrested on March 15 and charged with six counts of falsely reporting an incident and one count of third-degree arson in connection with the six-day rash of fire alarms in Hamilton dormitory, which culminated with a second floor fire in a recycling bin.

There are no charges against her relating to the harassing phone calls.

Sanchez was scheduled to enter a plea on Friday, but has received a two-week continuance until April 26.

She could not be reached for comment. Sanchez's New London

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Olympic hopefuls, the Connecticut College sailing teams, are among the top national teams. See article on page 18.

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VIEWPOINT

More than "just divesting"

A new program that will send students to teach in South Africa is a welcome next step in Connecticut College's involvement with South African affairs.

When the college divested from South Africa last year, a primary component of the decision involved a multi-party commitment to going beyond "just divesting." President Gaudiani and the Board of Trustees wanted to ensure that the process would not end with the sale of holdings, but that the college would emphasize its solidarity with oppressed South Africans in future endeavors.

The South African Support Committee has created a program which will send students to a rural South African community to teach at the secondary school level. This summer, two Connecticut College students and an administrator from the New London public school system will travel to South Africa to lay the groundwork for the program. The committee will then begin applying for grants to defer the program's costs.

Judy Kirmmse, the college's affirmative action officer and chair of the South African Support Committee, explained that her committee was formed because, "It was felt that the college should react [to divestment] in an active positive way." The proposed program falls in line ideally with that charter. It is being designed to emphasize education for both sides: bringing a teacher into a needy community and allowing Connecticut College students to experience first hand some of the problems black South Africa is facing.

In its development alone, this new initiative addresses many of the concerns surrounding divestment; in practice, however, it could be just a start. As Bashi Gaetsaloe, '93, chair of the South African Scholarship Committee, pointed out, "This program could be a model for other schools." It could, if successful, also be a model for similar programs within our own college. If this effort is successful, the college could attempt to expand its efforts in South Africa and even other regions of the world.

Funding is one serious concern, and since the program has just been announced, it is admittedly preemptive to begin examining future prospects. But the foundation is being laid and it is hard not to get excited about the growth potential. This program and the type of forward thinking employed in its enactment are welcome developments in Connecticut College's relationship with South Africa.

Sensationalist, inaccurate facts taint op-ed argument

Letter to the Voice:

In response to Jed Low's "Victory for the Free World" piece on the CONNThought page (March 12, 1991), I would like to point something out. Jed Low refers at one point to the famous news story of the babies being thrown from the incubators in the hospital of Kuwait City. Even before the U.S. forces went to war, there were huge headline stories about Iraqi atrocities in Kuwait; the story about the babies and the incubators was told again and again in speeches and on the front pages across the states. The day after the liberation of Kuwait City, *The New York Times* ran a small story on the third page of the War section that half-heartedly brought up the fact that the whole baby thing was found to be false. No incubators were unplugged. No babies were left in the cold floor to die. Where did the story come from? It's not important. What is important

however is the fact that articles as stupid and hateful as Jed Low's are still using this material to substantiate sentences like, "Unbeknownst to these individuals, their feigned deaths symbolized the dying gasps of a '60's mentality so scornful of our military and our nation." Come on. Don't be such a dope. I would like to think that after seven months of this crisis that anyone using phrases like, "marauding, barbarous madman," "ruthless ambitious dictator," and "third-world thugs," or sentences like, "This warped leftist rationalization is thoroughly repugnant." If you have something to say, say it, but please don't write a lot of scary big words to try to make yourself look smart or clever. If you are going to write propaganda, the least you could do is write it well. Try to do it better next time.

Sincerely,
Chuck Jones '93

Voice recommendations require more justification

Letter to the Voice:

As I opened last week's *Voice*, I wasn't expecting the candidate recommendations to make up my mind in the SGA elections. However, I was still very disappointed with a few of the non-recommendations that I read. The most outrageous one was the statement against PR director candidate Adam Green. But the inability to choose a J-Board candidate, as well as the decision to endorse Robin Swimmer for SAC chair, reflect a trend toward supporting candidates who prefer to practice for their political careers as opposed to actually representing the true needs and wishes of the student body to SGA.

Let me state here that I have nothing against the endorsement of Robin Swimmer as SAC chair. Rather, I feel that the process behind the decision was flawed. The statement said: "We are concerned that Swimmer served on the SAC exec board during a year of high student dissatisfaction;" yet, *The Voice* nonetheless endorsed her as the candidate most committed to reform. The reasoning seems to run something like this: "Well, she was on the exec board this year, and even though SAC wasn't all that good this year, she seems like she will do a good job, so we might as well endorse her." No real reasoning was given, and it seems that the other candidates weren't seriously considered. If *The Voice* were to give a legitimate endorsement to Swimmer, it should have given more substantial reasoning

for it. Why is she a better candidate than Gerard Choucroun or Chad Marlow? This information could not be gleaned from this article.

The decision not to endorse a J-Board candidate was particularly disconcerting. The explanation was that neither candidate "seems to strive to achieve objectives other than chairing J-Board cases alone," and that neither candidate has "started to consider" their roles not SGA exec board. What is the problem with wanting to chair J-Board cases as a J-Board chair? Both candidates felt it was necessary to open up the process of the board to the college community, a priority that is necessary to curtail negative feeling about the cases heard. Both candidates make a high priority of hearing J-Board cases, concentrating their energies on making an unbiased, thoughtful decision on each case. Yet, *The Voice* feels that the judiciary representative on the exec board should have political aspirations. The reason for judiciary representation on the exec board is to get the opinions of the school's primary enforcers of SGA initiatives. The reason is not to provide another power-hungry executive. It is ridiculous to suggest that neither candidate is good enough because neither is a power-monger.

The worst review was that of PR candidate Adam Green. It was stated that "While every Executive Board member must be a liaison with the students, this should not be the primary basis for the PR director

position." Yet, *The Voice* doesn't tell us what the duties of PR director should be. How can it be believed that Green isn't qualified when they say, in effect, "He isn't qualified because we said so?" They go on to say that Green "has outlined few innovative plans to rectify the problems of years past," yet they do not tell us the past problems that they feel should be rectified. "Trust us," they seem to say, "we know what we're talking about." Unless I'm wrong, Public Relations pertains to relating to the public, and being accessible to the various problems that members of the SGA executive board. From what was said Adam Green seems to be committed to that cause. If *The Voice* has some reason that they believe that he will not do a good job, I wish they had told me, rather than leaving it up to me to wonder at their reasoning.

These blatant examples of poor reasoning makes me wonder about the rest of the section. According to the explanation appearing on the same page, these recommendations were "suggestions . . . as to which . . . candidates are best qualified to hold their respective positions." Yet, it is hard to believe that this was the pretense for selecting candidates after reviewing the examples cited above. It is very difficult, therefore, to have faith in any of the paper's recommendations, and it would be hoped that the section improves for next year's elections.

Sincerely,
Jeff Reynolds '93

Editor's Note:

Neither Lauren Klatzkin nor Katrina Sanders had announced her write-in candidacy for public relations director until after *The College Voice* recommendation process.

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CONNTHOUGHT



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Connecticut's under-utilized resource: higher education

The academic world is often a remote and distant sphere which seldom coincides with the domain of public policy makers. Academicians are often reluctant to deal with politicians and seem distrustful with government. Legislators are expected to make informed decisions with limited information and under the pressure of time constraints. Effective public policy should be the result of collaboration between the two groups despite their independent roles. Lawmakers and academic experts interact with different audiences but a working relationship between them could produce the best results for the public. Certainly, neither government nor academia can do it alone.

In Connecticut, we have been successful in forging a strong alliance of this type. A leading expert on child care, Dr. Edward Zigler of Yale University is recognized internationally and has served as the key resource and academic authority in framing Connecticut's family agenda.

I first contacted Dr. Zigler in 1987 after hearing him speak and reading several of his papers on child development. He impressed me with his progressive ideas in child care which reflected some of my own concerns. We held many subsequent meetings and ultimately formed a legislative task force to research family issues such as parental leave and its effect in businesses.

Through this partnership, we found that the state's efforts to address the needs of children and families did, indeed, dovetail with the efforts of those in the academic sector. Dr. Zigler's insight and experience provided us with the intellectual underpinnings for planning family public policy. We provided the wherewithal to translate his ideas into legislation that works for Connecticut citizens.

As a result of Dr. Zigler's extensive background and research, our collaboration with him saved us time, money and frustration. Our association becomes even more important as we face difficult economic times ahead and funds for new research continue to dwindle. The programs we initiate must continue to be well-crafted and cost-effective.

Our annual family conferences have increased dialogue among members of diverse sectors including government, social services and business. The support and participation by these groups has been tremendous in this setting, but now we must encourage others to cultivate ongoing relationships utilizing the talents and resources within our educational institutions and academic community.

The academic community appears hesitant to enter the public policy arena, even in an advisory capacity. Someone as prominent as Dr. Zigler, who has worked with the U.S. Senator Christopher Dodd and others as a national resource on child care, was not generally utilized

as a resource at the state level.

I have recently requested that the Department of Higher Education produce a statewide index, cross-referencing subject matter and professors willing to assist our citizen legislature with public hearings, expert testimony, task force analyses, research and in other critical areas.

To strengthen the link between government and academia, I have proposed a center for public policy that can serve as a repository for ideas, innovation and planning. The center would serve as an additional resource for the legislative branch of government combining the diverse and inventive ideas that abound within our university system.

The plight of a typical citizen legislator best illustrates the need for a public policy center. A freshman legislator can expect to serve on two or three legislative committees which may be as diverse as Appropriations, Environment and Transportation. The newcomer will also have to make informed public policy decisions on such intricate issues as the state budget, global warming, the hypoxia levels of Long Island Sound, hazardous waste disposal, mass transit, AIDS and health care. The Connecticut Academy of Science and Engineering already serves as an important resource, but we need additional and different resources as well.

Further contributing to the difficulty of the decision-making process is the very nature of Connecticut's legislature. A part-time, citizen legislature, elected for two-year terms, contributes to short-term, quick fix solutions rather than comprehensive strategic planning. Anxious, well-intentioned legislators often launch a raft of legislation attacking problems in a piecemeal manner, providing expedient and convenient approaches rather than thorough and deliberate solutions.

Legislators, at times, may rely too heavily on lobbyists and special interest groups for information. This poses a more difficult problem. Naturally, when you depend on special interest groups, information you are provided with is often slanted or incomplete. This creates a troubling information and source problem which can only be curbed by providing legislators with increased informational resources.

The most effective way we can provide the critical public policy information for legislators is through harnessing and fully utilizing our state's greatest asset: our brain power, our Yankee ingenuity and intellect. These resources can be found most readily in our prominent university system.

In this time of rapid economic change, Connecticut has one important and distinctive advantage -- our academic strength. Within our state we have Yale University, Wesleyan, Trinity, Connecticut College, the University of Connecticut, the Connecticut state university system and numerous other institutions of higher education. In short, our state university system, our independent colleges, our vocational schools and our community colleges are an under-utilized resource.

Connecticut has demonstrated that the benefits of a collaborative effort can bring good public policy initiatives to fruition. Policy makers in the public, private and academic sector may uphold divergent philosophies, but the reality is that, not too surprisingly, often our goals are similar. Our next step is to realize the interrelatedness of our goals and move forward with increased confidence and enthusiasm.

John B. Larson
Connecticut State Senator

Is Gaudiani's door still open?

Open Letter to President Gaudiani:

On the Tuesday before Spring Break, I attempted to make an appointment with you on behalf of the English Student Advisory Board, with the express intent to discuss your tenure decision in the case of Professor Genster. I was told, "Put it down in writing." I explained that the Board intended to write a letter, but that in addition to letter writing we wished to have a dialogue with you. My name was taken down, but I was not called. When I called at four o'clock that Friday, I was told you would not meet with the Board.

It would seem then that I have been reduced to writing you the following: If you will not discuss with me your tenure decision, will you discuss why you will not discuss it? As a student who has been and is interested in shaping and contributing to my academic environment, I am concerned with making sure my voice can be heard. I recall that your first year was filled with the promise of an "open door" policy, and I applauded your resolve then. Now I question what has happened to this resolve: Is it still in effect? I believe that as a member of the ESAB who has known Professor Genster for three years, and evaluated two of her classes, I have something to contribute. I also believe that other members of the Board, some of whom have attended classes with Professor Genster and done honors or individual studies with her, have contributions as well. As a Board, we attempted to make our contribution to the tenure process by voicing our approval of the candidate's qualities. We believe that our voice was not heard, and that our input was considered inconsequential.

It is my understanding that students and faculty consider the quality of Professor Genster's teaching, scholarship, and overall service to the college community to be excellent. This decision not to give her tenure thus remains a mystery to me and the other members of the Board. My primary concern remains the same: Is this the "open door" policy still in effect? Can we discuss academic issues with you? Does our voice make a difference? If the answer to any of the questions is no, then my trust and confidence in you as the leader of my college community has diminished greatly.

Michael Langlois
Class of 1991

FEATURES

Keynote scholar plans diverse curriculum talk

by Sarah Huntley
Editor in Chief

He was born a United States citizen and grew up in Hawaii. Yet educators and fellow students did not assume Ronald Takaki was an American.

Takaki, keynote speaker for Connecticut College's Asian-American Awareness Month, ex-

Ronald Takaki will deliver a lecture this Thursday at 8 p.m. in Ernst.

plained in an article for *The Chronicle for Higher Education* that even professors would ask how long he had been in the United States.

To such questions, Takaki would reply that his family, whose origins are in Japan, had lived in the United States for three generations, and conversation would move forward.

However, this scenario and those included in Takaki's Pulitzer-nominated book, *Strangers from a Different Shore: A History of Asian*

Americans, illustrate the prevalent ignorance to multicultural perspectives in American society.

His book has been called by *The New York Times Book Review*, "the best volume yet published on the subject."

When Takaki addresses the college community on Thursday at 8:00 p.m. in Ernst, Takaki is likely to share his research experiences, his work as chair of ethnic studies at Berkeley and most significantly, his conviction that higher education must include diversified course offerings.

Takaki has written, "Today . . . Asian and also Afro-American, Chicano/Latino, and Native-American students continue to find themselves perceived as strangers on college campuses."

While he believes that educated students must be exposed to cultural information, Takaki recognizes the reluctance across college campuses to require the completion of such courses.

He said, "Faculty opposition is

based mainly on a disdain for all requirements on principle, an unwillingness to add another require-

ment, an insistence on the centrality of Western civilization, and a fear that the history of European immigrant groups would be left out of the proposed course."

A program such as the "American cultures requirement" advocated by Takaki for Berkeley would allow students to use the course to fulfill one humanities or social science area.

Takaki also offers suggestions as to the scope and focus of multicultural curriculum offerings. One of his courses, "Racial Inequality in America: a Comparative Historical Perspective," uses a variety of readings to examine ethnic identities in the United States. "Who we are in this society and how we are perceived and treated have been conditioned by America's racial and ethnic diversity," he has written.

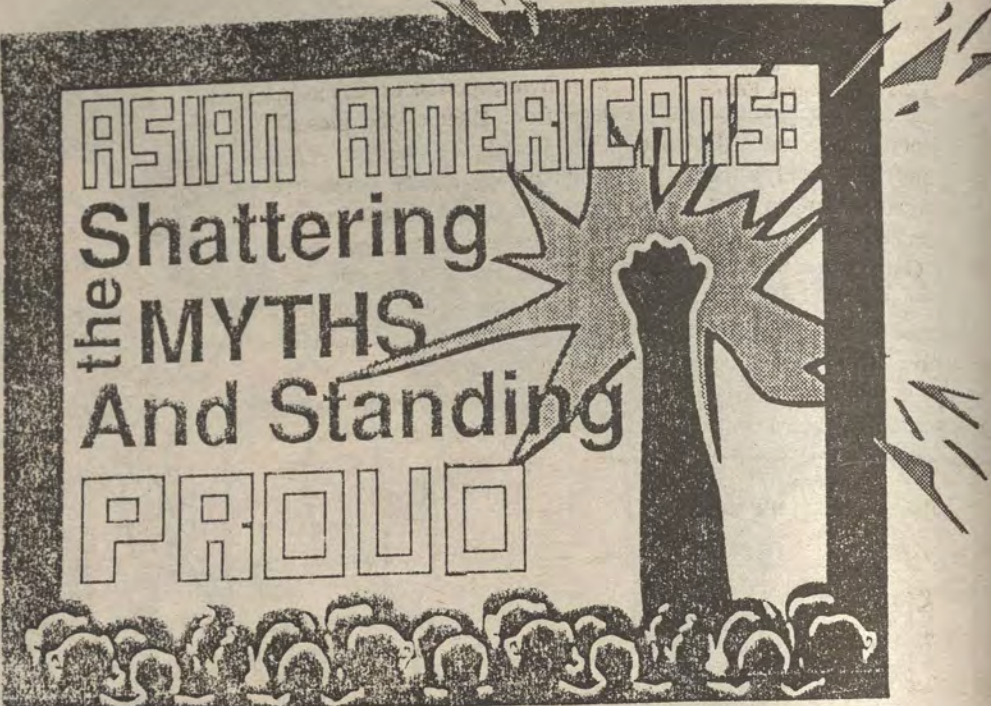
He proposes that other courses study "racial diversity in relation to gender, immigration, urbanization, technology, or the labor market."

Takaki supports broad faculty interaction, the strengthening of "ethnic-studies programs and departments as academic foundations for this new multicultural curriculum" and continued research on new course possibilities.

According to Takaki, "The need to open the American mind to greater cultural diversity will not go away. We can resist it by ignoring the changing ethnic composition of our student bodies and the larger society, or we can realize how it offers colleges and universities a timely and exciting opportunity to revitalize the social sciences and humanities, giving both a new sense of purpose and a more inclusive definition of knowledge."

As the Connecticut College community has witnessed, issues of diversified curriculum, surrounding both advocacy and opposition, are not unique to Takaki's institution in California.

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Professor Genster serves as diplomat to eighteenth century

New book traces development of epistles through time

by Joseph Hesse
Features Editor

Did you know that one of the college's professors is a professional diplomat? Well, sort of a diplomat. Julia Genster, '75, attended the Georgetown School of Foreign Service before she transferred to Connecticut College in 1973. And with a little stretch of the imagination, you could think of her as the English Department's diplomat to the eighteenth century.

After graduating from Connecticut College as an English major, Genster went to Berkeley for her graduate study, and returned to the college in 1983 to teach.

Genster is the only member of the

English Department who specializes in the eighteenth century; which is not literally the years 1700-1800, but rather the time between the restoration of the Stuart Monarchy in 1660 and the French Revolution in 1789. In the past, study of this period was dominated by what Genster calls a "gentlemen's club . . . where the more mild, less flaky, less interesting people were taken as central."

Genster is part of a new school of eighteenth century scholars who study not only the traditional work of the period, but also the "down and dirty," street ballads, in addition to the other new genres that were just forming during the period. She said that the period was so

dynamic that the "energy it created required a dramatic reorganization of notions of the material world, the spiritual world, the emotional world, and the psychosexual world."

It was obvious after talking to her that Genster brings a great amount of enthusiasm and knowledge to her classes. She said that she especially loves teaching the epic, which she uses in her "Gender and Genre" class "to follow a genre through time, especially a genre used to represent women," she said. She continued, "So we go from Ovid to Alice Walker; we go from Roman time to the 1980s."

Genster also said she enjoys teaching "The Epic Strain," which she says is called "The Epic Strain" because the material is not only a strain of literature but it is also a strain on the students to read so much.

Genster has just completed a 477 page book entitled *Intimate Authority: Some Eighteenth Century Epistles and their Audiences*. It deals with tracing the evolution of two different schools of epistles through the eighteenth century. It also touches on the people who were reading and writing these epistles. Genster said that the book is primarily intended for other professors to use in their study, but said that students working on the subject would probably find her book useful as well. The book is currently under review.

Next semester, Genster will be teaching English 103, "Techniques of Literary Analysis," and English 308, "Narrative of Self in the Eighteenth Century."



Professor Julia Genster, '75

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FEATURES

Eclipse weekend takes another step

by Christi Sprunger
Associate Features Editor

Sixteen years ago, Eclipse Weekend was the only opportunity for African-American students at Connecticut College and the U.S. Coast Guard Academy to come together in celebration of themselves and their heritage. Thanks to the efforts of students of color, the college now celebrates Black History Month, hosts five Unity clubs,

dinner, in which they presented their own experiences at the college from 1969 to the present. "[The Committee's skit] gave students the opportunity to hear from former students' personal experience what they did to alleviate their problems and the actions they took to make things better for students of today," noted Hodge. Chisolm remarked that students were thankful to the alumni for the perspective they provided about the Black experience at Connecticut College.

Through events such as the student Talent Show and the Soul Food Dinner, stronger relations between Coast Guard and Connecticut College students and alumni of both schools developed.

On Saturday night, Kathleen Cleaver, former communication secretary of the Black Panther Party and Attorney/Research Fellow at Yale Law School, addressed "Self Awareness: Black History." She emphasized that black history is not a separate and different history than 'white history,' but a correction to racist history, and "a history that puts the record straight."

Cleaver spoke of the struggle to conquer perceptions that it is correct for African-Americans to have captors or jailors. "'Busing' and 'quotas' are code words that are part of a coherent mind set in a world that excludes people of color," Cleaver said. She also outlined some of her own experiences with the Black Panther Party in the late 1960s. She spoke of the horror of April 6, 1968, the day that her husband was shot in a gun battle in which another man was killed.

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- Kathleen Cleaver, former communication secretary of the Black Panther Party

Minority Student Steering Committee and the newly relocated Unity house. At Eclipse Weekend XVI, which was April 5-7, Umoja and Genesis, the Coast Guard Academy's Minority Cadet Organization, emphasized "taking another step."

According to Anadri Chisolm, '92, president of Umoja, the theme "Taking another step" was chosen by Umoja and Genesis because the students in these clubs have new goals for the future, yet they look to the past to learn about how best to move forward. Underlying themes such as self pride, education, and freedom were prevalent throughout the weekend's events.

Many African-American alumni fully support and identify strongly with Eclipse weekend because of its significance to their own college experiences. Grissel Hodge, director of Unity house, cited as the greatest part of the weekend the skit that the Minority Alumni Committee put together for the Soul Food



Kate McKenna / The College Voice

The Unity Choir, directed by Althea Rivera, '94, opened the Eclipse Weekend XVI Talent Show with a rendition of "Amazing Grace," followed by "I Don't Want to be Turned Away" and "Soul II Soul." In addition to the Talent Show, the weekend's artistic activities included a fashion show featuring several original student designs.

Students fight access to handguns

by Christi Sprunger
Associate Features Editor

During the Stock Market crash about three years ago, a Florida man lost \$60,000. That afternoon, he bought a gun. He walked into a Merrill Lynch office in downtown Miami and shot his stockbroker seven times in the head, killing him instantly.

According to the Bureau of Justice Statistics, every year handguns are involved in an average of 9,200 murders, 12,100 rapes, 210,000 robberies and 407,600 assaults in this country alone. Handgun suicides kill thousands more.

Needless deaths like these are what motivated Phil Torres, '94, to organize concerned students in Miami to combat inadequate handgun control laws in high school. Torres is now attempting to alert the college community about the need for stricter handgun control laws and to advocate community action to change or introduce legislation.

Torres, with the help of Jay Astle, '94, Steve Cannon, '94, and Greg Yarnall, '94, has organized Students Involved For National Handgun Control (SINHC) at Connecticut College. According to Torres, SINHC's goals are "primarily to educate the college community, students and administration and eventually the New London community, about the need for national handgun control and at the same time, with these peoples' support, lobby state and national political figures for change."

SINHC works in conjunction with Handgun Control Inc. (HCI), a national organization. Handgun Control Inc. lobbies for "common

sense" legislation to reduce handgun violence and has helped win passage of safer laws at the federal, state, and local levels. They cite as their allies in the fight for a federal gun policy the American Bar Association, the American Medical Association, the League of Women Voters, the National Education Association, the American Jewish Congress, the National League of Cities, and the U.S. Conference of Mayors. Lobbyists for HCI help draft legislation and provide witnesses for testimony on the gun issue.

In early March, SINHC hung petitions supporting the Brady Bill all around campus. Passing the Brady Bill is the organization's primary concern at this time. The bill, which will come before the House in late April, would establish a seven day waiting period for handgun purchases from dealers. The seven days would give police officials the opportunity to check the background of the purchaser. The petitions are accompanied by a sign that states that in 1988, handguns killed 8,915 in the United States. "Stop handguns before they stop you," it reads.

Cannon and Torres estimated the number of people who have signed the petition at 250. They plan to send representatives to each dorm on campus to increase the signatures to 1000.

On April 5, SINHC showed *Heathers* as their first event with co-sponsorship by David Vayo, assistant professor of music. The club organizers wanted to show a popular movie to increase their visibility in the college community. "The film is also an example of

handgun misuse due to handguns in the wrong hands," said Astle. SINHC's founders claimed that the showing of *Heathers* was "an overwhelming success."

Sunday night, April 14, SINHC sponsored a video entitled *America Needs a National Gun Policy* with discussion following as K.B.'s Fireside Forum. SINHC has also invited Ben Klatzko, founder of Gun Responsibility in Every Family (GRIEF) and Rosa de Lora, representative to the U.S. Congress from Connecticut to speak later this month. Klatzko, a retired police officer from Northford, CT, started GRIEF to make gun owners more responsible for their weapons. For example if a child gained access to a neighbors' gun and got hurt, the owner would be held accountable. Torres also hopes to plan a memorial day for all the people who have been killed in handgun-related deaths.

The leadership of SINHC initially made a decision not to apply for recognition as a Student Government Association club, based on advice from others concerning the nature of their organization. Torres, Astle, Cannon, and Yarnall didn't want to compromise the goals of the organization for money which they thought would be the only benefit of SGA recognition.

As for the future, after learning more about the workings of SGA through trial and error, the leadership of SINHC has decided to submit a constitution to the committee, hoping to receive status as an SGA club. By going through SGA, SINHC will have access to the privileges outlined in the SAC handbook.

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CONNECTICUT VIEW

Federal funds enrich area social programs

by Cristina Wyman
Connecticut View Editor

For the past seventeen years, the city of New London has benefited from approximately \$42 million in federal Community Development Block Grant [CDBG] funds. These funds are an increasingly important source of support at a time when social programs are seeing their already diminished budgets slashed.

The CDBG monies provide the resources for continued growth of programs currently in existence, and help implement ideas for new programs. In an interview with *The Day*, C. Francis Driscoll, city manager, explained the purpose of CDBG funds this way, "CD monies have a three-fold purpose. One, it's a housing program. Secondly, you can deliver human services to poor people, and those are the people that use our health and welfare departments. And third, it's for urban renewal activities."

During the 1970s, CDBG funding was at its peak. Between 1975 and 1980, approximately \$36 million was given to New London. Consequently, that is when the city of New London was able to purchase the former Williams Memorial Institute Building and St. Bernard girls' high school with about \$850,000 and convert it into the Richard R. Martin Social Services Center.

The Martin Center is located on Broad Street where it provides space for programs and agencies that help the city's poor, elderly,

ill and young. In addition to the Martin Center, Community Development funds have been used to build a new boardwalk at Ocean Beach Park, as well as build the South End fire station and a waste transfer station on Lewis Street.

CDBG money has also been used to renovate local landmarks such as Eugene O'Neill's boyhood home, the Monte Cristo cottage, the Huguenot house, Old Towne Mill, and the Custom House.

About \$11 million was used for the Bank Street, Winthrop and Shaw's Cove urban renewal projects. Although the program was originally designed to help low and moderate income residents, it is definitely not limited to these citizens.

In *The Day*, New London mayor William Nahas said, "Many of the programs that help the city certainly would not be done without the CDBG program. It helps social services; it helps our dental clinic and medical clinic, and it helps the city to continue these programs."

CDBG cannot provide enough to be these programs' only source of funding. During the past decade, CDBG money to New London has totaled only \$11 million. This year's grant was about \$750,000.

Of this \$750,000, only \$300,000 can be used for public service, and 60 percent of that must be used to benefit low and moderate income residents. The Community Development office is responsible for administering CDBG funds on the local level.



Daniel Seligson/Photo Editor

Connecticut residents enjoyed sunshine and spring temperatures early this week at the New London beaches.

Marilyn Ozols, program manager of Community Development, cited several programs which receive CDBG funds. Those in the public service sector are the Women's Center, Big Brothers / Big Sisters, Centro de la Comunidad and B.P. Learned House.

These programs rely increasingly on the money given to them by CDBG because their funds from other areas are being cut.

"We have heard of a greater need for public services. While their [public services'] funding is decreasing, their needs are increasing," Ozols said.

Programs are evaluated each year in order to see what added funds are necessary, and what can be given to them from CDBG.

One program that is receiving double the amount it got last year is Big Brothers / Big

Sisters of Southeastern Connecticut. Ozols attributed the increase from \$2500 to \$5000 largely to the Mentor Program which operates out of OVCS at Connecticut College.

Nationally, CDBG funds are the largest source of federal funding for all types of improvements. Between 1991 and 1992, the Bush administration plans a 9 percent decrease in community development funds.

Because of the decline in money, the National Community Development Association has devoted an annual week to promote the program's achievements nationwide. Mayor William Nahas proclaimed April 1-7 as Community Development Week this year.

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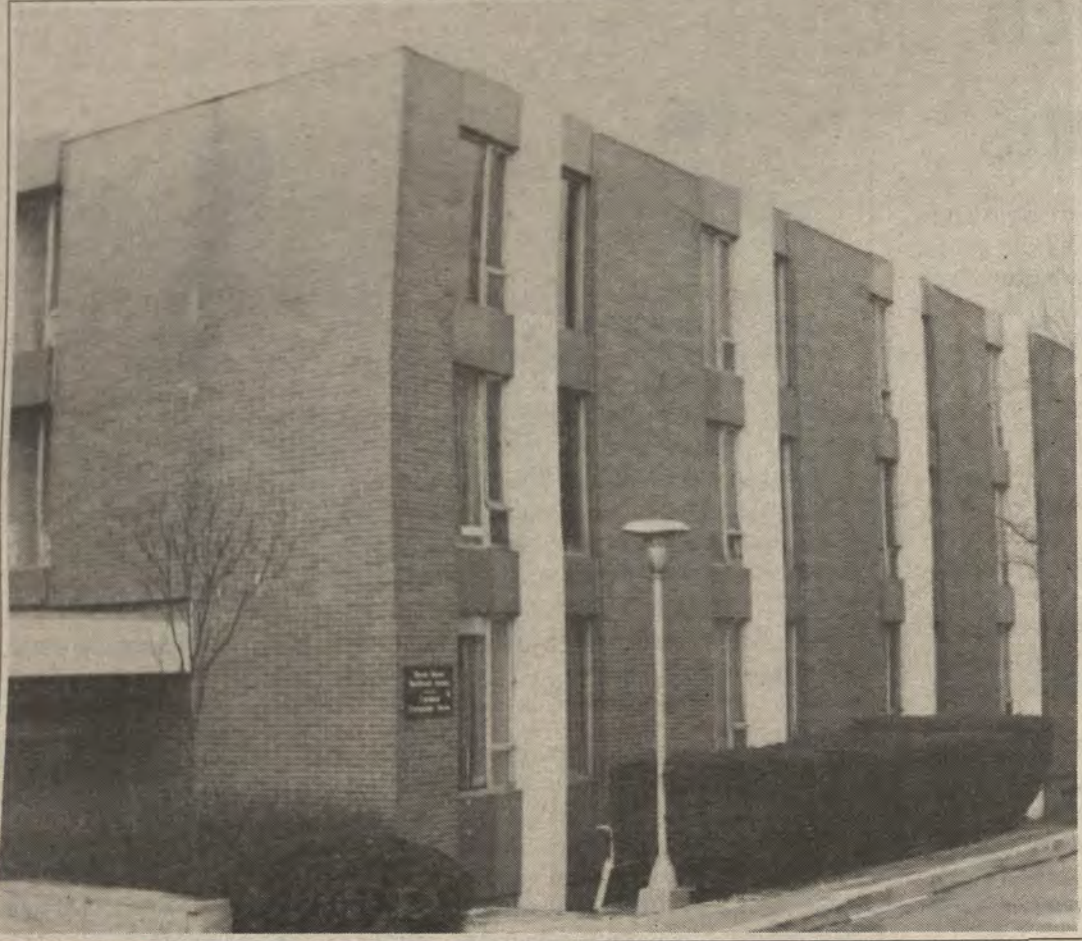
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Hamilton Dormitory was plagued by false fire alarms throughout February

Detective ASPEN is on the case:

College traces incriminating evidence through phone system

by Craig Timberg
Special to The College Voice

Nine months after her birth, Jane ASPEN, the Automatic Speech Exchange Network, has earned a detective badge by helping to solve a campus crime.

She has been praised, vilified and parodied. But Jane ASPEN, as some students have dubbed the computerized woman's voice which personifies the college's multi-million dollar voice mail and telecommunications system, is still showing off new tricks—with more to be added next year.

The \$3.5 million phone system has been in operation since mid-August, but the ever helpful, ever vigilant computer recently made her crime fighting debut by providing clues that helped lead to the recent arrest of Rosemary Sanchez, '93, in connection with a series of false fire alarms and one small fire in Hamilton dormitory in February.

Sanchez has been charged with six counts of falsely reporting an incident, the false alarms, and one count of third-degree arson. She is scheduled to have a court hearing on Friday, April 26.

An affidavit filed by New London police with the State Superior court in New London, says that Sanchez complained of receiving harassing phone calls during the week of the alarms. College voice mail records appear to have led authorities to conclude that Sanchez sent the messages to herself.

On Sunday, February 17, the sixth day of the alarms, Sanchez received five messages throughout the day which included "someone saying Go, with heavy breathing, Hurry, Go, with more heavy breath-

ing, Leave now, followed by much groaning and Beware little girl," the affidavit says.

Sanchez reported the messages to Campus Safety and revealed the access code for her voice mailbox to them, said Joseph Tolliver, dean of student life.

Campus Safety obtained a recording of the message by using Sanchez's access code, and the "envelope" feature on the voice mail revealed that the messages were sent at 9:16 a.m., 12:35 p.m., 2:45 p.m., 4:49 p.m., and 7:07 p.m.

But there was no record of who sent it because "envelope" merely recorded the message as being from an outside caller. If someone within the ASPEN system had sent the messages, the culprit must have merely pushed the "9" button to get an outside line. In that way, the sender may have hoped to avoid ASPEN's voice mail records.

But every time a caller within the system requests an outside phone line, a billing company records the phone number, time and duration of the call in case it is long distance and the student must be charged, Tom Makofske, director of computer and information services, said.

For the purposes of the arson investigation, the college requested a copy of the phone calls originating from the college with the "439" prefix, which returns a caller to ASPEN.

With a printout of such calls, investigators managed to determine that the calls to Sanchez's voice mailbox originated from the housefellow suite in Hamilton, where the affidavit says she usually resided with her boyfriend at the time, Chris Buley, '91.

On the day the messages were

left, Buley was in meetings all day, and she was alone in the suite, the affidavit says.

Police can usually obtain phone records in criminal investigations to determine when certain calls are made, but the ability to trace the origin of messages left on the voice mail equivalent of an answering machine is only made possible because messages throughout campus are held on a single computer.

This is the first time that ASPEN's special capabilities have been used in an investigation of security problems at the college, said Makofske, but it probably will not be the last.

According to Makofske, no one can enter another person's voice mailbox without the access code as had been rumored. Nor can phone calls made within the system be traced if no message is left.

But any message left from an ASPEN phone to an ASPEN voice mailbox can be traced using either the "envelope" feature or the billing records. These records are kept for a year after the call is made.

In addition, Detective ASPEN is scheduled to unleash a new crime fighting weapon next year when all campus dormitories receive new locks which will require students to punch in their personal information number [PIN] to open the door. Records of every dormitory a student visits will also be kept for a year for security reasons, said Makofske.

If a crime occurs, the Campus Safety director will be able to find out who entered that dormitory and when, he added.

"In one sense, it seems a little Big Brotherish, but in another sense, it's a real security system," said Makofske.

State forms case against arson suspect

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attorney, Philip Zuckerman, declined comment.

Ackley's affidavit outlines the following events:

- Monday, February 11 — The first alarm sounded. Sanchez returned to school that day from an infant cousin's funeral.

- Thursday, February 14 — An alarm sounded at 1:58 a.m. Sanchez was found lying on the floor about four feet from the pulled alarm. She told Campus Safety that she was knocked unconscious by a swinging door as someone left the scene. She later changed the story to say that she was struck from behind.

- In separate incidents later that day, at 10:49 a.m. and 2:44 p.m., her neighbor on the second floor of Hamilton, Jared Cohane, '94, saw her near two alarms that had just been pulled, "no more than two feet" away in one case.

- Saturday, February 16 — David Howes, '93, witnessed Sanchez near an alarm within "two seconds" after it was pulled at 11:19 a.m. Charles Bennett, '93, saw her at a pulled alarm at 1:14 p.m. Wendy Mongeau, '93, saw her at a third alarm at 9:11 p.m.

- Sunday, February 17 — Sanchez received five harassing messages in her voice mailbox and later reported them to Campus Safety. At 10:53 a.m. that day, Dawn Hunter, '94, watched Sanchez head in the direction of a fire alarm. Thirty seconds later, it sounded.

- Monday, February 18 — A fire started at 1:25 a.m. from the paper in a recycling bin in the second floor bathroom. Sanchez was moved to a room in the infirmary later that day. Since her relocation,

there have been no reported incidents of pulled fire alarms.

Although Sanchez has been charged with the fire, Ackley's affidavit only offers circumstantial evidence to tie her to the crime.

Ackley says that shortly before the fire, Sanchez was on the first floor talking with two Campus Safety officers and Chris Buley, '91, housefellow of Hamilton and her boyfriend at the time.

When one officer, David Fadden, said he was leaving to patrol the third floor, Sanchez excused herself to go to her second floor room to change, says the affidavit.

Sanchez's neighbor, Cohane, said he heard Sanchez enter her room on two occasions during the ten minutes she spent on the second floor. Ackley says that Sanchez then returned downstairs to the conversation with the other officer and Buley.

Five minutes later, the fire was discovered in a second-floor recycling bin, says the affidavit.

Regarding the phone messages, the affidavit says, college voice mail records show they were sent from Buley's room, where Sanchez usually resides.

"Chris Buley was at meetings all day and that Rosemary Sanchez had care and custody of his room," Ackley says.

Buley confirmed that he was out of his room, but said there is often traffic in the suite and that someone else may have made the calls.

"Just from what I know of her from a year and a half and what I know from talking to people who have known her all her life, this isn't something that she is capable of doing," said Buley.

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NEWS

Election draws large turnout

by Jon Finnimore
News Editor

High voter turnout was the highlight of this year's elections for the Student Government Association Executive Board and Young Alumni Trustee position.

According to Joseph Tolliver, dean of student life, the 67 percent turnout is the highest in his tenure at the college. He added that voter

'Student self-governance is alive and well at Conn College.'

- Joseph Tolliver,
dean of student life

turnout for elections at peer institutions is in the 35-40 percent range.

"Student self-governance is alive and well at Conn College," said Tolliver.

Colleen Shanley, '93, public relations director, was very pleased with the number of voters. "I think we can credit it to increased awareness on campus and quality candi-

Sign-ups for class elections are in the Student Life office in Cro, and will continue until Thursday, April 18. Speech night will be held April 21 at 7:00 p.m. in Ernst Common Room. Elections will be held in the Post Office on Tuesday and Wednesday, April 25 and 26.

The run-off election for the Young Alumni Trustee position will be held at the same time. Also, an all-campus referendum will be conducted to form a Student Bill of Rights interpretive body. Contact your house senator or SGA Executive Board member for more details.

dates from all segments of the college community," she said.

The most closely contested race was for president, where Reg Edmonds, '92, received 449 votes.

Amy Mass, '92, received 388, and Matt Coen, '92, got 190. There were 65 abstentions cast.

Jackie Soteropoulos, '92, won the race for vice president with 445 votes. Teddy Greenspan, '92, received 243, and Vinny Candelora, '92, had 241. A total of 162 abstentions were counted.

The race for SAC chair was won by Robin Swimmer, '93, who tallied 558 votes. Gerard Choucroun, '93, received 282, Chad Marlow, '94, earned 73, with 179 abstentions cast.

Judiciary board chair was won by Molly Embree, '93 with a total of 568 votes. Drew Todd, '92, garnered 359, and there were 165 abstentions.

Ratiya Ruangsuan, '93, tallied 511 votes for chair of academic affairs, and Michael Leibert, '92, was the runner-up with 325 votes. There were 256 abstentions recorded.

Adam Green, '93, won the position of public relations director, with a total of 512 votes. Write-in candidates Lauren Klatzkin, '93, and Katrina Sanders, '92, received 106 and 55 votes, respectively. A total of 419 abstentions were cast in the public relations race.

The number of candidates for the YAT position has been narrowed to three, and a run-off election will be held at the same time as the class elections. When five or more candidates enter a race, a run-off election is mandatory.

John Maggione led the voting with a total of 75 votes, while Betsy Grenier and Tod Preston survived the cuts with 69 and 66 votes, respectively. Mike Sandner, with 40 votes, and Tom Neff with 33, were cut from the race.

James outlines tenure process

by Lauren Klatzkin
The College Voice

"It starts with when the tenure clock clicks to the right hour," Dorothy James, provost and dean of the faculty, explained, describing the tenure process.

According to James, Connecticut College has two tracks for faculty members. Visiting and part-time professors stay at the college for two or three years at the most. Professors on the "tenure track" teach at the college full-time.

The tenure application process begins in the fall of a professor's sixth full-time year at the college. "You get tenure in seven years or you're out," said James. At that time, professors prepare a file containing the sum of their work in their chosen field, such as books and articles or artwork. The file also contains letters from experts in the field assessing the quality of creativity and scholarship of several of the works. In addition, said James, "Individuals on campus with whom a person has interacted... may choose to write a special letter" about a colleague's performance.

Another important part of the record, said James, is a form submitted by the Student Advisory Board of the professor's department. This form summarizes the student evaluations a professor has received over the preceding years. The file also contains curriculum data and recommendations from each member of the department.

To complete the file, said James, "The department chair writes a cover letter [to] summarize the department's position." Each part of the file is available to the tenure candidate except, in certain departments, outside letters. Restriction of access to these letters is a common practice nationwide.

When compiled, this file is a complete reflection of a candidate's "quality of teaching, the quality of scholarship or creativity, and the quality of service," said James.

"The file attempts to present the roundest, fullest picture possible."

If, at this point, the candidate's department recommends against tenure, the president of the college immediately informs the candidate, who has the right to appeal the decision. Ten days are allotted for the professor to ask the reasons for the denial and the president has ten days to reply before a four-week period for appeal. A candidate may base an appeal on either a procedural grievance or the addition of new information to the file.

The file then travels into the hands of a five-member elected faculty evaluation committee. Members of the committee "very thoughtfully go through every part of the record of each candidate," said James. "I also go through the file as provost and dean of the faculty," she continued.

The committee must receive the file by December 15. The recommendations of James and the committee are due to the president by February 1.

The first file received by the president presents the case and contains the recommendation of the department, the advice of the evaluation committee and the advice of the provost. The second file is the original file outlining the professor's achievements.

"The final decision is made by the president; the advisory committee is advisory to the president but is not the last word," James explained. Again, in the case of a negative decision, the candidate may appeal. "It has been possible for a president to reverse an opinion if the new information casts a different light" on a candidate's qualifications, James added.

"Tenure requires excellence in teaching and a significant development in scholarly level or creativity... and service," said James. It is a decision that is made with careful deliberation through many channels. James concluded, "There are a lot of safeguards for the individual in the system."

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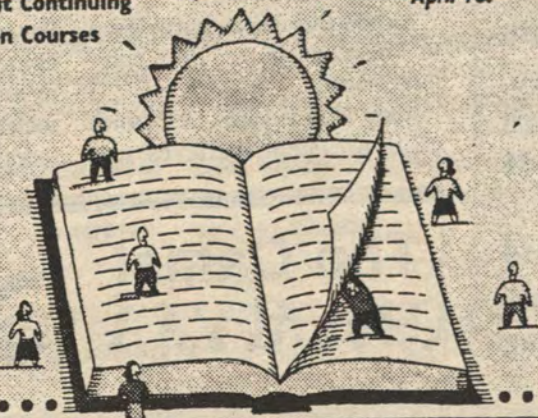
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NEWS

3:2 teaching load travels complex historical path

by Alice Maggin
Editor in Chief *ex officio*

In the wake of perceived class overcrowding and course offering reductions student concerns have arisen once again over Connecticut College's decision to adopt a 3:2 faculty teaching load.

Prior to the decision in December of 1988 to change the college's policy on faculty teaching load, many

faculty taught three classes every semester.

Faculty at

most of the highly selective schools that Connecticut College uses as its peer group teach on a 3:2, and in some cases 2:2, teaching load. To attract the best faculty, the college believed that it needed to change to 3:2, said Claire Gaudiani, '66, president of the college.

According to Gaudiani, study of the issue of 3:2 began in the spring of 1984. One of the main reports compiled between 1985 and 1987 was the "Johnson Report," initiated by Francis Johnson, former dean of the faculty. The study asked department chairs to determine the effect a change to 3:2 would have on their respective departments.

Study continued on the issue for the next year, but the decision to implement 3:2 was not made until six months into Gaudiani's tenure as president.

Following the final Board of Trustees meeting of 1988, Gaudiani announced that the school had decided to adopt a 3:2 teaching load.

The announcement came as a surprise to the students, and to some faculty and administrators, according to Sam Bottum, '89, former Student Government Association president. The Faculty/Staff Strategic Planning Committee had yet to study the issue of 3:2, though it had been charged with the task. No student had been informed that the move to 3:2 was imminent.

When questioned about the sudden announcement of 3:2, Gaudiani said because of exemptions many faculty were already on a 3:2 load; therefore, "We really didn't have as far to go" as originally thought.

According to David Grann, '89, former chair of academic affairs, approximately 56 out of over 130 full time faculty had a 3:3 teaching load.

The administration was under pressure to determine the cost of the change before the next Board of Trustees meeting in late February 1989. The trustees set the

following year's operating budget at that meeting.

Over winter break, Gaudiani appointed an implementation committee headed by Edward Brodtkin, professor of history. The committee was given a \$300,000 ceiling for cost of implementation. According to Gaudiani, the funds would come from the deferred maintenance portion of the budget.

Because of timing, no students could serve on the implementation committee. Brodtkin met with Bottum and Grann before the implementation committee began work.

According to Brodtkin, the student concerns regarding the possibility of class overcrowding, the effect on course offerings, and the lack of sufficient funds needed to hire new faculty were taken into serious consideration by the committee and affected their final decision.

John Maggiore, SGA president and former Lazrus house senator, said that a 3:2 strategy session of student leaders was held. The leaders approached Gaudiani with a letter seeking a guarantee that normal academic functioning of the college would not be interrupted by the implementation of 3:2. Although she did not sign the letter, the president did give a verbal promise.

The 3:2 program was fully implemented in the fall of 1989, in conjunction with the administration's decision to hire approximately sixteen new professors. By the end of the 1989-1990 academic year thirteen faculty hires were secured.

Maggiore has been skeptical about 3:2 since its announcement in December 1988. He believes that SGA missed several opportunities to confront the administration with its concerns. For Maggiore, 3:2 is the most frustrating issue he has encountered while involved in student government.

Two additional policy changes to improve retention of current faculty and attraction for prospective faculty, eighty percent sabbatical pay and a five year commitment to faculty salary gap closing, were also implemented in the spring of 1989. Both new policies will add hundreds of thousands of dollars to the operating budget.

Is the college financially secure enough to withstand such changes? Are the changes so necessary to attract the best faculty that the college could not wait? What is the college doing to ensure the smooth implementation of the process?

Next week's article will address these and other questions.



Alvin Poussaint, the class of 1991's commencement speaker

Poussaint offers impressive credentials as graduation speaker

by Lee Berendsen
The College Voice

On May 25, Alvin Poussaint will be the commencement speaker to an audience which traditionally numbers around 2000. He is the senior associate in psychiatry at the Judge Baker Children's Center in Boston, the associate dean for student affairs and the associate professor of psychiatry at Harvard Medical School.

In addition, Poussaint has been involved in a low income housing psychiatry program at Tufts Medical School, helping health facilities become less segregated. Poussaint has also worked in civil rights with Martin Luther King Jr. and Andrew Young.

Poussaint is the author of two books, *Black Child Care* and *Why Blacks Kill Blacks*, and has dealt with adolescents especially in the position as chair for the Education of Black Youths. In addition, he deals with the media in consulting on many social issues.

An honorary degree will be given to Poussaint at the 1991 commencement.

Mary Beth Holman, '91, senior class president, believes that

Poussaint will appeal to a varied audience at commencement. "He has dealt extensively with adolescents and children as well as being a renowned speaker," she said.

The first choice made by the seniors for the commencement speaker was author John Irving, but the invitation could not be sent out in time because the college was waiting for an answer from President George Bush. Holman commented that "She [Claire Gaudiani, '66, president of the college] pressured President Bush and held out to the beginning of the second semester [for a positive reply]."

Holman is satisfied with the choice of Poussaint, and expresses confidence in his speaking ability and his experience. "Conn has a pretty good record of getting strong individuals [to speak at commencement]," said Holman. When questioned on the response of her class, she said, "I heard very positive feedback and most [seniors] are very pleased."

Gaudiani is excited about Poussaint's visit, and described him as "someone that has the capacity and that kind of influence in our society and uses it to shape attitudes in such a positive way."



Students streaked through the student center on Monday night.

On Monday, approximately seventeen male and female students, with their faces hooded, streaked through Cro shortly after 11 p.m.

There was a crowd of approximately 250 people awaiting their arrival.

Coincidentally, the Residential Life Committee was reviewing a proposal for a thematic nudity house at the time.

The Camel Heard . . .



"I can't believe they had the balls to do that!"

— Kim Davis, '94, referring to Monday night's streakers.

"Everything in this dining hall tastes like Nike."

— Dan Kessler, '92, in "Chez Harris"





Graphic designed by Tom Gately

This graphic appeared on the program cover outlining the commemorative day

College celebrates Conn lacrosse founder

by Rebecca Flynn
Associate News Editor

James J. Courtney, former head coach and founder of the Connecticut College lacrosse team, died in a house fire on December 21, 1990. Courtney's memory and his contributions to Connecticut College were honored with a memorial service held at the Athletic Center.

Courtney, 42, and three of his children, Paul, 12, James, 8, and Jennifer, 3, died in the fire. Courtney is survived by his wife, Mary Jo Courtney and their daughter Langan, 11.

According to Charles Luce, director of athletics, Courtney single-handedly made possible the creation of a lacrosse program at the college.

"He walked in my office one day, unannounced, didn't know me from a hole in the wall, and said he wanted to start lacrosse here," said Luce.

Luce told Courtney that although some students had expressed interest in playing the sport, the college lacked the personnel to start such a program. Courtney volunteered his services as coach, and managed to lead both the men's and women's teams by conducting joint practices.

Luce emphasized Courtney's devotion to the sport of lacrosse. "The reason I wanted to do [the memorial service] is that almost every

sport or activity we have at Conn is because someone was passionately involved in it. Jim Courtney was the one for lacrosse and I just thought that should be remembered."

"He was a part of us," said Luce.

Courtney also co-founded the Southeastern Connecticut Youth Lacrosse Association with David Zuckerbraun, a colleague of Courtney's at the law firm of Suisman, Shapiro, Wool, and Gray, P.C.

Said Fran Shields, head coach of men's lacrosse, "Jim's dream was to get youth lacrosse going in this area."

Shields termed Courtney's involvement with lacrosse as "a labor of love." He added, "Jim would fly out of the law office and come to Conn for the love of lacrosse."

A plaque was presented bearing the depiction of Courtney in disheveled suit and tie, his normal attire at practices, according to Shields. The graphic was drawn by Tom Gately, '91, the present leading scorer of the men's lacrosse team.

Luce stressed the importance of keeping Courtney's memory alive on campus, stating that it was Courtney's energy and persistence that made a lacrosse program possible.

"His enthusiasm was so contagious that it just infected everyone around him," said Luce, adding "Had this not happened, he would have had everyone in the place with a stick in his hands."

College forms teaching team for South Africa

Committee keeps pro-active promise alive

by Michelle Moon
The College Voice

A journey to South Africa awaits a team of two Connecticut College students and a New London public school administrator this summer.

"This summer venture will be a program development time," said college affirmative action officer Judy Kirmmse. The team will help to set up a program under which students will be sent to a rural community in South Africa to teach at a secondary-school level.

The team is part of an effort by the college South African Support Committee to strengthen pro-active college involvement in South African issues.

"The group will go for July and August, come back, and make the plans and raise money," said Kirmmse.

From working with the Institute for International Education in New York, with South Africans Sheila Sisulu, the daughter of a South African political prisoner, and with Timbu and Cuyela Maqebela, instructors at Phillips Andover Academy, the committee developed the idea of sending student teachers to South Africa.

"The program involves a partnership with the community. It's a two-way program. We will learn about another culture and, by teaching in another culture, we will learn not only how to teach there, but here [as well]," Kirmmse said.

Maqebela suggested that the committee contact the Educational Development Trust, a South African group that coordinates American programs like this one.

The organization will help the college committee locate a community, link the community with Connecticut College, and make arrangements for home-stays for student teachers.

According to Kirmmse, the South African Support Committee is currently concentrat-

ing on fundraising and planning.

No specific process has been developed yet to select the students. "We have to get students involved. We have to line up students who want to join the program," Kirmmse said. But, she added, the committee has not yet created a subcommittee to work with interested students.

Funds for the program are being sought from corporate sponsors, according to Colleen Shanley, '93, Student Government Association public relations director and committee member. Right now, money from Kirmmse's office account is being used to cover operating costs, such as mailings and phone calls.

Bashi Gaetsaloe, '93, chair of the SGA South African Scholarship Committee, said the program will take place in "a community which government and social programs have not reached. The [student teachers] will be working in a place with no schools, no clinics."

He added that the program will be run with a sense of respect. "We don't want the people there to feel like we're coming in and dictating their lives. We don't know what's best for them, we just want to help."

Gaetsaloe said that he believes the program is unique. "This program will be a model for other schools," he said.

The college committee was formed at the beginning of this year "in response to divestment. It was felt that the college should react in an active, positive way," Kirmmse said.

"When the trustees divested it was felt by the college — and the students agreed — that divestment shouldn't be the last step, that it should be just one step along the way of our total involvement with South Africa," she added.

Gaetsaloe agreed. "Divesting alone won't end apartheid," he said. "We've got to help by more than just divestment."

by Jon Finnimore
News Editor

This Week in SG Assembly

Mike Sandner, '91, vice president of Student Government Association, sponsored a proposal which creates the campus grounds committee.

The committee is designed to give input to the supervisor of grounds when making decisions about changes to the college's landscape.

The proposal passed 25-0-1.

The by-laws of the SGA were changed to add the South African Scholarship Fund Committee by a vote of 21-4-1.

The proposal, sponsored by Sarah Sutro, '94, freshman class president, made the committee official. The committee has been active throughout the past year.

The election rules for the upcoming class elections were approved by the Assembly 25-0.

An amendment offered by Jackie Soteropoulos, '92, house senator of Blackstone, to make all the results of the election public, failed 7-19.

The drafts of the college calendar for the years 1992-93 and 1993-94 were brought before the Assembly.

They will be discussed next week after senators have received input from students and their respective house councils.

The issue of off-campus representation on the Assembly was brought up by Sutro. John Maggiore, '91, president of SGA, said that there used to be representation, but the position was removed in an all-campus referendum because of a lack of interest in the position.

Corrections:

Teddy Greenspan, '92, was assistant to Jim Shields, former college intramural coordinator.
Rosemary Sanchez was arrested on Friday, March 15. Robert Hampton, dean of the college, met with Hamilton residents on Monday, March 11. The Hamilton fire was set on February 18.

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NEWS

Soviet media leader applauds warming relations

by Sarah Huntley
Editor in Chief

Urging his audience to "watch" the Soviet Union and aid in management training, Vitaly Korotich told a multinational crowd Saturday night that the ties between the United States and his country are fragile, but maintainable.

Korotich is editor in chief of *Ogonyok*, the Soviet Union's largest news magazine, and a member of parliament.

The warming of relations has been well-received by the Soviet people in general; however, the military has been trained in an era of hatred, said Korotich.

"Those who want to destroy the United States are still powerful . . . During those years of hatred, we fed a lot of people who can only survive in conditions of hatred," he said.

Despite this realization, Korotich believes a strong alliance between the two nations is

possible. "Once we'll be real allies without Hussein and Hitler," he said.

Korotich described *glasnost* as the ability for Soviet citizens to "open [their] mouths." He said, "*Perestroika* [economic restructuring] is an attempt to bring us back to humanity."

He said that Soviets are suffering economical hardship and rising prices have put products beyond the reach of the people. "I'm afraid that my country is standing on the edge of catastrophe."

Despite passage of decrees for land reallocation, "The bureaucracy will never give land back to the peasants," said Korotich.

"Gorbachev started a process which was really revolutionary and Eastern Europe became free because we really permitted them to become free . . . I was proud of him," he said.

Nonetheless, Korotich added, "We must

have changes. We stopped in the middle of the way [under Gorbachev]."

The speaker emphasized the need for new recognized leadership. "I want [Boris] Yeltsin to be in good position," he said, but explained that now Yeltsin has little power because he does not control the resources. "Yeltsin now can say everything, but he can do nothing."

Korotich said cries for independence in Lithuania and the Central Asian republics are based in a search for dignity and a sense of national identity, not an attempt to break away and relocate. "The Soviet Union must rebuild itself from an empire into a commonwealth," he said.

Korotich joked, "To have a civil war, it is necessary to have at least two great ideas; we have about 15 to 20 great ideas."

Korotich also spoke about free press in his country. *Ogonyok* is one of the most liberal publications.

The editor in chief said that government control of paper supplies, printing presses and distribution hinders free press. In addition, there are still limitations. "We talk about free press, but not enough free to attack the president," said Korotich.

What frightened him most recently, however, was the realization that generals are above the law. After publishing an expose on the use of defense funds to renovate summer homes of generals, Korotich said he was amazed that nothing happened.

"We published those [figures] and I was afraid. What was the amazing thing was that nothing happened. Generals were out of the law; law was not for them," he said.

Korotich stressed the importance of executable laws for all. "The Communist Party is still leading because they have an army, if not an article in the Constitution."

Holman and Manheimer earn Watson honor

by Melissa Caswell
The College Voice

Mary Beth Holman, '91, and Turiya Manheimer, '91, have been awarded Watson Fellowships, an honor given to only 75 college seniors in the country. The fellowship will award each student with a grant of \$13,000 for use in independent research in foreign countries.

Both Holman and Manheimer conducted research for the formation of a project proposal and participated in two in-depth interviews to apply.

Holman first became interested in the Watson as a sophomore. Her idea for her proposal stemmed from her work with the homeless during her junior year.

Holman will begin a study on homelessness in London and continue it in Dublin and Stockholm. She will use personal interaction as a participant observer to study both the political and cultural contexts of homelessness in these countries.

Holman hopes upon her return to publish journal articles about her experiences that will "give U.S. homelessness a new perspective by looking at it in a different light."

Manheimer, who will be doing a comparative study of deaf education in Denmark, France, and Thailand, hopes to give informative lectures at deaf schools on how deaf education is conducted in these foreign countries upon her return to the United States. She intends in this way to help schools come up with ideas on how to better deaf education.

Manheimer's interest in deaf education is reflected in her college activities, including her involvement in the sign-language club and residence in the sign-language house. She also participated in an internship in this area related to deaf education.

Holman and Manheimer expressed feelings of fear and excitement as their initial reaction to learning that they had won the fellowships.

Manheimer stressed excitement for " . . . opportunities that are available from this, the experiences that are possible; the possibilities far outweigh the fear."

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ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

Spring brings a bevy of bestsellers

by Kris Anderson
A & E Editor

Scum by Isaac Bashevis Singer (Farrar, Straus & Giroux; \$19.95) *Time* hails this 1978 Nobel laureate's newest novel as "a lively, hectic tale... an economy of storytelling technique scarcely matched in this century." When his adolescent son dies and his wife Rochelle becomes distant and cold, Max Barabander abandons the plush lifestyle he has created for himself in Buenos Aires, he returns to his native Poland "to perpetuate," writes Singer, "he knew not what." What ensues is a series of disappointing misfortunes and unhappy sexual encounters that lead Barabander to a troubled examination of the relationship between flesh and decadence. An intriguing tale of corruption and human perversity, this veteran novelist's latest literary endeavor will keep readers appalled and enthralled to the end.

Kiss Out by Jill Eisenstadt (Knopf; \$19.95) *The Washington Post* says, "Eisenstadt is a gifted novelist... whose talent is for capturing the plucky, adamantly slangy cadences of Queens English and the uniquely endearing character of Queens residents." From the blue-haired women yammering under their



Bill Mulligan/Associate Photo Editor

dryers at the beauty parlor to the sarcasm of a critical husband awaiting his Passover dinner, Eisenstadt draws an affectionate, cheerful caricature of life in an old Queens neighborhood. This delightful comedy of errors reunites three boyhood pals from an old Queens neighborhood when one, the lead singer of a family-operated rock-and-roll band, becomes engaged to a Protestant New Jersey heiress. The hapless bridegroom recruits his friends—now a pet shop worker and a PhD. candidate

moonlighting as a street juggler—to assist in the wedding preparations. Eisenstadt follows the trio through the comic misadventures that lead them to the wedding, and in the process provides readers with 345 pages of sheer delight, complete with a happy ending.

Damage by Josephine Hart (Knopf; \$18.00) In this remarkable debut novel—dark and shocking—a fatal, erotic obsession proves to be the undoing of a wealthy British doctor. After musing that he has "never

faced a serious moral dilemma," the doctor (who remains nameless) find himself falling in love with his son's fiancée, a woman who wields a dangerous power over him. As the son's impending marriage draws nearer, his father plunges deeper and deeper in an abyss of obsession. *Time* says "Erotic obsession is a risky subject for fiction" but Hart, whose novel is currently first on *The New York Times* bestseller list for the third consecutive week, proves she has a talent for taking risks and turning them into successes.

The Promised Land by Nicholas Lemann (Knopf; \$24.95) This is an insightful exploration of the second great migration that shaped the face of the United States: the movement of millions of African-Americans from the rural South to the cities of the North. Lemann traces the lives of three families transformed by this migration, from the cotton plantations and small towns of the Mississippi Delta to urban Chicago, and recounts their sometimes violent passage from a caste system to the American mainstream. This absorbing narration, now second on *The New York Times* bestseller list for five consecutive weeks, offers readers a fresh, sensitive account of an often ignored chapter in American history.

Movie review:

Four out of five dentists should recommend *The Marrying (and divorcing) Man*

by Christian Schulz
The College Voice

Remember when Disney put out movies like *Bambi* and *The Little Mermaid*? Well, not anymore. Disney now has a picture for grown ups. It's called *The Marrying Man* and stars Alec Baldwin and Kim Basinger.

Charley Pearl (Baldwin), the American toothpaste king, is getting married. Hearts are breaking around the world as America's most wealthy, best looking, healthiest toothed and gummed bachelor prepares to tie the knot. And how do he and his friends decide to spend his last days of freedom, his final, fleeting hours of liberty before he is shackled to the same ball and chain for the rest of his days? You guessed it. They drive to Las Vegas to "Joe Bob's" Shakespeare library and brothel, the place where America's finest gentlemen come to, as Shakespeare put it, "make the beast with two backs." But on the way there, Charley decides to back out. He just misses his fiancée too much. He gets out at a bar and sends his friends on without him. He's going to catch the next bus back home, but he decides to go in for a drink. Classic error.

As Charley settles back with his club soda, alcohol stains the teeth, the stage show begins. Vicki

Anderson (Basinger) takes the stage, and suddenly, it's all over for Charley's fiancée. Skin tight dress, legs that don't quit, flowing blonde hair, red lipstick—striking. One problem: she's a gangster's girlfriend. But being a lovesick (and stupid) puppy, Charley goes for it anyway. After quite a bit of deliberation, Vicki invites him to her place for tea, crumpets, and a complete physical. Unfortunately, Vicki's gangster boyfriend enters just at the wrong moment.

Instead of killing them, Vicki's boyfriend makes them get married. He takes a juicy wedding picture of them and sends it to all the

newspapers, which immediately print the story on the front page. "Pearl Marries Bimbo" says the *Times*' headline. "Toothpaste King Marries Vegas Queen" screams the *Post*. "Pearl and New Bride Actually From Outer Space" writes the *Enquirer*.

Charley's marriage is ruined. He immediately divorces Vicki and sets about patching things up with his fiancée. But, just as you might predict, he just can't get Vicki off

his mind. So he marries her again. Dumps her, marries her, dumps her, marries her...

The Marrying Man has sex, violence, divorce, and profanity.



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Theater

Thursday, April 18. The Musical Theatre Group brings a delightful medley of song and dance to the stage in *Working*, a Broadway musical directed by Matt Vinisko, '93. The performance begins at 9:30 p.m. in Conn Cave. Tickets are \$3 students, \$5 general admission, and limited seating is available.

Friday, April 19. *Working*, presented by the Musical Theatre Group. 8 p.m. in Conn Cave. Admission is \$3 students, \$5 general admission.

Saturday, April 20. Last chance to catch this year's spring musical, *Working*, presented by the Musical Theatre Group. Performances will be at 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. in Conn Cave. Admission is \$3 students, \$5 general admission.

Cinema

Thursday, April 18. The Connecticut College Film Society presents Alfred Hitchcock's thriller *Topaz* (1969) in Oliva Hall at 8 p.m. Admission is \$2.50.

Friday, April 19. The Connecticut College Film Society presents three showings (7 p.m., 9:30 p.m., and midnight) of the 1990 box office hit *Edward Scissorhands*, starring Johnny Depp and Winona Ryder, in Oliva Hall. Admission is \$2.50.

Saturday, April 20. As part of Disabilities Awareness Week, SOAR, 1-3-2, and the Film Society will be sponsoring *Children of a Lesser God*, starring Academy Award-winning actress Marlee Matlin. In Blaustein 210. Admission is free.

Music

Thursday, April 18. Music major Steve Teti, '91, performs his senior piano recital, a mix of classical, jazz, and electro-funk music. In Dana Hall at 8 p.m.

Friday, April 19. A recital of guitar chamber music. In the Greer Music Library at 2:30 p.m.

Music department faculty members present a recital of classical pieces by Handel, Schubert, and Tchaikovsky. At 8 p.m. in Dana Hall.

Saturday, April 20. Rob Patalano, '91, presents his senior voice recital in Dana Hall at 8 p.m.

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ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

Theater preview:

Cast of *Working* makes it an art

by Michael S. Borowski
The College Voice

The curtain goes up on the first of four performances of the musical *Working* in Connecticut College's Crozier-Williams Student Center on Thursday, April 18.

Choosing this production for the Musical Theatre Group's spring musical has provided an inherent challenge for those involved. It is unfamiliar to most audiences, aside from a Broadway performance that occasionally resurfaces on PBS, and it accomplishes its message without a unified storyline.

Director Matt Vinisko, '93, stands up to the challenge. He prefers *Working* to more obvious choices because "few people have seen it, and it's not just a question of playing off what other directors, actors, or musical directors have done before," he said.

Working is based on Studs Terkel's book of the same name, in which American workers talk about the pride they have in their lives and jobs. The script is, for the most part, transcribed from Terkel's interviews.

Working takes a look at slices of American working life, but there is no continuous narrative thread. It's a world of truck drivers and waitresses, firemen and hookers, all told through song, monologues, and choreography by Nick Lechter, '94. Vinisko believes that he has unified the production through key scene transitions, costuming, and lighting changes. Without such transitions, the show could potentially fall into a revue style.

To succeed, *Working* requires a strong directorial hand and vision. Like *A Chorus Line* and to a lesser extent *Cats*, it pieces together several vignettes. But if *Cats* asks which of the dancing felines will be reborn, and *A Chorus Line* ends in

'As we find ourselves in an economic recession we must understand the value of working. I think that the musical illustrates this, as well as entertains.'

- Jeff Finn, '92

the selection of eight Broadway dancers, *Working* asks people to recognize that each worker is an individual.



Charles Hibbard/Associate Photo Editor

Cast members rehearse scenes from *Working*

The cast has been rehearsing since February. Aside from drilling lines, learning the music, and blocking specific movements, rehearsals have included an excursion to the International House of Pancakes to watch its workers in action. Since the return from Spring Break, rehearsals have started with improvisation as well as musical warm ups, followed by runs of the show.

The score has been written for the most part by Stephen Schwartz, best known for the music and lyrics to *Godspell*, *Pippin*, and his most recent *Children of Eden*. Indeed the best songs in the score are his: including the romping "Neat To Be A Newsboy," the wistful "It's An Art," and the pace-setting opening

number "All The Livelong Day." Other songs have been contributed by such composers as James Taylor and Micki Grant.

Working's musical director, Lou Ungemach, '93, thinks that the number of different composers is beneficial to the show. "I see each song as having a different shape and a different message. Because of that, all the songs are versatile. There are some musicals where all the songs sound the same. Not here," he said.

Those involved also find the thirteen-year-old musical to be suddenly timely. Despite the fact that the Musical Theatre Group is separate and independent, its choice of works fits perfectly into this year's Theatre Department theme of "American Visions." In addition, as Ungemach points out, it can be seen in a new light in view of the current recession.

"One of the things we initially discussed was recognizing the importance of each of our jobs and taking pride in our jobs," said cast member Jeff Finn, '92. "As we find ourselves in an economic recession we must understand the value of

working. I think that the musical illustrates this, as well as entertains."

"It's been a really great experience working with all the different students," said Peter Som, '93. "We can see who we've been (like being a newsboy), but we also wonder where we'll go. It makes you look into your part; it's really personal," he said. If a recently attended rehearsal is any indication, the members of the cast, including Christy Burke, '92, can also pack a powerful punch. In her wonderful Act Two number, "It's An Art," she sings, with tray in hand, the praises waitressing.

Cast members are excited to begin performances on what they have already put so much time and effort into. But will they be saddened when it's over? When it is, Finn believes, "We'll all have too much time on our hands!"

Working opens Thursday at 9:30 p.m., and plays Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m. with a 2 p.m. matinee on Saturday. Tickets are \$3 students, \$5 general admission.

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SPORTS

Men's Tennis rolls to 5-1

by Shannon Range
Associate Sports Editor

The Connecticut College men's tennis team rebounded from a mid-week loss to the Massachusetts Institute of Technology to defeat Colby 7-2 on Saturday. This raised their record to 5-1 as they near the midpoint of the season.

Co-captains Joe Schaefer, '91, and Eric Hintz, '91, played the most exciting match of the day with a 6-7, 7-6, 7-6 doubles win. They faced seven match points before shutting down the White Mules.

The Schaefer-Hintz doubles team is undefeated this season. Hintz began playing this season with the third captain, Brad Freer, '91, and won their first three matches.

When Freer suffered a separated

Charles Hibbard / Associate Photo Editor



Jon Krawczyk, '92, returns the ball

shoulder in an off-court accident, Schaefer stepped in and they continued the streak, stretching it to six straight wins.

Also outstanding on the team is junior Steve Reilly. He has compiled a 4-2 record while playing in the sixth position.

The mid-season rankings for New England Division II teams will be announced next week and the Camels are optimistic about their standing.

"We'll probably be in the top eight," said Hintz, "around the fifth ranking."

While eight matches remain for the Camels, they should not have much trouble for the rest of the season. Cross-street rival Coast Guard and Amherst, one of the top teams in New England, are the Camels' stiffest competition. Conn will face the Cadets on Thursday after hosting the University of Rhode Island on Monday and Bates on Tuesday.

Rugby Team Rumbles On

by Christian Schulz
The College Voice

This week the rugby team traveled to Wesleyan for its season opener. Despite questionable officiating by the referee, the game was close. After allowing two early tries, the Conn squad stormed back with a try of its own. Adam Gimbel, '91, powered his way into the try zone where the ball was knocked loose. Alert junior Paul Whynott then fell on it to put Conn on the board. Freshman Dirk Essleman added the two point kick. After allowing another Wesleyan try, the Camels came back again. Yuval Lion, '93, scored on an end-to-end rush. Essleman once again legged in the two-point conversion. Unfortunately, the Camels were unable to mount another scoring drive, and they fell to the Cardinals 19-12.

In B-side action, freshman Friend Weiler scored two tries, which helped lead the "Killer B's" to a 13-6 victory.

For their second game, Conn traveled to Danbury for a grudge match with Western Connecticut State University. Last year, tempers flared when the losing Conn squad refused to partake in post-game rituals with WCSU. This year WCSU was clearly out to avenge that thirsty afternoon. The much smaller Conn team fought hard, with especially fine performances by Anton Malko, '91, who played brilliantly both offensively and defensively, and his fellow captain Jim Greenleaf, '91, who played fearlessly and helped the scrummies hold off their larger opponents for much of the game. Willy Fox, '92, and Whynott also contributed greatly. Rookie Chris McLaughlin, '93, played well in his first A game. Conn's spirit was not enough, however, as they fell 15-6, their lone try coming from Weiler.

Conn is now preparing for a Wednesday night game against Mass Maritime. The Conn squad is excited about the return of president Todd Mercy, '91.

Next Saturday, Conn will play its first and only home game of the spring season against Bentley.

Softball squad searches for first win

by Lisa Bryan
The College Voice

Women's softball lost a close game against St. Joseph's varsity squad on Friday. Conn started the game slowly as a shaky defense, giving up three infield errors, allowed St. Joseph six runs in the top of the first inning. After shaking off these first inning jitters, the team came back strong shutting down the St. Joseph's offense and pulling ahead to a 10-7 lead by the fifth inning.

The first win of the season

eluded the team, however, as St. Joseph scored five unanswered runs in the sixth and seventh innings for a 12-10 victory over the Camels.

Leading the Camels offense were Nicki Hennessey, '93, with two hits and four stolen bases (including one to home), and Sue Bennett, '91, 2-4 for the day including a inside-the-park home run. Both Hennessey and Bennett have been consistent batters in the camels line-up, Bennett batting .500 and Hennessey .333 for the season.

Designated hitter Melissa

Parker, '92, with a season average of .417 also led the team in hitting with a triple in the third inning which pushed the Camels into the lead.

Terry Perreault, '93, pitching for the Camels led the defensive rebound allowing St. Joseph's only four hits after the first inning.

St. Joseph's had a balanced offensive attack as each starter reached base safely at least once. Conn also allowed St. Joseph's 10 walks, five of which resulted in runs.

This loss gives the club an 0-4

record for the season. Earlier losses were against Wesleyan University, Albertus Magnus and Trinity College. This is a disappointing record for a team that has hopes of going varsity. However, the fact that two of their losses were close games is evidence of the team's vast improvement.

The Camels have 11 more games this season. Three home games this week will be played at 3:30 on Monday, Tuesday, and Friday against Mt. Holyoke, Albertus Magnus, and Amherst at Washington Park in Groton.



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Women's Crew

Women row to open water wins

by Jennifer Yeske
The College Voice

Midway through their spring season, the Connecticut College women's rowing team is doing well. The novice boat has had the most success up to this point, winning all of their races, and the varsity and JV are beginning to show promise.

March 23 saw the Conn women up against University of Rhode Island and Massachusetts Institute of Technology at home. URI finished first in the varsity race, while Conn and MIT battled for second with Conn winning by two seconds. The race was complicated by a clashing of oars when the URI crew steered off course.

The JV boat, racing the URI varsity lightweights, lost time at the

start and finished 12 seconds behind. The novice eight took the lead off the start of their race against URI and MIT, and continued to pull ahead throughout the 2000 meters, finishing 26 seconds ahead of URI, and 28 seconds ahead of MIT.

The following weekend, the crews traveled to take on Simmons College and the University of Lowell. Both the varsity and the JV competed in the varsity race against Lowell and Simmons. Lowell rowed a strong race to finish nine seconds ahead of the Conn varsity members, who were themselves nine seconds ahead of the JV. Simmons trailed a distant fourth. The novice eight once again walked away with an open water victory. The novice four, racing together for the first time, finished second to a

strong Simmons boat, but beat Lowell. Members of the JV and varsity eights also had enough strength left to go out and take on Lowell and Simmons in fours. With six boats in the race, Conn finished first and fourth.

This Saturday, the Camels faced Williams and WPI. The varsity eight rowed perhaps their strongest race thus far, and yet still lost to Williams by 11 seconds. The JV eight took their first victory of the season finishing with several boat lengths of open water. The novice eight had another victory, beating Williams by 28 seconds and WPI by over a minute. The novice four after a good race, came in second to Williams. The varsity fours (again made up of rowers from the JV and varsity eights) finished second and third to strong Williams boats.

"Vintage Gately" leads Men's Lax

by Shannon Range
Associate Sports Editor

In a clash between fifth ranked Colby and sixth ranked Connecticut on Harkness Green on Saturday, the Camels persevered to defeat the White Mules 11-8. Conn faced deficits of three goals in both the first and third quarters, but came back both times, led by four goals from Tom Gately, '91, and two each from juniors John Bermingham and Scott Crosby.

"It was vintage Gately," said head coach Fran Shields. "He took the ball to them, beat them one-on-one, and finished the play off with a goal."

Gately's four tallies gave him the new school career scoring record with 96 goals, passing Dave Krakow's old mark of 94.

Anchored by rookie goaltender Luke Beatty, '93, who stopped 20 Colby shots, the defense shut down Colby's senior heavy squad including their leading scorer, Peter Perroni.

"Brooks Brown totally shut down Perroni," added Shields. "Colby scored the first three times they touched the ball. We showed a lot of heart to be able to come back." In the second and fourth quarters, the White Mules were completely blanked, enabling the Camels to take the game.

The turning point for the Camels came midway through the third period. Sophomore Matt Hopkins stripped a Colby defenseman and fired a pass to Gately who was waiting 40 yards downfield. Gately fired it past Colby keeper Bruce Fougere, '92, to begin Conn's 6-0 run from being down 8-5.

Gately also added a goal to go up 10-8 and Matt Shea, '93, capped off the strong performance by the Camels with a point blank shot over Fougere's shoulder with one minute left in the contest.

Defense is the hub for the Camels as they send their high-scoring forwards out. Both Beatty and senior Andy Bonnano stepped in

the gap in front of the triangle and have shown solid play, stopping over 60 percent of opponents' shots and allowing less than ten goals a game. Bern Hoffman, '93, and Brown Cannon, '92, both went down with pre-season injuries to further weaken the Camel defense.

Shields decided to make a switch. Rick Mack, '91, formerly used in the 'man-up' offense to give the Camels more scoring power, has been moved to the 'man-down' defense to intimidate any would be scorers.

Conn started off well in pre-season games crushing several teams including Amherst to go 3-1 in Florida. This led to the first time Conn has ever received votes in the national rankings to be put in the top twenty. But the cold of the north set in as they started off the regular season with an 18-8 loss to Middlebury, ranked number one in New England and tenth in the nation.

The home opener proved a treat for the fans as the arch-rival Trinity Bantams were thrashed 11-6, with Gately scoring five times and adding one assist.

Last weekend found the Camels facing the Bowdoin Polar Bears. This second New England team, who is also twentieth in the nation, was a daunting opponent but the Camels didn't back off. The hard fought game headed into overtime, deadlocked at eleven. Forty-six seconds in, Tom Ryan scored for the Bears and Bowdoin survived with a 12-11 win.

Conn had another easy midweek win, this time topping Wesleyan 13-5, before the weekend thriller against Colby.

With their 3-2 record the Camels are satisfied as they near mid-season. The defense is solidifying, the offense is clicking and the transition game is running at full-speed. They face three NESCAC teams this week: Bates on Tuesday and Tufts on Thursday and then travel to Babson on Saturday.

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Conn Sailing

Men's Crew sweeps Williams in strong start to season

by John Carey
The College Voice

Even though there's always a "first" for everything, they all deserve recognition. This year the men's crew team has finished exclusively racing four-men boats and has begun a new emphasis on the eight man shell.

"This year we have the greater number of people to [race eights] as well as the quality of rowers to make it very competitive," said men's coach Ric Ricci. "Eights are faster, have better competition, and suit larger collegiate programs."

In addition to last year's record amount of freshman participation, the return of three of the five rowers who captured the gold medal at the national championships helped build the core of the first varsity eight.

The formation of the boats also occurred with the help of two oarsmen who did not row this past fall, having opted to train on their own for elite competition this summer. Rob Weaver, '91, and Keith Walter, '91, currently comprise the stroke pair of the first varsity eight.

The second varsity eight, with Kerrington Smith, '92, at stroke seat, the first freshman eight and an eight comprised of both freshmen as well as varsity oarsmen, complete the team.

The coxswains of all the boats are novices. Maggie Ruvoldt, '92, Daniella DiFilippo, '94, Monica Black, '94, Katherine Hooper, '94, and Susan Lebovitz, '93, have all

worked very hard in order to learn the complexities that the position demands. "I think they deserve a lot respect for the jobs they've done so far - coxing is never easy and these guys are performing great," asserted Jon Zobel, '91, a four year veteran at Conn.

Spring break, during which the men's and women's crews experienced intensity on as well as off the water, proved the overall strength of this year's program. Facing URI and MIT first, on a raw, slate-grey morning on the blustery Thames River, the men won 5 of their 7 races. Three of these were in fours, which were broken up from the eights races. A week later, at University of Lowell, a calm Merrimac River aided the crew to sweep all their races. The last, and probably most impressive race was the single four's race of the day. "All of a sudden, the sounds got really hollow, our coxswain, Ruvoldt, called for more power and the boat just took off," said Michael Lynch, '93, describing the move that buried the Lowell crew. Forty strokes later they led by a decisive margin and the "sweep" was official.

The Coast Guard met Conn last Tuesday morning. The freshman boat, with a renewed vigor and a new line-up, took Coast Guard off the start and led all the way, stretching their margin of victory to a commanding 11 seconds. Both the second varsity and the combination eight followed suit, although their races were harder fought battles. Finally, Conn's first

boat, starting with CGA's first heavyweight and lightweight eights to either side of them, trailed the first half of the race to the heavyweights. A little over halfway Conn started to creep up on the churning Coast Guard. The CGA managed to fend off Conn's charge or perhaps Conn faltered, and held on for a 3 second victory. Back at the docks, however, the crew looked to a bright future; it had been a good race, and improvements would be made. Walter, the stroke, in summary said, "As far as we should be concerned, this is where we should be. They're currently the best in New England, and we still have speed to tap in that boat. We have two more chances to race Coast Guard, so that's when we'll beat them." Five days later, Conn moved up north.

Williams College perennially presents strong crews comprised of an effective mix of great athletes and good coaching. All in all, the Ephs are always good opponents. Hosted by WPI, a younger but determined crew, Conn arose early on Saturday to travel north to Worcester, Massachusetts.

At WPI, Conn swept Williams. Both the combination boat and the freshmen eight won decisively. The second varsity race was dominated by Conn also, as was the lightweight four. Conn blew by the Williams eight boat to beat them by 7.8 seconds and turn in the fastest time of the day.

Conn sailors strive for Olympics

by Josh Vistacion
The College Voice

Connecticut College sailing teams are looking forward to the new rankings that will be announced later this month. The women's team is expecting to be ranked first while the varsity team is anticipating sixth.

This past weekend was not one of Conn's best performances. The Varsity team's best performance came on Sunday at the Team Race Invitational at Brown University.

Andy Victor, '91, juniors Karl Ziegler and Dave Friedman, sophomores Joshua Vistacion and Ben Marden, and freshman Robert Sumner and Bob Edenback all helped Conn to win the regatta with ten wins and two losses.

As the winds picked up in the afternoon, the varsity team was working with heavy air skipper/crew combinations. This is the tactic of switching in heavier sailors to stabilize the boat in strong winds. Conn went on to dominate Brown University, Tufts University, and the University of

Rhode Island.

The women's team faced bold competition at Harvard University in the Sloop Shrew Regatta. Liz Verney, '94, and Aime Conley, '91, finished seventh in the 'A' division while Ann Renzy, '94, and Nara Kaposts, '93, sailing in the 'B' division finished ninth. As a team, the women finished ninth in the competition.

Several of the Connecticut College team members are looking past college competition to the 1992 Summer Olympic Games in Barcelona, Spain. Carolyn Ulander, '92, and Jen Coolidge, '91, are presently in California in pre-trial competition for the Games. They are competing for spots in the Europe Dingy class. Karl Ziegler is also campaigning for participation in the 1992 Summer Olympics in the Flying Dutchman class.

The upcoming week sees the sailing Camels in a warm up for New England's competing for the Thompson Trophy at the Coast Guard Academy.

1. Who has had the highest single season batting average since the turn of the century?
2. Name the two current major league franchises that are the descendants of the old Washington Senators.
3. Who holds the major league record for saves in a season?
4. Who is the winningest pitcher in the 1980's?
5. Against which team did Roger Clemens record his 20-strikeout record?

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Conn baseball action

Baseball returns strong, loses first to Wesleyan

by Shannon K. Range
Associate Sports Editor

As spring emerges from its winter closet, so do the balls, bats and gloves of the Connecticut College Baseball Club. While still without a regular field and recognition as a varsity sport, the team continues to thrive with the addition of 15 new players to complement the dozen returning veterans. The coaching staff also picked up two new members, increasing Conn's wealth of baseball experience.

Spring training for the Camels began before spring break. On their return they began practicing daily, using the University of Connecticut at Avery Point facilities or a softball field in New London.

Team leaders Pete Francis, Randy Scott, and Rob Hansen, all sophomores, continue to spark the Camels. Their presence and the addition of notable rookies Tim Erickson, '92, Dobby Gibson, '93, and Forbes Darby, '94, have made the Camels team a strong competitor in its struggle to become a respected baseball squad.

In their first game of the season, though, images of both seasons of the future and season of the past emerged. In Middletown on Friday, they faced the Wesleyan junior varsity

team, a squad they had lost to 10-1 last year.

The Camels got out of the gate quickly scoring a run in the top of the first. Francis reached first on a walk and was moved around to third on a textbook hit-and-run play executed by junior third baseman David Bender. He scored on a ground ball to the infield and the Camels had their first lead of 1991.

After Wesleyan came back with three runs in the bottom half of the inning, Conn exploded for five more in the second inning.

The scoring was hardly over. The Cardinals scraped back into the contest and eventually took the lead 8-6. In the last few innings, the cheering and the lead swung from one bench to the other until the game came down to one play in the bottom of the ninth.

The Camels had posted a 12-11 lead in the top of the ninth on several walks. The Cardinals scored the tying run and with one out put on the squeeze play. The result was a 13-12 win for the Cardinals and another lesson for the Camels.

Conn hits the middle of their season this week with two games against South Central Community College at Washington Park in Groton on Tuesday and Sunday afternoons, and travel to Sacred Heart on Friday.

Schmoozing with Dob and Pops:

WLAF still nauseates campus schmoozers

by Dobby Gibson and Dave Papadopoulos
The College Voice

NCAA Hoop

Here are a few things to remember about the '91 tournament. This year's field didn't give us nearly the last-second thrillers nor the great upsets that last year's field did. Yet, the Big Dance as always captivated basketball fans everywhere. The most pleasant surprise of the tourney was undoubtedly Kansas, while the most disappointing was surely Syracuse. Here's the 1991 Schmoozing All-Annoying Team: point guard Bobby Hurley (constantly on the verge of tears); center Christian Laettner (nice haircut); forward Billy Singleton (fat n' slow, could be Richard Simmons with a lot of makeup); forward Pete Chilcutt (frequents same hair salon as Laettner); guard Hubert Davis (belongs in the library not on the basketball court); coach Jim Boehiem (flat-out sucks).

Miscellaneous

Wiffleballers and stickballers across campus have to be devastated by what happened to the campus' best venue for wiffleball - Larrabee Green. The new extension of I-95 that now rips through the middle of the field is a huge disappointment for Conn's top amateur athletes. However, Jon Wales, '93, did note, "At least now I have a nice level surface to set my beer down on while I'm exercising." Question: What to Luis Polonia, Dave Johnson and Jeffrey Berman, '93, have in common? Answer: They all enjoy the company of younger, more immature women. Question: What doesn't Polonia and Johnson have in common with Berman? Answer: Polonia and Johnson are somewhat athletically inclined... Schmoozing doffs its collective cap this week to one of its closest friends, Luke Beatty, '93, who has been nothing short of brilliant in net for the Camel's

Lax squad this year. We're proud of ya lil' buck. Matt Shea, '93, not only scored the game-icing goal for the Camels last Saturday against Colby, but he also scored a 29 for originality, a 28 for technical merit, and a perfect score of 30 for the pelvic thrust following his post-goal dance. For those of you who can't get enough of Shea's moves, tune in to the Fox network next Thursday night as he will join Denny Tario, Adrian Zmid, and Motion for a one hour "Shea God Special" on Dance Fever.

WLAF

If any of you have accidentally flipped on a WLAF game lately, not only have you seen a horrendous display of football ("Barcelona is trying *another* fake punt, Jim..."), but you have also seen a man who's hit rock bottom in his field. Brent Musburger has, in the past year, gone from the host of the NFL Today, to the play-by-play man for the Little League World Series, to the play-by-play man for the WLAF. We note a definite downward trend here... Dob and Pops recently came across possibly the worst football statistic ever: The New York-New Jersey-New England-New Kids on the Block Knights fumbled 12 times in a recent game, 9 of which were committed by their quarterback. Yikes!

The National Pastime

With the season but only a week old, it means one thing for Yankee fans - the Bronx Bombers must be a healthy 10 games out of first already... Around this time of the year, you have to wonder how Connecticut College can have a varsity equestrian team, a varsity squash team, a varsity volleyball team but no varsity baseball. Admittedly, we really do find it hard to deny the diverse national love for sports such as squash, equestrian, and volleyball. Squash is actually known by sports fans across the country as "America's Great Game."

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Unbeatable Women's Lacrosse Team sports 7-0 record

by John Fischer
The College Voice

The Connecticut College women's lacrosse team has had a tremendous season so far, starting out the season at 7-0. This is the best start for the Camels since 1983, when they started off 8-0 and finished with a 9-2 mark.

The team offense has been led by the high-powered combination of seniors Eva Cahalan and Lorraine White and junior Abbey Tyson. These three combined for nine of the team's 12 goals in the first game of the season against Wellesley as the Camels crushed the visiting Wellesley squad 12-5.

Conn continued their success at home with victories against Tufts and Trinity in the first week after spring break. Conn got off to a 7-2 first half lead against Tufts and held off a Jumbos run of four straight scores in the second half to complete an 11-8 victory. Jenny Gelbard, '91, won her second game

Carter Wood, '93, and Robin Wallace, '93, then tied the game with only 3:28 remaining. Hurst took a pass from Cahalan and fired a shot past the Trinity keeper with only 87 seconds left in the contest to give Conn the lead. The Camels held on from then on and came away with a 14-13 thriller. White and Tyson each had four goals, while Cahalan added three. The trio also combined for six assists on the day.

The Camels also performed well on the road with wins at Amherst and Wheaton sandwiching a victory at home over Holy Cross. Cahalan tallied four goals in the win over Holy Cross, making her the leader in career goals at Conn. She currently has 142, which surpassed Jane McKee's 1984 total of 128. Cahalan is also the career leader in points (178) and assists (36).

Tyson added five goals against the Crusaders and White chipped in with four, as Holy Cross became the fifth victim of the year.

Conn crushed Wheaton by a 21-4 margin and Cahalan set yet another record, scoring eight goals and adding three assists to forge a new record of 11 points in one game.

The Camels faced a much more difficult

opponent on Saturday, when the Colby White Mules came to town. Colby actually led this game 2-0 early on before Conn fought back to grab a 5-4 halftime lead on four first-half goals by Cahalan. The White Mules played the Camels tough the rest of the way, but never got any closer and fell in a 10-8 defeat. Guillet earned her third victory in net as she made eight saves. Tyson knocked in four goals and added two assists in this contest, which put her over the 100-point plateau in her career. She now has 104 career points.

Tyson, Cahalan and White have combined for more goals (74) than Conn's opponents have scored all year (55). The whole team has been outstanding as well. C. Wood has chipped in with six goals and three

assists, while E. Wood has added six points. The midfield unit has been very strong for the Blue and White, with Hurst, freshmen Beth Horner and Wallace all playing very well. On defense the Camels have been led by the excellent play of sophomore Sarah Ball. Ball has been key in the team's transition game while also playing solid defense. Her nose for the ball is evidenced by her team-leading 43 ground balls.

Senior Jen Schumacher and juniors Amy Norris and Kristen Supko have also been excellent on defense. Last but not least, part of the credit for the team's success must go to the goaltending tandem of Gelbard and Guillet. The two have combined for 55 saves and have a save percentage of 50 percent.

The Camels face a tough schedule for the remainder of the season. Bates comes to town on Wednesday, carrying a reputation as a tough team. Conn has only won once against Bates in the last four years. Conn travels to Smith on April 25 for what should be a very tough game on the road. The Camels have defeated Smith three out of the last four years, but will face a tough challenge from the Smith squad this season.

Coach Anne Parmenter admits that she is happy with the team's success so far, but is also a little nervous. "It's tough in a way to be undefeated. We will get much tougher games from our opponents from now on. We have to worry about tripping up and must continue to come to play for every game."

The Women's Track and Field team has had a busy season. The team competed over spring break, and has also had meets at Wesleyan, Worcester Polytechnic Institute and Trinity.

On Saturday, the Camels placed first in tri-meet against in-state rivals Trinity and Wesleyan. Despite the inclement weather, several members recorded personal bests in their events.

Eileen Parrish, '94, helped the team to first place finishes in the 4x100m and the 4x400m events while outrunning the competition in the 100m hurdles and the 200m dash. Parrish also placed third in the long jump.

The Conn throwers helped the team solidify the win. Alice Maggin, '91, won the hammer, placed second in the shot put and fourth in the discus. Freshman Jennifer Lange was third in the hammer and discus and placed fourth in the javelin and shot put. Co-captain Tracy Leavenworth, '91, placed second in the javelin.

Leavenworth and Jennichelle Devine, '94, placed first and second in the 800m respectively. Devine also won the 1500m.

Co-captain Abby Atkins, '91, won the 100m dash, while placing

second in the 200m.

Kat Havens, '93, had a good day over the hurdles winning the 400m and placing second in the 100m.

Last Wednesday at WPI, the team had an outstanding meet, with ten members gaining a first place. Both of the relay teams also scored victories.

Leavenworth and Parrish had particularly good outings. Leavenworth was on the two victorious relay teams, and also won the 800m run.

Parrish won the 200m dash and the 100m hurdles, and was the runner on the last leg of the winning 4x100m relay. She also placed second in the long jump, with a distance of fifteen feet and 2.5 inches. Jennichelle Devine, '94, placed second in the 800m. Havens, placed first in the 400 hurdles.

Just previous to the competition at WPI was a meet at Wesleyan University. There, the Camels placed second out of a group of eight teams, losing to first-place Middlebury by a scant five points. Several members of the team qualified for New England Division III competition, including Atkins, Susie Hamlin, '93, Leah Bower, '94, Jen Caputo, '94, Maggin, Jenn Beno, '94, Lange, Parrish, Devine, Leavenworth, and Havens.



The Women's Lacrosse team slides the ball past the Trinity goalie

Women's Track charges forward

by Todd Maguire
The College Voice

Athletes of the Week

This week's award goes to EVA CAHALAN, '91, and TOM GATELY, '91, of the Camels' lacrosse teams. CAHALAN broke the school record for career goals (128) in Wednesday's game against Holy Cross. GATELY broke the school record for career goals (94) on Saturday against Colby.