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NESCAC considers dropping postseason play
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NESCAC is considering whether continuation of its pilot program in NCAA post-season play is beneficial to the conference. Some schools in the conference are considering terminating the pilot this year, before its original June 1999 completion. The program needs a three-quarters majority vote to become a member of the NESCAC charter. A vote will be taken at the conference’s December 16 meeting.

Claire Gaudiani, president of the college, stated in an open letter to the campus that “despite its many flaws the NCAA does provide certain advantages to NESCAC.” Gaudiani’s main concern seemed to be trying to get the NCAA to move towards NESCAC standards.

Minutes from the September meeting of the NESCAC presidents revealed that the group feels that Division III is being “buffeted by ripples of the vast television revenues” of Division I athletics in the NCAA. The NCAA post-season play experiment began in 1993 with a three-year trial that was extended in 1996 to another three years. According to Gaudiani, in the second year of this trial the NESCAC presidents “affirmed that [they] had not had enough experience with the effect of the post-season play on recruitment, coaching and the academic performance of our student athletes to either abort or commit permanently to NCAA play.

The minutes asked whether or not NESCAC could “hope to reform an enterprise that is now so large and powerful,” and whether the “social left” of (NESCAC) aesthetics “affect[s] NESCAC schools adversely.” An examination of the downside to post-season play concluded by stating that “the NCAA is treating NESCAC colleges toward a standard of athletic success that is defined by institutions not sharing our educational philosophies.

The solution alternatives proposed at the NESCAC meeting were "sort of pessimistic," and that "the NCAA is ratcheting NESCAC colleges to their knees" in order to change President Cotter’s mind. She hopes that if her student body can "shift his view, that they may respond to student organizations and political action." Some schools have found it easier to respond to student action than others.

"One freshman member of the group specifically stated that he joined the group for the connections it offered. He felt that the group was "only going to be social if people made it." SOUL is trying, but they face many of the same problems that other clubs do. The beginning of the year is full of enthusiasm which dwindles. The group met for a non-credit intramural meeting on Wednesday, October 22 in the Coffee Ground Cafe. The group is comfortably on top of coaches and chatted about the impact of their awareness week, and what could be done to make it better for next year.

Sara Picklillis’ "94, president of SOUL, feels that it is "really frustrating to work for a group of people" and knows that there is just too much information to work through as is. Picklillis was very wound up, but gave a tired smile as she emphatically let it be known that regardless of the lack of interest she feels at times, everyone involved knows that this campus needs SOUL, and so the work just gets done. Picklillis added that she hoped the group could change from a planning group to a group that had more contacts with outside organizations.

Andy Cramer, CEO of Gay.Net, sympathized with the group. In a phone interview last week he talked about the insecurity that college students feel when they’re trying to figure out who they are and what it means to be gay. Cramer was clear that "the worst thing in the world is looking for support and not getting it."
Staff life goes under the magnifying glass

by Joshua Friedlander
ASSOCIATE A&E EDITOR

The Quality of Staff Life Committee was established by President Gaudiani in March of 1997. Its goal, as Dean Mark Putnam put it, is to "look at staff life on campus" and use the committee in a "means of exploring what kinds of things staff members [feel] they [need] for building community on campus."

The group consists of 12 people who are representative of all members of staff on campus. Following the establishment of the committee, a series of meetings was held in which the group discussed issues of importance, such as staff salaries, benefits, educational opportunities and the improvement of various aspects of work conditions.

One of the main issues addressed by the committee was how to improve the quality of life so that the college’s rate of attrition, which was then approaching 20 percent, might be curbed significantly. In setting out to solve problems and establish goals, the committee began by creating a partnering charter, logo and badges designed to crystallize the ideals shared by staff at the college. Their logo combines President Gaudiani’s slogan of “Tradition & Innovation” with the committee-oriented slogan “Staff Life Undertaken at Institutions other than Connecticut College.” The request has already met with success, as Vice President Lynn Brooks announced proudly that there would be "reimbursement for study else-
where for faculty and staff," when he spoke at the assembly for the 1997 State of the College.

The success of this proposal has not gone unnoticed and George feels that the other proposals, outlined in the committee’s interim report, should meet with similar success. The committee’s other achievements include a 3.5 percent raise—flattened out for the entire staff—for the years 1997 and 1998.

In its interim report, the committee has examined issues ranging from step increase and peer review based merit to pay issues of parking cost and availability. The committee’s proposals have been sent to the administration and are in the process of being addressed.

Asked if he thinks that in the future the committee will remain capable and effective at dealing with the diverse and continuing problems that the forum has set, Putnam explained, “There’s always going to be more to add,” but he also stated earlier, “We will entertain any suggestions asked of the committee.”

New London candidates question answer at Conn

by Edward Zetzen
THE COLLEGE VOICE

Last Sunday, the candidates for Board of Education and City Council in New London convened in Dana Hall to hold an open forum for the college community. Arthur Ferrar, dean of the college, opening the forum, described the evening’s event as an example of “democracy in action.” The forum lasted two hours, during which time the Democratic and Republican hopefuls to the Board of Education and City Council elections presented Conn students with the key issues facing the town of New London.

The candidates were each given two minutes to convey their platform, after which time the audience had the opportunity to pose general questions directed to all the candidates. Among these were questions asking the candidates what they would do to increase parental involvement in the schools and how they planned to raise city-wide standards without leaving the slower kids behind. Sarah Schellkopf ’97 from the President’s office was the evening’s moderator.

Some of the vital issues discussed by the candidates for the Board of Education in their platform were the improvement of steadily dropping public school test scores and the forthcoming appointment of a new superintendent. The Republican candidate, penciled by the Democratic majority in the current board, cited these issues as grounds for a change in the administration. One candidate, Dorothy Leib, who came out of retirement to run for office, family stated. “I got

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Here at Conn, President Gaudiani was quick to meet with Golub and Athletic Director Ken McBride and to draft a letter to the campus community that lacked any clear indication of position on the issue.

Golub and Silas Bauer ’98, chair of the Athletic Advisory Board, have organized their open forum to motivate students and break the work into groups led by concerned and informed members of the campus community. Golub has been a fixture in the SGA office for the past week, seldom away from the phones or the meeting table. This is an issue that students are rallying around here at Conn, and SGA is taking the lead in facilitating a concerted effort to present their views to President Gaudiani.

Many NESCAC presidents, including Payne, have met with student groups to discuss the likely possibility that NCAA post-season play will not be a part of NESCAC after June of 1999. Payne let students know that it became clear to him at the September meeting of NESCAC presidents that there were "not enough presidents [who sup-
ported a change in the NESCAC constitution]."

The president’s responses across NESCAC have varied, with Wesleyan president Douglas Bennett, in a press release issued October 9, stating that his " commitment to the majority position," wanting to "target[ing] the traditional NESCAC balance between sports and academics." Bennett’s startup mentioned more time spent on re-
criment, excessive training schedules, the "squeezing out" of walk-
ons, and increasing costs to the univer-
sity as reasons for ending the experiment.

Evan Dobelle, president of Trinity College, doesn’t see playoffs as "inappropriate or inconsistent" with his college’s philosophy. Dobelle was the sponsor of the solution that would turn NESCAC into a full conference, having a conference united in its majority of the NCAAs.

John DiIaggio felt similarly as he stated that he doesn’t "believe that there has been any drop in ac-
ademics," that there has been "no negative impact on the university," and that he has not seen any conflict between academics and sports.

At Middlebury, president John McCauley offered a real life ben-
efit to maintaining the post-season experiment. His view is that “real life requires people to balance com-
pleting claims on their time,” and that the current system does that.
Agnes Gund ‘60 Awarded National Medal of the Arts

by Abby Caren

THE COLLEGE VOICE

The Museum of Modern Art President Agnes Gund ‘60 was awarded the prestigious 1997 National Medal of the Arts by President Bill Clinton on September 29 at the White House. The National Medal of the Arts honors individuals and organizations who deserve "special recognition by reason of their outstanding contributions to the excellence, growth, support and availability of the arts in the United States."

As a dedicated alumna, Gund has served on the Connecticut College Board of Trustees and was awarded the College Medal in 1984. She exhibits the same devotion to the Museum of Modern Art as one of its most important patrons. She has supported the Museum's educational programs and exhibitions, expanded the collection by donating many works of art, and has actively served as an officer and trustee. As an advocate for arts education, she operated the "Student in a School" program that places artist teachers in public schools. In recognizing Gund, President Clinton said, "We can't celebrate art today without celebrating the people who help us experience it. Aggie Gund has spent a lifetime bringing art into the lives of the American people. With the "Studio in a School," she forged a new partnership between professional artists and public schools to introduce children to the joys of creative expression. As president of the Museum of Modern Art, she is helping to usher in the 21st century of art."

In regard to Connecticut College, the rule is "to qualify her for the nation's highest award for achievement in the arts, Gund felt that being on the Board of Trustees and participating in the college's development, as well as the environment being very nurturing during her time as a student. She urges students to take advantage of what Gould has to offer and to get to see the school's "connection to the arts" being revitalized."

This year's 12 recipients, selected by the President, also included artist Louise Bourgeois, jazz vocalist Betty Carter, actor Angela Lansbury, musician Tito Puente, and actor James Naehs.

Sarah Sutro '94 selected for Coro Fellows Program in Public Affairs

by Adam Haltemann

THE COLLEGE VOICE

Alexis deToqueville's 1835 book Democracy in America clearly states that "[f]irst democracy to govern, it is only the people who have interest in public affairs; they must have the capacity to partake of its duties."

In a century and a half later, our increasing complexity of country, this is more vital than ever. Today's cultural, political, and social leaders must be creative, ethical, knowledgeable, and competent in understanding the workings of community and democracy.

Coro, a non-profit, community organization, recognizes this demand and offers the Fellows Program in Public Affairs. This program is designed to strengthen decision making and leadership skills in future public servants through experiential learning. 1994 Connecticut College graduates Sarah Sutro is one of 48 participants, called from roughly 400 applicants nationwide, who will be taking part in Coro's Fellowship program this year.

For nine months Sutro will be spending up to 60 hours a week working in a variety of projects, studios, and seminars involving all aspects of public affairs. Fellows must commit to participate in a seven-week seminar with a series of prominent speakers. "These speakers, as well as the challenge of communicating core values to a public audience, have given me some insight into the public interest domain much earlier in life, " Sutro said. "I made greatest impact when he spent a lifetime in South Africa from America to the Far East. His personal fortune is estimated at over $5 billion. In the last decade, he has donated close to $1.5 million dollars to promote democratic governance, personal freedoms and political education. His latest gift of $30 million, which could swell to $50 million, comes to Russia at a critical time in the country's democracy. Russia is in dire need of foreign investors to help the economy grow. Sutro's donation is a prime example of his generosity."

"As much as Soros's gifts are appreciated, by themselves they are not indicative of a trend, since he has been giving for over 20 years. However, less than a month ago, cable mogul Ted Turner surprised the world by giving away $40 billion to a vast variety of projects. The reasons behind Turner's decision to donate money to others are many. He has identified the lack of education in the field of arts and sciences, the need for economic development, and the value of art as a tool for change."

The Coro Program provides participants with an understanding of how the different sectors of the community works and how to function in government and politics. Group projects will be an opportunity for Fellows to practice communication and teamwork skills while actively getting involved with the community and individuals projects provide a chance to explore personal interests. In addition, weekly seminar meetings give Fellows the opportunity to share ideas, challenges, insights and best practices with others. The Coro Program graduates can be found in all areas of public service.

Congress member Vic Fano, Washington Post reporter Helen O'Neill, and Reinvestment Corporation founder Will Whitmell, are just a few examples who have all participated in the program.

Philanthropy concerns all Americans

by Abe George

NEWS COLUMNIST

There have been plenty of arguments during the last few months over the nature of statistics stating that Americans on the whole are making more money. Some economists argue that statistics speak the whole truth; the economy is working wonders for all involved. However, Americans are making more money simply because the wealthiest people in the country are bringing home larger amounts of cash. In fact, the statistics really show that the poor are earning less money now than they were during the recession in the early 1990s. If the rich are growing richer, and the poor are getting poorer. They are always doing what they can to donate their money to worthy causes. And they are.

George Soros, a self-proclaimed "philosopher of philanthropy," announced on Sunday his plan to support Russia's recently

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Clinton announces steps to boost child care

WASHINGTON - President Clinton Thursday announced new steps to ease what he said was a lack of adequate child care for millions of American families, and said he would propose a broader child-care plan next year.

"During those times when children can't be with their parents, they must get care that keeps them safe and that helps them to learn and grow," Clinton said at the opening of a White House conference called to begin developing a new child-care policy.

"Too often, child care is unaffordable, inaccessible and sometimes even unsafe," Clinton said.

Clinton announced a five-year, $300 million scholarship program to help child care providers get additional training, and proposed legislation to improve background checks.

He also said Treasury Secretary Robert Rubin would lead a group of business leaders who would work with labor and community representatives in seeking ways companies can increase employees' access to child care.

In addition, Clinton pledged to bolster the involvement of federally sponsored volunteer programs in after-school programs.

The president said such steps could be implemented while the administration developed a broader child-care plan to be proposed in next year's State of the Union address.

The plan would aim to "improve the access and affordability, and to help to ensure the safety of child care in America," he said.

U.S. military studying results of laser test

WASHINGTON - The military's first test firing of a laser at a satellite last week failed to measure any temporary damage to the satellite sensors by the intense beams of light, the Pentagon said Thursday.

"We don't believe that it disabled the field sensors," Defense Department spokesman Ken Bacon told reporters. But he stressed that results of the tests are still being studied to determine any damage to the sensors.

Bacon said the aged Air Force satellite, struck October 17 by several brief shots of laser from the Army's powerful "Miracle" laser based at White Sands, New Mexico, failed to send back enough data to the ground after the 20-second test.

"We didn't learn as much as we had hoped," he said. "It will take us several more weeks to complete analyzing the data. It is premature to talk about all the lessons we have learned from this test."

But Bacon again stressed that the shot was conducted to test the survivability of U.S. satellites to either intentional or accidental strikes by laser beams and not to develop a laser weapon to destroy space satellites.

Miracle produces a beam of light five miles wide using millions of watts from burning fuel. An extended beam of light from the laser would be capable of burning up a target.

House favors widening tax plan for education

WASHINGTON - Saying families needed alternatives to public schools, the House Thursday voted to create tax-preferred savings accounts for private school tuition, tutoring and other education expenses.

The Clinton administration has threatened to veto the Republican bill, which would let parents stash away up to $2,500 a year for elementary and secondary education in their children's education accounts without accumulating taxes.

The measure expands a tax law, passed in July, allowing families to save up to $500 annually for higher education.

Democratic opponents and the White House charged the measure, approved 230-198, was a tax loophole for the wealthy that would do little to improve education.

"This doesn't help anybody in the inner city send their kids anyplace... This is a sham," Texas Democrat Martin Frost said. "Poor and middle-class families get almost nothing under this plan. It only goes to upper-class families."

Republicans, who have made educational choice a key plank of their platform, said their opponents were trapping poor children in unsafe, struggling public schools.

They also charged that Democrats were in thrall to teachers' unions, which give them millions in campaign contributions.

Wife rescued after weeks of torture by husband

ZION, Ill. - A woman who was held prisoner and repeatedly tormented for weeks by her husband was rescued after she managed to make a telephone call, police said Thursday.

"She was held five or six weeks against her will and literally tortured in just about every imaginable form," he said. "She was beaten with a hammer, a table leg, burned, cut, stabbed with a fork. Her body is literally covered with bruises and cuts. Her husband rubbed salt into the wounds and giving her salt baths after he cut her," he said.

"She was bound and put in a closet," he added. Nugent said the woman was rescued Tuesday after she managed to make a call when her husband was not using the telephone as he had been doing.

The woman, Juanna Mennes, 19, was being treated at a hospital. Her husband, Timothy Williams, 22, was held on $1 million bond, charged with aggravated battery, aggravated kidnapping and criminal sexual assault, Nugent said.

He said Williams when he was arrested offered no explanation for what happened.

"He just asked for a lawyer," Nugent said.

Most cancerous chemical said found

LONDON - Japanese scientists suspect that a chemical found in the exhaust flames of diesel engines may be the most carcinogenic ever found, and could cause lung and other cancers, the New Scientist magazine said Thursday.

The compound, 3-nitrobenzanthrone, had the highest ever score on a standard test for cancer-causing potential of toxic chemicals. It also caused chromosomal aberrations in the blood cells of mice.

"Personally I believe that the recent increase in the number of lung cancer patients in vehicle-congested areas is closely linked with agents such as 3nitrobenzanthrone," said Hitomi Suzuki, a chemist at Kyoto University, who was the study's lead author.

When Suzuki tested the compound on a strain of salmonella he found that it caused more mutations than 1,6-dinitropyrene, the previous most powerful known mutagen.

Although both compounds are found in diesel exhaust particle extracts, "it is easily understandable that they would cause considerably less total mutagenic activity of diesel exhaust particle extracts," Suzuki added.

He called for stronger limits on the loads that diesel trucks can carry because there are more emissions from engines under heavier loads.

Kevorkian offers suicide organs for transplant

NEW YORK - Dr. Jack Kevorkian, the famed advocate of assisted suicide, said on Wednesday he plans to begin offering organs harvested from his suicide patients to people who need transplants.

The first organs, most likely lungs and a heart from a suicide case, will be given out on a first-come, first-served basis, the retired pathologist said in a closed-circuit news conference with reporters across the country.

"Up to this point, when someone dies, it's negative," Kevorkian said. "But then you give organs back. So here's a case where we can end the suffering of a patient and get organs back to save lives."

He charged the medical community take him up on his offer.

"You'll notice that no clinic comes forward and says 'We'll allow you to come in here and let this patient end his suffering and give his organs to save other people's lives.' You'll find out they wouldn't do that," he said.

The donated body parts will come from patients whose medical problems did not affect those organs, he said.

If he continues to offer organs, Kevorkian said only about 5 or 10 percent of his patients would qualify to donate their organs after their deaths.

British pilot, U.S. flyer die in plane crash

EDWARDS AIR FORCE BASE, Calif. - Two airmen, one a visiting pilot from Britain's Royal Air Force, were killed Wednesday when a training jet crashed after colliding with an F-16 fighter over Edwards Air Force Base.

A spokesman for the Air Force said the F-16 made an emergency landing on a dry lake bed at Edwards, a sprawling desert base about 60 miles northeast of downtown Los Angeles, and that both its crew were safe.

The accident occurred during a training exercise just after 10 a.m. PDT. The two planes were on a "photographic support mission" of a B-1 bomber making drops runs with dummy practice bombs.

Air Force spokeswoman Sue Stavig said the two dead airmen were Lt. Col. William Nash and Flight Lt. Leigh Alexander Fox, who was on exchange from the RAF in Britain.

Lt. Col. Robert Williams told reporters that the base that both bodies were found several miles from the trainer's wreckage and that their parachutes had deployed.

TB 'hot zones' popping up, health agencies say

WASHINGTON - "Hot zones" of drug-resistant tuberculosis are showing up all over the world and threaten to touch off a global epidemic of virtually incurable TB, health agencies said on Wednesday.

A joint survey by the World Health Organization (WHO), the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the International Union Against Tuberculosis and Lung Disease (IUATLD) found multi-drug resistant (MDR) TB in one-third of all 35 countries surveyed.

This report presents the first scientific evidence for what we most feared but could not previously prove - that the world again faces the specter of incurable tuberculosis," Michael Isaman of the University of Colorado told a news conference.

"We have found TB hot zones on all five continents in which MDR strains can be found." This could mean a rapid spread of the disease.
Noel Zahller brings passion, vision to music department

By Christopher Maje
THE COLLEGE VOICE

Noel Zahller is a dedicated composer, a passionate educator, and a man with vision. He has shared these attributes with Connecticut College throughout his 22 years of music since 1984. In that time, he has influenced a handful of budding musicians and founded the Center for Arts and Technology. Above all, he keeps a watchful eye on the future, looking for new ways to bring music alive for his students as well as for himself. One needs only to chat with him for a few minutes to fully realize what he offers Conn.

Born in New York, Zahller studied briefly at Juilliard before transferring to Queens College where he became the first student to graduate with a bachelor’s and master’s degree simultaneously in Music Composition. He went on to receive his M.F.A. from Princeton University.

After winning the Fulbright Fellowship, he lived in Italy where he studied with Albert Coates, who is "arguably the most powerful Italian composer living." He finished his doctorate at Columbia University, during which he was teaching classes at Queens College, CCNY, Columbia, and Mercy College.

It was in 1984 that Zahller arrived here at Conn. From 1990 to 1996, he was the chair of the music department, and he holds the distinction of founder of The Center for Arts and Technology, of which he was also the initial co-director with David Smalley. He described this as an "enormously rewarding" time for him, as he always had interests in things beyond music, and the center allowed him to explore these new areas.

Currently, Zahller teaches classes in different levels of composition and in Electronic Music. Teaching, he says, offers him one of his biggest rewards: seeing his students succeed. He said it is thrilling to see a former student of his go on to a professional career in music.

He is also composing a piece which will be performed by the Faculty Chamber Ensemble in its spring concert. It is a companion piece to the Schoenberg Chamber Symphony for 15 instruments, which is the Chamber Ensemble’s scheduled program for that evening.

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Tom Gately ’91, Disney Animator

With his success at Disney, Tom Gately ’91 found himself to be an animator during his senior year. Gately made a gutsy move by applying to Disney. Initially, he was rejected. However, Gately returned to Conn for Arts and Technology, of which he was also the initial co-director with David Smalley. He described this as an "enormously rewarding" time for him, as he always had interests in things beyond music, and the center allowed him to explore these new areas.

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Animators typically attend gesture drawing classes about two or three times a week. In addition, he must listen to one specific piece of dialogue over and over again to know just what kind of motion his character will exhibit.

Gately finds it important to trust and rely on his co-workers. All of the animators must feed off of each other because a major character normally requires the work of about 17 different animators. The animators must all try to harmonize their work so it fits the character. Having worked on The Lion King and Pocahontas, Gately has had excellent opportunities to perfect his harmonizing ability.

Gately’s work will appear in a few more Disney films to be released in the next few years. These films include Mulan, Bugs, Tarzan, Kingdom of the Sun, and Atlantis.
Barrett Myers was not able to be a part of the recording because he is studying away this semester. I think we’re all very proud of how it came out,” said Imnis. “It was a lot of hard work trying to get it done so close to the beginning of the year, but it was worth it.” Soprano Bouchard echoed Imnis’ sentiment about its being an emotional experience, but also said that it was frustrating because they tried to get everything just right to prove themselves in their first album. Over a period of four days, a total of 36 vocals were recorded in a recording studio. A studio in Boston was used for this CD because it was felt that they could get the best quality of sound there.

We wanted to be able to mix parts, and to bring out the parts that we wanted to highlight,” said Imnis. “It was definitely ambitious, but it was worth it. The opportunity to record in a studio is a once in a lifetime experience.” Bouchard felt much the same way. “The first time that we heard ourselves it was amazing. This is the first recording we’ve ever done, and it made a real difference to us in terms of knowing what an audience’s perspective...”

if else, the group grew closer together. I’ve never realized what a taxing experience this would be. I also gained a greater appreciation for the amount of work parts of the group that I didn’t notice before came to light,” were the authors’ personal contexts and real life antecedents more fully; or understanding simply for its own sake. In this sense hearing us from an idea of having a talent for this approach. The band’s name, “Two Degrees” was chosen rather than the more traditional “Peer Gynt” or “Solveig,” and the specific title “Troll” for the first song, “The Troll Fight Song” instead of the more off-color news that Wharton observed. The musicality harmonies that permeated the music were a result of the individual talents and the collective effort of the performers.

DelBianco makes Required Reading a Delight by Luke Johnson THE COLLEGE VOICE

In his new book, Required Reading: Why Our American Classics Matter Now, author Andrew DelBianco achieves his goal of reengaging the jaded reader who is tired of having to read the same classics, with verve and excitement, and a mixture of biographical fact and personal narrative. The book provides a jumping-off point for readers who are not familiar with Ibsen, a few facts about his life, writing and criticism, introducing them to the idea of having a talent for this approach. The band’s name, “Two Degrees” was chosen rather than the more traditional “Peer Gynt” or “Solveig,” and the specific title “Troll” for the first song, “The Troll Fight Song” instead of the more off-color news that Wharton observed. The musicality harmonies that permeated the music were a result of the individual talents and the collective effort of the performers.

DelBianco’s investigations into his other subjects are similarly insightful, exciting the mind and inducing the reader to connect with a new form of acting that is dependent upon sight, not sound. On Wednesday, October 15 the National Theater of the Deaf brought their act to Palmer Auditorium at Connecticut College, performing Peer Gynt, a tale written by Norway’s Henrik Ibsen in 1867. The original story was in duyen, but it went through many translations (Norwegian to English, and then from English into American Sign Language) before it was in final product on the stage.

It is an odd tale to choose to turn into a play, for it involves many actors and a complex storyline. The latter seems to be the performance’s biggest drawback. For viewers who are not familiar with Ibsen, a few scenes are confusing and difficult to connect. The play centers around Peer Gynt, a vicious young man whose behavior is borderline out of control. Gynt’s character is a dangerous one, with many layers. The audience is left to guess his motives and his reasons for doing what he does.

Another highlight of the show is when Gynt visits a man who tells him that his soul is too "ordinary." He is told that he is doomed to be poured into the same casting ladle along with all the other ordinary souls. This enrages Gynt, who is then determined to show that he is truly different from everyone else. The actor portraying the temperamental Gynt was excellent, as were those who used American Sign Language and those who translated what they were saying to the audience. One did not need to hear the voices; their emotions were made apparent by their movements and actions. The translators, likewise, do a fine acting job, conveying the emotion of American Sign Language through their voice. Most of the time, one did not even notice the fact that there were two individuals acting for one part. The teamwork between the speech and the sign-language worked magnificently.

The storyline is a bit drifting, probably due to the fact that it was not written to be performed for an audience. The play requires that the audience glance at the program a number of times to see where the play is headed. However, the production had a great deal of work put into it, and it is displayed very well.
ADMINISTRATION

Dear Connecticut College Students, Faculty, Staff and Alumni:

Over the 25 years of NESCAC's life, the member Presidents have periodically reviewed their membership in the conference. In 1991, President Gaudiani was the first NESCAC President to serve on the NCAA President's Advisory Board and also chaired Division III for two years. After long deliberations, the NESCAC Presidents have affirmed that despite its many flaws the NESCAC provides us with the opportunity to participate even more actively in Division III and to influence NCA to move more decisively toward NESCAC standards.

The Presidents also discussed at length the continued membership of NESCAC, which is a programmatic NCAA post-season championship playoffs. NESMAC never allowed teams to go to NCAA championships until 1993. At that time, the President decided to experiment with a three-year commitment. In the second year of that commitment the Presidents affirmed that we had not had enough experience with the effect of the post-season play on recruitment, coaching and the academic performance of our student athletes to either abort or permit temporarily to NCAA playoffs. Consequently, we decided to extend our pilot for another two years.

Normally, NESCAC Presidents meet annually in January. This year, however, we had an extensive study conducted by the history of NESCAC and met in September to review the study and to deliberate on the impact that the NESCAC membership on our conference, and our participation to the NCAA. Presidents have had a very productive meeting in September and will meet again December 16 to address the championship issue. Minutes of that September meeting were held confidential until last week when all Presidents had approved the final version for campus release. We are now ready to use the next two months for an all-campus consultation to decide the future of NCAA playoff participation for NESCAC schools.

We invite students, faculty, and staff and all members of the NESCAC community to join this consultation. Background materials will be available to ensure a well-informed and productive discussion. Open forum will provide a wide range of questions and suggestions to be shared with each of us and all of us. The confusion on some NESCAC campuses on this issue is understandable, but we need to contribute intelligently to good decision making. There appear to have been a broad consensus of confidentiality that contributed to this confusion. Our goal is to prepare the President to go to the December NESCAC meeting with the best solution to the real challenges faced by the intersection of excellent academics, superior athletics, support for our campuses and the NCAA.

We are confident that the next two months of consultation at Connecticut College will enable us to provide some badly needed leadership. Therefore, our Director of Athletics, Kenneth McBryde, will be in contact with the Governor President, the Chair of the Student/Athletic Advisory Board, faculty and staff will begin open dialogue and discussion on this topic next week. We enthusiastically encourage your involvement in this discussion.

Cordially,

Claire L. Gaudiani ’66, President

Kenneth McBryde, Director of Athletics, Chair of Physical Education

Jay Golub, President, Student Government Association

TALKIN’ BOUT MY GENERATION: REDEFINING GENERATION X

I get the distinct impression that generational politics, that is, what generations do as a force, is becoming more and more relevant topic.

After searching for a long time for answers to whether or not I belong to a generation, I have come to my own personal conclusion.

I am a member of generation X.

For better or for worse, it will be what I am for the rest of my life.

And, for that reason, I must continue to be someone who beats us on the head with enlightenment. Enlightenment, however much you want to believe in fairy tales, doesn’t happen. No. It is earned, through trial and sweat, dedication and failure.

I’ve heard people talk about what we have been left with; we refer to each other as a generation of sufferers, trying to find the draft version of the nautical past. The analogy refers to the work of the boom generation; we are a disappointment to society.

The unfortunate thing about it is that they managed to tear down quite a substantial piece of society itself in the process. So, we know what is left, a functional, static use to rebuild, and move on. It is as simple as that; as simple as the fact that no matter how much you want to avoid it, you have to write your paper eventually. Extensions in the real world are much harder to come by. I refuse to just sit around. I will not become the pathetic, couch potato loser that older generations have come to expect. Do you want to be a part of that? Gone are the days where we were dependent. For the future of America, when are you going to grow up? They’ve given us up already. It’s much more likely that you’ll hear: “You’re never going to grow up”.

Would you want to give society into the hands of the generation that spent their childhood in the marketing of the world? Would you want to give society into the hands that tear down the barriers of society? No. What are you going to grow up? We’ve given up on us already. It’s much more likely that you’ll hear: “You’re never going to grow up”.

Bill Gates, President, Microsoft Corporation

Women’s Work

In honor of every woman on this campus who has been forced to look at the state of a beer-swinging, half-shaven, possibly brain-dead, certainly noisy, and possibly nightly boy — we write this column. In honor of Susie Myers, we write this column. In honor of Joy Golub’s engagement, we write this column. But in this era of the man-bashing, we can’t make promises like that. In honor of Susie, however, we could sit here and say to her, “Boy, are you ever going to be happy?”

And, for no other reason than that girls were doing in the past month of the month for so many of you on this campus, we have an opportunity to discuss the idea of part-time eines and possibly maybe it that you are the only female in the male-dominated field. It is out there. It does exist. This campus could be a damn case study. Besides the normal hormonal fluctuations

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New course offerings for spring semester

As some of you may or may not know, registration for next semester's classes begins next month. In an effort to make education more in sync with the rest of the world, we have added a few new classes and modified some beyond the school on the hill, trying, cheating, stealing, and poor taste. These all exist right here on campus, both in the open and covert. Consequently, our collective abilities in these areas are sub par. We must try to modify our disciplines, and I am confident that they will make reparations for this deficit in our curriculum.

Dance 069 - Sexual Expression
In recent years, sexual expression has become an accepted form of artistic expression. Texts and videos will include Kama Sutra and the words of John Holmes and Larry Flynt. No specific clothes are required. In fact, no clothes at all. Instruction will be extremely one-on-one and hands-on. The class will culminate with a field trip to Times Square, where students will experience the joys of personal video projects. Students who are shy and modest about their body type need not apply, but the class is open to anyone willing to explore these expressions.

Eng 260 - The Trusdy Romance Novel - A truly romantic novel which will appear in the next issue of the Times Free Times best seller list, they would dominate it. Clearly, alliterative genre of this magnitude demands serious inquiry. The influence of Faison will be discussed, along with the works of Danielle Steel and Jackie Collins. Your final project will be your very own romance novel, using the guidelines as supplied by Harlequin Romance, Inc.

Why the Sports Editor hates Conn College Sports

Last week I went to see a women's volleyball game, and I had a good time. The Camels fell short, losing 3-1, but the level of play and competition were high. About five SGA goons also went, and they too fell short, as the level of noise in the building was something akin to a morgue. Much is made of the lack of school spirit here, so I ask you this: Why would I attend a Camel sporting event?

The reasons why I shouldn't are many. I have always been able to accept the fact that "I have no time," because I am the second-hardest working man in school, and I have. People have all sorts of time for assorted tomfoolery, including myself. For the amount of cash people pay in tuition, the quality of service the school provides on the athletic end of the bargain is low.

Our Athletic Center is across the street, it's ugly, and it's antisocial. When I watch games there, I feel like I'm watching a wrestling match. One hockey rink is cold and cavernous, seating is uncomfortable, and the ice is rocky. The location of the field hockey field is probably the least fan-friendly site possible. Our vanished sailing program only owns ten boats. Harkness Green has no seating or scoreboards. Our men's soccer team plays in t-shirts, and each team has its own Connecticut College logo and blue color. The tennis courts are as funny and cracked as the College entrance.

If, for some reason, you were unwilling to attend a game but wanted to read about the results, too bad for you. The web site is not up to date, the paper is weeks old, and I dare you to find a game on the radio station or on TV. By the way, New London High School has its own teams.

Why not just an athlete, you say? In my experience, many athletes here walk with an unattractive ego size of Texas. As a rule, if people really were great athletes, they wouldn't be here. There are some phenom athletes here who are friendly, but I usually feel unwelcome as a sports writer. At times, athletes have haggled me when I've been critical of their poorly performing teams.

These are just the tip of the iceberg. Coaches already lose potential intellectually starved

Rachna receives death threat. Please, I am intellectually starved. I would love to have my old friends from home. And... with something, get up off your lazy Sega-playing, boozing ass and find a way to solve it. Not by expecting anyone...

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ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Avoid the social scene this week as the stars are not in favor of it. Instead, tend to your personal interests. A situation concerning a child is important to your mind. Avoid an unpredictable friend this weekend.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Whatever you set out to do this week is more difficult than you'd anticipated. It's best to seek the advice of a professional who can help. While out and about this week-end, don't neglect your rest. When something you've planned for your career isn't going to be achieved, don't let that ruin your week. Reconsider something that might phone Groton's Community Outreach Program at 444-1111 if you think the stars are not in favor of it. However, you're something you should work at to get the desired results.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) You're caught up with extra responsibilities on the home front this week. However, your powers of concentration are poor this week, and you find yourself dwelling on the latter part of the week.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Your powers of concentration are poor this week, and you have a tendency to lose things. Shopping isn't favored, so you could misplace a credit card. Unexpected news comes your way this week-end.

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**In the Stars...**

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Those around you are trying to pull you something this week, but you're too wrapped up with your own thoughts. Pay attention! You've been missing out on valuable advice.

VIRO (August 23 to September 22) A matter at a distance is not resolved to your satisfaction this week. However, in romance, you just can't lose. Avoid a tendency to brood and worry during the latter part of the week.

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CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) You're concerned about finances, but don't let that ruin your whole week. If you approach your problem sensibly and work things out with time, you'll achieve the desired results.

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candidates, ctd.  

so pissed off [at the current administration] that I decided to run again.”

Most of the candidates were born and raised in New London, having attended the city elementary and high schools. Many have children currently in school, accounting for much of their motiv - ing the current system. Nearly all of the candidates are members in CFAR (Citizen’s Forum for Achiev - ing Results), an organization which works closely with Connecticut College.

deadline for submission of applications - November 1997.
Campus Advisor: Prof. Dorothy James

Candidates were all asked to submit an application to the City Council, is currently applying to Conn for a bachelor’s degree in music.

postseason, ctd.  

were a return to the pre-1993 situa - tion without post-season play for team sports, returning to pre-1993 for all sports, maintaining the pilot program, ending NCAA participa- tion and beginning NESCAC team championships, or NESCAC be - coming its own “playing conference,” with the conference cham - pion moving on to NCAA post- season play.

President Gaudiani’s message to students was to get information so that they could make an informed presentation to her. The letter’s goal, signed by the president, Athletic Director Ken McElroy, and SGA president Kay Golub, is to “prepare the president to go to the December 16 meeting with the best solu - tion to the real challenges faced by the intersection of excellent acad - emics, superior athletics and the NCAA.”

Ken McElroy, Athletic Director, stated that his role will be to “over - see, facilitate, and pull this thing together,” referring to the campus- wide discussion concerning post - season play.

Golub sees his role as “facilitating the student role in the decision.” While he believes that President Gaudiani’s mind is open, he warns students that unless students make an informed presentation to the president she will “make this deci - sion on her own.”

Silas Bauer, ’98, chair of the At - letic Advisory Board, echoed this

work, ctd.  

During the forum, students were asked the opportunity to meet the candidates and hear their vary - ing viewpoints. This has been in keeping with a year-long initiative to get students involved in the elec - toral process. “There has been a real emphasis to be registered,” explains Sarah Shutts, “but we are all part of a community and we have an impact on it”. The college adminis - tration is hoping that this initiative will culminate successfully with a large student turn-out on election day which is November fourth.

field hockey, ctd.  

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**Intramural Update**

by BabyFran

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**round-up, ctd.**

**WOMEN'S TEAM FINISHES SECOND AT YALE INTER-SECTIONAL**

The crew of Morgan Connor '98, Drew Butter '98, and Ben Wagner '98 captured the New England Sloop Championship at Tufts on Sunday, October 19. Conn won the final race to place itself in a tie with Boston University. The Cats then defeated the Terriers 7-5 in the tiebreaker to capture the Larry White Trophy. Connecticut College will now represent New England at the National Championship in Irvine, California on November 21-23. Meanwhile, the women's team finished second among 16 teams at the Yale Intersectional. Erin Largey '98 and Karen Rennell '99 were second in the A Division while Jane Loutrel '99 and Liz Hall '01 garnered second in the B Division.

**Kickin' Butt**

CESAC Player of the Week Jay Lilien '00 slices through the defense on his way to goal.
CAMEL SPORTS

Terrien reflects on serious injury

by Lauren Labiglia

"It could have happened as I walked across the street," he calmly explained. One of Conn’s most experienced ruggers, Chris Terrien ’98 was the victim of a freak accident, a rock, a collision, a day that will stay with him forever. Word spread quickly through our small campus community that a fellow Camel had serious brain surgery. An epidural hematoma forced Terrien to collapse during the September 29th rugby game against the Coast Guard.

Terrien does not recall the time that passed between the preseason exercises and the moment he awoke after surgery. However, the rock that grounded Terrien was fortunately attended to as he stumbled over to the side lines. "Our training staff is great," Terrien insisted. Caroline Hooper ’99 served as an EMT for the game, keeping Terrien alert as he coherently told her that he could reenter the game. Terrien, a usual flanker had entered this match-up as an outside center, a position he considered less risky that in the pack. However, as time passed Terrien got more dizzy, repeating himself numerous times and eventually throwing up. At that point he was on his way to the hospital with Hooper. A CAT scan showed the epidural hematoma, bleeding between the top layer of the brain and the skull.

Often called a "bar room injury," similar incidents have occurred when people were struck with bottles in their heads and went to bed, never to wake up. As the pressure in Terrien’s skull increased, so did his symptoms. This emergency surgery was performed to drain out the fluid. Terrien remembers waking up to the LSU football game playing by his hospital bed. Where had the time gone? What had happened? Terrien wishes that he knew exactly what transpired that day. In Stealth he woke with great questions and the feeling of what he described as a "day and a half hangover." However, Terrien is very aware that his condition made him unable to beat anyone, including Davis, had track percentages of the roster. Co-captain Matthew Sto et, "Chris was not just one of our best players, but one of the most experienced. It was a terrible loss when he suffered that injury." As the team will miss Terrien, so will the Conn College campus when he graduates, an example of strength, desire and achievement.

The excitement of the Bates game did not occur until well into the game, but once it got started, it didn’t end until the last nail-biting second. The first half was comprised of what resembled a Fuzzy Zoeller of the ball Lovelace teed up for anyone, including Davis, had track percentages of the roster. Co-captain Matthew Sto et, "Chris was not just one of our best players, but one of the most experienced. It was a terrible loss when he suffered that injury." As the team will miss Terrien, so will the Conn College campus when he graduates, an example of strength, desire and achievement. The Bobcats brought with them their 6-3 record and put it on the line as they faced off against a team, who was 4-6. The end result was a 2-1 Camel victory for the pack of alumni, friends, and family. The victory gives the Camels a healthy 5-6 record, which isn’t as nice as the 11-5 record that they compiled last season, but for a group of underclassmen tossed together in late August, it is most impressive.

Youngsters team up to skin the Bobcats

by Michael Muller

Most people look at a team full of freshmen and sophomores and think, "This will have to be a rebuilding year." However, this week the field hockey team showed two New England rivals that youth doesn’t always mean weakness. On Thursday, Conn blew right past Mount Holyoke 5-0, and then met up with NECAL rival Bates on Homecoming Weekend for a Saturday morning thriller. The Bobcats brought with them their 6-3 record and put it on the line as they faced off against a team, who was 4-6. The end result was a 2-1 Camel victory for the pack of alumni, friends, and family. The victory gives the Camels a healthy 5-6 record, which isn’t as nice as the 11-5 record that they compiled last season, but for a group of underclassmen tossed together in late August, it is most impressive.

The Bates game was a terrific example of Conn’s young team coming through in a tough spot. Freshmen Barbara Lovelace and Jaimie Atlas each scored their first goals of the season, and Paige Holmes ‘00 had 9 saves for a near-perfect performance. Holmes’ result was also a particular bright spot, as she has accumulated 90 saves and allowed only 8 goals. The teams combined on to a scoreless first 14 minutes, 22 seconds, until Brett Wiss ’00 put up a shot that dropped right behind the feet of forward Susie Davis ’00 who was stationed right in the slot. Before anyone, including Davis, had track percentages of the roster. Co-captain Matthew Sto et, "Chris was not just one of our best players, but one of the most experienced. It was a terrible loss when he suffered that injury." As the team will miss Terrien, so will the Conn College campus when he graduates, an example of strength, desire and achievement.