Removal Proposal Survives SGA Meeting Intact

by Sarah Huntley
The College Voice

After approximately three hours of intense debate on Thursday, SGA voted 16-15 to table the public impeachment and removal proposal initiated by John Maggione, '91, house senator of Laurus. Much of the debate and voting that did occur centered around amendments. Some of these endeavored to change the proposal's fundamental basis of open hearings, while others only slightly attempted to alter Maggione's proposal. The longest period of debate hinged around the amendments proposed by Robert Shea, '91, junior class president, which would have changed the hearings to closed sessions. Shea stressed the importance of the accused's rights to confidentiality and stated that the only purpose of open hearings was to satisfy the public's curiosity.

Rachel Mass, '90, house senator of Harkness, and Doriel Larrier, '90, house senator of Unity, asked questions regarding notification of an impeachment and the subsequent filling of a dorm official's position. Shea replied that the dorm would not be notified of an impeachment, but merely told that the official was no longer able to serve in his/her position.

Conn Loses ECAC Title

On Saturday, the Women's Soccer team lost by a score of 4-3 in the ECAC semifinals to Trinity. The game was decided on penalty shots because after regulation play and one overtime the score was tied. Trinity went on to win the ECAC Championship by defeating Bowdoin on Sunday.

Part Three Of A Campus Safety Series: If a Serious Incident Happened, Would the College be Libel?

by Craig Timburg
The College Voice

In the past two academic years, female students at Connecticut College have awoken to find strange men standing in their dormitory rooms. Neither woman was physically attacked, but lack could have easily worked the other way, producing a scenario in which these men were rapists or murderers rather than burglars. In several similar incidents at colleges around the country, other women have not been as fortunate.

USA Today reported that over 650 rapes occurred on college campuses in 1987 and that there was a 5 percent increase in campus crime from 1986 to 1987. The recent rise in serious campus crime in the last several years has also lead to a trend that may be even more dangerous to colleges. In many cases, these victims and their parents are suing colleges, charging that negligent security led to these crimes, and because of laws concerning a landlord's responsibility to provide a safe environment for tenants, they are winning.

Several schools have already been sued by multi-million dollar awards and settlements following attacks that occur on their campuses. Connecticut College, with so many students living on campus, could easily be next, because in the words of one expert on such cases, this college seems to be "courting liability."

Frank Carrington, an attorney who runs a database on victim's rights cases...believes that the college may be in a particularly vulnerable legal position should a serious crime occur here. 
VIEWPOINT

The Cro Renovation Plans: Still Wasteful Even After a Year

Over a full year has passed since the tentative Crozer-Williams Student Center renovation plans were revealed: plans that marked a flagrant waste of college monies and, furthermore, are still being justified by administrators.

Under a study conducted by Prentice & Chan, Oldsbaum, Architects and Planners, the renovation costs reached a projected $3.85 million; currently, the estimated costs have apparently been boosted to around $10.0 million. According to the Dean of the College, while the renovation project began with the hopes of requiring minimum funding, as the emphasis upon Crozer as a reflection of student life intensified, so did fundraising. The whole affair seems to be "evolving" into a larger and more extravagant build.

Some of the plan entails relocating the post office north-west a few hundred feet into the Cro, moving the bookstore and annex into what is now Conn Cave and constructing a glazed terrace cafe! Although the plan now includes the construction of a new indoor pool down at the Athletic Center, what about the lost basketball court used by so many?

With such steep a cost for this whole endeavor, the administration believes that the renovation will most likely have to be conducted in stages, and that only half of funds will probably be needed until construction commences. Getting part of the student union seems like a rather petulant move when only partial funds are available. Take the renovation of Unity House, for example: although it was as he completed by the beginning of this year, construction is only now being finished. A larger endeavor like the Cro renovation is all the riskier, especially when parts of the student union are going to be blocked off to students for who knows how long a time.

These possible drawbacks aside, why have we been so incessant with the cosmetic image of Connecticut College? For years now the college has been constructing building after building; progress just never seems good enough. Could the Palmer library build a new center for admissions; remodel the Cro snack-shop (add the new cafe), doll Freeman and J.A. up in blue carpet and rearrange the dining halls there: when is enough enough?

While it is true that the swimming pool is 22 yards instead of 25 meters long, that does not warrant splashing millions of dollars renovating the whole student union. In the meantime, this campus is still barely handicapped-accessible, and faculty status are not as competitive as those of most of our peer schools.

It is true that when academic standards between two schools are similar, an inferior student must find other guidelines as to what college he or she will attend. However, since Connecticut College is not currently comparable with Yale, a college with bureaucratic rules and a quality of academic excellence, and is setting for "the next [best] level of excellence": an attractive campus, that encourages socializing before academic work.

It appears that the renovation of the Cro will occur; perhaps it should, but why not wait until we are so academically fit as possible before affecting our more face lift to our pretty little college.

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A Solution to the Smoking Problem

by Jeffery Berman, '93 Associate Managing Editor

When Alex Barrett and I, both anti-smoking advocates, began discussing, researching, and writing our proposal, we knew that there would be those who would vehemently object. The issue of smokers' rights vs. non-smokers' rights is a divisive one. The arguments on the non-smoker's side, as outlined in the proposal and last week's article in the Voice are logical, cohesive and convincing. The arguments against the proposed regulations are, for the most part, emotional and rash.

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Realistically, this proposal is going to face strong opposition. I understand that smokers feel they have inherent rights to smoke anywhere, anytime, and that the new regulations would "steal away" these rights. However, smoking does actively interfere with the rights of non-smokers. I, too, am sensitive to SGA's over-regulating of students' lives, but this proposal is not the one on which to take an anti-SGA stance. It is a fair proposal, both that it allows smokers to smoke in their own areas and that it takes the onus off the non-smoking individual to ensure a smoke-free environment.

Smokers and non-smokers alike will agree that as college students, living in a community environment, we must be sensitive and considerate to the rights of those around us. Respecting another individual's rights may, in some instances mean having to change your behavior. Smoking is one of these instances. Setting aside allergies and long term health concerns, cigarette smoke, to many, is offensive and offensive; it imposes on personal space like no other action. The hallways, bathrooms, stairwells and living rooms are all public areas. No other group has the clear-cut undisturbed right to so dominate public areas at this college.

At colleges nationwide, a precedent has been set to systematically infringe the rights of non-smokers to breathe clean air in common areas. Connecticut College, a school that advertises its pride in progression and innovation, is lagging behind. This is an issue on which there is still room for great progress.

We are striving to move forward now. Fear, timidity and negative gut reactions are what currently hold us back; logic and fairness should be the basis for this type of decision. I encourage any student, on either side, with logical arguments, to come to Thursday night's SGA meeting. Please, however, save your threats and tricks for next Halloween.

The Price of Drinking and Driving is Always Too High

by Andrew Schiff, '93

Britton Chichester died last spring. He had been drinking and was speeding when his car slammed into an overpass support on the Maryland side of the George Washington Parkway. He was no different than you or me; simply a fun-loving teenager who thought he could beat the odds. The odds beat him though, and an entire community grieved for its fallen star.

There was something different about this death, though. It was not just another teen who had died from drinking and driving. You see, this teen was a friend of mine. Years ago we used to play on the same soccer team and complain about the coach to each other. During the summer of 1988 we ended up at the same goalkeepers camp in Connecticut and, for a solid week, relived old soccer memories, created new ones and laughed for the entire time. We made plans to get together during the upcoming school year. I last saw Britton a month or so before his death. We were stopped at the intersection of Seven Locks and River Roads, near my home in Maryland. He and a friend were in a car in the left-turn lane several car lengths behind me. But his and his friend were trying to get the attention of the car in front of them in which, of course, sat a rather attractive young lady. They rocked their car, turned up the music, and finally hooted the horn to get her attention. They shouted no lewd comments, nor made any unfriendly gestures. They merely smiled at the girl and congratulated each other on their success.

This boy-turned-man of 18 is now dead because he was driving while under the influence of alcohol.

Brit did."

You may be wondering about now, what is the point of this little story? Was there something you missed? No, you missed nothing because all I have presented was my story of Britton and what I will miss about him. I needed to do that for myself. What I ask of you is to read the story again. This boy-turned-man of 18 is now dead because he was driving while under the influence of alcohol. He was good-looking, intelligent, athletic, and popular, yet he is dead. Those gifts did not protect him from himself or the concrete, just as they will fail to protect you and me. He is gone forever because of one mistake. Don't drink and drive. The price is always too high.

Andrew Schiff is a regular CONNTHOUGHT contributor.
College Archives Brings the Past to Life

by Noll Pergament
The College Voice

There has been much talk around Connecticut College concerning where we will be heading in the new decade. In order to put where we are, we need to look back at where we have been.

Connecticut College has a rich and complex history which people on campus could have easy access to through the Connecticut College Archives.

As Catherine Phinizy, the school's full-time archivist, says, an archives is a "paper record," of what is "vital or important or historical."

"The records of an institution, the paperwork that is generated, what is retained permanently is the archives," Phinizy said.

Material in the Connecticut College Archives dates all the way back to 1915, when the school opened. Originally, everything was collected and saved by the alumni association and stored in the Palmer Library.

In 1970, Dean Emeritus Gertrude Noyes, with the assistance of Francis Brete, Associate Professor Emeritus of Physical Education, formed the archives. They sorted out and classified all of the material that the alumni association had been collecting.

Noyes worked from 1970-1984, when Mary Kent took over. By 1988 a full-time archivist became necessary, and Phinizy, a Connecticut College graduate and fully trained archivist, came into the picture.

Phinizy's job consists of, among other things, recognizing and straightening out the vast amount of documents from the college's past, as well as collecting and organizing the constant flow of material which is constantly coming in.

Her office is on the third floor of the Shain Library. Even though her door says "Connecticut College Archives," and in her office there are files of school records, college newspapers, literary magazines, and old photographs, all dating back to the school's formative years, Phinizy says that, "Connecticut College has a decentralized archives."

Some of the Archives' material is in her office, while such material as biographies of alumni would be in the Alumni Office and career information on alumni would be in the Career Office.

Phinizy said that private information about alumni is not open to the public, and to to gain that type of information a researcher would need proper identification.

She said that once "a researcher came in who had been separated for many years from his mother and he wanted to teach something about his mother to his daughter."

With the help of the Archives, Phinizy said, the girl was able to learn something about her grand-mother's life. "Every piece of history is written from a piece of paper. Knowing how to cope with this paper is to know how history is written," Phinizy said.

The material gathered in the archives is organized by the office of origin. This makes it possible to see how specific things have changed over the years.

Phinizy said that, "Over a period of time you find that a lot of offices have different functions. Unless you have a record of that office you can't tell how the function changes."

For example, Phinizy said that back in the school's early days the President's office was in charge of all the hiring and firing.

"You can't talk about your future, you have to look at where you've been," she said.

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'Not Just Tea and Cookies Anymore'

by Ellen Cole

Alumni Profile: Helen Reynolds, '68

"One reason I chose Connecticut College is that very few people in Dallas had ever heard of Connecticut." As President of the Alumni Association, Helen Reynolds is anxious to dispel common myths about that group. "We're not just tea and cookies anymore," she said, "and we're more than just reunions." The Alumni Association funds and organizes reunions, but it also publishes a quarterly magazine, directs an annual program that provides funds to the school, arranges for alumni to act as admission aiders for prospective students who can't visit the campus, and sponsors seminars and 'traveling college' programs for alumni around the country. "We want to get all alumni excited about what's happening (at Connecticut) so they'll be interested, come back to visit, send their kids here, and support the place," she added. But the Association is also concerned with increasing alumni pride in the school. Reynolds explained, "Anything that is good at Connecticut makes me feel very important because I went here, so I want the place to prosper. I want good things to happen here."

A Really C.O.O.L. Halloween

by Susan Feuer

The College Voice

Brenda Baker, '91, of Arrabakea works on a pumpkin with a New London child at the C.O.O.L. program. The pumpkin was a hit! The event included a costume contest and a dance.}

The College Voice

While it is not unusual to see students dressed up for Halloween on campus, it may be unusual to see groups of people going from dorm to dorm last Tuesday evening. The community Halloween event was sponsored by C.O.O.L. Community groups from around the New London area were invited on campus to participate in a variety of activities. There were people from the Department of Dental Retardation from Mystic Center, Center Groton Road-a housing facility for handicapped, the Seaside Regional Center of New London, and from Saccorp-a Groton Group housing organization. While the participants were mostly adults, there was a group of kids from the Centro Hispanic Community Center also. All together, there were 200 people from different organizations on campus last Tuesday night. The people went all over campus for activities, which were all held in different dorms. Fifty C.O.O.L. participants, all students here, brought the people from dorm to dorm. Each dorm created its own activity, some teaming up for activities. Wright sponsored mummy races, Morrison, Landan and Hamilton had pin the broom on the witch, and Park and Marshall had a penny toss for candy. KB and Larrabee set up pumpkin painting, where each person got his own pumpkin. The quad dorms took Polaroid pictures of each participant with the C.O.O.L. volunteer who was leading them around. At Harkness there were pumpkin pinatas, while J and Freeman offered story telling, and Dan Polidoro, '90, the program director for the Halloween event, offered "Thor", the event was very successful, despite the rain. We're very glad with the way it turned out. It was a huge effort which was really great. All the C.O.O.L. participants were enthusiastic and encouraged about the turn out. One volunteer, Stephanie Enleman felt, "It seems like everyone, including the college students, is enjoying themselves." Freshman Jennifer Freeman feels, "It went extremely well. The SAC reps and house governors did a wonderful job putting it together."

Last Tuesday's Halloween event certainly was a success. Freeman summed up her feelings by saying, "You could tell how well it went by Association does plan to gather. Because of the positive outcome of this year's event, it will be planned again for next year.
College Could Libel If A Serious Safety Incident Occurred

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With litigation becoming the weapon of choice for victims and parents seeking retribution, the combination of poor dormitory security and the lack of substantial improvements in security since the incidence in the last two years could make the college very susceptible to a major lawsuit.

Nationally, most lawsuits have come from cases in which somebody has been raped or murdered on a college campus, and although that hasn't happened here, the possibility that it could certainly exists.

Carrington criticized the unwillingness of many colleges to spend the relatively small amount of money to improve security when legal action could cost them millions of dollars.

"What is now X-amount of dollars could be Y-amount, which amount being 100 times more or 1000 times more," said Carrington. The stakes are indeed high in these cases. The dean of student life at Dade Community College in Florida was awarded $3 million after being gang-raped in a parking lot, and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology had to pay $5 million after an ex-boyfriend burned a woman with acid in her dormitory.

Lehigh University reportedly settled a $25 million suit for over $2 million and, in as many cases, ended up spending the money necessary to implement additional security systems; ones that would have prevented the crime in the first place.

According to Joseph Toller, dean of student life, the first of these incidents happened in December 1987 in a dormitory room. Sounds woke up a freshman at about 7:30 a.m., and when she opened the door, she saw a man rummaging through her desk drawers.

She said, "Hey," and, fortunately, he left quickly. This man had gotten into the room because her roommate had left the door unlocked.

A similar incident happened last December, when a sophomore in Abbey House woke up at 5:45 a.m. and saw a man in her room. That door was also unlocked, said Toller.

Both were only robberies, but the simple fact that men had wandered into dormitories in the early morning and entered rooms demonstrated such a serious failure of security that it would likely be a crucial piece of information to a jury considering the college's liability in some future case.

Since these incidents in which men entered unlocked rooms, the college has installed self-locking door locks in many dormitories, but many still do not have them.

Beyond the question of the college's reaction to prior incidents, the weaknesses of dormitory security at the college would likely figure prominently in any decision against the college.

Daniel Keller, director of public safety at the University of Louisiana, said, "They haven't done anything that is unusual. This is just a normal situation that happens at a college."

However having males and females share the same bathrooms, as they do in all of the college's dormitories, could prove to be a much larger problem. In such a situation, he believes that a woman is much less able to identify and protect herself against a potential sexual criminal.

Carrington called co-ed bathrooms a "plaintiff attorney's dream" and "an atrocious breach of elementary security." In addition, he said, "I don't see how the college could absolve itself from liability."

"Ever since they invented showers and bathrooms, men and women have been assigned to different ones," said Carrington.

"If a male goes into a female bathroom, he's clearly in the wrong place," he said.
Committee Sells T-Shirts To Aid South African Student

The Student Government Association South African Scholarship Committee is selling T-shirts to raise funds. According to Stephen Montjane, '92, committee co-chair, the profits "go directly to help a South African student in an English speaking South African university."

"Most of our sister institutions" are involved in the project, Montjane said. The committee has only 100 shirts left, and they are available from committee members and Montjane at 444-1473 and James Fisfis, '91, committee co-chair, at 444-9178.

Hampton stated that it is "not hard to imagine a name change."

Hampton is excited about possible changes that would free up 10,000 square feet for student activities and provide a central location with a variety of resources for all members of the college community.

The Student Government Association South African Scholarship Committee, which is asking parents, alumni and friends of the college for donations, has only 100 shirts left, and they are available from committee members and Montjane at 444-1473 and James Fisfis, '91, committee co-chair, at 444-9178.

The Ivy League Spring

in New York

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New York, New York 10027
(212) 854-2522

Application deadline: December 15, 1989

The Development office knows "how important the student participation is in fundraising."

The completion date for the project is still not known. After the plans are approved by the Board of Trustees, the project will go out to bid. According to college guidelines, the college must receive a minimum of three bids.

Hampton considers it likely that the project will be conducted in stages; however, he acknowledged that renovations will probably not commence until at least half of the necessary funds are raised.
Connecticut College Student Discusses His Cocaine Addiction

By Cathy Rosser
The College Voice

On Sunday, October 29, and Monday, October 30, Bill Brewer, '90, spoke in Wright and Harkness Dormitories about being a recovering cocaine addict. About twenty students gathered each night to hear Brewer speak.

According to Brewer, he first experimented with cocaine during spring break of his freshman year at Connecticut College, and continued because he enjoyed the high.

Brewer had been active in basketball, but after beginning to use the drug, he said his priorities switched to cocaine first, basketball second, and school last.

He said his circle of friends became those who could "supply me with cocaine," both in and out of school.

"I found that I didn't want to do things with friends unless cocaine was involved," he said.

At one point, Brewer's parents received an anonymous letter saying that Brewer was seriously involved with cocaine and needed help. When confronted by his parents with the news, Brewer succeeded in convincing his parents that it was false.

The culmination of Brewer's addiction was expulsion from the college because he enjoyed the high. Brewer entered an intensive drug rehabilitation program on an outpatient basis, meeting three times a week for a period of four hours a time.

The college re-accepted him this year to finish his senior year, and Brewer expressed how fortunate he felt to be given another chance.

Brewer is no longer using cocaine, though he says his addiction is something he fights every day.

The Student Government Association assembly did not reach a conclusion of the removal hearing debate at this week's meeting.

During committee reports, Ben Grenier, '91, vice president of SGA, reported that some clubs' second semester allotments may depend upon their upcoming Finance Committee audits.

Hauo Hwang, '91, academic affairs chair, announced that SGA's endorsement was removed from a Korean Studies letter because it was inappropriate for SGA to endorse a specific department.

John Maggiore, '91, house senator of Laurus, announced that the Food Committee has concluded that the meal plan cannot be changed.

Grenier added that the Alcohol Policy Committee was due to meet with a lawyer on Friday to discuss "social functions with alcohol in the dorms."

Maggiore proposed his motion to form a removal committee for elected student officials impeached by the Judiciary Board.

Hwang proposed a friendly amendment to allow SAC and BAC representation on the committee and Maggiore accepted.

When Maggiore rejected a friendly amendment by Nick Holahan, '90, house senator of Burdock, to allow a member of the accused's dormitory to hold a non-voting position on the committee, Holahan motioned for a full amendment.

The amendment failed 15-16-1.

N. Jason Calamin, '90, house senator of Abbey, proposed an amendment to make the committee a recommending body with the Assembly making a final decision. The motion failed 4-27-1.

Robert Shea, '91, president of the junior class, proposed an amendment to make all hearings confidential. Several additional amendments were proposed to Shea's original amendment. The motion failed 8-24.

Grenier motioned to table the motion until next week. The motion passed 16-15-1.

New business was forwarded to next week's agenda.

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Bill Brewer, '90, speaks about his cocaine addiction

Helen Suzman speaks at Connecticut College against apartheid

Helen Suzman Honored by Queen Elizabeth II

Helen Suzman, a member of the South African Parliament for 36 years and outspoken critic of apartheid, was made an honorary dame by Queen Elizabeth II in recognition of Suzman's work against apartheid. The title is the female equivalent of knighthood.

Suzman spoke to Connecticut College students on October 12 about the injustices in South Africa.

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NBA Commissioner to Speak At Conn

David Stern, commissioner of the National Basketball Association, will address issues that will affect the league in the next decade in a lecture at Connecticut College on November 15.

Stern’s lecture will cover four topics: using the league as a model for drug and alcohol policies, the internalization of the league, an obligation of a team to its community, and technology and its impact on the NBA. Stern will also answer questions from a panel and the audience.

Distinguished Alumni Speaker Series

Distinguished alumni will return to campus to discuss their Connecticut College education, and how it relates to life after graduation.

The first speaker, Judy Licht, ’66, is a correspondent for the “10 O’Clock News” program on New York’s Fox TV Channel 5. She has been involved with television broadcasting for over fifteen years.

Licht will be speaking in Ernst Commons Room at 4 p.m. on Thursday, November 9. A reception will follow her presentation.

World Craft Fair to be Held

Connecticut College will host its Second Annual Third World Craft Fair on November 12 and 13 in the Harkness Chapel library.

The nonprofit fair will bring the work of craftsmen from around the world to market on a consignment basis. The event is sponsored by the Protestant Worship Community and UMOJA.

Crafts will include wicker furniture, wood toys and puzzles, holiday ornaments, and brassware. Hours are Sunday, 12:30 to 9 p.m., Monday 9:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

British Journalist to Speak on South Africa

On Monday, November 6, the noted British journalist Colin Legum will speak on “South Africa After the September Elections.” Legum will speak at 7:30 p.m. in Oliva Hall.
Impeachment Process Changes Survive Scrutiny in SGA

Shea's amendments, suggesting that a letter of notification be sent to constituents of the impeached official only upon removal. He added that all recipients of such a letter would be bound by honor code confidentiality.

Jason Stewart, '90, house senator of Larrabee, protested this amendment, stating that the idea to "find an entire dorm to confidentiality" was "ridiculous." Maggiore agreed and said such a letter would inflict "an extreme, involuntary confidentiality that is not included by the Honor Code." The amendment failed.

When the debate returned to Shea's original amendment, N. Janese Calamita, '90, house senator of Abbey, said "there is no way that I can support this amendment...it is really scary and Byzantine to have [such confidentiality]...Where is and so on?" "Oh, he's gone." "Why?" "I don't know." 

Larrier agreed, saying: "People in office are not elected in secret, I don't think they should be removed in secret."

James Fisfis, '91, house senator of Lambdin, disagreed. He said that he does not deny the importance of the electorate's right to know; however "This is not the United States Senate, and open hearings do nothing but perpetuate Gary Hart type affairs." He added that "students have a right to run for office, without foisting the right to confidentiality."

Maggiore criticized closed hearings as a means for spreading incorrect information. "We also have a duty as a body that will not discourage the discussion of rumors," he said. 

N. Janese Calamita felt that such a hearing would lead to a "patchwork report based on innuendo and allegation." Calamita felt that such a hearing would threaten confidentiality. "Looking at it practically, it doesn't work, and I don't think it makes much sense...110 people bound to confidentiality makes confidentiality look a little silly...I don't think confidentiality can bear that strain." The vote failed 24-8.

Further discussion and possibly a second vote will continue at next week's SGA meeting.
The Velvet Underground
by Taylor X. Hubbard
The College Voice
The Velvet Underground broke up roughly seventeen years ago. In their brief career, starting from their first show in 1965, theVelvets remained fairly obscure, producing no hit albums or singles, and were disliked by many critics.
Since their break-up, however, they have been lauded as a seminal influence on much of today's music. The subject matter and the experimental nature of the band's material was very much ahead of its time. The Velvet Underground, with their bitter and frank songs about victims of society, transvestites, and drug abusers, often faced with white noise and abrasive dissonance, are said to be precursors of the punk and post-punk movements.
Taking their name from a novel that was found on a sidewalk in the Bowery, the Velvet Underground took off when they were feasted in Andy Warhol-produced "Exploding Plastic Inevitable" show. The Velvets were a product of a variety of elements. Lead singer/songwriter Lou Reed studied music for years, taking piano lessons and music theory. He was influenced in his lyrics by his friendship with American poet Delmore Schwartz. John Cale, who played bass, electric violin, organ, and shared in the songwriting chores for the band, had received his training from avant-garde composer John Cage. The band made seven highly-original albums, including two that were recorded live before they broke up.
Lately, various members of the Velvet Underground have been the focus of a good deal of attention. Lou Reed has finally achieved a hit album with his critically acclaimed "New York," after a solo career which, although prolific and dynamic, had sparked little interest with mainstream audiences.
Maureen "Mo" Tucker, whose creative drum work was essential to the sound of the Velvets, has re-emerged, with the help of sworn-Velvet disciples Sonic Youth and 1/2 Japanese, a new album entitled "Life in Exile After Abduction," and it has been getting lot of airplay on alternative and college radio stations.
This December, in a much-publicized reunion, Lou Reed and John Cale will perform a series of works dedicated to the late Andy Warhol. And there is no doubt that the Velvet's connections with Warhol are contributing to their revival of interest in the band.

The album is perfect for someone who wants to delve in some self-pity. The listener will no doubt find a way to identify with [Lou] Reed's haunting dirges of self-denial, such as "Lisa Says," "Candy Says," and "All Tomorrow's Parties."... The Velvet Underground's first album, "The Velvet Under- ground," available at all hip record stores, serves as a good introduction to the band, but it does not give a very good overview of the band as a whole. Luckily, their entire catalogue can be still found at many dealers, and often at a very inexpensive price.

The compilation contains tracks from most of the Velvet's albums, and all of the songs are, indeed, some of the best that the band recorded. The album seems to bypass the Velvet's harsher sound, ignoring all tracks from their album "White Light/White Heat" and omitting classics such as "Venus in Furs" and "European Son," in favor of the band at its most melodic, with the lilting pop of songs like "I'll Be Your Mirror" and "Pale Blue Eyes." The album is perfect for someone who wants to delve in some self-pity. The listener will no doubt find a way to identify with Reed's haunting dirges of self-denial, such as "Lisa Says," "Candy Says," and "All Tomorrow's Parties." (tang by the late German chanteuse of glooms, Nico, who was featured on the Velvet Underground's first album.)

The Beautiful Big Blue
by John Varro
The College Voice
This week I am going to shift gears a bit and move from the action/comedy films of the past two articles to a slower, more deliberate motion picture. "The Big Blue," starring Jean Reno, is essentially nothing more than a case study of a young man that finds himself most comfortable in the water - unfortunately, she usually does it by film following the competition successes, plays the diving world champion, neither a movie for everyone nor for every headlining the cast of the film, "The Big Blue," directed by Jacques Audy and directed by Maurice Richard, "The Big Blue," is a story of a young man that finds and dangerous.
As you have probably guessed, this is neither a movie for everyone nor for every viewer. Those looking for an "Indiana Jones"-like bombardment of action, or even those expecting an underwater thriller like this past summer's "The Abyss," will invariably find "The Big Blue" boring or complain that "nothing really happens." If you are willing to give it a chance, however, and can appreciate both the rich, vibrant cinematography and the fascinating story of Mayol and his unique relationship with the water, you will not be disappointed. This movie but you will probably also sign up for the scuba class next semester.

This Week's Films

Thursday, November 9, in Oliva at 8:00 P.M.
The PETT THEATRE OF JEAN RENOIR (French: 1969)
Starring: Nino Fornaciari, Marguerite Cassan and Fernand Sardou
Directed: Jean Renoir
Three stories about sex, marital problems and beggars.

Sunday, November 12, in Oliva at 2:00 and 8:00 P.M.
The RULES OF THE GAME (French 1939)
Starring: Marcel Dalio, Nora Gregor
Directed: Jean Renoir
A count organizes a weekend shooting party which results in complex love intrigues among servants as well as masters.

"Celebrated satirical comedy." - Halliwell
*One of the most popular foreign films ever shown in the U.S.*
Broadway's New Season Hit: 
The Prince of Central Park

by Michael Berowitz
The College Voice

At long last, Broadway has a melody that will put a spring in your step and a song in your heart. Billed as the "first new musical of the Broadway season," The Prince of Central Park promises non-stop pleasure. While it sometimes comes close to minimizing itself, it always manages to take a surprise turn for the better, and ultimately impress.

There are several times that the production thankfully avoids predictable and downright corny situations. The numbers featuring the ensemble as people in the park are so happy and contrary to real life (who is truly excited to be in Central Park?) that they border on sappiness. The cast's enthusiasm, however, is genuine, and the numbers work. The story also avoids a cliched drug subplot. Right when "The Prince of Central Park" (who is truly excited so happy and contrary to real life) comes close to minimizing itself, it always manages to take a surprise turn for the better, and ultimately impress.

Surprisingly good is Richard H. Blake as the young boy Jay-Jay. He sports a powerhouse voice used to belting the title song, but, as he proves in other numbers, he can easily slip into a pleasing falsetto. While like all child actors he may become annoying at times for various reasons (like his uncertain hand movements, continuous shifting from side to side, and sometimes whiny speaking voice), he pulls off a fine performance. While Blake and his co-stars work well together, providing the show with a sincere friendship that outlasts all of Margie and Jay-Jay's troubles.

Roundout a well-chosen cast are the amazingly liked Anthony Caldic as the menacing but helpless gang leader Elmo, Marilyn Hudgkins as the amusing bag lady, and the confident Allan Yearsley as Elmo's girlfriend Elmo.

With an enthusiastic cast and smart writing, The Prince of Central Park proves that Broadway can be fun without being stupid.
Women’s Tennis:
Conn Ends Season with a Strong Showing

by Dobby Z. Gibson
Associate Sports Editor

The Connecticut College Women’s Tennis Team finished off its season with the New England Championships at Amherst College from October 19 through the 22. The Camels finished in tenth place tied with three other teams: M.I.T., Mount Holyoke, and Wesleyan. Twenty-five teams competed in the tournament.

“I expected us to finish right around the middle somewhere and that’s about where we were at the end,” explained Coach Sheryl Yeary.

Individually, Sarah Hurst lead the way, reaching the semifinals at the first singles position. She lost in a tough three set match against the second seed. Wesleyan, Twenty-five teams competed in the tournament.

“Tough three and a half hours to play.”

The New England Championships ended the Camel’s season on the right foot. As a team, they seemed to win or lose in streaks, and they were in a bit of a losing slide as the tournament approached. Conn had lost an away match to Wesleyan, followed by a loss to Mount Holyoke. Their final match against Fairfield, a match they were favored to win, was rained out.

“We played some very competitive matches.”

Overall, Coach Yeary was very pleased with the improvement of her team. She did a great job of balancing the play of experienced upperclassmen with promising freshmen.

“We played some great teams and we played some very competitive matches.” Yeary said. “I saw a lot of individual progress and I thought the team worked very well together. It was a great group of kids to work with. Some very positive things happened in the course of the season.”

Coach Yeary is looking forward to next season with great anticipation. With the promising play of freshmen Beth Grossman, Aimee Beauchamp, and Kay Jennis, the Camels starting lineup may be even stronger next season.

“Only the summer will tell,” explained Yeary, “because the effort the women give over the summer translates into a stronger team in the fall.”

Sports Trivia:
Kevin’s Corner

by Kevin Cuddihy
The College Voice

Congratulations to this week’s winner John Bimsteel, ’93, who answered all of last week’s questions correctly. Send answers to Box 3370 by Friday.

This week’s questions:
1. Name the four original NHL franchises.
2. Who are the only two coaches in the history of the Dallas Cowboys?
3. What did Steve Walsh do on his first NFL pass?
4. Who claimed Tony Eason off the waiver list this week?
5. Name the five Red Sox players who have the same last names as towns in Massachusetts.

Last week’s answers:
1. G 11. K
2. P 12. J
3. A 13. C
4. E 14. R
5. S 15. Q
7. M 17. O
8. L 18. F

Intramural Update

The flag football regular season has come to a close as the teams gear up for this week’s playoffs. In the biggest game of the year in the Ames Division, David defeated the Big Dawgs 21-7. The victory gave David sole possession of first place with a record of 5-0-1.

The Big Dawgs finish at 4-1-1, second in the Ames Division. With a 49-7 victory over J.A., Hit or Be Hit finished third with a record of 2-1-2. Inдором squeezed into the last playoff slot with a record of 1-3-0.

In the Gaudi Division the Heineconns and Smacky Brown finished tied for first place each with a record of 5-1-0. However, Heineconn won the division on account of a perfect divisional record. The Heineconns only lost came at the hands of the Big Dawgs. Smith-Burdict finishes a strong third with a record of 4-2-0. The last team in the Gaudi Division to qualify for the playoffs was Soul Train which clinched the spot with a final regular season victory over the Kamikazes, 21-14. Soul Train finished with a record of 3-3-0.

The intramural ice hockey season has started with four games played over the past week. In the Wagner Division the Canadians used a second period goal to pull ahead of the Whalers to win 3-2. The Islanders scored three goals in the second period and another in the third to crush the Rangers 4-0.

In the Statten Division the Faculty scored two second period goals which was all that was needed to beat the Women’s Club 3-2. In the second game, the Bruins scored the only goal of the third period to skate to a 3-3 tie with the Sabres.

In Six-Aside Soccer, the regular season is winding down as teams in both divisions fight for the remaining playoff spots. In the Tolliver Division Windham remains undefeated at 4-0 but is followed closely by 3-1 Freeman. Branford and Burdick are also in the hunt for playoff spots.

In the Hampton Division the Contras and Why?, both undefeated, are atop the division standings. The Brewery and the X-Conns are close behind each with 2-1-1 records.

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Men's Crew:

Men's Crew Loaded with Freshman Talent

by John Carey

The Connecticut College crew team has been blessed with yet another talent of this year's freshmen class. The freshmen crew is finishing their fall season with potential untold at this college for years. With ten experienced freshmen rowers and a current fifteen-teen new rowers, the men's crew launches three freshmen boats every day ceased by Brett Enman, '93, Tina Wang, '93, and Anne Kummer, '93.

"This is by far the best group of freshmen we have had here since I began coaching the men's crew 16 years ago," said Coach Rick Ricci. "I'm really numb with excitement when I think of the spring season."

During the fall, Coach Ricci has spent many hours with both the novices and the experienced oarsmen. With surprise speed, all of the novices have learned the difficult task of rowing a boat fast.

On October 21, the experienced freshmen had their first competition. Sending a boat up north to Cambridge, Conn raced with men had their first competition. Sending a boat up north to Cambridge, Conn raced with...
Men's Soccer: Camels Defeat Eastern Connecticut

by Day Post

This was the last home game for the Men's Soccer team this year, and the last home game for six seniors representing the Camels. Next year the Camels will be without Tri-Captains Joe Carbe, Kevin Langevin and Tim Smith, as well as Sal Blangiardo, Randy Kline and Ed Schauster. Although this will not stand out in the history books as Conn's most important, most high scoring, or best game, the Camels recorded a victory for their high spirited home crowd and most importantly, for themselves.

Conn came into this game with a 6-6 record. Their opponents were the 12-11 Eastern Connecticut State University Warriors. This game proved to be a battle of the defenses as both teams were unable to rally any strong offense. In the whole game Conn had ten shots, four of which were on goal. Eastern had nine shots, two of which were on goal.

In the first half neither team took the upper hand and neither on goal. Four of which were on goal. Conn had ten shots, Smith had four shots, but had to wait for a small tussle between some of the players to die down. When Smith finally got his chance, he nailed the ball into the back of the net for Conn's game winner and a 1-0 lead.

The rest of the half was again uneventful while both teams had only a few shots. Although Eastern only had two shots on goal, they put a lot of pressure the Camels in the dying moments of the game. Conn's defense once again proved just how strong it is. Eastern spent most of the final quarter of the game threatening the Camels in defense, holding Conn in its own half. They were, however, unable to make any decisive shots or score and so the Camels won their last game.

The Camels still have one remaining game away at Middlebury. Nevertheless, the season was over in many ways. Conn would not be playing in the ECAC tournament and the worst they could do now was have a tied season at 7-7.

Nostalgia had not entirely set in when I talked to the six leaving members of the Camels after the game. Joe Carbe jokingly spoke, "This is really sad, I never thought it would end. It was so much fun playing here, we had great crowds. I only wish I could have scored in my last game." Tim Smith, who scored a consolation penalty, was more jubilant saying, "Nice day, a good soccer, home crowd, and a win—no better way to go out." Randy Kline though was, "Disappointed with the season." "But," as he said, "there is nothing you can complain about in the four years, with two ECAC bids. It was a great four years, no regrets." For some the lack of big home games had its fallbacks. Sal Blangiardo reflecting on his last season as a Camel disconsolately said, "It's unfortunate that in our senior year, our big games were away.

For some it was not just the end of four years of soccer, but four years of memories. Ken Langevin looked back sadly saying, "We found something special on the field, a friendship, that couldn't be found anywhere else."

ECAC Playoffs:

Women's Soccer Loses to Trinity Bantams

by Day Post

On Saturday the Women's Soccer team defended its ECAC championship title in front of a veritable crowd. Despite their unlucky loss to Trinity, 2-1, after an over time period and a penalty shootout, the Camels played outstanding soccer.

Throughout the game Conn dominated Trinity in every aspect, out-shooting them 29-6. In the first half, the Camels simply outplayed and out-maneuvered the Bantams to the extent that the Bantams only had two shots on goal. It seemed that long the Camels would take the lead and eventually beat Trinity, who were the only team to beat Conn during the regular season by a score of 4-1.

But it was Trinity who scored first, twenty minutes into the second half. The Bantams brought the ball down the right wing and crossed it into the box where it was headed past Eva Cahalan.

Until then everything had seemed to be going right and with the clock quickly running out Conn needed a miracle to stay in the tournament. That miracle came with under two minutes to go in the form of senior Tri-Captain Anne Carberry. She had been moved from her usual position at sweeper to striker up front and was thus at the center of the action. Katie Bing, '90, was tripped up in the penalty box and the Camels were awarded an indirect free kick. The ball was placed a couple of yards inside the top of the box and after being gently tapped by a Camel player, Carberry hammered the ball into the bottom right hand corner of the net.

The game was now tied 1-1, and clearly headed for overtime.

Neither team was able to score in over-time and thus the game had to be decided on a penalty shootout. Trinity was used to this pressure. They only just qualified for the tournament after beating the Tufts Jumbos in a penalty shootout early last week.

Women's Soccer moves toward the goal.

Athlete of the Week

This week's award goes to KATY BING, '90, of the women's soccer team. Bing led the Camels in scoring and was crucial to the team's success. WHS & DZG